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105 And in all cases of Officers — "
relieving, their pay or half pay is to be the same
as that of Officers of Infantry, as prescribed
in our Separate letter of 3d January 1796 under
this head -

106 In reply to the case stated in the
16th and 17th Paragraphs of your Military Letter
of 31st december 1796 we have to observe that our
Regulations of the 22d april preceeding were not
meant to annul that clause in the new — "
Arrangement, which requires from Officers
coming home on furlough a declaration within
twelve months, after their arrival, of their —
intention of relieving from the Service -

107 And as we have been informed
that General Officers or Colonels in Command
of Regiments, Battalions, or Corps do not consider
themselves called upon under the Regulations — "
respecting furlough or retirement to make such
declaration

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declaration within that period we think it necessary to state explicitly that all officers of whatever rank or discription are to abide by the rules prescribed on this subject.

Rates of passage Money

108 You have already been informed of the Regulations on this subject established by our orders of the 27th. July 1796; since which we have thought proper to direct, that the Sums allowed to be taken by the Commanders of our Ships for the passage and accomodation at their Tables homeward bound of such Subaltern Officers, Assistant Surgeons and Cadets, as may return to Europe by order of Government expressly for the recovery of their health, shall be reduced to 400 Sicca Rupees. x x

Allowance of Passage Money to Subaltern Officers.

109. We approve of the regulations you adopted.

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adopted on the 29th July 1796 relative to the allow-
-ance of Passage Money to Subalterns returning
to Europe for the benefits of their health upon the
Certificates prescribed, so far as regards the state
of their health, including such as hold only the brevet
Rank of Captain, and of your resolution for —o—
extending this allowance to Subalterns of His
Majesty's Regiments, serving in India, who may
be under the necessity of coming home on account
of sickness.

110 But we do not think it necessary
to insist on the declaration respecting their property
required by your regulations of the above date-

111. We have resolved that no Subaltern
Officer who left India prior to the 1st June 1796,
from which date the operation of the new army
arrangement, as to pay, took effect shall be allowed
this indulgence of Passage Money under that —o—
arrangement-

112 We have fixed the Sum to be
allowed

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allowed to Subaltern Officers coming home for ill health from your Establishment subsiquent to the above period at Sicca Rupees 1000.

Recruits

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Various obstacles, which it is unnecessary to detail have occurred to carrying into effect the plan alluded to in our dispatch of the 8th January 1796 for recruiting our European Army, but we trust that the measures for establishing a plan of that nature will soon be taken; in the mean time we have obtained His Majesty's Licence to recruit, by which we hope to be able to supply the deficiency in our European Establishments under the reform therein above directed, and it is satisfactory to observe that the number of foreigners enlisted from the Troops formerly belonging to the Dutch Possessions at the Cape or elsewhere have afforded some supply to our European Regements in India

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Having thus detailed under the

General

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General heads, contained in our orders of 8th January
1796, such observations, as have appeared necessary, on
your proceedings in consequence of those orders, we
shall conclude with some remarks on the very —
extraordinary conduct of several of our Officers in
their addresses to you on the new arrangement.

115 When we consider the liberal —
principles of that arrangement, formed as it was
in concert with his Majesty's Ministers and who
united with us in endeavoring to remove every
reasonable cause of complaint; when we —
recollect that in many instances indulgences
were granted by it, which had not been asked
and which could not have been expected; when
we advert to the pecuniary sacrifices made
by the Company to promote the comfort and
happiness of the whole of our Indian Army
we must repeat in the terms of the conclu-
=ding part of our separate letter of the 8th —
January 1796 that we had the most sanguine
expectations

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expectations that all discontent would be done away,
"that our Military Servants would feel deeply impressed
"with a sense of the protection extended to them and
"the great regard shewn to their interests, and that they
"would consider with candour the important ameliora-
"made in the service in general in Credit, emolument
"and respectability, however some few individuals might
"not feel their present situations exactly what they
"wished.

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To these sentiments on the most mature
consideration we adhered; and we are convinced
every reasonable, every ingenuous mind will concur
in them: what therefore must have been our
surprize, and indignation to find thereby our well-
founded expectations disappointed, to learn that
some of our Officers instead of receiving the valuable
benefits and advantages, held out to them by the
new army regulations, with gratitude and respect
had presumed to arraign those regulations in a
style of disrespect and intemperance, highly
unbecoming the Situation in which they stand to

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those, who had prescribed them; that some had even dared to insinuate that we had been actuated by — unworthy motives in forming some parts of those — regulations; and that other parts, the most beneficial to their interests and happiness, had been treated with contempt or indifference; in short that in their unfounded animadversons, they have totally lost sight of all subordination and submission, and even betrayed symptoms of disaffection to our Service -

117 When we examine the Situation of those, who thus forgetful of their duty have — annexed their signatures to addresses of this complexion, we are concerned to find amongst them several, whose immediate advantage must follow the carrying into effect the arrangement determined on; while on the other hand young men who had just entered the Service have presumed to call in question the principles of Regulations, which it

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it was scarcely possible they could yet comprehend.

118 It is nevertheless some consolation to us to observe, that the number of Officers to whom these remarks more immediately apply is comparatively small, and we are still willing to persuade ourselves that on more mature reflexion, impressed with a conviction of the substantial benefits of the arrangement, even those few will see the impropriety of their conduct and return to a just sense of their duty; for, to adopt the language of the Governor General in his Minute of 15th. June 1796 we doubt not that experience will prove to the Officers of the Bengal Army that their collective interests have been more consulted in the arrangement than they appear at present to understand.

119. From these considerations we are induced to draw a veil over the past conduct of those Officers, whose addresses have been the subject of the foregoing animadversions, but necessary as it is

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for us to preserve that respect and subordination
which is so much our due from them in every view,
and to deter all our Military Servants from such
proceedings in future, we hereby direct that if any of
our Officers hereafter presume to address themselves
to our Government in an offensive, intemperate
or disrespectful style upon the subject of orders
received from us, such Officers, whatever be their
rank or services, be immediately dismissed from our
employ and sent to England.

120 The benefits arising to our Military
Service from our new arrangement under the modi-
fications directed in this Letter and the great
additional burthens we have imposed thereby on
our finances are so strikingly conspicuous, that
they cannot, we trust, fail to excite the liveliest sense
of gratitude in those, whose interests and happiness
have been so much attended to therein; we have
therefore an undoubted right to expect, that every
appearance of future objection to our Orders would
vanish

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vanish and all that our Offices will by every means in their power cheerfully co operate in carrying them into execution.

We are
Your affectionate Friends.

London
the 6th June 1798.

[signed] Jacob Bosanquet
Stephen Lushington
William Bensley
John Smith Burges
Joseph Cotton
Lionel Darell
William Devaynes
Simon Fraser
Charles Grant
John Hunter
Thomas Parry
John Roberts
David Scott
George Tatem
Robert Thornton.

East India House
22d June 1798.

A true Copy
[signed] William Ramsay
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A true Copy
[signed] J. Stracey
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Minutes of Council in the Military Department of the 26th of November 1798

Resolved that the following alterations in the Establishment of Corps, as directed in the Letter from the Honble the Court of Directors, dated the 6th June 1798 be published to the army and carried into effect.

European Artillery

Each Battalion of 5 Companies to consist of

1 Colonel
1 Lieutenant Colonel
1 Major
5 Captains
5 Captain Lieutenants
10 Lieutenants
5 Lieutenant Fireworkers
25 Serjeants
25 Corporals
50 Gunners
10 Drummers
350 Matrosses

With Staff &c. as at present

European

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European Infantry

To consist of two Regiments of 12 Companies each

Each Regiment to consist of

1 Colonel
2 Lieutenant Colonels
2 Majors
2 Captains — } Each to have a Company

1 Captain Lieutenant
25 Lieutenants
10 Ensigns
48 Serjeants
60 Corporals
26 Drums and Fifes
1140 Privates

With Staff &c as at present

Resolved that the 1st European Regiment be formed into 12 Companies and be denominated the 1st European Regiment and that the 2d European Regiment be incorporated into the 2d and that for this purpose the 2d European Regiment proceed to Burrampore on the arrival at the Presidency

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of the 76th Regiment from Dinapore.

Native Cavalry

Each Regiment of 6 Troops to consist of -

1 Lieutenant Colonel
1 Major
2 Captains
1 Captain Lieutenant
6 Lieutenants
6 Cornets
2 Serjeants
6 Subadars
12 Jemadars
24 Havildars
24 Naicks
6 Trumpeters
420 Privates
6 Puckallies
1 Surgeon
1 Assistant Surgeon and other Staff

&c as at present -

The whole Corps to be commanded

by a Colonel Commandant -

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The Hon'ble Court having also directed that Promotion in the army shall proceed upon the principles laid down in their dispatch of the 8th. January 1796 with the following qualifications, That in the Infantry the Officers be promoted by Seniority in their respective Regiments to the — Rank of Major, and afterwards to the higher ranks by Seniority in the whole Corps; and that in the Cavalry promotion do likewise proceed by — Seniority in their respective Regiments to the Rank of major, and afterwards to the higher Ranks by Seniority in the whole Corps—

Resolved That this arrangement be — carried into effect in the following manner.

In the Cavalry with the 1st major be arranged the 1st Captain, the 1st. Captain — Lieutenant, the 1st Lieutenant and the 1st Cornet, the 5th. Captain the 5th. Lieutenant and the 5th. Cornet and the 9th. Lieutenant and the 9th. Cornet; and with the 2d major be ranged

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the 2d Captain, the 2d Captain Lieutenant, the 2d Lieutenant, the 2d Cornet, the 6th Lieutenant, the 6th Cornet and the 10th Lieutenant and 10th Cornet and so on and that in the Infantry the —" arrangement be made in the same systematic Order Viz.t the 19th Senior Majors placed in —" different Regiments and to the 1st Major be added the 20th Major, the 1st Captain, the 1st Captain Lieutenant, 1st Lieutenant, and 1st Ensign, also the 20th Captain, 20th Lieutenant and 20th Ensign, with the 2d Major be ranged the 21st Major, the 2d Captain, the 2d Captain Lieutenant, 2d Lieutenant and 2d Ensign and also the 21st Lieutenant and —" 21st Ensign and so on-

Resolved that the Senior Major of Cavalry and the Officers, Regimentally arranged with him, be posted to the Senior Regiment; and the 2d Major and Officers Regimentally connected with him to the 2d Regiment, and so on- and that in the Infantry the Senior Major with

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The Officers in Regimental Connection with him to be posted to the 1st European Regiment, as the senior Corps of the Infantry; the 2d Major with the Officers Regimentally connected with him to the 2d European Regiment, as the next senior Corps; and the 3d Major with the Officers in Regimental Connection with him to the 1st Native Regiment, and so on in arithmetical progression.

Resolved that previous to the Regimental arrangement the army list be completed; that Promotions be made in the several Ranks to complete the new Establishment of the Cavalry, to fill up Vacancies arising from the retirement of Officers and to complete the two new Regiments of Native Infantry; and that Officers who have been struck off without the authority of the Court of Directors be restored to their proper places—

Resolved that the several Promotions requisite for the above purposes, do take place from the

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The 1st of November 1798

As the rank of the Cadets of the Seasons 1796 and 1797 is yet unadjusted, Resolved that those of the former Year, whose Names appear on the imperfect List received from the Honble Court of Directors, be placed in the order in which they stand on that List; that those, whose Certificates declare them to be for the year 1796 be placed at the bottom of the above mentioned List, and that the Cadets of 1797 be placed in the order, in which their respective arrivals have been notified in Minutes of Council; but that the relative Ranks of those placed in the same Regiment be hereafter adjusted in conformity to their standing on the Court of Directors' List.

Resolved that the arrangement when settled upon the above principles be fixed and conclusive -

Resolved that the Exchange of Officers which must necessarily be occasioned by this arrangement be gradually effected, as Regiments happen to meet at, or near, the same Stations, and that until the

Commander

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Commander in chief shall issue orders for Officers to join the Regiments to which they may be posted in the Regimental arrangement, they continue to do duty with the Regiments in which they are now serving, but that their Regimental promotions be regulated by the Casualties in the Regiments to which they actually belong.

Resolved that Officers below the rank of Major of the same Rennave from promotion be permitted to exchange with each other for the limited period of Four Months but that after the expiration of that time Officers exchanging must go into Regiments the Youngest of their Rank.

Resolved that from and after the 1st of January next the Vizier's allowance be in no Case whatever drawn for but according to Regimental Rank.

Resolved that from and after the 1st of the ensuing month no Officer be entitled to draw

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Balla according to any Brevet Rank, he may obtain, prior to the notification of it in General Orders in India.

Resolved that the following extracts of the Letter from the Honble Court of Directors dated 6th June 1798 be published in Orders.

31st para. "In order to guard against the —— "possibility of clandestine Sales of Commissions, we "think it proper to direct that every Officer, who shall "apply for leave to retire from the Service on the "pay of his Rank, shall declare upon Oath that "neither he himself nor any other person for him "to his Knowledge has received or will in future receive "directly or indirectly any Compensation or gratifi- "cation, pecuniary or otherwise from any person "whatsoever for such his retirement: and if, notwith- "standing this restriction, any such practice shall "be discovered, the Officer receiving or permitting "to be received any Compensation for his retiring "shall not thereafter be entitled to his Pay on "Retirement but shall nevertheless be considered

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as entirely out of the Service; and the Officer or Officers, who may be found to have offered or granted any Compensation or gratification to those of higher Rank for retiring shall not be allowed the benefit of the Promotion thereby acquired, but it shall be competent for the Government under which the Parties concerned Serve, to promote another Officer to the Rank held in the Regiment or Battalion by the Officer retiring.

47 " We approve of the restrictions under which you promoted Colonel Martin to the rank of Major General.

Medical Department

79. " And having taken into Consideration the 11th 12th & 13th Paragraphs of your Military letter of the 8th December 1796, We hereby confirm your Resolutions founded on the recommendation of the Hospital Board, that the whole Medical Corps shall continue to rise in one General List subject

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subject as heretofore to all Civil or Military Duties
under the existing regulations; and that the Surgeons,
attached to Civil Stations, shall be considered as equally
liable with those serving in the army to be recalled
upon Military Service also that they shall on this
footing be admitted to the indulgence of Furlough
and retiring-

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discription permitted to apsume the functions of those situations, which they had formerly declined, as they would thereby not only supercede those, whose constant attention to Military Duties entitles them to the advantages now apsigned them, but probable for a considerable period might kep them out of the — " Situations and consequent rewards they have so justly deserved - We therefore direct that the Regulations of October 17 88 be adhered to in respect to any Surgeon or Assistant Surgeon, who may hereafter decline taking upon him the duties of the Military line of the profession, when call'd on for that purpose -

82 "

You have already been advised of your Resolution as to the Pay on Furlough granted to — Head Surgeons, which is conformable to what you — have suggested in the 97 Paragraph, and with — respect to your recommendation for allowing the Pay of Lieutenant Colonel to Members of the — Medical Board when on Furlough, we shall not

object

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and in order still further to impress this sentiment
and to afford every assistance to Officers who from
ill health may not be able to continue in India
the time prescribed in the Regulations on that head
we have consented to an extension of this indulgence
in the following manner Viz! that, without
requiring any specified period of Service, every
Officer, who has by regular promotion attained
the Rank of Lieutenant Colonel, Major, Captain
or Captain Lieutenant, and whose ill state of
health renders it impossible for him to continue
to serve in India, be allowed to retire from the
Service on the half pay of his Rank.

100 " And as cases may occur, where the
constitution of some of our Officers may not be
able to support the climate of India for a period
sufficient to their obtaining Promotion above the rank
of a Subaltern, We have agreed to permit a Lieutenant
in this predicament after having served thirteen years

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in India and an Ensign Lieutenant Fireworker or —"
Cornet after having served Nine Years including each a
Furlough for three Years to retire in the Half pay of their
respective Ranks.

101 "If an Officer of the Rank of Lieutenant
whose constitution may be so impaired as to prevent the
possibility of his continuing in India has not served
the period prescribed above he may be permitted to retire
from the Service on the Half Pay of Ensign.

102 "Provided that in every instance of —"
Officers retiring under the Conditions above Specified
the Governments in India and the Court of Directors
shall be satisfied that such Officers intention of —"
retiring from the Service is founded upon a real —"
inability from Ill health of his longer continuing
to serve in India, and does not arise from Caprice or
any other cause which might render the Provision
to be made for him by the foregoing Resolutions —"
unnecessary.

103 "For this purpose it will be indispensably
necessary

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necessary that the most ample Certificates should be required from every Officer wishing to avail himself of the Indulgence now proposed to be granted.

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In every instance of Officers wishing to avail themselves of these indulgences the rules laid down in the former part of this letter relative to payments or offers of payment from Officers next in succession in order to induce their Superiors to retire must be applied.

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And in all cases of Officers retiring their Pay or Half Pay is to be the same as that of Officers of Infantry as prescribed in our separate letter of 8th February 1796. under this head.

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And as we have been informed that General Officers or Colonels in Command of Regiments Battalions or Corps do not consider themselves called upon under the Regulations respecting

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that on more mature reflexion, impressed with a conviction of the substantial benefits of the new Arrangement even those few will see the impropriety of their conduct, and return to a just sense of their Duty; for to adopt the language of the Governor General in his Minute of the 15th June 1796, We doubt not, that experience will prove to the Officers of the Bengal Army, that their collective Interests have been more consulted in the arrangement than they appear at present to understand.

119 From these considerations We are induced to draw a Veil over the past conduct of those Officers whose addresses have been the subject of the Animadversions, but necessary as it is for us to preserve that respect and subordination which is so much our due from them in every view, and to deter all our Military Servants from such Proceedings in future, We hereby direct that if any of our Officers hereafter presume to address themselves to our Government in an Offensive intemperate, or disrespectful

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a True Copy.

/signed/ J. Stracey
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/signed/ G. H. Barlow
Secy to the Govt.

Fort Williams
the 30th. November 1798.

Resolved that the Commander in Chief be requested to give in an arrangement for establishing the promotion and Regimental rise — — directed by the Honble. Court of Directors in the Corps of Cavalry

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Cavalry-

Resolved to defer the consideration of the remaining passages in the letter from the Hon'ble Court dated 6th June last as well as the resolutions of the Supreme Government

Read the following letter from the Resident at Hydrabad-

Josiah Webbe Esqre

Secretary to Government

Fort St. George

Sir.

From the Resident at Hydrabad encloses Copies of Correspondence between him and Mr. Cherry respecting the Supply required on the exchange of Pagodas and Fanams at Hydrabad and requests the determination of Government on the subject-

I herewith enclose for the notice of the Hon'ble Board Copy of a letter to me from the Paymaster to the Hydrabad Detachment and of my answer to the same and hope to be honored with the decision of the Right Hon'ble the President and Council on the proposition brought forward in Mr. Cherry's letter and in which I thought it advisable to give a temporary acquiescence in consequence of that Gentleman's having informed me in conversation that some such expedient as the one proposed by him

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him was highly necessary to satisfy the Coast
Native Troops of Colonel Roberts's Detachment.

I have the honor to be
&c &c

Hydrabad
7th. December 1798

/signed/ J. A. Kirkpatrick
Resident

Captain J. A. Kirkpatrick
Resident at the Court of the His Highness the
Nizam
Hydrabad

Sir,

Colonel Roberts Commanding Officer
of the Detachment having for my guidance
furnished me with Extracts from your letter to
him under date the 19th and from Mr. Secretary
Webbe of the 7th Ultimo — I beg to inform you
that the Star Pagoda at 365 Rupees 100 Star
Pagodas will be 45 Fanams and on my —
issuing the allowances to the Troops at this rate
they complain on receiving it, as it will subject
them to a loss of 6 fanams in every Pagoda as in
our

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our Bazar at Star Pagoda goes for only 39 fanams I beg leave to submit to you the propriety of paying them at 42 fanams the Star Pagoda which is the rate they are willing to receive it and at which exchange the Company will suffer a loss of 3 fanams every Pagoda and the Troops an equal loss by the low Exchange in our Bazar

Camp near Hydrabad, 7th. December 1798

I have the honor to be &c &c

(signed) P. Cherry
Pay Mr. to the Detach.t

True Copy
(signed) J. Kirkpatrick
Resident

P. Cherry Esqr.
Paymaster to the H. Hydrabad Detachment

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of this date, and as it appears from your Statement that the Sepoys would suffer a very considerable loss by receiving the Star Pagoda at the rate of 45 fanams I approve of the expedient — & proposed

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proposed by you of deviding that loss between them and Government and authorize you accordingly to pay them at the rate of 42 fanams to the Star Pagoda until the pleasure of the Government of Fort St. George on the point can be ascertained.

Though you have not stated it in your letter, I learned from you in the course of conversation this morning that the loss which the Sepoys suffer in the exchange is owing to their allowances being first calculated in fanams previous to their conversion into Pagodas and from thence into Rupees an evil which would I apprehend be remedied by their pay and allowances being first fixed (if practicable) in Star Pagodas without reference to fanams which have no currency in this Country and from thence converted into Rupees at the exchange of 365 f 100 Star Pagodas.

I am.
&c &c
(signed) I A Kirkpatrick
Rest.

True Copy
(signed) I A Kirkpatrick
Rest.

Recd

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To lie on the Table

Ordered to lie on the Table.

Read the following letter from the Military Auditor General.

The Right Honble Lord Clive

President and Governor in Council.

Fort S.t George

My Lords.

From the Military auditor General inclosing an application from Captain Bruce for some allowance, in consideration of the trouble and expence he is subjected in the discharge of his duty as a Muster Master.

Having received the enclosed letter and Statement from Captain Bruce assistant in the Military Auditor Generals Office with a request that they may be forwarded to your Lordship in Council I think it but justice at the same time to observe that his officiating as Muster Master at the Presidency and at the Stations mentioned in his letter must necessarily involve a considerable share of trouble and responsibility especially during preparations for Field Service when in addition to the Troops and Establishments at present very numerous he has to muster all the Draught and Carriage Cattle Dooly Bearers &.a collected at the Presidency for the army in the execution of which duty requiring almost

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daily attendance he has conducted himself in a manner no less creditable to himself than useful to the public Service—

I have the honor to be with great respect
&c &c
(signed) Wm. Sydenham
Military Auditor Genl.

Military Auditor
General Office
Fort St. George
15th December 1798

To the Right Honble Lord Clive
President and Governor in Council
of
Fort St. George

My Lord

It is with reluctance I presume to intrude upon your Lordship induced however by that due regard which every one owes to his particular situation I beg permission to solicit your attention whilst I concisely state a few circumstances respecting my discharging the Duty of Muster Master at the Presidency the Mount Poondamalle Vellore and Tripassore—

In obedience to the General orders of Government of the 20th of September last all the Honble Company's Troops together with the Lascars

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Lascars and artificers of all discriptions attached to the difference departments and to Stations also the artificers Puckallies and publick followers attached to His Majestys Regiments at those Stations have as directed been regularly Mustered by me since that period and altho' the range for my mustering Duty is not of wide extent yet some expence is of course incurred and upon a Comparison of the abstracts of the Muster Rolls of the Troops and others mustered by me with those of the Muster Rolls of the several Divisions a Statement of the whole extracted from the last Musters taken I have the honor to enclose herewith it will appear that the General Total of the former far exceeds all those of the latter with the exception of that of the Center Division which from obvious reasons must generally require a greater body of Troops than what is usually stationed in any of the others.

In addition to this service I have been

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been employed since the 28th of July last in taking musters of the Draught and Carriage Bullocks and their Drivers and after a careful inspection in— marking the Cattle fit for the service which have been provided at the Presidency also the Doolay Bearers required for Corps and Departments under orders for the Field— I need not point out that upon the present emergency I am liable to be called on daily or oftener should the occasion demand it for the purpose of mustering the— whole of the Draught and Carriage Bullocks with their Drivers and of marking the Cattle now ordered to be provided for the use of the Army as they may happen to be got in readiness by the Principal Agent in the just performance of which Duty a considerable degree of trouble and labour is consequently unavoidable—

I have my Lord only now to observe that for officiating in this capacity no allowances whatever are annexed and tho' I take the liberty of remarking

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remarking that the Barrack Master at the Presidency is in the receipt of exactly the same Salary as are the other Barrack Masters of Divisions yet relying with the perfect confidence upon your Lordships discernment I consider it unnecessary to draw any parallel or to say what degree of trust and responsibility is conjoined to the regular and strict performance of the Services I have stated and in that view of what remuneration they may be judged deserving.

I have the honor to be

My Lord

Your most obedient

humble Servant

/signed/ P. Bruce

officiating Barrack Master

at the Presidency &c.

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A Statement

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A Statement of the Number of Troops and others Mustered in the different Divisions by the respective Muster Master as Extracted from the Rolls of the latest Muster.

Abstract of the Muster Rolls of the Vizagapatam and Ganjam Districts for the Month of November 1798.	Commissioned Warrant Officers.	European Non Commd Rank & File	Native Commd and Sepoy Rank
Vizagapatam	15	80.	617
Barrampore and Aska	4	1	269.
Ganjam	18.	57	466
Rajam	4	2	178
Chicacole	7	3	367
Total	45	143.	1845

Abstract of the Musters Rolls of the Masulipatam Districts			
Masulipatam	45	619	1708
Ellore	1	3	200
Nellore	3	.	112
Rajamundry	2	3	117
Muglalow	1	2	135
Condapilly	1	3	202
Samulcotah	9	7	537
Bellumcondah	1	1	104
Bellumcondah	3	5	124
Ongole			
Gunlooe	4	2	137
Innacondah	3	15	210
Total	73	660	3617

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Abstract of the Muster Rolls of the Troops &c. in the Southern Division for November 1798	Commissioned Warrant Officers	European non Commd Rank Gen Feb	Native Commd and Sepoy &c.
Trichenopoly	40	95	3622
Dendigul	15	29	957
Nagapatam	2	1	310
Nagore	1	"	75
Tanjore	5	17	410
Madura	16	4	761.
Totals	77	146	6015

Abstract of the Muster Rolls
of the Troops &c. at Fort St. George
for the Month of November
1798

Fort St. George	69	163	5646
St. Thomas Mount	30	113	2667
Poonamalle	5	29	319
Vellour	16	6	1475
Totals	120	311	10107

Abstract

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Abstract of the Troops &c. in the Ceded Division for the Month of October 1798

	Commissioned Warrant & Officers	European Non Commd Officers & Rank & File	Native Commissd and Sepoys &c.
Wallajabad	20	4	1169
Connalore	15	7	1343
Amboore	17	25	1168
Pondicherry	21	5	1191
Cuddalore	1	203	491
Chemundalum	12	7	1073
Chengleput	2	43	179
Arnee	89	276	3082
Tragar	8	15	245
Arcott	15	20	2413
Vellore	34	22	2437
Total	234	627	15209

Resolved

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Minute thereon

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Resolved that in consideration of the extraordinary trouble and expence to which Captain Bruce has been subjected in Mustering the Troops and Bullock in the Environs of the Presidency since the commencement of the present preparations for War that he be permitted to draw the difference between the half and full Batta of his rank from the 26th of September last the day in which the whole of the trouble devolved on him until the duties at present allotted to him may cease to be so extensive as they at present are

The Board proceed to read and put their Resolutions on the following letter from the Medical Board.

From the Medical Board laying different Recommendations before Government for their consideration

Resolutions of Government in Council 18th December 1798

approved

approved

Medical Board 17th December 1798.

We recommend that Mr Gibbon Golbie Surgeon be appointed to the 1st Batt. of Artillery from Mr Boisvell removed.

The Officer Commanding Arcot having represented the want of Medical Assistance at that Garrison we recommend that Mr. Joseph Strut a Assistant Surgeon be appointed to do duty there until further orders

(signed) James Anderson
Surgeon General
W Irvine Asst Surgeon

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Read the following letter from Mr.

Richard Chase -

To the Right Honble Lord Clive

President and Governor &c. Council

Fort St. George

My Lord,

I have the honor to transmit to your

From Mr. Richard Chase lays before Government proposals for raising at his own expence a — company of Native — Infantry of which he requests to be nominated Major Commandant.

Honble Board a proposal for raising a Company of Native Infantry Militia for the public Service as long as it may be deemed expedient that the — Gentlemen residing at the Presidency should be embodied as a Corps of Militia and I trust that should it be necessary at any future period to augment the Native Militia that Government will be pleased to appoint me to the Command of the whole -

I have the honor to be

&c &c.

/signed/ Richard Chase

Madras

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Proposals from Mr. Richard Chase to Government for raising a Company of Native Infantry Mr. —

Richard Chase proposes as long as the Militia is Embodied to raise a Company of Native Militia

Consisting

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Consisting of 1 L. 1 H. 4 L. 6 and 50 privates the Native Commissioned Non Commissioned and Drummer to be furnished from the Native Invalids the first Privates will be raised by Mr. R. Chase and paid by him and with the permission of Government may be attached to Captain Wells Corps and do duty with it.

Mr. Richard Chase to be appointed to the Command of his Company a Native Militia but the Native Commissioned — Non Commissioned and Privates to be also under the orders of Captain Wells.

Mr. Richard Chase after a period of twenty three Years in the Honble Companys — Military Service and during which period he has been employed on every actual Service is induced to hope that Government will think him entitled to the rank of Major of a Native Militia and the Command he solicits —

(signed) Richard Chase

Resolution thereon

Resolved that Mr. Chase's offer to raise and maintain at his own expence a Corps of — Militia be accepted and that Mr. Chase be informed

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of the great satisfaction the Board feel at his zealous endeavours to promote the public service.

Resolved that Mr. Chase in compliance with his request be appointed Major Commandant of the Corps he proposes to raise.

The President lays before the Board the following Memorandum from the Commissary of Provisions to the Army.

Fort St. George
18th December 1798

Memorandum of the Commissary of Provisions to the Army offers several suggestions as to the best mode of procuring regular supplies of fresh provisions.

As the collecting Sheep and Slaughter Cattle for the Army appears the only circumstance likely to occasion any delay in the final arrangement of the Department under my charge, I beg leave to submit such points for consideration as may serve to aid my exertions, and hasten the accomplishment of the Service.

The providing Sheep for the Army under the operation of the order of Government of the 10th of December must involve a heavy and enormous expence however it might have been intended this order should apply to those ——

situations

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situations only, which by being liable to a constant drain for the use of Garrisons, had been left with scanty flocks; yet there is every reason to suppose the Inhabitants of more remote situations well regularly avail themselves of the advantages of an order, so favorable and so just. It is unfortunate perhaps, under present circumstances the publication of it was not for a while suspended. It is difficult to propose a Remedy to what appears so just. To do away the order would leave the evil as it stood, with some aggravation from disappointment. If Government would be pleased to afford its aid, measures might be taken for providing Sheep without annulling or even revising that order, on occasion, for this present, that disappointment which might throw much difficulty in the way of providing Sheep - The Countries of Chittoor, Calastry, Venkatagherry and Nellore North. Tinnivur and Dindigul, South, with the Baramahl are the situations whence supplies of this nature must chiefly be drawn. If Government should be pleased to call upon these Countries, through the Channels of Collectors and to supply certain proportions of Sheep and Cattle upon the assurance of a future adjustment of accounts and settlement of a firm price for Sheep and Cattle the

Parties

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Parties would by this means have their own mode of depasturing their Flocks in a manner convenient to their own management, the Flocks might then be delivered over to me upon receipt under certain respective closes But as I am well aware of the delay which even this mode if adopted may be liable to form the aversion the Inhabitants ever have to part with their Flocks such measures should also be provided as to leave no chance of disappointment. Money should therefore be supplied and the Price which Government may be pleased to propose afford to the parties in the event of delays, and the Sheep demanded.

It will occur that Sheep in all Countries are spread over the different districts that however well disposed the Parties may be to furnish the supply it will require time to draw the flocks together. To be serviceable to the army they should not be harrassed either by long or repeated Marches. It would favor this Department could the Commissary of Provisions be informed of the different points likely to be occupied by the Army and the probable number of Europeans to be provided for at each point by enabling him to form a clear from the Flocks for immediate Consumption bearing the principal Flacks in an

advanced

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advanced but secure and plentiful situation.

As I am at this Moment unprovided with any regulation for my guidance or any establishment for my assistance any effort must be made but I have not how I do.

This hasty sketch will be liable to error I lose no time however in offering and shall be happy to receive early instructions to enable me to proceed to my duty.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) C. Cornet
Commy of Provisions to the Army.

The President be requested to communicate to the Nabob Rajah of Tanjore. Tondeman, Bamnaware Calastry and Vencataghery to afford all the assistance in their power to supply the Army which is shortly to be assembled, with provisions and that they would apprize him of the number of Sheep and Cattle that they expect to be able to provide in order that the proper Stations for collecting them may be determined on.

Resolved that the President be requested to communicate to His Highness the Nabob his Excellency the Rajah of Tanjore and to the Rajah of Tondeman Bum Rauze lately and Vencataghery his wishes that they should afford all the assistance in their power to supply the Army which is shortly to be Assembled with provisions and that they would apprize him of the Number of Sheep and Cattle that they expect to be able to provide in order that the proper Stations for collecting them may be determined on.

Lieutenant Colonel Read and the Collector at Dindigul be directed to assemble as large a number as possible of Sheep and Cattle in the neighbourhood of Thistervaghery

Resolved that Lieutenant Colonel Read and the Collector at Dindigul be directed to assemble as large as number as possible of Sheep and Cattle in the neighbourhood

Fort St. George 18th December 1793

Thistlewaghenny and to report to the Board the Numbers of each which they expect to be enabled to collect and to state their opinion as to the prices and in the mean time be desired to assure the proprietors that all the purchases that are made from them shall be settled at a fair and reasonable valuation -

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Resolved that they be directed to state their opinion as their prices desired to assure the proprietors that all the purchases that are made from them shall be settled at a fair and reasonable Valuation -

The Commander in Chief delivers in the following Memorandum -

Memorandum

Memorandum of the Commander in Chief recommends Captain Rodgers to fill the situation of Major of Brigade to the Coast Troops on Ceylon with an additional allowance of 25 Pag.s - per month - recommends Lieutenant Freewarker Blair to be nominated adjutant to Major Hardy Senior officer of artillery with the Hydrabad Detachment - Recommends Lieutenant Thomas " - Sydenham as a fit person to be nominated assistant to the Commanding officer of the " guides - Proposes that the 73d Regiment be ordered to encamp on the " Island on Monday next -

The Honble the Governor of Ceylon having expressed a wish that a Major of Brigade may be appointed to the Coast Troops on the Island as a Channel of communication of orders and correspondence on subjects of detail and interior regulation and for the transmission of returns &c.a -

The Commander in Chief recommends that Captain James Rodgers may be nominated to take the duty of this appointment He at present holds the Station of Quarter Master on the Island and may be directed to act also as Major of Brigade for the purposes before mentioned without additional pay but only to be authorized to draw an allowance of 25 Pagodas ℔ month for Writers and Stationary -

Major

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Fort St. George 12th December 1792

Major Bowley the Senior Officer of Artillery with Colonel Roberts has applied that he may be allowed an Aquetant to assist him in conducting the Detail of the two Companies of Artillery belonging to the Hyderabad Detachment, and as this application is supported by Colonel Roberts, and as the Detachment of Artillery is composed of from two seperate Presidencies, the Commander in Chief thinks the appointment necessary under the circumstances of the case, and recommends that Lieutenant Fireworker Blair be appointed.

As the corps of guides has only one Officer Captain Orr Commandant the Commander in Chief submits to the Right Honble the President in Council the necessity of giving him an Aquetant and in the event of

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one being thought necessary he begs to recommend Lieute-
-nant Thomas Sydenham to fill the situation of which
he has lately given proofs of being well qualified exclusive
of the advantage he possesses in a knowledge of the ——
Country Languages which latter point of very conside-
-rable import in this time.

The Commander in Chief recommends
that his Majesty's 33d Regiment should be encamped
on the Island on Monday next preparatory to the
expected arrival of Troops from the Cape.

Resolved that the appointments recommended
in the foregoing Memorandum be approved and ordered
accordingly

Minute thereon

The President proposes the following
appointments

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to the army -

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Resolved

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Mr Charles Ogelvie Surgeon permitted to proceed to Bengal or eventually to Europe.

Resolved that Mr Charles Ogelvie Surgeon be permitted to proceed to Bengal or eventually to Europe on a sick Certificate

" Clive
" Geo. Harris
" Wm Petrie
" Ellis Falconfield

Andw Barclay Secy.

1975 Fort St. George, December 1798

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Diary

Received the following Letters.—

To Lieutenant General Harris

Commander in Chief &c. &c. &c.

Fort St. George

From Lieutenant Colonel Vre Bidcad Amboyna—Communicates different particulars respecting the sickly State of the Troops at the Moluccas and of the great Mortality that has prevailed amongst them—Expresses his apprehension that the Enemy may fit out from Batavia to intercept the Supplies destined for Amboyna—States the great want the garrison are in for pecuniary Supplies—

Sir,

I had the honor of addressing you on the 1st Inst. and of Communicating to you through the Adjutant General on the 17th July since that time nothing of importance has occurred.—

The Sultan Nowdee still continues a desultory Warfare upon Soonda which has served to render our post at Menado perfectly tranquil and at the same time to draw away a vast horde of restless people from the N.E. Islands, a circumstance which has been (I think)

very

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Fort St. George 1 December 1798

Sir

I am very sorrowful and which I hope will continue to exist to the end of the War—

It is with concern I mention the sickly State of the Native troops in particular this year, many casualties have happened amongst them, those last Month at Banda, are thought to have proceeded not more from Disease than from a Melancholy despondency which has seized the whole of the Sepoys on that Station and which while it disposed them to yield to a rendered them incapable of resisting any severe attack I was therefore induced to order up half the Native detail from that Island including all the sick intending at the same time to the remainder, that I should steady to, return them as soon as possible: thereby hoping to sustain their Spirits, which a long absence from their families and a natural, and growing attachment respecting them has greatly depressed. Whatever may be the cause of the loss, I beg leave to

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1977 Fort St. George 11 December 1798

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express an hope, that Government may deem
it expedient to relieve or withdraw the Troops
now in these Islands as soon as possible after
its termination.

I have the honor of acquainting you
that the Casualties amongst the Troops in the
Moluccas since the departure of Admiral
Rainier European and Native. Non Commissioned
Rank and File is 246. Major Mackays
Detachment arrived 223 Strong so that our
efficient Strength in Firelocks is now 23
less than when I succeeded to the Command
and we have at present 20 Men detached to the
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foresee. I take the liberty of laying this
circumstance before you in order that it
may come under your observation, should the
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I have the honor of enclosing to
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Resident

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Fort St. George December 1798

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Resident at Menado Whereby it appears that the Government of Batavia has fitted out a little Marine Armament intended for the relief of Ternate; Whether such that now, it may again sail from Batavia is questionable But should it not it seems probable that it may be employed in some of the Ports to the Westward of Batavia for the purpose of intercepting any unprotected Ships that may be destined for those Islands early in the N.E. Monsoon Any such accident happening to any Vessel with public Supplies would be an Misfortune to our Stock of all things except Rice and Spices is now very low indeed and it may not be unworthy observation that had no misfortune happened to any one of the Vessels sent to Amboyna; the Troops would ere now have experienced very great distress for Provisions We have Hopes for this year —

The departure of the Amboyna

Brig

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Fort St. George 1 December 1798

18th Brig which carries this Dispatch leaves the Hobart only in the Moluccas for Jamaka no account of the Vulcan as a useful Ship of War as she appears to be quite incapable of beating any where to Windward amongst these Islands - Several Small Armed Vessels are in the highest degree requisite to keep up our communications, and no less so to prevent smuggling -

I have the honor to acquaint you that the Troops in the Moluccas will be in arrears of Pay on the 1st September - The Europeans demand the Natives nine Months - We hope for Specie by the first Ships -

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

(Signd) Dan.l Mc Neill

Lieut.t Col.l Comm.d.

Amboyna -

25th August 1798

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To the Right Honorable Lord Clive

Governor in Council

&c. &c. &c.

My Lord

From the Military Board Enclosing a Bill for erecting a temporary Shed at Vellore for which payment is recommended.

We do ourselves the honor to lay before your Lordship the accompanying Bill, amounting to Pagodas 97. 1. 40. for the construction upon honor by the Deputy Commissary at Vellore of a temporary Shed Wherein to lodge the Battering Train, and in consequence of such Bill having been supported by the prescribed Vouchers to recommend that it be passed for payment.

We have the honor to be

&c. &c.

Fort St. George
4th December 1798

(Signed) Geo. Harris
John Braithwaite
Patrick Ross
Wm Lyndenham
Jn Richardson
Bd Close

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To the Right Honorable Edward Lord Clive
Governor and President in Council
Fort St. George

From the Commissioner at Calicut Enclosing Copies of letters received from the Deputies appointed to settle the Boundary dispute

My Lord

We have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Secretary's letters of the 8th, 13th and 22d Ultimo with the several papers of intelligence they gave covers to.

We have not lately received any authentic intelligence from the Sultaums dominions, all reports however concur in mentioning that military preparations are going on with great Activity.

We have the honor to enclose for your information Copies of two letters from Mr. Ubithoff and Captain Mahony the deputies appointed to investigate the

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Boundary

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Fort St. George 11 December 1798.

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Boundary Disputes.

Calicut 5th December 1798

We have the honor to be

Xr. Xr.

Signed J. Spencer

Ju.t Hartley

To John Spencer Esqr.

President &c. Commissioners

&c Malabar

Gentlemen,

1 Agreeably to the Intimation contained in our address of the 8th Instant We left Calicut on the 11th with Mr. John Hodgson Pearson, whom you had been pleased to appoint, at our request, to accompany us as assistant, and at Cannanore the were joined by an Escort of Twenty Grenadier Sepoys, under the Command of Lieutenant Henry Rudland.-

2 We at Cannanore on the 17th

Instant

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18th Instant we had the honor to receive your Secretary's letter of the preceding Day, enclosing Translation of a letter to your President & address from Tipsoo's Deputies, advising them of advance to Belary to meet us in Consequence of which we left Carnanore on the 18th and arrived yesterday at Naukinaar the Place of Residence of the Koorg Raja.

3d We have much satisfaction in acknowledging the very friendly attentions we have received from the Rajah, who throughout three Interviews that we have already had with him, has professed the warmest attachment towards the Honorable Company and the firmest determination to abide most implicitly by the Engagements, and to afford us every possible assistance in the course of our approaching Negociations with Tipsoo's Deputies, which he seems perfectly convinced

have

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Fort St. George December 1798

18. have no other object than what must prove beneficial to him in the removal of the Differences that have hitherto subsisted between us and Tippoo respecting the Boundaries, and which have so long been a Source of anxiety and alarm to him we were very Solicitous to obtain from the Rajah some authentic written Documents, in addition to what is already on the Company's Records, respecting the ancient limits of the Talook Coorg, which he lamented his Inability to furnish us with, observing, with much apparent Truth, that almost the whole of the Records of Coorg had been destroyed during his Imprisonment on Seringapatam, and that the few he had been able to Collect after his Escape, had been lost, when the Collote Rajah destroyed his House and Family, about the year 1788/9 He added that he had selected Coobya a Person on whom he had perfect Confidence

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18th and who is well acquainted with the
Subject of the Boundaries to accompany
us on our present Mission, from whom
and from the Inhabitants of the Country,
We should receive every requisite Information
4th Although we addressed Tippoo's
Dispatches on the 8th Instant from Calicut
and on the 15th from Cannanore intimating
the probable Period of our being on the
Borders of Canara and Soolia, and requesting
they would take the requisite Measures
to meet us there, We have not yet
received any communication direct from
Them; but in consequence of their
Intimation to your President, We shall
leave this Tomorrow Morning, and
expect to reach the Boundary on the
25th Instant of which we have this Day
advised Tippoo's Deputies. The only
Intelligence that we have hitherto
been able to Collect on this Quarter
respecting

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Fort St. George 2 December 1798

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Subject of the Boundaries to accompany
us on our present Mission, from whom
and from the Inhabitants of the Country,
We should receive every requisite Information
4th Although we addressed Tippoo's
Dispatches on the 8th Instant from Calicut
and on the 15th from Cannanore intimating
the probable Period of our being on the
Borders of Canara and Soolia, and requesting
they would take the Requisite Measures
to meet us there, We have not yet
received any communication direct from
Them; but in consequence of their
Intimation to your President, We shall
leave this Tomorrow Morning, and
expect to reach the Boundary on the
25th Instant of which we have this Day
advised Tippoo's Deputies. The only
Intelligence that we have been
able to Collect on this Quarter
respecting

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respecting the Movements of any of Tippoos People near the Borders of Amra and Soolea, is what has been communicated to us by the Rajah, but without saying any steps are to being immediately Correct, that a Body of his Troops rumoured to Amount to about 7000, under the Command of Monarpa, were in the Neighbourhood of Pallon, within one March of Bdary to which latter Place it was said they intended to come, but whether or not Shehab ud Deen or Omer Brahommed Ally are with this Party, the Rajah has not received any Information.

5th We have not received any authentic Intelligence respecting Tippoo Sultaun, but the Rumours in this Quarter are that he is engaged in Some Military Preparations, nor are the Military Preparations in which we have been

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18th been of late engaged, either unknown or
unnoticed here, on which latter Point,
the Rajah with great Earnestness solicited
that on the event of War between him and
Tippoo becoming inevitable, some previous
Intimation thereof might be made to
him, that he might prepare for the
defence of his own Country, and to act
offensively against Tippoo on being
made acquainted with the Wishes of
our Government to that Effect; observing,
that, from the vicinity of the Coorg Country
to Tippoo's Capital the inveterate Enmity
borne toward him by Tippoo, and Tippoos
Conviction of the Means and disposition
of the Coorgs to act with Effect against
him, there was every Reason to conclude
that one of Tippoos first objects would
be an Irruption into the Coorg Country,
when, should he (the Rajah) be
unprepared to repel him, it might be

attended

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18 attended with the most serious ill
consequence to him, which he was convinced
could not be an object of indifference to us.—
6 " We felt it due to the Connection
that has subsisted for these eight years
past between the Honorable Company
and the Rajah, so much to their mutual
Benefit, to the attachment which the
Raja has ever evinced towards our
Nation, and to the Frankness and
Candour of his Character to intimate
to him, that although our Mission was
confined to the Boundary Investigation
and that consequently we had not any
Instructions to Communicate officially
with him on the points in question,
yet from the Confidence which we knew
might be placed in his attachment
and Discretion, we would submit to
him our private Sentiments, that as to

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18th The Military preparations in which we had been of late engaged, I hegleave to be accounted for in the Foresight and Precaution that were the Characteristics of a Wise & Government, and which became the more advisable while War subsisted between us and the French; at the same time that Tippoo was rumoured to be engaged in warlike preparations, and to have formed some & Connection with the French; and that he might not be assured that should we ever with Tippoo be determined on by our Government such Intimation thereof would be made to him, as might be requisite for the & promotion of his Security and Welfare.

19th We beg leave to call to your particular Notice the Rajahs Request to be furnished with some previous & Intimation thereof, should war with Tippoo become unavoidable and to express a hope that you will not disapprove of

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of our Communications to them.

We have the honor to be

Sir
Your
Most obedient
Humble Servants

Naukmaar
22d November 1798

(Signed) J. Uhthoff

D: Mahony

A true Copy

(Signed) Jas. Law
Sec.y

P.S. Since writing the above we have had the honor to receive your Secretary's letters of the 18th and 19th Instant

To John Spencer Esqr
President Vice Admiral Commissioner
Malabar

Gentlemen

1. We had the honor to address you on the 22d Instant from Naukmaar.

2. On the 23d We proceeded to

Baugmungle

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18th Bangmungle about 13 Miles on the 24th by the Mensac Chaut to Toorg Kaun about 11 Miles and on the 25th to Kundemangalum about 12 Miles.—

3 We have the honor to enclose — 6 Translations of the Letter that we have written to the Deputies of Tippoo Sultaun from Calicut, Cannanore and Mauritmaar, by which you will observe that they have been regularly advised of the probable — period of our arrival on the Borders and — readiness to enter with them on the business of our mission, in consequence of which and of their Letter to your President of the 28th Ultimo we had hoped for the Satisfaction of a decent communication from them ere now, and though there is every reason to conclude that they cannot possibly be ignorant of our having been now for two days within a few Miles of them, in Expectation of their answers to our Letters yet in order to preclude all

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all possibility of misunderstanding and to convince our unreserved readiness to promote the objects of your mission We have thursday again written to them, as per enclosed Translation of our letter, and expect to hear from them in a day or two.

4th Since our arrival in this Quarter we have received Intelligence that a force of Tippoo computed at between 3 and 4000 Men under the Command of Monarapa is at Bishoor mungle about three or four miles to the south Westward of Belary and about 10 Miles from Kundemangalum and that about 500 of them have been detached in advance to Kona Kamudgel That among this Party are two persons of some consequence, with Palankeens, but throughout Intelligence are — of unacquainted with their Names Shire

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We seem reason to suppose that they are the Deputies who have been appointed to act with us.—

5th Without dwelling on the uniform friendly attentions We have received from the Coorg Raja since We entered his Country, We shall only observe that he accompanied us on our first Stage from Nanjenaar to Bangmungle When he communicated to us the orders he had issued to his Officers, Several of whom are directed to accompany us, for the promotion of the objects of our mission, Translations of Which we have the honor to Enclose.

We have the honor to be

Kandemangulam
27th November 1798

&c. &c.
(Signed) J. Uhthoff
D. O'Mahony

P.S. Since closing the above We have received a letter from Sheikh Abdulla Dun

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more generally known by the appellation
of Sadry Behary) Translations of which
We have the honor to enclose —

(Signed) J. Ushoff
D. Mahony

To Sheikh Shehabud Deen and
Meer mahomed Ally.

&c &c &c

The Nawaub Tippoo Sultaun
Behauder having by letter to the Honble
Jonathan Duncan Esqr. Governor of Bombay
and John Spencer Esqr. President &c &c &c
Malabar Commission advised them of his
having been pleased to appoint you two
Gentlemen as his Deputies to investigate
certain Points that bear relation to the
Franchises of the Depredations of the Honorable
English East India Company Behauder
and the said Nawaub, on the Coast of

India,

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India in conjunction with us, of whose appoint-
-ment for the same purpose on the part of the
said Honorable Company you have been already
advised, We have now the honor to annouce to
you, that we shall proceed from Calicut on
the 11th Instant and have to request that agreeably
to the Instructions you may have received from
the Nawaub Tippoo Sultaun Behauder you
will be pleased to make the requisite
Preparations for meeting us on the Borders of the
Coolia and Amra Districts of our Progress towards
which Quarter you shall be duly advised.

Except the earnest desire of a speedy
happy meeting with you and a personal Know-
-ledge of your Good Qualities what more need be
written?

(Signed) Ilkthoff
D. Mahony

Calicut
8th November 1798

true Copy
(Signed) J. B. Pearson Actg Sec.y

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To Sheikh Shehabud Deen and
Meer Mahomed ally - asophs of Korcal

We have the pleasure to acquaint you by
letter from Calicut dated the 28th. Jemadee ul awal
5th November
of our intention to set out for the frontiers the 2d. Jemadee
11 November
ussanee in order to meet you Gentlemen in Conformi
=ty with the orders We have received from the
Honorable Company's Sirkar, and the intimation
of that of his highness the Sultaun's We have
now the satisfaction to inform you, that we are
consequently so far on our way, and that we
propose, by the favor of God being at Nanknaar
in the Coorg Country on the 11th. Jemadee ussanee
at which place we shall hope to be favored with
intelligence of your Motions towards the Bounda=
=ries and whether we shall be there or repair the
moment We learn the probable period of your
reaching that Quarter.

Besides expressing our Most
anxious desire for a speedy and happy meeting

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what further can be written.

(Signed) J. Uhthoff
D. Mahony

Cannanore
November 15th 1798

True Copy
(Signed) J. H. Pearson
Agt.

To Shukh Shehabud Deen and
Meer mahomed ally
Asophs of the Country of Koreal

By your letters from Calicut and
Cananore under date the 28th of Jemadeul
awal, or 8th November and the 6th of Jemadeul
akher, or 15th November you have been made
acquainted with all that became necessary for
your information We have now the pleasure to
intimate our arrival at this place and our
intention to proceed tomorrow towards the
Boundary of Soullia in the neighbourhood of
Kanakta Mudgel which by the favor of God
We expect to reach the 16th of the present month
of Jemadeul akher or 25th November.

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Our Knowledge concerning your Situation is confined to the purport of your letter to Mr. Spencer President of the Commission in Malabar a Copy of which has been transmitted to us, and whereby it appeared, that you had already advanced as far as Bellary, and were desirous for our approach to the place above alluded to. We trust however that when arrived on the Boundary, we shall be made acquainted by you with all particulars, and request you will at the same time be pleased to fix in such place as may most suit your convenience, and prove best adapted for our coming together in order that the necessary measures be accordingly taken on our part without delay.

Nauknaar
22d November 1798 or
13th Jummadeeb
Akher.

/Signed/ J. Uhthoff
D. Mahony

A true Copy
/Signed/ J. H. Pearson
Assistant

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To Meer Mahomed Ally and
Sheikh Shehabud Deen
Asophs of Koreal

By your letters under date the 8th and the
15th and the 22d of the Current Month you have
been regularly advised of your Approach towards the
Boundaries We have now the pleasure to communi=
=cate our arrival at this place the day before
yesterday (25th Instant) The Wishes we have
heretofore expressed led us to hope that on reaching
the Frontier we should be favored with Intelligence
of your situation and intentions and altho such
Anxious desire on our part has not as yet been
Answered We look Confidently to being shortly
made happy by a friendly letter importing to us
your intentions in regard to all necessary Particu=
=culars in Order that we may conform thereto
without delay to which end we again beg leave
to express our entire readiness

Kaadeh Chungulum
27th November 1798
18th Jomadeul Akher
1213 Higeree

True Copy
D. Pearson Sy

(Signed) J. Uhthoff
D. Anthony

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The Mandate of the Raja of Coorg to Monnia Calow, and Arotunkarroo in Charge of the upper and lower Dependencies of Coorg, and all Officers Subordinate to them.

In order to Regulate the Differences that have arisen on the Boundaries between me and Tippoo Sultaun, the Honorable English Company Behauder, have been pleased to appoint Mr. Ahlkoff and Captain Mahony Three Gentlemen have accordingly come to, and conversed with me on all necessary points and are now to proceed to the execution of the business entrusted to their Management, Those said Gentlemen will have to visit the Boundaries and carry on intercourse by letter and otherwise with the Vakeels appointed by Tippoo Sultaun; whether, therefore they must Tippoo Sultaun's People, or the latter be invited to come to them all are equally to pass in short whatever Number of Persons the English Gentlemen think proper to introduce into my Country you are to treat with due attention and finally to consider such orders as Mr. Ahlkoff and Captain Mahony

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Mahony guid, as if they were immediately from me - and you are to obey them accordingly - Those Gentlemen are employed on busings which much concerns my Sirkaar, and any, or the most trifling neglect of what is hereby Signified, will be attended by the loss of your limbs inmediately of which I hereunto affix my hand and Seal and you are further directed to make known these very positive Orders to whom they may concern, and post copies of them up at the necessary Places on the Boundary, After which the Original is to be deposited with Doobaya.

Written at Bangmungal Saturday 16th Karticy year Colaugtee Canarees Styte and of the Calee yoog 4900 - by Some Shekera.

or 24th November 1798.

Signed, Neer Rajunder Waniar

True Copy

Signed, S. H. Pearson

Assistant

From

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From Sheke Shehabad deen asiph of
Rehemut abaad

To Joshua Uhthoff
and
Captain Mahony } Esqrs 11

After Compliments,

Your friendly letter* performed with chearfulness intimating ayour being on the way to Kantmungut (Kana Kamedgel) and the arrival of the frima (the winter) and Anur mahommed ally Sahib Asoph of jemaul abâad was minuted when in the hight of expectation and proved a cause of great satisfaction and pleasure.

After perusal of the said kind Epistle I sent it off immediately to Anur Mahommed ally Sahib who was employed at the Bounder of Korel on the affairs of the Sirkaar, bestowed by god by the favor of the almity the said person will reach the Port of Balich (Bellare) 16 Day

or

* Vide letter 22nd November 1798

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8th or tomorrow, I am myself arrived at this just mentioned place, and feel extremely anxious for the pleasure of a meeting with you. It is consequently represented to your friends that you be pleased to fix upon such place as may be deemed fitting for the adjustment of the boundaries, in order that we come there and that which belongs to the discussion of right between the Sirkaar bestowed by God, and the Honorable English Company be there brought forward and determined upon.

Besides expressing a desire for a happy meeting what further can I express.

Written the 20th of the Month of Dunee, of the year Shadaal 6224 Nuvloach Mahom-medee.

A true translate

(Signd) D. Mahony

Received the 27th November 1798

True Copies

(Signd) Jas. Law
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The Right Honorable Lord Clive

Governor in Council

Fort William

My Lord,

From the Resident at Hyderabad Stating that he is doubtful how far he can with propriety apply to the Staff of the Detachment no mention of that subject having made in the Subsidiary Treaty lately Concluded with him.

I have the honor to Acknowledge the receipt of the letter addressed to me under date the 27th Ultimo by the Secretary to your Lordships Government, Apprizing me of an encrease to the Staff of the Hyderabad Detachment, and desiring me to take an early opportunity of explaining the necessity of such increase to his Highness the Nizam

Being doubtful from the tenour of Mr. Secretary Webbe's letter, how far your Lordships in Council may be privy to the terms of the new Subsidiary Treaty concluded with his Highness the Nizam, I trust I shall be excused for stating for your Lordships information that this Treaty though very precise as far as regards the number of Sepoys to be furnished by Government, and the Quantum of Subsidy to be paid for their Services, makes no mention whatever of Officers either of

Regimental

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18 Regimental or Staff, it being taken for granted by
the Contracting Parties that the Company's
Government would not fail to provide the
Subsidiary Force with their due proportion of both
the one and the other Under these Communications
I trust your Lordship in Council will perceive the
inexpediency of my entering into any explanations
with his highness or his Ministers regarding those
new Staff Arrangements for the Hyderabad
Detachment which in consequence of Colonel
Roberts's Representations to the Commander in
Chief, your Lordship in Council have been pleased
to determine upon.

With respect to any application to this
Court for our increase of subsidy proportionate to
the small additional [illegible] arrangement in question your Lordship in Council
are no doubt sufficiently aware of its being entirely
out of my power to Agitate a prosecution of such
a Nature without express Authority from the
Right Honorable the Governor General.

I have the
honor to be &c.a &c.a Signed J. A. Kirkpatrick
Resr

Hyderabad
5th December 1798

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Received and Sent the following letters entered in Int B Nos 99. 100. 101. 102. 103. 104. 105. 106. 107. 108.—

From Major General Brathwaite.—

From Major General Brathwaite Enclosing an application from a M. Lemprieur who Solicits a pass port to enable him to proceed to Nacapilly.—

From the Asst Commanding at Madura.—

From Captain Thay he shall use every endeavour to prevent the Price of Grain from being raised at Madura.—

From Colonel Cram.

From Colonel Cram States different circumstances regarding an attempt to raise the Price of Rice at Madura immediately after his departure from that Place.—

From the Military Paymaster General

From Mr Roebuck Enclosing an additional Estimate of Cash for the Current Expenses of December.—

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From Mr Roebuck. Enclosing Copy of Mr Garrison Storekeeper Brodie's Indent for Cash for the Month of December.—

To the Military Auditor General.—

To Major General Lydenham transmitting for his examination an Indent for Cash required immediately

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immediately by the Garrison Storekeeper.—

To the Military Auditor General.— To Major General Sydenham Enclosing for his Examination an additional Estimate of Cash required by the Military Paymaster General for the Month of December.—

To the Commandant at Arcot— To Colonel Pater He is desired to send an Escort to the Presidency along with the Bunjarries expected to pass by Arcot with Grain in order that they may be protected from oppression The 4th Regiment of N.C. has been ordered to March to Arcot.—

To the Commandant at Vellore— To Colonel Sale Informing him that a Considerable Number of Bunjarries will probably pass Vellore with Grain from the Presidency and desiring him to afford them every protection

To the Commandant at Amboor— To Major Cuppage desiring him to afford protection to the Bunjarries who may pass Near Amboor.—

Substance of a letter from the Nabob 19th Received a letter from the Nabob entered in C.C. No 170 Encloses translation of a letter from the Nabob of Arcot, Complaining of several Attempts having

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19th having been made to pass without paying the proper duties, thro' his Circar different Articles on the Plea of their being Required for the use of the Company His Highness requests to be furnished with a List of the Articles that the Company may probably have occasion to pass thro' his territories at Arcot, in order that he may give the necessary Dustucks.—

Substance of a letter to the Nabob.—

Sent the following Letters to the Nabob entered in C.C. Nos. 878. Requesting him to inform Government what Number of Ships he may have it in his power to furnish to the Troops expected Shortly to assemble at Wallajahnagur Requesting him also to give Instructions for forwarding to Vellore as many Ships as can be Collected in the Districts Contiguous to that Place. Requesting that he will direct his Principal Amildars to attend to the Communications they may receive from Major Corner respecting the Supply of Ships. Requesting that he will give such directions as that the Banyans expected shortly with supplies of Grain for this Presidency may be

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19th His be enabled to pass thro' Hyderys Territories without Interruption.—

Substance of a letter To the Nabob.— To the Nabob vide C.C. 1772) Intimating to him that a Balance of 13,500 Pagodas is still due on account of his December Visit.—

20th Received and Sent the following Letters entered in M.B. Vol. 109. 110. 111 112 113. 114 115. 116.—

From the Asst. Commanding Southern Division. From Major General Floyd at Trichinopoly - Expressing his Satisfaction at the Readiness that has been shewn by the Nabobs Brother, in Charge of the Country around Trichinopoly, to afford every Assistance in Strengthening the Fortifications of that place suggests different particulars &c Concerning the Conducting of that Work.—

To the Commandant at Vellore— To Colonel Sale Intimating to him that during the Indisposition of Colonel Alston

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Aston the detachment under charge of that Affair is to be Commanded by the Honorable Colonel Wellesley whose Orders are to be obeyed accordingly

From the Commissioners at Calicut —

From the Commissioners at Calicut — enclosing Copy of a letter from the Collector of the Palgautchorry District respecting two persons calling themselves Servants of the Nabob whom he detained in Consequence of their having a suspicious Appearance —

From Captain Norris of the Engineers —

From Captain Norris mentions that he is on his way to the Boundary —

From the Affair Commanding the North Division of the Army —

From General Bridges Mentions that the French Party embarked on the 11th Instant on board of the Bombay Frigate at Coringa and encloses different Papers relating to their March to that Place — as also regarding the Detachment of the 1st Battalion 8th Regiment

that

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20 that accompanied them.—

Do — Do. From General Bridges Enclosing a

letter from the Engineer of that Station stating the

Obstacles he met with in executing the Orders

that have been given for repairing the European

Barracks at Masulipatam.—

From the Officer Commanding at Madura.— From Captain Kay Containing

different Remarks on the Attempts that had

been made to raise the price of Grain at

Madura.—

To the Officer Commanding at Ryacottah.— To Major Doveton Transmitting

to him two Letters for Tippoo Sultaun which he

is directed immediately to forward.—

Sent the following Letters

To

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To His Excellency

The Honble Frederic North

Governor of Ceylon

Sir,

To the Governor of Ceylon informing him that Government have appointed Captain Rodgers to be Major of Brigade to the Cast Troops serving on Ceylon — Every Assistance shall be afforded by this Establishment that his Excellency may find it necessary to call for in establishing an office of Audit on Ceylon — An Account of the Stoppages made from the Malay Corps on Ceylon shall be forwarded as soon as it Can be got ready Brigadier General De Meuron was formerly Authorized to pay the half Monthly due to that Corps on Money.

We have had the honor to receive your excellency's letter of the 3d and 5th Instant.—

We are perfectly Sensible of your attention to our wishes in Sending to the Coast Lieutenant Fitzpatrick with the two Companies of Pioneers and beg leave to offer our Acknowledgements for this ready Acquiescence in our request.—

According to your Excellency's Suggestion We have appointed Captain James Rodgers

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9 Rodgers to be Major of Brigade on Ceylon and of Ceylon as the Channel of Communicating to the Troops belonging to this Presidency all orders and correspondence on the subjects of details and interior regulations and for the transmission of returns &c. to the Commander in Chief, we request therefore that in addition to the allowances which Captain Rodgers draws as quarter Master he may be permitted to draw twenty five Pagodas per Month for Writers and Stationary

We shall be happy to afford your Excellency assistance in your Department of audit, if you should find it necessary to have recourse to this Establishment.—

We shall transmit to your Excellency an account as soon as it can be prepared of the Stoppages which have been made from the Malay Corps mean while we think it necessary to acquaint you that in Answer to a reference upon this Subject from Brigadier General Dr

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20 Memorandum We are authorized hereby to issue to the Malay Corps a Sum in Money equal to the half mounting Money usually granted to Europeans

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19th December 1798

We have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) Clive
&c. Council

To Ernst William Fallofield Esq.r &c.
President &c. Members of the
Board of Trade

Gentlemen

To the President &c. Members of the Board of Trade desiring that they will give Instructions to the Renters at Injeram & Vizagapatam to furnish Monthly One hundred Corge of Cloth to the Contractor for the Supply of Jonks.

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council having entered into new engagements with Mr. Pat: Bowie for the provision of Jonks to the Amount of forty thousand Pagodas within Six Months from this period directs me to desire that very particular injunctions may be given to the Renters at Injeram and Vizagapatam for delivering One hundred corge of best Cloth

Cloth

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20th Clerk to the Contractor every Month, until the whole may be completed.—

The collectors at Vizagapatam and Rajahmundry have been particularly directed to comply with the orders of the Commercial residents for this purpose.—

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most
Obedt Hble Servt
(Signed) G. Buchan
Actg Sub Secy

Fort St. George
19th December 1798

To Lieutenant Colonel Read
Collector of the Baramahal

Sir,

To the Collectors of the Baramahal and Dindigul desiring them to take measure for procuring supplies of Sheep for the Army which may shortly be expected to assemble.—

The approach of the period when it will in all probability become necessary to encamp the Army renders it necessary that every precaution should be taken for supplying it with provisions; I am therefore directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to desire that measures may be taken for assembling as many Sheep and Cattle

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20 is possible in the neighbourhood of Dindigul
His Lordship accordingly desires that you will
report what number of each you may expect
to collect and within what period in order
that he may have the means of furnishing
you with instructions for the future disposal
of them.—

The Governor in Council also —
desires that you will state your Opinion
of the prices which should be paid to the
proprietors and that in order to prevent delay
in the mean time you will assure them that
a fair and reasonable adjustment of their
Claims on this account will be made.—

I am
Hs. Hble.
Signd, G. Buchan
Actg. Sub Secy.

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The Same to Mr. Hurdis
Collector of Dindigul

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To Lieutenant General Harris

President &c.a Members of the

Military Board

Gentlemen

We have received Your letters of the 12.th 15.th and 17.th Instant.—

We entirely approve your Zeal in augmenting under the pressure of the Service the number of Store Lascars to the extent you mention.—

We have ordered a distribution in General Orders of the badges provided for the Volunteers who turned out for the manilla expedition.—

We have much pleasure in observing the Zeal of Mr. Bourie the present Contractor for the provision of tents; and we desire that you will convey to that Gentleman the Sense we have of the readiness he has shewn to assist the public Service.—

We

To the Military Bd

Board Informing them that a Distribution of the Badges provided for the Volunteers on the Manilla Expedition shall be directed to be made in General Orders the thanks of Government to be Conveyed to Mr Bourie for his readiness to assist the Public Service in the providing of Tents the Tent Cloth required by the Contractor has been ordered the Establishment of Servants for the Commissary of Grain in the Field recommended by the Board is approved and authorized The Grain to be issued from the Public Stores for the supply of the Market to be under the Superintendance of Messrs. Call Clarke and Thorson—

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We have ordered the quantity of tent cloth required by the Contractor to be provided by the Commercial residents at Ingeram and Vizagapatam and desire you will assure Mr. Bowie that there shall be no delay in the discharge of his bills as soon as they may have passed the examination of your Board.

We approve the establishment of Servants which you have recommended for the Commissary of Grain with the Army and have accordingly authorized it.

In order to save time we have requested the Commander in Chief to lay before your Board a return of the Troops now destined for field Service.

We have authorized payment of the Funeral Bills and Advances recommended by you.

We have found it necessary during the late temporary scarcity of grain at the Presidency to encrease the quantity of rice

issued

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20 " issued from the public Stores for the supply of the markets and to put it under charge of a Committee consisting of Mr. Call ___ Clerk and Sherson.—

The Garrison Storekeeper will of Course account for the issues rice to the Troops and followers as the regulated prices and the Signatures of the Committee are to be a sufficient Vouchers for the quantity and prices of the rice Sold in the public bazar.—

We are

&c. &c.

Fort St George
19th December 1798

(Signed) Clive
&c. Council

The Substance of letters to the Rajah of Tanjore Tondeman Cauleytry and Venkata=ghurry.—

Sent a Letter to the Rajah of Tanjore Tondeman Bommaraz Cauleytry and Venkata=ghurry entered in C.C. № 173.—

Requesting that they will afford every assistance in procuring Sheep and Cattle for the army which may be shortly expected to take the field.—

Sent

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26 Sent the following letters entered in
Mr B Nos 117. 118. 119. 120. 121.

To the Officer Commanding the Detachment at Hydrabad.

To Lt Roberts - Acquainting him that the Resident has been directed to apply to the Nizam for an Increase in the Engineer Establishment and for an additional Number of Pioniers in the Hydrabad Detachment - & Lieutenant Fireworker Blair is appointed Adjutant to the Corps of Artillery at Hydrabad -

To M.R. Chase

To Mr Richard Chase excepting his Proposals to raise at his own Expence a Company of Native Militia -

To the Town Major

To Captain S. Grant - The Dutch Officers about to embark for Ceylon to be permitted to draw one Months pay in advance - and Major Tournbour to receive a gratuity of 50 Pagodas - a List of the Dutch Officers ordered for Ceylon to be transmitted to Government -

To the Collectors at Vizagapatam and Rajahmundry -

To Mjrs Brown and Bramfill

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25th The Commercial Resident at Vizagapatam has been authorized to indent on them for Funds to enable him to provide the quantity of Tent Cloth that will be required by the Contractor.—

To the Commandant at Rajahmundry

To Captain Stevenson permitting him to proceed to the Presidency for One Month

To Lieutenant Butler at Ganjam

To Lieutenant Butler granting him a Similar Leave.—

To Captain J. A Kirkpatrick

Resident at Hydrabad

Sir,

To the Resident at Hydrabad the Paymaster at Masulipatam has been authorized to pay the French Prisoners sent from Hydrabad to that place at the rate of half the allowance they drew whilst in the Nizams Service.—

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated 3d Instant.—

In conformity with your suggestion orders have been sent to the Paymaster at Masulipatam for paying the French prisoners sent by you to that place at half the rates of their stated allowance in the Service of His Highness

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25 Highness the Nizam.—

The Governor Gn Council is concerned that any further difficulty should have occurred in adjusting the rate of exchange to be observed in the Payment of the Coast Troops and will hereafter furnish you with his determination on the Subject.—

Fort St. George
19th December 1798

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
(Signed) G. Buchan
Asst Sub Sec.

Received the following Letter

Right Honorable the Governor in Council

My Lord,

I have the honor to report that on the 11th Instant Gafapa Naigue and several Naigue of Sangeitore with some Collies and a Force amounting in all to between one and two Thousand persons attacked the Fort of Pellacotah, but were beat off

From Major General Floyd reports to the Board that an attack has been made on the Fort of Pellacottah by an irregular force of Marauders but that they had been beat off with loss Mentions that a Small force belonging to Tippoo has appeared in our frontier - Orders have been given to the Affair Commanding in the Devigeed District to repel by every Means in his power any hostile encroachment.—

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25. by the Sibadar, carrying away several wounded men - Captain Robertson Commanding at Dendigul in the absence of Lieutenant Colonel Brown Detached two Companys to the place - and Captain Thay Commanding at Madura in the absence of Lieutenant Colonel Cram detached one Company and some hopes were intertained of attacking these marauders with advantage The above named officers have instructions to afford Mr. Collector Saunders every possible assistance -

I have also to report to your Lordship that amounts are received from the Polegar of Runghenny of thirty Sepoys Horse being at Arivacourchy Fifty Horse with two Company's Sepoys and four hundred Peons being at Carroor and that they were expected at a Village within the

Boundary

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25 Boundary under your Lordships Protection under protect of settling some business — regarding Canil Lands there —

Orders are given to the Officer — Commanding in the Dindigul District to use his best means in the event of hostile inroad to expell the Invaders using the ordinary precautions for the Security of his own People Those Instructions will be submit your Lordships approbation —

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signd) J. Floyde Jr. G.

Trichinopoly
15th December 1798

At a Consultation
Present
The Right Honorable Lord Clive
Governor —— President
Lieutenant Generale Harris
William Petrie
and
Ernst Willm. Falloufield } Esqrs.

Friday the
21st. December
1798

Minutes of last Consultation Read and approved. —

Read

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Read the following Letters from the Military Board.—

To the Right Honorable Lord Clive

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

My Lord,

We have to acknowledge the receipt of Mr. Secretary Webbe's Letter of the 11th Instant.—

Upon the receipt of Letter from Government of the 12th Instant we lost no time in requiring from the Head of the Departments connected with the Field Equipment such information as appeared to us necessary towards enabling our Board to report to Government upon the particular point mentioned in that Letter Viz. the period at which the Whole equipment of the battering Train with its Stores and ammunition is expected to be in readiness to move

From the Military Board the Board can only venture to express a hope that the battering train will be in readiness to move from Vellore on the 20 Instant no exertion shall be wanting on their part to enable it to proceed at that time the Agent for Bullocks has been instructed not to assemble all the Cattle at Vellore unless he receives Specific Orders to that Effect The Board recommend that the Conductors employed by the Gun Carriage Contractors be permitted to draw a certain Allowance of Rice from the Public Stores an Advance of 6000 Pagodas recommended to the Gun Carriage Contractors & is provided that the Coolies employed under the Black Town Wall Committee and at the Seaport Warehouses be withdrawn and employed for the present on more essential branches of the public Service an Advance of 1500 Pagodas recommended to the Paymaster of 19th Dragoons

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move from Vellore but as the explanation of the principal Agent for having the whole of the Draft and Carriage Cattle assembled at Vellore on the 20th of January next is founded upon the assurances made to him by the Natives who have engaged to supply them and as the movement of the Battering Train with its Stores, from that Station must depend upon the Bullocks being in actual readiness at the period mentioned We do not feel ourselves warranted at present in expressing more than our hopes that the Battering Train may be in readiness to move at that time and in assurance that no exertion on our part shall be wanting to ensure it, of which we shall as soon as possible do ourselves the honor to report -

It may be proper however for us to state to your Lordship that in consequence of the order of Government for sending from the Presidency to Vellore a quantity of Grain by the Spare Bullocks in the Stores which will

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will require about 19,000 and as it may be
also necessary to employ many of them
occasionally between the Presidency and the
Western Stations in forwarding the General
equipment we have instructed the principal
Agent not to assemble the whole of the
Bullocks at that Station unless he shall
receive specific orders for the purpose

We find it necessary likewise to
report that the Gun Carriage Contractors have
represented that the preparation of the Articles
ordered for Field Service is greatly impeded
by the difficulty which their artificers experience
in procuring Rice and we therefore recom=
=mend that the Contractor be allowed to
Indent daily until further orders upon the
Garrison Stores for one Seer of Rice for each
of the Artificers employed by them in
completing the Articles required for field
Service such Indent being transmitted for
Countersignature by the Secretary to our

Board.

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Board accompanied by a Morning Report of the Number of Artificers employed And, as the Contractors have requested that, in consideration of the heavy advances made by them already and of the further Sums which may be called both before the Articles indented for can be completed a Sum of Money may be advanced to them on account we recommend that, in consequence of the particular emergency of the Service the Sum of 6000 Pagodas be advanced to them on the present occasion.

The demand at the present Times for Lascars being so extremely extensive as to render indispensably necessary a Collection of the whole that can be spared from different Duties without materially affecting the public Service We beg leave to suggest to your Lordship the expediency of withdrawing the Detail now employed under the Black Town Wall Committee and at the Import Warehouse

We have further the Honor of recommending that an advance of 1500 Pagodas

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be immediately made to the Agents for supplies to His Majesty's 19th Dragoons on account of the Provision of Grain for that Corps and of the Current disbursements of his Department —

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

Fort St. George
16th December 1798

(Signed) Patrick Ross
Wm Sydenham
Jn Richardson
By Close

Minute thereon

The Board are satisfied of the exertions of the Military Boards to accomplish the desirable object of having the whole equipment of the battering train ready to move from Vellore on the 20th of next month —

The Board approve for the reasons stated by the Military Board, their instructions to the principal Agent for bullocks against assembling the whole of the bullocks at Vellore until he may receive specific —

Orders

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order to the Contrary.—

The Board would have readily complied in the recommendation of the Military Board in favor of the artificers employed by the Gun Carriage Contractors. but the plentiful supply of Rice that appears to be now in the Public Bazars may probably render it unnecessary to indent on the Stores should however any further difficulty be experienced in procuring Rice the Board will authorize the indent mentioned by the Military Board to be complied with by the Garrison Store Keeper

Resolved that, agreeably to the recommendation of the Military Board the wholes of the Lascars at present employed under the import Rice house and the Black Town wall Committee be placed under their authority—

Resolved that the advance of Pagodas 1500 recommended by the Military Board

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Board to the Agent for supplies to His Majesty's 19th Dragoons be authorized -

To the Right Honorable Lord Clive

Governor in Council &c &c &c

My Lords

Having in consequence of the receipt of the Hon.ble Secretary Webbers letter of the 13th Instant taken into consideration the Office Establishment which should be allowed to the Commissary of Grain to the Army, and it appearing to us that the Establishment of public Servants granted to Lieutenant Morrison who was appointed to the Charge of that Department with the Army under Earl Cornwallis from the 1st of

From the Military Board they enclose a Statement of the Number and Expence of the Servants allowed to Lieutenant Morrison Commissary of Grain under Lord Cornwallis as a guidance in fixing the Establishment of Servants to be allowed to the Commissary of Grain to the Army now about to take the field they request that Government will inform them what Number of Troops are likely to be employed in the Field -

&c &c

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October 1798 may under present circumstances be properly applied to Captain Hart We do ourselves the honor to transmit a Statement thereof to your Lordships.—

Our Boards apprehending that the Troops in readiness for Field Service now calculated at about 14000 may be considerably reinforced by the time the Army may be assembled in Camp and it being desirable some Ground on which to Calculate the Number of public Stores requisite for the different Departments of the Army as well as the quantities of

Grain

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Grain and Provisions and Carriage
which should move with the Troops to
Supply them on the Service in contemplation
We have the honor to request that we
may be furnished with an Abstract
of the Troops now intended to be employed
in the Field.

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

Fort St. George
17th December 1798

(Signed) George Harris
John Brathwaite
Patrick Ross
W. Sydenham
Jn. Richardson
B.y Close.

Establishment

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Establishment of Servants &c. proposed for the Commissary of Provisions with the Army in the Field.

Servants allowed for Victualling 500 Europeans daily calculated 76 Pags. 12 Fanams & Month on the principle laid down in the Printed Book of Regulations pay the Numbers to be victualled in the field, amount to 3500 Men the Monthly expence of Servants and attendants on the above principle may be estimated at ..... 339 6 "

Office Establishment

1 Assistant Victualler	@	₹ Month	50 " "
1 Head Writer	@	Ditto	30 " "
2 Writers	@	20 each	40 " "
1 Do	@	₹ Month	15 " "
1 Head Comradoly	@	Ditto	20 " "
2 Assistants Ditto	@	10 each	20 " "
2 ₹ Ditto	@	8 each	16 " "
2 Do Do	@	5 each	10 " "
1 Shroff at ₹ Month			6 " "
2 Coopers	@	5 each	10 " "
			1056 6 "

Charges Extraordinary in this Department

1 Maistree Carpenters Pay and Batta		₹ Month	6 9 "
5 Carpenters Ditto	Ditto	@ 4 14 ₹	21 28 "
1 Maistry Smith	Ditto	Ditto	6 9 "
6 Smiths	@ 4 14 each		21 28 "
5 Hammermen	@ 3 36 each		19 12 "
5 Bellow Boys	@ 1 4 40 each		5 27 40
3 Chunkloot	@ 3 26 each		10 36 "
			92 12 40

Total Pags. 1147 24 40

The above Charges for Victualling as well as the Establishment can only be considered as an estimate of the expence that may probably be incurred but agreeably to the orders of Government under Date the 15 Dec. 1798 Communicated to the Military Auditor General the Commissary will be required to attest or honor to his Disbursements on account of Office Establishment Victualling Charges or Contingencies that they have been made for the several purposes specified in the Accounts that every part of such Disbursements have been necessarily solely and exclusively made for the public Service and that he has not had nor shall not have any Interest or advantage directly or indirectly therein ...

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Establishment of Servants &c. allowed to the Commissary of Provisions with the Army under Earl Cornwallis 1791 and 1792.

1 Assistant Victualler			20 -- --
1 Writer			20 -- --
1 Ditto			15 -- --
9 Conicopolies	@ 5 Pag. each		45 -- --
34 Ditto	@ 4 Do Do		136 -- --
34 Ditto	@ 3 Do Do		102 -- --
4 Masty Butchers	at 2 a/s Do		8 36 --
2 European Butchers	@ 5 Pag. each		10 -- --
88 Butchers			176 -- --
17 Measuring Men	at 3 Pag. each		51 -- --
17 Peons	at 2 Do Do		34 -- --
9 Shepherd Maistries	at 2 a/s Do		19 39
197 Shepherds	at 2 Pag. Do		394 -- --
11 Sheroff			6 -- --
4 Masty Wood Cutters	at 2 a/s each		8 36 --
2 Coopers			10 -- --
			1056. 27 --

Charges Extraordinary

1 Masty Carpenter	Pay and Batta	6. 9 --	per 16
15 Carpenters	Do Do @ 4. 14	65 -- --	
1 Masty Smith		6 9 --	
15 Smiths	Do Do at 4. 14	65 -- --	per 1/4
15 Hammermen	Do Do at 3. 26	54 -- --	per 1/6
15 Bellows Boys	Do Do at 1. 4 40	16. 25 40	
5 Chunklers	Do Do at 3. 26	18 4 --	
4 Armours	Do Do at 4. 14	17. 14 --	
		248 31. 40	
	Total Pag.a	1305, 16. 40	

N.B. The average Number of Europeans Victualled was 5018 Europeans daily.

(Signed) Fred: Pierce
Sundry Acct. Board

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Fort St. George 20 December 1798

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Minutes thereon.

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The Board approve the establish-
=ment of Servants recommended by the Military
Board for the Commissary of Grain to the
Army and direct that it be authorized accordingly.

The Board have requested the
Commander in Chief, in order that no time
may be lost, to lay before the Military
Board a return of the Troops now destined
for field Service.

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

My Lord

From the Military Board recommend that the Military Board be authorized to direct the Agent to supply to prepare 100 Doolies, and that if the recommendation be approved the Sum of Pag. 350 be drawn to him.

Having reason to suppose
that the number of Doolies 600 which
have been ordered to be provided for the
Service will not be sufficient for the
equipment of Corps about to be employed
in the Field, and understanding from the
Agent of supply that he will engage to
deliver

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to deliver one hundred (100) Doolies in addition to that Number in thirty (30) days from the period at which he may receive an advance of Cash for the purpose, We recommend that our Board be authorized to direct an immediate provision of such proportion of New Doolies and in the event of your Lordships concurring that an Advance of Pagodas 350.-.- be made to Mr. Webbe on that account.

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

Fort St. George
19th December 1798

(Signed) Geo: Harris
John Brathwaite
Patrick Ross
Wm Sydenham
Jn Richardson
B.T. Close

Minutes thereon

The Board approve the recommendation of the Military Board for the provision of an hundred Doolies in addition to the Number already ordered.

Resolved

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Resolved to Authorize an advance of Pagodas 350 to the Agent of Supply on that Account.

To the Right Honorable Lord Clive

Governor in Council

&c &c &c

My Lord,

In consequence of it having been represented to our Board by the Garrison Pay Master of Fort St. George that he finds great difficulty in completing the 1800 Dooley Bearers whom he was directed to hire and that he has but little hopes of any volunteering from the Northward during the present scarcity, and consequent high price of Rice at the Presidency, and observing, on examination of the several Returns, the Number of Dooley Bearers actually required to equip the Corps, in the proportion allowed by the Regulations, amount to

double

From the Military Board suggesting the propriety of authorizing the Collectors in the Northern Districts to entertain such a Number of Dooley Bearers as they may be possibly able to Collect and to Correspond with Mr Cochrane on the Subject recommending to the attention of the Board a New plan for the Transportation of Battering Guns suggested by Mr Rochfort and proposing that the Military Board be Authorized to prepare as many Waggons agreeably to Mr Rochfort's plan of Construction as can be Completed by the time it may be necessary to put the Troops in Motion submitting to the Consideration of the Board the Establishment of Servants that appear necessary for the Commissary of Provisions to the Army about to take the field

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double the number which have been ordered
to be provided. We beg leave to suggest to your
Lordship the expediency of directions being given
to the Collectors in the Northern Districts for
forwarding as expeditiously as possible to the
Presidency such Dooley Bearers as they may be
able to engage advancing to each one Months
Subsistence to be accounted for hereafter; and
to recommend that the Collectors be ordered to
correspond with Mr Cochrane on the Subject
so that he may be enabled to regulate annually
the appropriation of the Numbers sent hither
as the extent to which the Collectors are to
continue entertaining, founded upon the
information which he may receive of their
Sentiments.—

2nd Having Received from Mr. Roebuck
through the Medium of Major General Sydenham
a suggestion for facilitating the transportation
of Battering Guns by means of Waggons
for each, We authorized an experiment to
be made, which having succeeded to
effectuate

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effectually We are induced to request that
our Board may be authorized to direct the
preparation of as many Waggons as can be
completed by the time it may become
necessary to put in motion the Troops under
Orders for Field Service, it being our Opinion
that even although from the forward state
of the Battering Train it may not be
necessary to employ those Waggons for the
transportation of Guns they will nevertheless
be of essential Service in forwarding the
General purposes of the equipment.—

3rd We have the honor of submitting
herewith a proposed Establishment for
the Commissary of Provisions with the
Army to be employed in the Field, —
contrasted with that allowed to the
Commissary of Provisions with the Army
under Earl Cornwallis, and of stating
our Opinion that as the appointment
of Commissaries of Grain and Provisions

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on Liberal Salaries, in plain that they are to act upon honor and not to derive any advantage whatever from their Offices — Establishments, it is to be expected that those Offices will not carry their respective Establishments to the proposed extent, unless it shall be found indispensably necessary; but that on the contrary, they will feel it their duty to reduce such Establishment whenever it can be done without prejudice to the public Service. —

We have the honor to be

My Lord

Your Lordships

Very Obedient

humble Servants

Signd Geo Harris

John Braithwaite

Patrick Ross

Wm Sydenham

Jn Richardson

B.T Close.

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Office Establishment granted to Lieutenant A. Morison Commissary of Grain under Earl Cornwallis from October 1791 to the conclusion of the War.—

	Pr Mo	Pr C	Pr Ch
1 European Assistant	40	"	"
2 Sergeants at 4 Pagodas each	8	"	"
2 Head Conicopulis	40	"	"
1 Writer	15	"	"
24 Conicopulis at 5 Pag each	120	"	"
7 Madras Measuring Men @ 5 P each	35	"	"
8 Tondimopoly Do @ 3.20 each	29	15	"
1 Head Packer	3	"	"
38 Packers	95	"	"
1 Head Peon	2	22	40
9 Peons at 2.11.20 each	18	"	"
2 Hircarrahs @ 3.15. each	6	30	"
7 Mapolayes @ 2 P each	14	"	"
8 Sweepers at 1 Do	8	"	"
			£3422.40

Military Board (Signed) Fred: Pierce
Office 17th December 1793. Sec. Mil. Board

Resolution thereon

Resolved that the necessary orders be given to the Several Collectors of the Masulipatam Districts agreeably to the recommendation

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recommendation of the Military Board, for —
entertaining and forwarding to the Presidency
as expeditiously as possible fifty Seven —
Waistrus and two thousand two hundred and
forty six Body Bearers —

The Board observe with satisfaction
the favorable report of the Military Board on
the experiment that has been made in consequence
of Mr. Rochucks suggestion for facilitating the
Transportation of Battering Guns; and Resolve
that the Military Board be authorized to —
direct the preparation of as many Waggons
as can be completed so as to be at Vellore by 31st
of January next. —

The Board approve the establish=
=ment of Servants recommended by the Military
Board for the Commissary of Provisions to the
Army and direct that it be authorized accordingly

The Board in consideration of the
liberal Salaries which have been granted
to the Commissary of Grain and Provisions —
desire that it be understood that they are

to

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to derive no advantages whatever from their — allowances for Servants; and it is directed that they be called upon to declare on honor as to the Sums they have actually disbursed on that Account.—

The the Board have granted the Sums recommended by the Military Board for completing the effective Establishments of the Grain and Provisions Departments as on an average they appear to be the Amounts of the expense likely to be incurred on that head; it is to be understood that they shall be hereafter liable to a reduction if not found indispensably necessary for carrying on the public Service.—

The Commander in Chief lays before the Board the following Memorandum

December 21st. 1798

The Commander in Chief having taken into consideration the great extra expense which will be incurred by sending the whole of the 29th Regiment of Dragoons into the Field as artillery and adverting to the great probability

Commander in Chief Minute given as his opinion, for a different reason, that only 100 Men should be drafted from the 29th Dragoons for the Gun Lascars, instead of the whole Regiment as formerly ordered.

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probability we now have of an immediate encrease of European force from the Cape and the still longer one from Europe, either of which arriving, will enable him to — Augment the Artillery from his Majesty's Regiments now here with them who have already been drilled to the Gun exercise for occasions, proposes, for these reasons, and some others, unnecessary to trouble the Board with at present — That the Order of — 4th directing that the whole of the 29th Dragoons should learn the Gun exercise and prepare to take the field," be countermanded and only the original 100 Men of that Corps with one Captain and three Subalterns — and non Commissioned officers in proportion be sent with the Army into the Field. —

(signed) G. Harris

Approved Approved and the Commander in Chief is requested to issue the necessary Orders — accordingly

Read

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Read the following Letter from

Bengal.

To the Right Honorable Lord Clive

Governor in Council

at

Fort St. George

My Lord.

We have the honor to acquaint your Lordship that his Excellency the Commander in Chief in India will shortly embark from this Presidency for Fort St. George to take the Command of the British Forces destined to act eventually against Mysore.

2 As his Excellency will shortly be on the spot to give the necessary orders respecting his plan of operations, and as he will communicate the plan to your Lordship we have judged it unnecessary to forward to you any details upon that Subject.

3 His Excellency having stated to us the inadequacy of the proportion of European Artillery

From Bengal His Excellency the Commander in Chief will shortly embark for this Presidency to take upon himself the Command of the Army about to take the field the Command[illegible] affair at Masulipatam has been directed to procure a proper vessel to convey the Bengal Detachment of Artillery with the Lascars belonging to it stationed at that place to Fort St. George an additional Number of Artillery will also be sent to the East from Bengal and the Islands of Ceylon

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Artillery at present with the Army assembled
in the Carnatic, for the operations which it
may be eventually necessary to undertake
against Mysore, We at his Excellency's suggestion
request that you will order the Company of
Bengal Artillery now at Masulipatam with
the Lascars attached to it, to proceed to Fort St.
George by Sea with all practicable expedition

4 We have directed the Commanding
Officer at Masulipatam to endeavor to procure
a proper Vessel to convey the Detachment
to Madras, and to embark them immediately
on receiving Orders from you to that effect

5 It is also our intention to Embark
from hence with all expedition another —6
Company of European Artillery with two
Companies of Lascars for Fort St. George
and we have directed his Excellency the —
Governor of Ceylon to send one of the —4
Companies of Bengal Artillery now serving
on

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on that Island, with its Lascars, to your Presidency by Sea, by the first conveyance which it may be in his power to obtain.-

We have the honor to be

Fort William
the 7th December 1798

&c.a &c.a
(Signed) Mornington
Alured Clarke
P. Speke

The President lays before the Board the following Copy of a letter from the Right Honorable the Governor General to Tippoo Sultaun (also entered in C.C. No 174)

To Tippoo Sultaun

Written December 20th 1798

From the Right Honble the Governor General to Tippoo Sultaun he expresses his hopes that the Sultaun will see the propriety and necessity of acceding to the propositions contained in his Lordships letter of 8th November.

I had the honor of addressing a friendly Letter to your Highness on the 8th of November last in which I stated a variety of important points to which your Highness would no doubt perceive

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the propriety and necessity of giving your earliest and most serious consideration — I particularly hope that your Highness will have been sensible of the advantages likely to result to all parties from the — Concealing measure of my deputing — Major Doveton to you which I proposed in that Letter. —

I expect to have the pleasure of finding your Answer to that letter on my — arrival at Madras for which place I am — on the point of setting out from Calcutta. I hope to arrive at Madras about the same time that this letter reaches you and should any Circumstances have hither to prevented your answering my last letter of the 8th of November I assure myself that you will — immediately on your receipt of this Dispatch a satisfactory reply to it addressed to me at Madras. —

A true Copy / Signed / R. B. Edmonstone Pr. Sr

The President is requested to transmit the — Original to Tippoo Sultaun. —

The Commander in Chief lays before the Board the following Memoranda. —

Friday

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Friday 21st. December

Memoranda

Memoranda of the Commander in Chief Containing sundry Appointments and recommendations.

Major General Floyd to deliver over the command of Trichinopoly and the Southern division of the Army to Lieutenant Colonel Brown or in the absence of Lieutenant Colonel Brown to make over the Command of the Fort of Trichinopoly to the Senior Officer on the spot - the General will then proceed to an encampment forming in the vicinity of Arcot, of which he is to take the Command, and act agreeably to the orders which he may receive from Lieutenant General Harris.-

Lieutenant Colonel Brown after closing the proceedings of the

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Ramnad Committee to repair to — Tuticorin poly and take upon himself the Command of the Fort and of the Southern Division Major General Bridges to be directed to repair with all Convenient expedition to the presidency delivering over the Command of the Fort of Masulipatam and the Northern Division to Lieutenant Colonel Vigors —

Lieutenant Colonel Vigors to be directed to proceed immediately to — Masulipatam, to receive command of that Fort and of the Northern Division until further orders —

Major

Major General Bridges to order Lieutenant Colonel Munro and Lieutenant and Quarter Master W^m Donal to repair to the presidency for the purpose of joining the Army preparing to take the field.—

Lieutenant Colonel Lalande to Command in the Vizagapatam District vice Lieutenant Colonel Munro until further orders.—

Major General Bridges to send the Bengal artillery and Lascars now at Masulipatam to the Presidency by Sea, as soon as he can procure a Vessel for the purpose.—

W^m William Hayes Gordon appointed

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appointed Paymaster of the Army.—

Lieutenant Colonel Barry Close

appointed Persian Translator to the —

Head quarters of the Army.—

Lieutenant Colebrooke to act

as Major of Brigade to Colonel Wellesly

until further orders to receive the pay

and allowances of a Major of Brigade

while doing the Duty of that situation.—

Lieutenant Thomas Harriot

appointed to act as Aid de Camp to

the Commander in Chief till further —

Orders.—

Peter Dowdal Michael —

Hughes / Sergeants of Invalid Artillery

and Joseph Woodland / Matross / to be

Sub Conductors under the orders of /

Lieutenant Colonel Carlisle.—

/ Signed / G. Harris Approved

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Approved.

Approved and ordered Accordingly

" Clive

" Geo: Hewitt

" W.m Petrie

" Ed.d Fanshawe

Andw Barclay Lieut.

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Diary

21st Received the following Letter

To Josiah Webbe Esqr

Secretary to Government

Fort St George

Sir

From the President at Tanjore mentions different particulars respecting the disturbances that have been lately created at Tanjore by some of the late Rajahs Mahratta Sardars

In my letters of the 4th and 21st August I had occasion to mention the turbulent conduct of the late Rajah's Troops Sibbendy and Servants for their arrears during his Reign and the mode adopted by the Rajah Serfogee to compromise with most of them and which had the desired effect and was approved by Government

At this time there were some Mahratta Zamindars of Honse and other Dependants of Ameer Sing who not only refused the compromise which was an offer of present pay and Service but also their Salams of submission to Serfogee on his Elevation to the Musnud.

Serfogee Rajah explained to them the state of His Treasury, the unproductive season

&c

21st for the Revenues, and the offer He had made of his Country to the Company, which prevented him from doing more.

The support I had given to Serfoge Rajah in establishing him on the musnud and in regulating the affairs of His Government, had the effect of keeping all in quietness for the first four months after his Accession and if no countenance had been given by the present Commanding Officer from this great Military precaution, which necessarily curtailed and degraded the Rajah's authority, I am thoroughly persuaded we should to this day have been equally tranquil

About two Months ago I received a message from one of these discontented Samidars called Satwaje Inglay informing me he had a claim for arrears in Ameer Singh's Reign - I desired to see him the next day, but He sent word he was sick and I heard no more of the claim 'till the 7th or 8th of this Month when he applied to me again and I saw him on the 10th and requested the attendance of Lieutenant Butler

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21st Butler that she might speak to them unequivocally and be a witness to the offer I made them of receiving and forwarding a representation of their claims to the Madras Government without whose Orders I informed them nothing could be done.

They consented to send me this Representation but did not and yesterday I learnt that Sahwajee Pinglay with three or four more principal men with their followers had assembled and determined to go into Dhoona against the Rajah or existing Government for their Arrears and that at noon from 50 to 100 of them with their Arms and Accoutrements paraded the Town, to the Top of the Street leading to the East Gate, and there pitched their Tents close to the Place Wall.

Altho I had no idea that such a movement could escape the vigilance of major Innes I thought it necessary to apprise him of the Circumstance informing him at the same time that I had made every reasonable explanation to these people a week before and given them the opportunity of laying their claims before Government.

I was

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I was surprised to receive a note from the Major late in the evening, at a loss to know why they written to him and declaring himself ignorant of the movement of the people altho they had pitched their Tents in the Open Street.

They remained in this position the whole night and this morning their numbers had increased considerably.

I then made a second application to Major Innes entered fully into their unreasonable pretensions, and the consequences to be dreaded either to themselves or to others if they were allowed to compleat the three days in Dherna at the end of which time it is their custom to shame the Government by starving themselves or to commit some act of Desperation.

In the afternoon I received a letter from Major Innes full of alarm at the circumstance I had reported to him yesterday evening and calling upon me for my Sentiments and to require of the Rajah to withdraw his Sentries from the places where he had posted them for his own Security.

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As I had given Major Innes the earliest intelligence of this affair and subsequently explained at large the whole for his information I informed him the rest must be left to his discretion and that the Rajah would be required to recall all extra means taken for his personal safety.

The Arrears claimed by the people in question amount according to their Statement of them and at the rate of the honorary and nominal Pay granted to them by Ameer Sing to Chuckrams 34192 but according to the rate at which they have been paid hitherto Viz.t only 4 or 5 months pay in the Year, the Arrear amounts to the inconsiderable Sum of 1800 Chuckrams and by this calculation some have even received more than their Pay.

As Ameer Sing had actually no Service for these people we must consider the high rate of their nominal pay only as a Lure to attach them to his usurpation and to give strength to his Government.

The Rajah Serfoge is of Opinion these people act in conformity to Ameer Sing's wishes to create confusion in His Government - altho I cannot

venture

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25 venture to say it is so I must remark the altered conduct of these people within this short period justifies a suspicion that they are not impressed with the belief that the Company's authority will interpose and Ameer Sing's change of conduct will not wholly acquit him of being averse to the present Government.

Tanjour
17th December 1798

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) Benjn. Torin Resd.

To Josiah Webbe Esqr.
Secretary to Government
Fort St George

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From the Resident at Tanjore - states further particulars respecting the disturbances at Tanjore - and transmits a continuation of the Correspondence that had passed between him and Major Innes on the Subject

You will be pleased to inform the Right Honorable the Governor in Council in continuation of my report of yesterday, that late in the evening I received a message from Major Innes by one of his Officers, informing me that he had prevailed on the Tamiaas &c. in Dhenar to retire to the House of the former Hilladar and to transmit a Representation of their

their Claims to Government which he was to forward to me.

I replied that I had not the smallest doubt but the people would submit to the terms formerly agreed upon, so soon as they were convinced the Company's Military Authority would interpose and that I was of Opinion the business might have been prevented by a timely remonstrance from the Commanding Officer in the former Evening, and before the Dhenna had gained the height so alarmingly described by Major Innes.

I cannot resist troubling Government with a Copy of the Correspondence between Major Innes and myself on this occasion, as it appears to me to exhibit a line of conduct very inconsistent with his former Sentiments, when he took upon himself merely on the plea of the Rajah's issuing as usual Ball Cartridges to his Sibbendy; to establish immediate measures of Military Precaution and to suspect his Sibbendy of attachment to the Service on the score of their Arrears — altho these people had Compromised with the

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21 the Rajah some Months before to be received into the Service on regular monthly Pay and not a breath of Complaint had transpired from them since still they were to be suspected tho' only by Major Innes and they were not allowed to enter the Gates of the Fort with their Firelocks and Patroles to the General Annoyance of the Rajah's subjects were ordered to parade the Streets and apprehend all persons with Arms, at the very time the Rajah's Putchery were dispersing to their Houses and of course every man with his Sword as a part of dress.

Upon the present occasion a body of men who had refused the Rajah's Service and became clamorous for Arrears, who had assembled to the number of 100 with Arms and Accoutrements and pitched the Tents in the Open Streets at noon day in declared opposition to the existing Government to undergo the desperate Ceremony of Dharna to the consternation of the Town and interruption of the public Tranquility and in defiance of an Arrangement proposed to them by the Company's Resident and their own promise.

This actual instance of Open

tumult

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21 tumult and revolt, is allowed to pass unnoticed by Major Innes for 24 Hours, altho' apprised of it by myself and even reported to him by his Subedar. by delay it swells into importance, and what the timely interposition of an Orderly Sepoy would have prevented, is made to require the interposition of the whole Garrison.

I am led to suppose from Major Innes letters that the Rajah's Troops appearing around his Palace will be an object of his Animadversions. I therefore think it necessary to remark that the Rajah's conduct appeared to me to be perfectly correct. He felt himself in no degree responsible to these People. He strongly suspected they were acting in concert with Ameer Sing and his enemies and while they were allowed to keep their Station in declared opposition to the Government of the Country he naturally called his Sibbendy and Servants around him for his personal safety.

I cannot help expressing a hope that this circumstance will induce the Government to see the very imperfect state the Rajah's Power is reduced to and the expediency of reinstating him in his proper Authority

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21st Authority by removing the restraints imposed upon it, under the mere plea of Military precaution.

I understand from Major Innes the Representation of the Mahratta Sarnesai's Claims will not be ready till tomorrow when I shall receive and forward it

I have the Honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) Benjn. Torin
Resident

Tanjour
18th December 1798

No 1

To Major Innes
Commanding
Tanjour

Sir

As I am informed a large party of Amersing's Adherents are parading the Streets of Tanjour under the plea of distress for their Arrears, during the late Rajah's Reign - I beg leave to inform you that I have already had an interview with Sauttwagee Ingly the Head man on Monday last, when I afforded him every reasonable explanation, and offered to receive and forward a Representation of His Claims to Government

I have

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I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) Benjn. Torin
Resident

Tanjour
16th December 1798

No 2

To Benjn. Torin Esqr.
Resident at
Tanjour

Sir

I have this moment received your letter of this date informing me that "you are informed a large party of Ameer Sing's adherents are parading the Streets of Tanjaur under the plea of Distrefs for their Arrears during the late Rajah's Reign."

I am unacquainted with the circumstance you mention, or that Ameer Sing has any adherents from whom any thing can possibly be apprehended under his present situation and I imagine if there was any disturbance by a large party's improperly parading the Streets, as you state, I should have heard of it. Consequently I am at a loss to comprehend the intention of your having this written

to

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21 to me

Lieutenant Butler informed me some days ago that he had been called on by you to witness a conversation between you and a Maratta Sircar who had Claims on the Sircar for Arrears of pay and who had been in the late Rajah's Service with a considerable party of Horse and followers - that he wished to be settled with to enable him to return to his own Country - In which I conceive it is out of my Department to interfere unless specially called on by you or the Rajah.

I have the Honor to be

&c. &c.

(Signed) James Innes

Major Commandg.

Tanjore

16th December 1798

8 P.M.

No 3

To Major Innes

Commanding

Tanjour

Sir

Yesterday I wrote to inform you that a large party of Ameer Sing's Adherents were parading the Streets of Tanjour under pleas of distress for their arrears during his Reign - and was not a little surprised

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25 surprised to receive your letter in the evening informing you were unacquainted with the Circumstance particularly as you have thought it necessary of late to exercise so great degree of military precaution throughout the Town of Tanjour and this from the Suspicion you entertained as you informed me in your letter of 3d Ultimo of those Sibbendy Troops who had taken Service with the present Rajah, and against whom not a shadow of Complaint has hitherto Existed.

The People I allude to are Sautwajee Inglay and Ravajee Mooty and Govinda Row Inglay and Motagee Gautkay a connection by marriage of the late Rajah Ameer Sing - at the time of the Revolution - these People all refused their Submission to the Young Rajah on his Elevation to the musnud and also to accept in common with the rest of the Troops and Servants of the Durbar present pay and Service; They demanded their Arrears due to them from Ameer Sing, which Rajah Serfogee plainly informed them, his Empty Treasury could not comply with even if his Offer of his Country to the

Company

21 Company, and the Controll they exercised over his receipts and Disbursements would permit

In this situation affairs remained 'till two months ago, when I received a message from Salwage Inglay, the Head man, informing, He had a claim for Arrears during Ameersing's Reign — I used to see him the next day and to hear his Story, but he sent me word he was sick, and his importunities subsided 'till the 7th or 8th of this month, when he again applied to me, and I saw him on the 10th. He applied to Lieutenant Butler to be present that he might speak to them in a language that was familiar to them, as Soldiers, and be witness to the offer I made them of receiving and forwarding their Representation and claims to the Madras Government and without whose orders I expresly acquainted them nothing could be done.

They consented to send me the Representation but I have not received it and as I informed them, that any other mode of proceeding would be considered an insult to the existing Government, I cannot but look upon their present Conduct

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2d. conduct as extremely Reprehensible.

Upon enquiry you will, I believe, find that the people above mentioned assembled at the house of Salvagee Inglay, and where they resolved by means of the usual Ceremonies to go into Dherna against the existing Government for their Arrears. that Yesterday at noon with their followers and their usual Arms and Accoutrements from 50 to 100 of them paraded the Town from Salvagee's House to the top of the Street leading to the East Gate, and there pitched their Tents, and took post that they remained there all night, and are now to be seen there in great numbers - but for the reasons I have given you, and because the Ceremony of Dhernay implies not only disgrace to the Government, but, at the end of three Days, either acts of Desperation on themselves or upon others, I take upon me once more to point them out to you as dangerous to the public Welfare and now to require of you to interpose the Company's authority by removing them from the Town or in taking such care of them at their respective Houses

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Upon enquiry you will, I believe, find that the people above mentioned assembled at the house of Satwagee Inglay, and where they resolved by means of the usual Ceremonies to go into Dherna against the existing Government for their Arrears. that Yesterday at noon with their followers and their usual Arms and Accoutrements from 50 to 100 of them paraded the Town from Satwagee's House to the top of the Street leading to the East Gate, and there pitched their Tents, and took post that they remained there all night, and are now to be seen there in great numbers. but for the reasons I have given you, and because the Ceremony of Dhernay implies not only disgrace to the Government, but, at the end of three Days, either acts of Desperation on themselves or upon others. I take upon me once more to point them out to you as dangerous to the public Welfare and now to require of you to interpose the Company's authority by removing them from the Town or in taking such care of them at their respective Houses

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21st Houses as shall be consistent with Peace and Good order
- in the mean time I propose to report to Government the
offer I have made and their subsequent Conduct

I have the honor to be
&c &c

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(Signed) Benjamin Torin Resd

No 4

To Benjamin Torin Esqr.

Resident at Tanjour

Sir

It being reported to me that Tents
have been pitched in the public Streets near the
palace and that considerable parties of Armed Men
had occupied them and that the Rajah's Sepoys
and other Troops amounting to a very considerable
number were posted in large parties with Arms
grounded in the large Streets near, and in the
different Streets leading to the palace compared
- I went to the spot, and am this moment returned

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21st returned from examining the circumstances which I find to exceed every thing I could possibly form an Idea of - The Streets near the Palace so crouded with Troops, Tents and Arms, that I could scarcely pass along in my Bandy and the palace yard filled with Armed Men - This hostile and unprecedented appearance within the Fort demands your immediate attention and interference with the Rajah for otherwise I have reason to apprehend it will be attended with the most fatal consequences, and to obviate which as much as possible, I have to request you will be pleased to call on his Excellency to withdraw the whole of his Troops within the compound of his Palace; a measure which in my Opinion is absolutely necessary under the present Circumstances and which I beg leave to recommend to your particular and immediate consideration; more especially as there cannot be the least necessity for his posting a Single man Armed in the public Streets, so different from what has been heretofore the practice and in a Fortress under the protection of the Honorable Company - I have to request your

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2d. your immediate Sentiments on this Subject and your special instructions should it be necessary for me to interfere further and in the mean time I shall be prepared to act as Circumstances may Require.

I have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) James Innes
Major Comm.g

Tanjour
17th. December 1798

No. 5

To Major Innes
Commanding
Tanjour

Sir

You must have received, or ought to have received my letter of to day with my Sentiments on the present state of Tanjour previous to the dispatch of your representation for the Servant who carried it returned half an hour ago with your Compliments.

As I have given you previous intimation of this Circumstance yesterday evening and

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21st and to day have explained the matter fully for your information, I must leave the rest to your discretion

The Rajah has been already informed that you are required to interpose the Company's authority, and that it will be no longer necessary for him to make use of any Extraordinary precaution for his Security

It is greatly to be regretted that this Circumstance did not come to your knowledge in the course of yesterday and that you did not think it of sufficient consequence on the receipt of my note in the Evening to take some steps to prevent it.

I have the Honor to be

&c &c

(Signed) Benjn Torin
Resr

Tanjour
17th December 1798

No 6

To Benjamin Torin Esqr:
Resident at Tanjour

Sir

I have to acknowledge your letter of

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21st of this date and shall at present pass over your Remarks on my conduct in the first part of it not being conscious of my neglect on my part I must however observe that I received your letter of yesterday in the evening while at Dinner, and immediately quitted my Company to reply to it and having no intercourse with the Palace or its concerns I told you what was the the truth that I was unacquainted with the Circumstances of any large parties passing the Street improperly to create a Disturbance; on the contrary the Subject of the day of the large fort having reported to me in the evening that a party of Marattas of which Sumerstand Sitwajee Inglay and other Sirdars are their leaders were setting in Dherna near the last Gate of the Palace compound - I asked him if they were riotous or occasioned any disturbance - he said not the least - and this being a Civil affair I could not wise interfere without your special instructions, more particularly, as I am aware of the acts of desperation these people may commit on themselves or those that oppose them and which you are sensible of yourself - and from the inquiries I have made

have

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21st Have reason to apprehend that bloodshed will be the result of violent measures against them - therefore it is necessary for me to understand clearly whether I am to employ the Troops under my command to carry into effect your requisition of "removing them from the Town or into confinement to their respective Houses" let the consequences be what they will - To this I request an explicit answer - Should violent measures be unfortunately resorted to to carry your requisition into effect, the Troops under my Command must previously be part in possession of the Gates of the Palace compound and which I again strongly recommend - In all cases of Dhurna and which were frequent against the late Government here, I cannot find that the Rajah called out his Guards or that the Commanding Officer in any shape interfered - I shall therefore wait your answer to this and my former letter of to day before I take any other step then ordering the Troops to be ready, and shall chearfully propose to the parties in Dhurna any conciliatory measures you may think proper to recommend - I lament

that

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Tanjour
17th December 1798
4 P.M.

21st that I cannot see the Rajah on this occasion.

I have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) James Innes
Major Commandg.

No 7

To Benjamin Torin Esqr
Resident
at Tanjour

Sir

I have this moment received your letter of this date. I shall not lose time by a trifling discussion of immaterial points which seem to tend only to a desire to criminate me but have to inform you, that I shall with as little delay as possible proceed to carry your requisition into effect, conceiving your last requisition to be conclusive. The Gates of the large Fort are ordered to be shut. if you mean to be present you can pass in at the little Fort

before

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21st before I proceed I may still receive your reply to my last.

I am &c. &c.

(Signed) James Innes
Major Commandg.

Tanjour
17th December 1798
1/4 before five P.M.

No 8

To Major Innes
Commanding
Tanjour

Sir

In reply to your letter written at 4 O Clock P.M. and your subsequent note 1/4 before 5 I must inform you that my extreme ill health and confinement to my room for three weeks past renders my presence impossible without danger to my life

I must therefore content myself with having given you the earliest Intelligence with the information I have offered you of the reprehensible conduct of Satwagee Inglay and his Party and with the measures that your discretion shall dictate to obviate any bad consequences.

I &c

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21st.

If you are of Opinion that they can be drawn out of Dharma by any Remonstrances or conciliatory measures suitable to the mode I have already pointed out to them to obtain a consideration of their Claims, I can have no manner of objection and by no means insist on their removal from the Garrison or confinement to their own houses as the ultimatum provided your influence can prevail upon them to accept the plan I proposed.

In your first note you lament that you are not able to see the Rajah. this is the first time you have expressed a wish to see him on this affair but as he conceives himself in no degree implicated in the Question and as the Poonjay's controul over his finances place these People in Dharma as an Exception to any that may have happened in former Governments, I cannot conceive that your interview would be of any use; at the same time I must remark that there can be no manner of objection to it.

After my Explanation of the Situation of the Rhaja, to Sahwajee Ingley &c. &c.

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consider the Dhenia directed more against the Company's
Government than any other power.

I have the Honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) Benjn. Torin Resr.

Gardens
17th December 98 before 7 Oclk.

True Copies
(Signed) Benjn. Torin Resr.

No 9

To B. Torin Esqr
Resident
at
Tanjour

Sir

Conformably to my last note of 11
yesterday evening I proceeded about Six with two
Guns and what Troops I thought necessary and having
taken possession of the Gates of the palace Compound
for the Security of the Palace and cleared the Streets
near the place where Selvagee Inglay and his
dependants had taken post at the small Pagoda
out side of the Wall of the Palace, and had made
their vows after the previous ceremonys to entering
on

8080 Fort St. George December 1798

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on Dhema, I disposed of the Troops in a manner to prevent Inglay and his party doing as little mischief as possible should it have been necessary to carry matters to extremities - I then sent Lieutenant Fraser acting Fort Aquitant and Lieutenant Macleod to know the cause of his conduct and intentions in posting his party in the place they were after much discussion the substance of their reply as reported to me, was, that they were greatly distressed for the arrears due to them by the Circar that the Settlement of their Claims had been put off from time to time for Six Months, that Peons had been placed over him Inglay and others of his People for Six months past as a prisoner without any one of his people being suffered to come in or go out of the Fort that they Inglay and his party, had come peaceably, without molesting any one to demand their Arrears according to the Custom of the Maratta people and that they could not return home or to their families without

21ˢᵗ without being for ever disgraced and becoming out casts of their Nation.

I again sent the same Officers to them to acquaint them that my Orders were to remove them from the Town or to confine them to their Houses till the pleasure of the Madras Government was known, that I strongly recommended them to retire to their houses immediately otherwise I should be under the necessity of compelling them and the consequences must be on their own heads recommending the said Officers to use every Argument to induce them to comply without bringing matters to extremities and that they should have an opportunity of immediately laying their Claims before Government whose justice was well known and might be depended on- after nearly an hours conversation the substance of their determination was that they would most cheerfully submit their cause to the justice of Government, that they would remain peaceably where they were under the protection

of

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of the Pagoda according to their vows and Customs of their Nation and Cast, under which they could not return to their homes for the reasons before assigned and further that they could not possibly bear the cries and insults of those they were indebted to, which would be the case were they to return to their houses without a Settlement of their just Claims At this Critical moment about eight O'Clock I had the pleasure to receive your letter dated ¼ before Seven leaving me to act at my discretion, and authorizing me to propose conciliatory measures which I immediately did in person previously explaining in the fullest manner the contents of your letter in the presence of most of the Officers and Gentlemen of the Garrison and particularly that the Rajah could not settle with them without the orders of Government.

After much difficulty and persuasion they at last consented to retire to an unoccupied part of Gandevou's House, he being a relation of theirs on the express condition that they should remain

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21st remain their unmolested 'till the decision of Government was known respecting them that I should forward a Statement of their grievances which they should furnish me with and that their people should not be prevented from passing in and out of the Fort, and they engaged not to give the least molestation to any one - This I judged better than proceeding to violence and thereby risking the most melancholy — destruction of a set of determined men and their families I shall be glad to find that my conduct therein meets your approbation and request you will take the necessary steps that this Agreement may be faithfully kept by the Rajah's preventing his Armed peons at the Gates of the Fort from — hindering Inglay's people or Servants from passing in and out of the Fort, as they have orders from the Rajah not to allow them to come in - we are pledged to this till the pleasure of Government is known.

Having seen the whole party looged on the house agreed on, I withdrew the Troops leaving a Subidar, Jemidar and 55 Men at the east Gate of the palace Compound, from whence the Guard of

Company's

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21st. Company's Troops were lately removed, with the same orders as formerly and to suffer any of Inglay's people to pass into the palace - All which I sent to inform the Rajah of and Lieutenant Macleod to yaw with the particulars, being too late to write - I requested the Rajah to let the Company's Guard remain at the Gate till the pleasure of Government is known and this I earnestly recommend to yaw as the surest means of preventing any disturbance at the Palace. Everything is now perfectly quiet

I have the Honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) James Innes.
Major Comm.

Tanjour
18th. December 1798

P.S.

I have just received a message that Inglay will not be prepared with his statement till tomorrow when it will be sent to yaw.

(Signed) Ja.s Innes

No. 10

To Major Innes Commanding Tanjour

Sir

I have received your letter of to day informing

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21st informing me of your proceedings last night. I cannot help regretting that if you thought it right to hear Sautwagee Inglays exaggerated Story, that in reply you did not avail yourself of the information you were in possession of from me and remind him of his Interview with the Resident a week before and the Opportunity that had been offered him of laying his Claims before Government, and of His promise so to do in presence of Lieutenant Butler, also of his present conduct in defiance of that Arrangement and in face of his own promise as extremely reprehensible, and further that it was incumbent on him to abide by his promise and that you should not allow him to depart from it by this specious but indeed outrageous violation of the Public Peace.

I am of Opinion they would then have been convinced of their error, and that they would without further hesitation and without putting you to the trouble of calling all your Troops to your aid have retired in shame and confusion

8086 Fort St. George 7th December 1798

21st Confusion.]

But since you did not notice the early intimation I gave of their Conduct to prevent them from establishing their Dharna, and afterwards thought it necessary to hear their Story as if nothing had passed between them and my self on this subject, but threatened them at once with the measures I proposed for removing them, I confess I am not surprised at their reluctance and at the relief you seem to have derived from my not acceding to the conciliatory measures you recommended but which I must remark were always within your own breast while the affair was left to your discretion.

The Rajah very sensibly feels the means you have taken for his protection and is sorry you could devise no other but that, which you know to be most objectionable to him

As I am not able to reconcile your conduct upon this occasion to the measures you pursued in the former affair with the Rajah

8087 Fort St. George .. December 1798

21 Rajah, I have resolved to submit our Correspondence to Government that they may, if they think proper define more particularly the powers and authority of the Rajah, as well as the immediate Duties of the Commanding Officer in relation to the Government of Tanjour.

I have the honor to be
&c &c
/Signed/ B. Torin
Resr.

Tanjour
18th December 1798

A true Copy
/Signed/ B T
Resr.

To the Right Honorable Lord Clive
Governor and President in Council &c &c &c

My Lord

From Major Innes Commandg at Tanjore enclosing Copies of Correspondence between him and the Resident at Tanjore respecting the disturbances that has been lately created at Tanjore by some of the late Rajahs Mahratta Sirdars.

It is my duty to transmit to your Lordship with as little delay as possible, the accompanying correspondence in regard to some proceedings of several respectable Marattah Sirdars and their dependants who appear to have claims of Arrears due from the Circar, the merits of which

8088 Fort St. George 1st December 1798

21st which it is not my department to enquire or enter into, without being called on so to do. I only hope my conduct in this business will meet your Lordship's approbation. And I am happy it has ended without mischief. — I doubt not all will remain quiet till the determination of Government is received.

Had I interfered, otherwise than I have done under the authority of the Resident, or had recourse to violence, I am convinced it would have been followed by fatal consequences. In all cases of Dherna which is very ~~which is~~ very frequent among Marattah Troops and repeatedly occurred in the late Rajah's time and regularly settled without disturbance, calling on his Troops to interpose, on the interference of the Commanding Officer had I attempted it without being called on by Mr. Forbes or the Rajah, as stated in my letters on the present occasion, I should have drawn a responsibility on myself, more especially if any fatal accident had happened that I could not have answered to

My letter of the 3d. ultimo referred to

8089 Fort St. George December 1798

21st to by Mr. Torin in his of yesterday's date is already before Government - I shall therefore make no remark on his seeming imputation of neglect; but only observe that no particular military precaution has been added to those stated in my letter of the 16th. November to your Lordship and which I have every reason to be satisfied with.

The Guard being replaced at the Gate of the Palace compound as stated in my letter of the accompanying correspondence, I beg leave to recommend to your Lordship that it may be continued as formerly, which will effectually prevent irregularities.

Salvaje Inglay has sent to inform me that the Statement agreed on, to be laid before your Lordship cannot be completed till tomorrow which it shall be duly forwarded.

I have the Honor to be with the greatest Respect

Tanjour
18th. December 1798

&c. &c.
(Signed) Jas. Innes
Major Comg.
Art.

8090 Fort St. George 1. December 1798.

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No 1

To Major Innes

Commanding Tanjour

Sir

As I am informed a large party of Ameer Sing's Adherents are parading the Streets of Tanjour under the plea of distress for their Arrears during the late Rajah's Reign, I beg leave to inform you that I have already had an interview with Satwaja Inglay the Head man, on monday last, when I offered him every reasonable explanation and offered to receive and forward a Representation of Hers claims to Government

I have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) B Torin Resident

Tanjour
16th December 1798

No 2

To B Torin Esqr.

Resident

Sir

I have this moment received your letter of this date, informing me that you are

8091 Fort St. George 1 December 1798

21st are informed a large party of Ameer Sings Adherents are parading the Streets of Tanjour under the plea of distress for their Arrears during the late Rajahs Reign.

I am unacquainted with the circumstances you mention or that Ameer Sing has any Adherents from whom any thing can possibly be apprehended under his present situation and imagine if there was any disturbance by a large party's improperly parading the Streets as you state I should have heard of it; consequently I am at a loss to comprehend the intention of your having thus written to me.

Lieutenant Butler informed me some days ago that he has been called on by you to witness a conversation between you & a Mahratta Sirdar who had Claims on the Circar for Arrears of pay and who had been in the late Rajahs Service with a considerable party of Horse and followers - that he wished

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8092 Fort St. George 16 December 1798

21st to be settled with to enable him to return to his own Country — In which I conceive it is not of my Department to interfere unless specially called on, by your orders Rajah.

I have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) Sam. Symes
Major Comm.g

Tanjour
16th Decamber 1798
7 P.M

No. 3

To B. Torin Esqr.
Resident at Tanjour

Sir

It being reported to me that Tents have been pitched in the public Street near the Palace and that considerable parties of Armed Men had occupied them and that the Rajahs Sepoys and other Troops amounting to a very considerable Number were posted in large Parties with Arms grounded in the large Streets near and in the different Streets leading to the palace compound — I went to the Spot and am this moment

8093 Fort St. George 11 December 1798

21st Moment returned from examining the circumstances which I find to exceed every thing I could possibly have an Idea of — The Streets near the Palace so Croided with Troops, Tents and Arms that I could scarcely pass along in my Bandy and the palace yard filled with Armed men — This hostile and unprecedented appearance within the Fort demands your immediate attention and interference with the Rajah, for otherwise I have reason to apprehend it will be attended with the most fatal consequences you will be pleased to call on his Excellency to withdraw the whole of his Troops within the compound of his Palace — a measure which in my Opinion, is absolutely necessary under the present Circumstances and which I beg leave to recommend to your particular and immediate consideration; more especially as there cannot be the least necessity for his posting a Single Man Armed, in the public Streets so different from what has been heretofore the practice in a Fortress under the protection of the Honorable Company

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8092 Fort St. George 16th December 1798

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&c &c
(Signed) Sam.l Innes
Major Comm.g

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8093 Fort St. George 4 December 1798

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I have

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I have to request your Sentiments on this subject and your special instructions should it be necessary for me to interfere further - And in the mean time I shall be prepared to act as Circumstances may require.

I have the Honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) Jas. Innes
Major Commg

Tanjaur
14th December 1798

No 1

To Major Innes
Commanding
Tanjaur

Sir

Yesterday I wrote to inform you that a large party of Ameer Sings adherents were parading the Streets of Tanjaur under plea of claiming for their Arrears during his Reign - And was not a little surprised to receive your letter in the evening informing me you were unacquainted with the Circumstances particularly as you have thought it necessary of late to exercise so great

21. great a Degree of Military precaution throughout the Town of Tanjaur, and this from the suspicion you entertained (as you informed me in your letter of 3d. Ultimo) of those Sibbendy Troops who had taken Service with the present Rajah and against whom not a shadow of Complaint has hitherto existed.

The People I allude to are Sautwajee Inglay, Ravajee mooty and Govinda Row Inglay and Malojee Gautkay a connection by marriage of the late Rajah Ameer Sing. At the time of the Revolution these people all refused their Submission to the young Rajah on his Elevation to the Musnud and also to accept in common with the rest of the Troops and Servants of the Durbar, present pay and Service. They demanded their Arrears due to them from Ameer Sing, which Rajah Sarfojee plainly informed them his empty Treasury could not comply with, even if his offer of his Country to the Company and the Controul they exercised over the Receipts and Disbursements would permit.

In this Situation, affairs remained

till

21st till two months ago when I received a message from Satwajee Inglay / the Head man / informing he had a claim for Arrears during Ameer Sing's Reign — I desired to see him the next day and to hear his Story, but he sent me word He was sick and his Importunities subsided till the 7th or 8th of this month when He again applied to me and I saw him on the 10th — I applied to Lieutenant Butler to be present, that he might speak to them in a Language that was familiar to them as Soldiers and be Witness to the offer I made them of receiving and forwarding their Representation and Claims to the Madras Government and without whose Orders I expressly acquainted them nothing could be done.

They consented to send me the Representation, but I have not received it — and as I informed them that any other mode of proceeding would be considered an

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an insult to the existing Government I cannot but look upon their present conduct as extremely reprehensible

Upon enquiry you will I believe find that the people above mentioned assembled at the House of Satwajee Inglay, and where they resolved by means of the usual Ceremonies to go into Dherna against the existing Government for their Arrears that yesterday at Noon with their followers and their usual Arms and Accoutrements from 50 to 100 of them paraded the Town from Satwajee's House to the top of the Street leading to the East Gate, and there pitched their Tents and took post, that they remained there all night and are now to be seen there in great numbers.

I am therefore the more surprised at this Circumstance escaping your notice – but for the reasons I have given you and because the Ceremony of the Dherna implies not only disgrace to the Government, but at the end of three days either Acts of desperation on themselves or upon others.

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I take upon me once more to point them out to you as dangerous to the Public welfare and now to require of you to interpose the Company's authority by removing them from the Town or in taking such care of them at their respective Houses as shall be consistent with Peace and good Order, in the mean time I propose to report to Government the offer I have made and their subsequent Conduct.

I have the honor to be
&c &c
/Signed/ B Torin
Resident

Tanjour
17th December 1798

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To B. Torin Esqr.
Resident

Sir

I have to acknowledge your letter of this date and shall at present pass over your remarks on my Conduct in the first part of it not being conscious of any neglect on my part. I must however observe that I received your letter of yesterday in the evening while at Dinner and immediately quitted

21st quitted my Company to reply to it_ And having no intercourse with the Palace or its concerns, I told you what was the truth that I was unacquainted with the Circumstance of any large party's parading the Street improperly to create a disturbance, on the Contrary the Subidar of the Day of the large Fort having reported to me in the evening that a party of Marattahs of which I understand Sautwajee Inglay and other Sirdars are the leaders were setting in Dhirna near the East Gate of the Palace Compound_ I asked him if they were riotous or occasioned any disturbance he said not the least_ and this being a Circar affair I could no-wise interfere without your special instructions more particularly as I am aware of the Acts of desperation these people may commit, on themselves or those that oppose them and which you are sensible of yourself and from the inquiries I have made have reason to apprehend that bloodshed will be the result of violent measures against them therefore it is necessary for me to understand clearly whether I am to employ the Troops under my

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21st Command to carry into effect your requisition of "removing them from the Town or in forcing them into "Confinement to their respective Houses" let what will be the consequences. To this and to my letter of to Day I request an explicit Answer. Should violent measures be unfortunately resorted to, to carry your requisition into effect the Troops under my Command must previously be put in posession of the Gates of the Palace compound and which I again strongly recommend. In all cases of Dharna and which were frequent against the late Government here I cannot find that the Rajah called out his Guards or that the Commanding Officer in any shape interfered. I shall therefore wait your answer to this and my letter of to day before I take any other step than ordering the Troops ready and shall cheerfully propose to the partys in Dharna any Conciliatory measures you may think proper to recommend. I lament that I cannot see the Rajah on this occasion.

I have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) Jas. Innes
Majr. Comdg.

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17th December 1798
4 P.M.

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No. 6.

To Major Innes

Commanding

Tanjour

Sir

You must have received or ought to have received my letter of to day with my sentiments on the present state of Tanjour previous to the dispatch of your Representation for the Servant who carried it returned half an hour ago with your Compliments.

As I have given you previous intimation of the Circumstance Yesterday evening, and to day have explained the matter fully for your information I do must leave the rest to your discretion.

The Rajah has been already informed that you are required to interpose the Company's authority and that it will be no longer necessary for him to make use of any extraordinary precaution for his Security.

It is greatly to be regretted that this Circumstance did not come to your knowledge in the course of yesterday and that you did not

Think

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21st think it of sufficient consequence on the receipt of my note in the evening, to take some steps to prevent it,

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
/Signed/ B. Torin, Resident

Gardens
17th December
/ 5 before 4 o Clock
P.M.

P.S. Your letter dated 1/2 past one was received at 1/4 past three P.M.

No 7

To B Torin Esq.
Resident

Sir

I have this moment your letter of this date I shall not lose time by a trifling discussion of immaterial points which seem to tend only to a desire to criminate me, but have to inform you that I shall with as little delay as possible proceed to carry your requisition into effect - conceiving your last letter to be conclusive.

The Gates of the large Fort are ordered to be shut - If you mean to be present you can pass in at the little Port - Before I proceed I may still receive

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21st receive your reply to my last.

I have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) Jams. Innes
Major Commanding

Tanjour
17th December

No 8

To Major Innes
Commanding
Tanjour

Sir

In reply to your letter written at 4 o Clock P.M. and your subsequent Note 1/4 before 5 I must inform you that my extreme ill health and Confinement to my room for three weeks renders my presence impossible without danger to my Life.

I must therefore content myself with having given you the earliest Intelligence, with the information I have afforded you of the reprehensible conduct of Sautwajee Inglay and his party and with the measures that your discretion shall dictate to obviate any bad consequences - If you are of Opinion that they can be drawn out of Dharna by any remonstrances or conciliatory measures, suitable

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to the mode I have already pointed out to them to obtain a consideration of their Claims, I can have no manner of objection and by no means insist on their removal from the Garrison or Confinement to their own Homes as the ultimatum, provided your influence can prevail upon them to adopt the plan I have proposed.

In your first note you lament that you are not able to see the Rajah - this is the first time you have expressed a wish to see him on this affair - but as he conceives himself in no degree implicated in the Question, and as the Company's Controul over his finances place these people in Dhuna as an Exception to any that may have happened in former Governments - I cannot conceive that your interview would be of any use - at the same time I must remark that there can be no manner of objection to it.

After my explanation of the situation of the Rajah to Sakwajee Inglay, I consider the Dhuna directed more against the Company's Government than any other power.

I have the Honor to be &c &c

Gardens
10th December 1/4 before 7 P.M.

/Signed/ B Torin Resd.

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No 9

To Benjamin Torin Esqr

Resident

Sir

Conformably to my last note of yesterday Evening, I proceeded about Six with two Guns and what Troops I thought neceſsary and having taken poſsesion of the Gates of the Palace compound for the Security of the Palace, and cleared the Streets near the Place where Satwajee Inglay and his Depenoants, about 60 in all, had taken post at the small Pagoda outside of the wall of the Palace and had made their vows after the previous Ceremonies to enter in Dherna. I disposed of the Troops in a manner to prevent Inglay and his party doing as little mischief as possible should it unfortunately have been neceſsary to carry matters to extremities. I then sent Lieutenant Fraser Acting Fort Adjutant and Lieutenant Macleod to know the cause of his conduct and intentions in posting his party in the place they were. After much discuſsion the substance of their reply as reported to me was

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21.st was, that they were greatly distressed for the Arrears due to them by the Circar; that the Settlement of their Claims had been put off from time to time for Six Months, that peons had been placed over him, Ingley and others of his people, for six months past as a Prisoner, without any one of his people being suffered to come in or go out of the Fort. that they, Ingley and his party had come peaceably without, molesting any one, to demand their Arrears according to the Custom of the Marattah people and that they could not return home or to their families without being for ever disgraced and becoming out-casts of their Nation.-

I again sent the same Officers to them to acquaint them that my Orders were to remove them from the Town or to confine them to their Houses till the pleasure of the Madras Government was known, that I strongly recommended them to retire to their Houses immediately, otherwise I should be under the necessity of compelling them and the consequences must be on their own heads recommending the said Officers to use every argument to induce them

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21st them to comply without bringing matters to extremety and that they should have an opportunity of immediately laying their Claims before Government whose justice was well known and might be depended on. After nearly an hours conversation the substance of their determination was that they would most cheerfully submit their cause to the justice of Government that they would remain peaceably where they were under the protection of the Pagoda according to their vows and Custom of their Nation and Cast under which they could not return to their homes for the reasons before assigned and further that they could not possibly bear the cries and insults of those they were indebted to which would be the case were they to return to their Houses without a Settlement of their just Claims. At this critical moment about eight o Clock. I had the pleasure to receive your letter dated 3/4 before Seven leaving me to act at my discretion and authorising me to propose conciliatory measures which I immediately did in person previously explaining in the fullest manner the Contents of your letter in presence of

most

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21st most of the Officers and Gentlemen of the Garrison and particularly that the Rajah could not settle with them without the Orders of Government

After much difficulty and persuation they at last consented to retire to an unoccupied part of Gaudersons House, he being a relation of theirs on the expres condition that they should remain there unmolested till the decision of Government was known respecting them, that I should forward a Statement of their grievances which they should furnish me with and that their people should not be prevented from passing in and out of the Fort and they engaged not to give the least molestation to any one. This I judged better than proceeding to violence and thereby risking the most melancholy destruction of a set of determined Men and their families. I shall be glad to find that my conduct therein meets your approbation and request you will take the necessary steps that this Agreement may be faithfully kept by the Rajah's preventing his Armed Peons at the gates of the Fort from

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2d from hindering Inglay's people or Servants from passing in and out of the Fort, as they have Orders from the Rajah not to allow them to come in - we are pledged to this till the pleasure of Government is known.

Having seen the whole party lodged in the House agreed on, I withdrew the Troops leaving a Subidar Jemidar and 55 men at the East gate of the Palace compound, from whence the Guard of Company's Troops were lately removed, with the same orders as formerly and not to suffer any of Inglay's people to pass into the Palace - All which I sent to inform the Rajah of and Lieutenant Macleod to you with the particulars being too late to write.

I requested the Rajah to let the Company's Guard remain at the Gate till the pleasure of Government is known - and this I earnestly recommend to you as the surest means of preventing any disturbance at the Palace - Every thing is now perfectly quiet

I have the Honor to be
&c &c
/Signed/ Ja.s Innes
Major Comm.g

Tanjaur
18th December 1798
12 at Noon

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2d. P.S. I have just received a message that Ingley will not be prepared with his Statement till tomorrow when it will be sent to you.

/Signed/ Jas. Innes

J. Webbe Esqr.

Secretary to Government

Sir

From the Commandant at Madura containing different remarks on the attempts that had been made to raise the price of Grain at Madura

I had the honor to address you yesterday enclosing a letter from Colonel Gowdie and Venganah Chitty, to me, and am truly sorry my state of health being so poorly, by the return of a Hill Fever for the recovery of which I was obliged to go to England in March 1795 prevented me from writing so fully on Colonel Gowdies letters.

But I do now most solemnly declare that if Colonel Oram had remained in Garrison on the 26th. Ultimo no one individual or individuals would have dared to attempt the raising of the price of Grain without the sanction of His Highness the Nabobs Renter in conjunction with him.

Innes

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21st. In justice to Colonel Oram during his Command here, I must observe that the Troops and Inhabitants experienced comfort and happiness which they are ready to attest when on my return to the Garrison on the 26th (which my report to Colonel Oram will shew) what Complaints, I had on the morning of the 27th of the shameful rise of Grain on the 26th. during the few hours, I was out of the Fort.

I have now only to offer my humble opinion to the Honorable Board that if any Individual or Individuals are allowed to remain here, and to act in the manner that Colonel Gowdie has done, by his own letter to me, that peace and Happiness, can never be expected in this place, and that the Honorable Company's Representative here will be rendered nugatory.

I have the Honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) P. H. Keay
Capt. Commdg
Madura

Madura
December 6th 1798

Sent

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Substance of a letter to Tippoo Sultaun

Sent a letter to Tippoo Sultaun entered in Cl Bk No. 175 transmitting to him a letter from the Governor General.

22. Sent the following letters

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

Gentlemen

We have received your letters of the 18th. 19th. and 20th. Instant.

We have authorized the discharge of the bill for Pagodas 97.1.40. on account of constructing a shed at Vellore for the battering Train

We approve your directing the Agent of Supply to provide 100 Doolies in addition to the 600 formerly ordered and shall direct the necessary advance of 350 Pagodas to be made to Mr. Webbe on that account

We have issued the necessary orders to the several Collectors of the Massulipatam District for entertaining and forwarding to the Presidency

To the Military Board the Bill for erecting a temporary shed at Vellore has been sanctioned. The Board approve the directions which have been given to the Agent of Supply for procuring 100 additional Doolies and an advance of Pagodas 350 on that account has been authorized. The Collectors of the Masulipatam District have received Orders to entertain the Number of Dooley Bearers and Watchmen that be required. The Board observe with satisfaction that favorable Report that has been made on Mr. Ruebuck's new plan for the transportation of Battering Guns and desire that Orders be given for preparing as many Waggons as can be completed soon to be at Vellore by 31st. of January. A Memorandum delivered in by the Commissary of Grain to the Army is transmitted and the Military Board are directed to prepare Instructions for him agreeable to it. Invoice Bills of Lading and Musters of Lascarees from Bengal by the Peggy transmitted.

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Presidency 5 Mistries and 2246 Dooly Bearers.

It is with satisfaction we observe your Report of the successful result of the experiment made in consequence of Mr. Roebuck's suggestion facilitating the transportation of battering Guns: and conformably with your recommendation we authorize you to direct the preparation of as many waggons as can be completed so as to be at Vellore by the 31st. of January next.

We inclose a Memorandum relative to the appointment of Commissary of Grain and approving of the suggestions therein contained in regard to the conduct of that employ we direct that you will prepare instructions for that Office Accordingly

We also enclose Invoice bill of lading and musters of piece arrived from Bengal on the Brig Peggy which we are desirous may be landed with all expedition and accordingly enclose extract from the Articles of Agreement with the Owners of the Peggy for your information.

We are &c &c
(Signed) Clive &c Council

Fort St George
22d December 1798

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To: Mr William Hesse Gordon

Sir

To Mr W H Gordon Communicating to him his Appointment as Paymr to the Army about to take the field.

I am directed to inform you that the Right Honorable the President in Council has been pleased to appoint you Paymaster to the Army about to take the Field with a Salary of 600 Pagodas per Mensem.

Fort St George
21st December 1798

I am
&c &c

(Signed) G Buchan Subsy

Received and Sent the following Letters entered in M.B. Nos 122 123 124 125 126 127 128 129 130. 131 132 133 134 135 136 137 138.

From the Military Paymaster General

From the Military Paymaster General annexes Copy of a letter from Captain Lieutenant Farquhar acting Paymaster at Malacca, stating the difficulties which are experienced by that Garrison from the want of Pecuniary Supplies.

From Ditto Ditto

From Mr Roebuck enclosing Copy of Mr Garrison Storekeeper Brooks's Indent for Cask for the Month of December.

To

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To Major General Sydenham enclosing for his examination an Indent for Cash required by the Garrison Storekeeper.

To the Military Auditor General

To Major Doveton transmitting to him Duplicate of a letter from the Governor General to Tippoo Sultaun with directions that it may be immediately forwarded.

To the Commandant at Ryacottah

To Mr. Sharoon - desiring him to have in readiness Provisions for two thousand five hundred Europeans who are to be assembled at Wallajahbad about the beginning of next Month - and if necessary to apply to the Collector of the Saghire for his assistance - The order formerly given him for sending Rice to the Presidency is to be considered as no longer in force.

To the Paymaster at Vellore

To Major General Bridges - Commanding the Northern Division - He is to deliver over charge of Masulipatam &c. to Lieutenant Colonel Vigors and proceed to the Presidency - He is to embark the Artillery and Lascars attached to them belonging to the Bengal Establishment on such proper Vessel as he can find and dispatch them for Fort St. George - Colonel Leland's Appointment in the room of Colonel Vigors

To the Officer Commanding the Northern Division

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22. Vigors to Command the Vizagapatam Districts communicated to him.

To the Officer Commanding in the Baramhaul

To Lieutenant Colonel Read - desiring him to collect 10,000 Carriage Bullocks, of which he is to send 5000 to Vellore and keep the Remainder in readiness untill further Orders.

To the Secretary at Bengal

To Mr Barlow - informing him of the arrival at this Presidency of the Halcyon and Peggy - the former of which has been again dispatched.

To the Commandants at Ryacottah Nameal and Cangoondy

To Major Doveton at Ryacottah Captain W. MacLeod at Nameul and Captain J.B Symons at Cangoondy - desiring them to correspond ~~with~~ in the Intelligence Department with the Commander in Chief as well as with the Secretary to Government

To the Commanders of the Halcyon Packet

To the Commanser of the Halcyon Packet - dispatching the Halcyon to Bengal.

To the Paymaster at Vellore

To Mr Thurston directing him to be prepared to deliver over to the charge of Major Cormer Commissary of Provisions to the Army, whatever quantity of provisions he may have collected in consequence of instructions formerly given to him - He is desired to send 200 Sheep to Poonamallie for the use of the Garison there.

To

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22d.

To the Officer Commanding the Southern Division of the Army

To Major General Floyd - desiring him to deliver over the Command of Trichinopoly and of the Southern Division of the Army to Lieutenant Colonel Brown or in his absence to the Senior Officer on the Spot and to proceed himself to Arcot to take the charge of the Troops encamping there.

To the Commandant at Ongole

To Lieutenant Colonel Vigors - desiring him to proceed immediately to Masulipatam and receive the Command of that Place, with that of the Northern Division of the Army from General Bridges.

To Colonel Brown at Ramnad

To Lieutenant Colonel Brown - desiring him to take charge of the Fort of Trichinopoly and to Command the Southern Division of the Army, in consequence of General Floyd having been directed to take the Command of Troops ordered to encamp at Arcot

To the Officer Commanding in the Vizagapatam District

To Lieutenant Colonel Muat - directing him to deliver over charge of the Vizagapatam District to Colonel Lalande - and repair himself to the Presidency to join the Army about to take the Field.

To Lieutenant Colonel Lalande

To Lieutenant Colonel Lalande directing him to proceed to Vizagapatam immediately and to receive charge of that District from Lieutenant Colo. Muat.

To the Collectors at Masulipatam, Cocinada, Muglatore, Rajahmundry & Guntoor

To Majr. Oakes, Incc, Gambier Brangill and Ram, directing them to entertain as many Dooley Bearers

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22d Bearers as they can collect to the number of 2303 and to correspond with the Military Paymaster of Fort St George on the Subject

23d Received the following letter

To the Right Honorable Lord Clive

Governor in Council &c &c &c

My Lord

From Lieut. Col. Roberts
Expresses the satisfaction he feels at the approbation which has been bestowed upon him by the Supreme Government & by this Board - gives assurance of his constant endeavours to conform in all respects with the Instructions that have been laid down for his conduct

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Lordship's letter bearing date the 1st Inst. and feel myself highly honored by the approbation which the Right Honorable the Governor General has been pleased to express of my conduct

I beg your Lordship to be assured that the most vigilant attention shall be paid and every species of precaution taken to promote those objects which your Lordship in Council has been pleased to point out for my guidance and to endeavour by every conciliatory means to maintain the most perfect harmony and good understanding between the Honorable Company's Forces and the Subjects of this state which appears so essential and inseparably connected with

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23d with the preservation of the British Interests in this Quarter, and this I shall not fail most strongly to inculcate both on the Officers and Men under my Command. And I cannot but feel confident on this Occasion, from my knowledge of the Troops employed on this Service and the uniform regularity, good order, and Discipline which have been manifested throughout all Ranks, joined to the distinguished abilities and experience of the several Officers in Command of Corps, to hope, that their conduct will be such, as to secure the unlimited confidence of His Highness's Subjects, and to give the fullest effect to the Right Honorable the Governor General's and your Lordship's wishes in regard to the important and national Objects comprehended in the Subsidiary Treaty with this Court

I have the honor to be with the highest Respect

Yr. Hble Servt.

(Signed) George Roberts

Col.

Camp near Hydrabad

12th December 1798

Received

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23.

Received and sent the undermentioned Letters entered in MB Nos. 139. 140. 141. 142. 143.

From the Offices Commanding at Madura

From Captain Keay mentioning that the price of Rice at Madura had been somewhat raised in consequence of the scarcity of Grain at that Place.

From the Paymasters at Vellore

From Mr. Sharon informing Government that he has only been able to procure Carriage to convey Eight Garces of Paddy out of the Ten ordered to be sent to the Presidency.

To Major General Hartley

To Major General Hartley transmitting to him Copy of the Honorable Company's Cypher No. 11

To Mr. Oliphant at Cochin

To Mr. J. H. Oliphant at Cochin transmitting to him Copy of the Honorable Company's Cypher intended for General Hartley with a Request that particular care may be taken to have it forwarded

To the Military Auditor General

To Major General Dyson desiring him to furnish Government with an account of the Stoppages that have been made from the Malay Corps, serving on Ceylon for half Mounting.

Sent the following Letters

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23.

To Major General Sydenham

Military Auditor General

Sir

To the Military Aud.r Gen.l acknowledging receipt of his letters of the 15.th 17.th and 18.th and informing him that Capt.n P. Bruce is allowed to draw the difference between the half & full Batta of his Rank - while his duties as Master Master - continue to be of the present laborious & extensive nature.

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receceipt of your letters dated 15.th 17.th and 18.th Instant with their Enclosures.

In consideration of the extraordinary trouble and expence incurred by your Assistant Capt. Pat.k Bruce in ~~assisting~~ the troops and Bullocks in the environs of the Presidency since the commencement of the french preparations, His Lordship in Council permits him to draw the difference between the half and full Batta of his Rank from the 26.th September last the day, in which the whole trouble devolved on him untill the duties at present allotted to him may cease to bee so extensive as they are at present.

The Governor in Council desires that the paymaster at Masulipatam may bee authorized to comply with the suggestion of the resident at Hyderabad for paying the five frenchmen lately sent thither at half the rate which they are stated

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23 stated to have received in the Service of his Highness the Nizam: for the amount he is to draw a bill upon the treasury in favor of the Military Paymaster General that it may be regularly debited to the Head of Bengal Presidency.

His Lordship in Council accepts the resignation of Captain Colin Campbell and has been pleased to appoint Lieutenant Broughton Dod to be Master master in the Ceded Districts.

I am directed to inclose for your information Copy of a letter from the Resident at Hydrabad with its inclosures and to desire that you will take into consideration the best means of remedying the evil which is therein stated in regard to the exchange at which the paymasters calculates the pay of that Detachment.

The Governor in Council desires that you will authorize an advance of One months pay to the Dutch Officers, about to depart to Ceylon and a particular gratuity of fifty pagodas to Major Foubert late Commandant at Tonicomalé to defray the charges of moving his family.

The Governor in Council desires that you will authorize payment of the following bills

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23d bills and advances.

The inclosed bill of Lieutenant Colonel Trapaud for repairs at Trichinopoly amounting to eightyeight pagodas twenty four fanams and Thirty Nine Cash (88.24.39.)

The inclosed bill for repairs to the Trepopolore redoubt amounting to fifty three pagodas fifteen fanams and forty Cash (53.15.40.)

An advance of one thousand (1000) pagodas to the gram agent of the 3d. Regiment Native Cavalry.

An advance of one thousand and thirty one pagodas twelve fanams and sixty Cash (1031.12.60.) to the Agent of Supply at the Presidency

The inclosed bill of Captain Lieut. Wood for house Rent, batta, and horse allowance amounting to two hundred and twenty four pagodas thirty one fanams and twenty Cash (224.31.20.) which is to be deducted from the retrenchment standing against that Officer for batta drawn by him for a period anterior to the General Order of the 25th. October 1795.

I am directed to inclose Copy of the establishment recommended by the Military Board

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23. Board for the Commissary of Grain with the Army, which the Governor in Council approves and desires may be authorized, amounting to four hundred and thirty four Pagodas twenty two fanams and forty Cash (434.22.40) per month.

I am also directed to inclose to you Copy of the establishment of Servants recommended by the Military Board for the Commissary of Provisions with the Army, amounting to Pagodas 1147.24.40. which the Right Honorable the Governor in Council approves and authorizes

I am directed at the same time by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to say, that tho' the above mentioned Sums have been granted to the Commissaries of Grain and Provisions for completing their Office Establishment, as on an average they appear to be the amount of the expence likely to be incurred on that account, it is to be understood that they shall be liable to a reduction, if not found indispensably necessary for carrying on the public Service. The Commissaries of Grain and Provisions are to derive no advantage whatever from the allowances that have been granted them for Servants and the Right Honble the President in Council directs that they shall be called on to declare upon honor as to the Sums they have

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have actually disbursed.

I have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) Jos: Webbe Secy. to Govt.

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Substance of a letter to the Rajah of Bonsauze

Sent the undermentioned letter to the Rajah of Bonsauze entered in C.C. No. 176. informing him that a considerable Body of Troops will be shortly assembled at Walajahnagur and requesting him to afford every assistance in his power in supplying them with Provisions. He is at the same time requested to assure the Merchants of his Country that every possible encouragement and protection will be afforded them.

24th

Received the following letters.

To the Right Honorable Lord Clive

Governor and President in Council &c &c

From Commandant at Tanjore encloses Copy of a Requisition he had from the Resident & of his reply

My Lord

I beg leave to lay before your Lordship a requisition I have this day received from Mr. Torin with my reply.

I have the honor to be with perfect Respect
&c &c
(Signed) Ja.s Innes
Majr. Comg.

Tanjour
20th December 1798

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To Major Innes
Commanding Tanjour

Sir

As the Rajah Surfojee is not without his suspicions that Ameer Sing is in some degree concerned with the Maratta Horsemen, who lately manifested their disrespect to his and the Company's Government by going into Dharra in defiance of an Arrangement they had previously made with the Resident the Company's Representative.

I have to request of you to give positive Orders to the Guard at Ameer Sing's Gate to pass and repass no person but his immediate Domesticks, untill I have been honored with the Commands of Government

I request your immediate attention to this requisition.

I have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) Benjn. Torin Resident

Tanjour
20th December 1798

P.S. Sawaye Inglay has sent his Accounts so confused that I am obliged to send for his Keyput to explain them.

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To B. Torin Esqr.

Resident

Sir

I am just now favored with your letter of this date and agreeably to your requisition the necessary orders shall be given immediately to the Guard at Ameer Singh's.

I have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) Sa.t Innes
Mayor Comm.t

Tanjour
20th December 1798
½ past 2 P.M.

A true Copy
(Signed) Sa.t Innes

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

My Lord

From the Military Auditor General submits to the consideration of Government different Regulations for the Departments of the Commissaries of Grain & Provisions.

Conformably to the directions communicated in Mr. Secretary Webbe's letter of the 15th Instant, I have the honor to submit to your Lordship's consideration, the enclosed Draft of Regulations for the Departments of Commissary of Grain and Commissary of Provisions with the Army

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24. Army in the Field, together with general Regulations on the subject of Grain or Cattle captured from the Enemy, or taken from the Inhabitants of the Company's Territories &c. with a view of adapting the proposed system to every circumstance or situation likely to occur in the course of the Service; To these I have added some additional Regulations which appear to be necessary for the conduct of the Agents of Cavalry supplies in the Field.

2 Having for some Months past turned my thoughts towards the arrangement of the several Departments in the Field upon the supposition that I might be called upon by Government to state my Opinion on the subject, I have been enabled to complete the several Regulations and Forms now submitted in a much shorter time than would otherwise have been in my power, and I shall consider myself amply rewarded if they should be found generally to answer the purposes of the Service and to establish an efficient system of Check and Controul over Departments ~~—~~ which are no less important than extensive, and which constitute the principal means upon which the Operations of the Army depends.

3 In framing the Regulations applicable to

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24th to each, I have been greatly assisted by the Orders published by Marquis Cornwallis during the late War, and to former existing Rules for the Grain and Provision Departments, which rules as far as they appear to have answered in practice have been continued, with such amendments or additions as the experience of the Office of Audit pointed out to be indispensibly necessary on the present Occasion

I have the honor to be with great Respect

&c &c

(Signed) W. Sydenham
Mily. Audr. Genl.

Military Auditor Generals
Office Fort St. George
24th December 1798

Mem:
The Regulations referred in this letter
Vizt entered in General Orders Book
Dated 26th. December 1798

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

My Lord

From the Governor of Ceylon enclosing Copies of Letters respecting the objections which had been stated by Dr. Briggs to the order that has been issued by his Excellency the Governor, requiring all the Medical Gentlemen on Ceylon to transmit reports to Dr. Ewart — The Governor expresses his willingness to concurr in any arrangement that this Presidency may judge it necessary

Having heard with great concern that your Lordship in Council has disapproved of the conduct of Doctor Briggs in not having communicated to your Lordship through me, his objections

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necessary to make with respect to their Troops serving on Ceylon. He expresses himself particularly satisfied with the conduct of D. Briggs

24th objections to the general Orders which I issued on the 16th of October last, by which I directed all Medical Reports to be made to the Physician General of the Island, I take the earliest opportunity of assuring you, that they were in the first instance communicated to me, as will appear by the inclosed letter of Doctor Briggs, and my answer to it

It was in consequence of that letter that on the 28th of October, I troubled your Lordship in Council with a letter requesting you to honor me with such directions as you might think advisable concerning the Troops of your Presidency Serving here; as I did not think myself authorized to interfere in their internal regulations any farther than you should direct me. I could only consider Doctor Briggs, as late Chief of all the Medical Establishments in the Island, whether belonging to the King or to the Company and not as Head Surgeon of your peculiar Detachment

Should it be your intention to make such a Nomination; I beg leave to assure your Lordship in Council, that it would be very satisfactory to myself, as there is no Gentleman for

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to
24 for whom I have a more perfect respect and esteem
than Doctor Briggs.

I hope I shall not be deemed impertinent in remarking, that by desiring Returns to be made to the Physician General of the Island by all the Surgeons in Ceylon, I by no means claim a Right for the Physician General to act upon those Returns in such a manner as might interfere in the peculiar interior Arrangements of your Troops.

That this end may be answered without confusion, I will request your Lordship in Council to favor me with a Statement of what you consider as strictly interior Regulations and how far the Chief Medical Authority on the Spot is by Right or acknowledged Custom entitled to inspect the Hospitals direct the practice of the Surgeons, and prescribe the medicines to the sick of the Troops of an independent establishment in consequence of such Inspection.

I have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) Frederic North

Columbo
10th December 1798

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The Honorable Frederic North

Governor &c. &c. of the Island of Ceylon

Sir.

I have the honor to inform you the Honorable the Governor and President in Council Fort St George did me the honor of appointing me, Head of the Medical Department and medical Staff to Colonel Stuart and the Army under his Command that embarked from Madras in the Month of July 1795 for the purpose of attacking and taking the Dutch Forts Tuncomalle, Ostenburg Jaffanapatam &c. &c. after those Services were all completed, with permission, I returned to Madras when Colonel Stuart did me the honor to recommend me in very strong terms to the Government and Commander in Chief at Madras, requesting if any farther Service went on, on this Island, that the Government would be pleased to reappoint me this Medical Staff, in consequence of which the Honorable Governor &c was pleased to appoint me Head Surgeon and Superintendent of the Medical Department on the Island of Ceylon, with the same Pay and allowances as the Junior member of the Medical Board of Madras

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24 Madras, enjoyed, as a remuneration for my Services at Trincomalle &c. &c. and the Honorable the Court of Directors were pleased to approve. In consequence of this new appointment I joined Colonel Stuart and Army at Trincomalé and proceeded with them to Columbo the Honorable the Governor and President in Council Madras, was pleased to direct that I should continue to be the channel of Communication through the Medium of the Medical Board, with the Madras Government regarding all Medical Arrangements &c. connected with this Island. In consequence of which Order Colonel Stuart issued a General Order, Commanding all Surgeons and Assistant Surgeons of Kings and Company's Troops to make me regular Monthly Returns, which I have constantly received and forwarded them in abstract to the Medical Board at Madras ever ~~since~~ I beg pardon for intruding so long on your time, it has been occasioned by the receipt of the inclosed official Report, from two Medical Gentlemen of the Honorable the East India Company's Service and I cannot help observing my surprize was very great, to find the first information I should

receive

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24. receive on so delicate a subject as a direct interference with my particular duty, was that Dr. Ewart Physician General and Inspector of his Majesty's Troops and Hospitals, had issued Orders to the Medical Gentlemen of the Madras Establishment without acquainting me that he had or intended do so. I cannot but consider this as an interference so far as relates to the Honorable East India Company's Troops. as I do not conceive his appointment can in the least interfere with mine as I must still continue to consider myself the channel of information through the Medical Board with the Madras Government, with respect I look to you for Redress.

I have the Honor to be

&c &c

(Signed) John Briggs

Head Surgeon &c

Island Ceylon

Columbo
27th October 1798

A true Copy

(Signed) Wm. Boyd

1st Assistant Secy. to Govt.

John

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John Briggs Esqr M D
&c &c &c

Sir

Though all matters relating to the Army should in propriety be transmitted to me through the Officer Commanding the Troops on the Island; I am unwilling to lose any time in acknowledging the receipt of your letter, and to occasion any inconvenience by delaying, to declare my Sentiments on the Subject of your references. The Commission of Doctor Stuart appoints him Physician General and Inspector of Hospitals in the Island of Ceylon, and authorises him of course to call for such reports as he may think fit from all Military Establishments on the Island which he has done. I presume in consequence of the Orders published on the 16th of this Month. With regard to your own situation, Sir, I will take the earliest Opportunity of arranging with the Presidency of Fort St George the Regulations which may be expedient for the interior Management of their Own Troops.

I have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) Frederic North

Colombo
22d October 1798

True Copy
(Signed) Wm Boyd
1st Asst Secy to Govt

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To the Right Honorable Lord Clive

President and Governor in Council

Fort St George

My Lord

Dr. Ewart in virtue of his appointments of Physician General, and Inspector of Hospitals in the Island of Ceylon, has thought, that the interest of the Service required him to call for Reports from the Surgeons of the Honorable Companys Troops stationed on this Island.

This requisition which Doctor Ewart judges himself authorized to make in consequence of His Majestys Commission and the orders of the Commander in Chief, is likely to be reluctantly complied with by the Surgeons of the Troops of your Presidency

It is my most anxious desire to Cultivate the most perfect understanding with your Lordship and to carry into effect whatever system your Lordship in Council may desire to establish for the Interior management and Oconomy of the Troops of your Presidency

Although I have Ordered the Surgeons

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24 Surgeons of the Honorable Company's Troops stationed in my Government to deliver to Dr. Ewart the reports required by him, I shall yet feel myself bound to Order Dr. Ewart to transmit such reports with his Observations upon them to me that I may have the honor of submitting their merits to your Lordship in Council.—

I have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) Frederic North

Colombo
28th October 1798

A true copy
(Signed) Willm Boyd
1st Asst. Secy. to Govt.

Sent the following letters

To Lieutenant Colonel Read

Commanding in the Ceded Districts

Sir

To Lieut. Col. Read directing him to procure immediately as much Grain as possible into Senkerroog and to report the probable time in which the supplies that are required may be procured—None of the Bullocks that are collected by him are to be sent to Vellore but three hundred are to be reserved for the future Wants of the Army

I am directed to inform You that the Right Honorable the Governor in Council deems it of considerable importance that as much grain as possible should be thrown in to Senkerroog without delay: he therefore desires that immediate measures may be taken for this purpose and that

You

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24th you will report the probable time and quantity which you can rely upon

The Officer commanding in the Southern Division has also been directed to take means for sending grain to Shenkerroog in order to guard against delay.

I am further directed to desire that no part of the bullocks which you were directed on the 21st. Instant to provide may be sent to Vellore but that you will retain the whole ten thousand at your own disposal for the future supply of the Army, the whole of which will be encamped on the 1st. January.

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I am &c &c

(Signed) G. Buchan
Actg Subsecy

To Major General Floyd

Or Officer Commanding the Southern Division

at Trichinopoly

To Major General Floyd desiring him to lay in at Shenkerroog as large a quantity of Grain as he can collect in the Vicinity of Trichinopoly & to report to Govt the Quantity he has been enabled to procure.

Sir

I am directed to inform you that the Right Honorable the Governor in Council deems it of importance that as much Grain as possible should be

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No 24 be thrown into Shenkerdroog: for this purpose orders have been issued to the Officer Commanding in the Ceded Districts; but in order to guard as much as possible against delay, his Lordship in Council desires that exertions may be made for conveying a quantity of grain to that fort from neighbourhood of Trichinopoly

The Governor in Council desires that you will report the quantity which you may be able to provide for this purpose, and the time in which you may expect it will be delivered at Shenkerdroog

I have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) G. Buchan
Actg. Sub Secy

Fort St George
24th December 1798

Received and Sent the undermentioned letters entered in M B Nos 144-145-146-147-148-149-150-151-152.

From the Sub Secretary at Bengal — From Mr Campbell enclosing an Invoice and Bill of Lading of Rice shipped by the Supreme Government on the Surprize Galley.

From the Military Paymaster General — From Mr Roebuck enclosing an additional Estimate of cash for the expences of December

Ditto Ditto — From Mr Roebuck enclosing an Estimate of the expences of the Coast Army for January

To

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To the Military Auditor General

To Major General Sydenham enclosing for his examination an Estimate of Cash required by the Military Paymaster General for January

To Ditto Ditto

To Major General Sydenham enclosing for his examination an additional Estimate of Cash required by the Military Paymaster General for the Expences of December

To Mr. Alex.r Anderson Head Surgeon at Masulipatam

To Mr. Alexander Anderson desiring that he will with all expedition join the Army which is to be encamped on the 1st of January

To the Directories at Bengal & Bombay Commissioners on the Malabar Coast Residents at Cuddalore & Tonah

To Majors Barlow, Rickards, Spencer Lieutenant Colonel Palmer, and Captain J. A. Kirkpatrick transmitting to them Copies of the latest intelligence received from the Mysore Country

To the Military Board

To the Military Board desiring them to give directions to the Agent for the Supply of Bullock to procure eight thousand Carriage Cattle in addition to the number already Ordered. Directions must be given to the Garrison Storekeeper to land the Rice shipped on the Surprize Galley.

To the President at Tanjore

To Mr. Torin enclosing a letter for the Rajah of Tanjore desiring him to be careful to impress the Rajah with a proper sense of the necessity of —

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" of procuring provisions for the Army

N. 25.

Received the following letter

To Josiah Webbe Esqr.

Secretary to Government

Fort St George

Sir

From the Resident at Tanjore enclosing different Mahratta Papers containing the particulars of the claims of the late Rajahs Parents for Arrears said to be due to them.

It was not till very late on the evening of the 19th. Instant that the Mahratta Horse Men sent me, this Major Innes, a Representation and Account of their claims for Arrears of Pay it was so incoherently written that yesterday was wholly employed in obtaining Explanations. I have now the honor to enclose + Copies of these papers reserving to myself the prevelege of such remarks as their Statements seem to call for and which will be transmitted if possible by tomorrows Tappall accompanied by an Account of their Arrears from the Rajah.

I have the honor to be

&c &c

(Signed) Benjn. Torin Resd.

Tanjour
21st December 1798

+ Lodged in the Office

From

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Substance of a letter to the Nabob to Mr. Cartwright — 25th

Received a Card from the Nabob to Mr. Cartwright entered in C B No. 177 informing him that he has recognized the two persons detained by the Collector of the Palghautcherry District and requests that they may be brought to the Presidency

Received and Sent the undermentioned Letters entered in M B Nos. 153. 154. 155. 156. 157. 158.

From the Sub Secretary at Bengal — From Mr. Campbell enclosing an Invoice and Bill of Lading of Rice shipped by the Supreme Government on the Burnaby for this Presidency

Ditto Ditto — From Mr. Campbell enclosing Invoice and bill of Lading of Rice shipped on board the Brig Peggy for this Presidency

Ditto Ditto — From Mr. Campbell enclosing Invoice and Bill of Lading of Rice shipped on the Ajax for this presidency

From

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No. 25

From the Officer Commanding the Northern Division of the Army

From General Bridges - enclosing a letter he had received from the Secretary at Bengal 4 directing him to embark the Bengal Artillery at Masulipatam with the Lascars attached to them (as soon as he may receive Orders on the Subject from this Government) for Madras.

From Commandant at Cuddalore

From Lieutenant Colonel Du Pont intimating that the Nabob has a number of Guns and Muskets at Villaporam which are entirely unprotected.

To the Military Board

To the Military Board - enclosing Invoices and bill of Lading of Rice shipped by the Supreme Government on board the Ayax and Burnaby and desiring that the Garrison Storekeeper may be instructed to receive it

Received

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No. 26.

From the Military Paym.r General

Received a letter from Mr. Roebuck entered in MB No. 159 enclosing an Additional estimate of Cash required for the Current Month

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At a Consultation

Present

The Right Honble Lord Clive

Governor President

Lieutenant General Harris

William Petrie

and

Ernst William Fallofield } Esqrs.

Tuesday
25.ᵗʰ December
1798

Read the following letter from

the Military Board.

To the Right Honorable Lord Clive

Governor in Council &c &c &c

From the Military Board — transmit a Statement of petty stores that had been purchased by the Paymaster at Masulipatam at prices exceeding the regulated rates — recommend that the excess be sanctioned. Enclose Copy of a letter from the superintendant of the Breeding Stud in the Jaygeer district. Recommend sundry payments and advances.

My Lord

1st We have the Honor to acknowledge the receipt of a letter from Government under date the 19.ᵗʰ Instant.

2d We have received from the Commissary of

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of Supply at Masulipatam a Statement (Copy whereof is inclosed) of certain Articles of Bottly Stores supplied him to complete the Stores ordered to be provided for the Detachment under the Command of Colonel Roberts— the rates of which, exceeding those allowed by the Regulations have been objected to in the Office of Audit, and in consideration that the Public Service might have been materially impeded had any delay taken place in the provision of the Articles required for the equipment of the Detachment, and, that the Commissary has attested his charges upon honor as well as supported those in which there is an excess in the price beyond the established Rates by the original receipts of the Persons from whom they were purchased, We are induced to recommend, in this particular instance, that such difference, amounting to Pagodas 69. 9. 49. may be admitted, but that no Commission be allowed on such excess.

3d Having in conformity to the instructions of Government furnished the Superintendent of the Breeding Stud in the Ganjam District with Extract of the General Letter from the Honorable Court of Directors

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Directors dated 23d May 1798 on the subject of the Stud under his Superintendence he has addressed our Board fully with respect to its present state, and his hopes of its future Success, Copy of which letter, we have the honor to enclose for your Lordship's information.

4th Lieutenant Colonel Muat having forwarded to us the enclosed Bill amounting to Pagodas 82.8. for constructing under the authority of Government a Building to cover the Ordnance and Stores, at Chicacole, We recommend that payment of the same be authorized.

5th The accompanying Bill of Lieutenant Fotheringham of Engineers amounting to Pagodas 1197.41.63. for the reform of the East face of the Fort of Ryacotah, having been laid before our Board together with the prescribed Voucher in support thereof, We recommend that the Bill be discharged accordingly.

6th Captain Lieutenant Wood of Engineers having transmitted a Bill for the repair of the Powder

* Passed for payment & returned to Mily Audr 2d March 1799

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Depoy Barrack at Amee, and for putting up two hundred and fifty (250) Arm Racks in the European Barrack at that Station, which Bill is supported by the necessary Voucher, We recommend that payment of the same amounting to Pagodas 313.7.2. be authorized. Captain Wood having at the same time represented to us that upon an Advance of Pagodas 544.25. be made to him by the Paymaster on account of Public Works, at the rate of 350 Rupees pr. 100 Star Pagodas, or 12 fanams 7/4 Cash pr. Rupee, he has sustained a loss of Pagodas 12.31.26. in consequence of the rate of exchange in the Bazar being only 12 fanams. 50 Cash per Rupee, We deem it proper to state the same for the information of Government.

7th The Principal Agent for Draft and Carriage Cattle having laid before us the enclosed Estimate of 5,000 Pagodas for the Disbursements of his Department in the Month of December, We recommend that an Advance to that amount be ordered.

We

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8th We have the Honor of submitting to your Lordships a List of Public Servants stated to be required by Lieutenant De Haviland during the reform ordered to the Fortifications of Dindigul, and as such Servants appear to be indispensably necessary We recommend that the same be allowed.

9th We have likewise the Honor of forwarding the enclosed Bill amounting to Pagodas 29 47 11 20. for new Tents delivered by Mr. Contractor Bowie at Masulipatam and in consequence of such Tents having been found on Survey to be in every respect fit for the public Service, We recommend that payment of the Bill be ordered.

We have the Honor to be
&c &c
(Signed)
" John Brathwaite
" Willm Sydenham
" John Richardson
" Byblose

Fort St George
22d December 1798

To

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To Lieutenant General Harris

President &c. Members of the Military Board

Fort St. George

Gentlemen

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Secretary's letter of the 10th. ultimo covering an Extract of the General Letter from the Honorable Court of Directors dated 23d. may 1798 on the subject of the Stud under my Superintendence

The breeding Stud was only established by Government in march last, and I am not yet furnished with more than forty Mares I have however several fine Arabian Stallions and some Superior in all respects to any I have seen in India.

The situation on which I am now building Stables for the Stud promises every advantage I could wish for, a high dry Country, Commanding an extensive range of waste, and uncultivated Land well supplied with Water, and Capable of having the necessary enclosures made on it, at the most trifling expence imaginable and in all respects

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respects well calculated for the purpose.

Under such circumstances, and from the Observations I have made on the Foals already produced in the Stud, I can with confidence assure the Board the completest Success may be relied on when furnished with Mares. As, in point of Blood certainly no Horses can be procured at Foreign Markets to equal those bred for the Honorable Company with the utmost attention from our best Country mares, got by the finest Blood Stallions of Arabia. In point of Oeconomy also this mode of mounting the Cavalry has the advantage in the highest degree from the extreme low rates I have brought every charge to respecting the Stud, independent of it's numerous, and weighty political advantages.

In the Commencement of a plan of this nature it being new to the Inhabitants of our Provinces, some difficulty occurs and it appears discouraging to those unacquainted with the subject that it's good effects cannot be

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be expected at an early period, but after the first to delivery of Horses to the Cavalry, a certain annual Supply will follow, evincing it's general good effects and must be convincing to the Natives how very much it will be their interest to enter fully into the System of Breeding Horses for their own accounts which to them, and the Country, must prove a great Source of Wealth, of this Object, I never losse sight nor have I a doubt of success in course of time.

In my letter to the Board dated 17th. September I stated the measures I had taken to procure Mares and the period on which the Horse Fair was to be held Vizt. 15th. November requesting a Bill on Bengal might be sent me that I should remit it in time to my Correspondent for the purchase of the mares, a Copy of his last letter I have the honor to inclose by which the Board will please to observe that nothing but the remittance was wanting to complete the purchases I required for the Fund, I beg leave to assure the Board that every exertion in my

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power shall be made to procure the mares when it reaches me, I am however apprehensive that my not having received the Bill in time for the Horse Fair, will cause the loss of another Year in forming the Stud to what was proposed for this Season, which becomes the greater disappointment from having so many valuable Stallions unemployed.

Gentlemen I feel the fullest confidence in the liberality of your Board, and trust that you may be pleased to represent my situation in respect to the Stud / at present in a state of infancy / for the information of the Honorable Court of Directors to whom I pledge myself that no exertion of mine shall be wanting to bring it to that degree of perfection, after its Establishment is completed which shall give universal Satisfaction.

I have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) H Evans
Lieut. Sup: of the Stud

Shalterpour
5th December 1798.

True Copy
(Signed) Fred: Pierce
Secy. Mily. Board

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List of Public Servants and Artificers, wanting to assist in the Superintendence of the Work ordered to be executed at Dindigul, there being none at present attached to that Garrison Vizt.

	No.
Writer	1
Comicoplies	2
Peons	2
Bricklayer Maistries	2
Carpenter Maistry	1
Smith Maistry	1
Stone Cutter Maistry	1
Total	10

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(Signed) Fred: Pierce
Secy. Milty Bd.

Resolutions thereon

The Board authorize the payment of the Sums charged by the Commissary of Supply at Masulipatam for providing certain Articles of petty Stores, the price of which exceed the regulated rates: It is however directed that he be not permitted to charge Commission on the overplus.

Resolved that Lieutenant Evans's

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upon the subject of the Stud under his Superintendance be noticed in the next General Letter to the Court of Directors; and that a Bill on Bengal for 7000 Pagodas in Lieutenant Evans's favor, be transmitted to the Military Board.

Resolved that the several payments and advances recommended by the Military Board be sanctioned.

Resolved that the List of Servants recommended by the Military Board to be employed under Lieutenant De Haviland, in reforming the fortifications of Dindigul be authorized.

Resolved that Captain Lieutenant Wood be reimbursed in the loss stated to have been incurred by him in the exchange.

To the Right Honorable Lord Clive

Governor in Council &c &c &c

From the Mily Board -
recommend an advance of 10,000 Pags to be made to the Agent of Supply on account of Indents that had been made upon him for different Articles required for the Chief Engineers Department & for the use of the Arsenal.

My Lord

The Agent of Supply having represented to our Board, in consequence of extraordinary Indents for

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which we have been obliged to authorize upon him for the Chief Engineers Department, and for the Service of the Arsenal, the estimated amount whereof is 14,000 Pags. that an immediate Advance of 10,000 Pagodas is indispensably necessary on that account; and Mr. Webb having also assured us that the Articles shall be provided in ten days from the receipt of such advance, or sooner if possible, We cannot but recommend in the most urgent manner that, under existing circumstances, payment of that Sum be made to Mr. Webb as early as possible.

We have the honor to be

&c. &c.

(Signed) "

" John Brathwaite

" Wm. Sydenham

" John Richardson

" B. Close

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Resolved that the advance to the Agent of Supply recommended by the Military Board, be authorized.

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The President is requested to address a letter to His Excellency the Rajah of Travancore, requesting him to provide as large a supply of Bullocks as he may be able to collect for the purpose of conveying Grain from the Malabar Coast to the Army, which may be engaged in the siege of Seringapatam and also to provide for the same purpose, about two thousand Coolies, or as many more as he can procure taking at the same time care, to furnish them with provisions from Travancore in order to obviate the necessity of encroaching on the public Stores intended for the supply of the Army.

Resolved that letters be also written to the Collector at Dindigul and the Commanding Officer at Palamcottah directing them to engage as large a supply of bullocks as they may be able to provide for the purpose of conveying Grain from the Malabar Coast into the Mysore Country.

The Commander in Chief lays before the Board the following Minute.

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Memorandum of the Commander in Chief proposes that the 1st 2d extra Battalions be immediately formed into a Regiment & that the necessary promotions do in consequence take place.

It having been found expedient to increase to a considerable extent the Native Establishment under this Presidency, the Commander in Chief is induced at the present crisis, to bring under the consideration of Government the difference observed in the mode of carrying this measure into effect on the Coast, and when it has become necessary at the other Presidencies - a difference operating so essentially to the comparative disadvantage of the Officers of the Coast Army, that he should deem himself wanting in attention to their just interests if he was longer to defer drawing the attention of the Board to this Subject

It is to be observed that when there has been occasion for encreasing the native Establishments of their Armies at the other presidencies this has invariably been done by raising regular Regiments; by which means a promotion of Officers has always taken place, proportioned to the extent of the increase of Establishment. - Whereas under

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under this Presidency when more Native Troops have been required for the necessary duties of the Service, they have been usually recruited and formed in the 1st. instance into extra Battalions, for which European Officers have been taken from the regular Regiments which of course subjects the Officers remaining in those Regiments.—

To remove therefore in some degree the disadvantages which the Officers under this Presidency now experience from the circumstances above stated, and which they are likely to feel more pointedly in the event of their being called to act in conjunction with the Troops from the other Presidencies, the Commander in Chief recommends that the 1st. and 2nd. Extra Battalions be immediately formed into a Regiment to be denominated the 11th. and that the necessary promotions be made in consequence of the formation of this Regiment

Approved & Ordered

Approved and ordered accordingly

The Commander in Chief lays before the Board the following Memoranda.

Memorandum

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Memorandum of the Commander in Chief - containing sundry appointments & recommendations

Lieutenant William Shaw to be Fort Adjutant of Fort St George vice Sydenham.

Lieutenant J Welsh to be Fort Adjutant and Postmaster of Masulipatam vice Shaw.

Captain Charles Rand to be Postmaster to the Army.

The following proportion of Commissioned and non Commissioned Officers from the Supernumeraries of the Native Cavalry to be attached to the temporary Troop of Mares under Lieutenant Montgomery

Dr.	M.	Soy.t	Sub.	Jem.t	Hav.r	Naigues	Trumpt.	Farrs.	Black Dr.	Punk.a	Vadels
1	—	—	1	—	4	6	—	6	2	1	—
1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1

An Armorer, a Silhidar, a Motchie man, and two Chuckler will also be necessary.

And as there are neither Saddles Bridles nor Spurs in the General Stores the Paymaster at Trichinopoly should be immediately directed by Government to make up One hundred and twenty of each so as to be in readiness to be brought on the Mares from Trichinopoly.

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Lieutenant Montgomery to provide Clothing for the Troop and to be fed by him in the same manner as Grant is now provided by the different Agents to the Cavalry Corps Captain Grant to be directed to indent immediately for Arms and Accoutrements.

N.B. Captain Grant has already entertained 80 men allready made Horsemen.

Approved & Ordered

Approved and ordered accordingly

Resolved that the whole Army destined for field Service be encamped on the 1st. of January and put upon field allowances.

Resolved that the whole Army destined for field Service be and encamped in the first day of January and put upon field allowances and that the Commander in Chief be requested to issue the orders which may be necessary for this purpose.

Resolved that Lieut. Wilson of H.M. 19th. Dragoons be permitted to select two Chargers from the expected Lots of the remount Horses.

Resolved at the recommendation of the Commander in Chief that Lieutenant Wilson of his Majesty's 19th. Dragoons whose claim was omitted by accident in the Resolutions of the 11th. Instant be permitted to select two chargers from the expected lots of remount horses at the Company's price

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Price.

Resolved that the Commander in Chief be requested to give Orders for this purpose.

Read the following Letter from the regulating Officer of the Madras Militia.

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

My Lord

From Captain Brown laying before the Board a Return of the Officers appointed to the Madras Militia with a Memorandum of the Names of those that have been recommended for Serjeant Majors &c

I have the honor to enclose a Return of the Officers appointed to the Madras Militia, with a Memorandum of the Names of non Commissioned Officers recommended for Serjeant Majors Drill &c Serjeants &c and the Strength of non Commissioned Drummers and Privates each of the Ten Companies are to consist of, which if approved by your Lordship I will have inserted in the Paper that comes out tomorrow morning

I have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) J. Brown
Capt & Regulating Officer
Madras Militia

Fort St George
21st December 1798

Resolved

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Resolution thereon

Resolved that the regulating Officer be desired to publish the names of the Officers appointed to the Corps of Militia.

Resolved that the regulating Officer do clothe the Black Town Militia and that he be permitted to draw on that account from the Military Paymaster General half Yearly a Sum equal to the Stoppages now made for Clothing and half Mounting from the different Ranks of the European Corps.

Resolved that the Sum of 500 Pagodas be advanced on account for this purpose to the Regulating Officer.

Resolved that the regulating Officer be permitted to Indent on the Board of Trade for Scarlet Cloth for the Corps of Militia at prime Cost

Resolved that the Serjeant Major Quarter Master Serjeant, Drill Serjeants, Drummers, and fifers of the Corps of Militia, be permitted to draw the same pay and allowances as the Corresponding Ranks in the regular Infantry

Resolved that the following establishment of Artificers &c. at the usual pay be allowed for the Corps of Militia.

Armourers

Resolved that the Regulating Captain do clothe the Black Town Militia

Resolved that the Sum of 500 Pags. be advanced on this account

Resolved that the Regulating Officer be permitted to indent on the Board of Trade for scarlet Cloth

Resolved that the non Commissioned Staff &c. of the Militia Corps be allowed to draw the same pay & allowances as the Corresponding Ranks in the European Infantry.

Resolved that the Establishment of Artificers detailed in the body of the Resolution be admitted

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Armourers ____ 2
Smith ____ 1
Hammerman ____ 1
Bellows boy ____ 1
Silkleder ____ 1
Chucker ____ 1
Tindal ____ 1
Lascars ____ 5
Puckalies ____ 8

Resolved that the Clothing of the Corps of Militia proposed to be raised by Mr. Richard Chase, be provided by the Regulating Officer on the same terms, as the Clothing of the Regular Sepoy Corps and that he be permitted to draw the Amount half yearly from the Military Paymaster General, in like manner as is directed in regard to the Black Town Militia.

* Resolved that Mr Chases Corps be Clothed by the Regulating Captain on the same terms as the regular Sepoy Corps and that he be permitted to draw the Amount half Yearly in like manner as in regard to the Black Town Militia

Resolved that the Sum of 60 Pagodas be advanced to the regulating Officer, for the Clothing of Mr. Chase's Corps to be afterwards accounted for

Resolved that the Sum of 60 Pagodas be advanced for the clothing of Mr. Chases Corps.

Resolved

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The Commander in Chief is requested to issue in future all orders respecting the encampment Movement and Supplies of the Army which orders all Officers in Command & all heads of Departments are to be directed to obey.

Resolved that the Commander in Chief be requested to issue in future all orders respecting the encampment, Movement and Supplies of the Army; and that all Officers in command, and all heads of Departments be directed to comply with such Orders and instructions as they may receive from him.

The President proposes the following Appointments.

The President proposes that Captain D. F. Griffin to be appointed to the Command of Ongole until further Orders

Captain D. F. Griffin to be appointed to the Command of Ongole until further Orders.

Major John Bannerman to command the fort and Garrison of Palamcottah

Major John Bannerman to command the fort and Garrison of Palamcottah.

approved & Ordered

Approved and Ordered Accordingly

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Order of Council

Military Department

26th December 1798

Ordered that the Sum of Eight Thousand Pagodas (8000 Pagodas) be advanced from the Treasury to the Military Paymaster General on account of the additional estimate enclosed in his letter of the 26th Instant

By Order of the Right Honorable the President in Council

(Signed) J. Webbe
Sec.y to Govt.

Order of Council authorising the Issue of 8000 Pags from the general Treasury to the Paymaster General agreeably to his additional estimate of the 26th Instant

Received and Sent the undermentioned Letters entered in M. B. Nos. 160 161 162 163 164 165 166 167 168.

From the Military Auditor General

From Major General Sydenham — Enclosing Extract of a letter from Lieutenant Mason of His Majesty's 19th Dragoons, who requests to be permitted to pay off the Retrenchments appearing against him, by Instalments of 20 Pagodas instead of 30 as formerly directed — Mentions — Encloses a Letter from the Paymaster General with Copy of one annexed from Mr.

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Mr. Paymaster Jackson, who requests to be allowed an Iron Chest for the use of the Pay Office at Salem —

From Lieutenant Colonel Stevenson

From Lieutenant Colonel Stevenson. — acknowledging Receipt of the Order for his Marching to Arcot, with which he shall readily Comply —

From Major Doveton

From Major Doveton — Acknowledging Receipt of two Kirtahs for Tippoo Sultaun — one from the Governor General and one from the Resident. —

From the Commander of the Ship Superb

From the Commander of the Ship Superb, Accompanying Dispatches from the Bengal Government —

From the Resident at Poona

From Lieutenant Colonel Palmer acknowledging the receipt of Mysore Intelligence

To the Military Paymaster General

To Mr. Roebuck — Acquainting him that the Sum of Eight thousand Pagodas will be — advanced to him on his Application to the general Treasury. —

To the Military auditor General —

To Major General Sydenham — Enclosing an additional Estimate of Cash Required by the — Military Paymaster General — and informing him that

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the Amount has been issued from the General Treasury

To Messrs. Barlow Reeharde and

Spencer, Lieutenant Colonel Palmer and Captain

J. A. Kirkpatrick — Transmitting Copies of the —

latest Intelligence from the Mysore Country —

To Major General Braithwaite

Enclosing to him a Passport, permitting Mr. Empeem

to proceed to Nairpilly —

27th

Received and Sent the following

Letters entered in M. B. Nos. 169 170 171 172 173 174

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From the Sub Secretary at Bengal

Enclosing Invoice and Bill of Lading of Rice, Shipped

on board the Nyainsueth for this Presidency —

From Do. Do.

From Do. Do. Enclosing Invoice

and Bill of Lading of Rice Shipped on board the —

Triton for this Presidency —

From Do. Do.

From Do. Do. Enclosing Invoice

and Bill of Lading of Rice Shipped on board the —

Superb for this Presidency —

From Do. Do.

From Do. Do. Enclosing Invoice

Copy

To the Secretaries at Bengal and Bombay, Commissioners on the Malabar Coast & Residents at Hyderabad and Poona —

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26 1 and Bill of Lading of Rice Shipped on board the —
Rebecca for this Presidency —

From the Persian Translator at —
From the Persian Translator at Bengal. — Bengal — Encloses a Letter from the Governor General to the Nabob intimating to him his Intention of proceeding to this Presidency —

To Lieutenant Colonel Dupont —
To the Commandant at Cuddalore. — Informing him that the Nabob has been Requested to remove his Military Stores from Villaporam to Cuddalore — and desiring him, in the Event of the Request being — complied with to transmit Duplicates of the Receipts he has granted for the Articles delivered over to his — charge to the Presidency — Authorizing him in the Event of the Request not being complied with in Ten days to take upon himself the Removal of the Military Stores. —

To the Board of Revenue — To the Board of Revenue desiring that the Several Collectors and Subordinate Officers under the Board of Revenue may be immediately instructed to — comply with such Orders as they may receive from the Commander in Chief. —

To the Military Board — To the Military Board Transmitting —
Invoice

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No. 71

Invoice and Bill of Lading of the Rice Shipped on the Superb by the Supreme Government

Sent the undermentioned Letters to the Nabob entered in C. C. N.os 178 and 179.

Substance of a Letter to the Nabob.

To the Nabob Informing him of the anxiety of Government to have the Guns and Muskets at present at Vellaparam removed to Cuddalore, and intimating to him that from the exigency of the service, the Board have been under the necessity of Authorizing the Commanding Officer at Cuddalore to take the removal of them under his charge in case they should not have been removed within ten days from this date.

Substance of a Letter to the Nabob.

To the Nabob transmitting to him a Letter from the Governor General

Received the following letter from the Military Auditor General

The Right Honorable Lord Clive

President and Governor in Council

at Fort S.t George

From the Military Auditor General reporting on the Paymaster General's Cash Credits of 22.nd and 26.th Instant and requesting an Advance to him of Pagodas 21031.42.60. from the Treasury.

My Lord,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Mr. Webbe's letter of the 24.th and 26.th instant accompanying

Your

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Two additional Estimates of Cash required by the Military Paymaster General for the Current Month Amounting to — Pagodas Twenty One thousand and Thirty One, fanams Twelve, and Cash Sixty (Pagodas 21031. 12. 60) upon which I have the honor to report as follows —

The Estimate of the 22 Instant is for Advances of Cash to the Agent for the supply of Military Stores and to the Gram Agent of the 3 Regiment of Native Cavalry which are admissible agreeably to the Orders contained in — Mr. Secretary Webbes Letter of the 22 Instant — The same Estimate also contains the Sum of Eleven thousand Pagodas (Pagodas 11000. — . —) the Amount of Bills drawn on the Military Paymaster General by the Agent for Purchasing Horses at Hydrabad, which I presume may be admitted in Order that the drafts may be duly honored. —

The Estimate of the 26th Instant is for the Sum of Pagodas Eight thousand (Pagodas 8000. — . —) issued from the Treasury to the Military Paymaster General for the use of the Department of Commissary of Provisions to the Army, which appears to be unobjectionable being no doubt for the purpose of enabling the Commissary to purchase a Stock of Sheep and other Articles for Victualling the European

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Troops; I presume however that the Military Paymaster General should debit the Paymaster of the Army with the Amount in Order that the necessary adjustment may be made with the Commissary of Provisions, whose detailed account of such purchase shall be presented for Payment agreeably to the Regulations, which I had the Honor to submit to Government on the 24th. Instant.

I have the Honor to be

Sir &c. &c.

(Signed) W. Sydenham
Secretary

Military Auditor
Generals Office
Fort S. George
27th. December 1798

Sent the following Letters

To Lieutenant General Harris

President &c. Members of the

Military Board

Gentlemen,

I am directed to acquaint you, that the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, upon further consideration of the directions contained in his Letter of the 25th. Instant Relative to the department of commissary of Grain, deems it unnecessary that you should form any Regulations upon the principles therein

Tells Military Board that on further consideration of the instructions contained in their letter to the Military Board of the 22d. Instant respecting the Grain Department, direct that no change be in consequence of it made in the regulations at present existing which by Officers of Military are rendered distinct from Officers of mufti

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therein laid down, and he is unwilling that the present —
distinction should be superseded by which Offices of Custody
are made separate from Offices of Receipt unless you should
be of opinion that in the present case there may be an
exception which renders the deviation expedient —

I have the honor to be

&c &c

Signed I. Webbe

Secry to Govt

Fort St. George

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To Major General Sydenham

Military Auditor General

Sir

I am directed by the Right Honorable the —
Governor in Council to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letters dated
24th 24th and 25th Instant —

His Lordship in Council entirely approves
your remark upon the indent of the Garrison Storekeeper. —

The Governor in Council approves the Regu-
-lations which you have suggested for the departments of the
Commissaries of Grain and Provisions, as well as for the Agents of
Cavalry supplies; these Regulations have accordingly been —
published in General Orders, and his Lordship in Council

To the Military Auditor General
The Board approve the regula-
-tions proposed by him for the
Department of the Commissaries
of Grain and Provisions to the
army about to take the field
Lieutenant Mason to pay off the
Retrenchment appearing against
him by Monthly instalments of
20 Pagl — The Paymaster on the
Coast distributes to Officers on each
Chest for the use of his employ — Mr
Gordon has been appointed Pay-
master to the Army and the
Auditor General Directed to
Submit to Government such an
establishment of Servants as may
appear to him to be necessary for
that Department and to make
such Regulations in the Regulations
lately published for the guidance of
Paymasters as may make them pro-
-perly applicable to Mr Gordons
situation — Lieutenant J. Sydenham
is appointed Deputy to the De-
-partment of the Garrison with the
usual allowances — Captain
Benett is appointed Deputy
Commissary General of Stores
to the army in the field on the
Major Pay and Batta Sundry
Payments and Advances to be
Authorized —

desirable of your attention to the public Service are being
proposed to put forth these important Orders at so early a
period—

The Governor in Council consents that
Lieutenant Mason be permitted to discharge his Retrench-
=ment Standing against him at the Rate of Twenty (20)
Pagodas per Month, and permits the Paymaster in the
Ceded Districts to purchase a Cash Chest for the use of
his employ at Salem—

The Governor in Council has been pleased
to appoint Mr. William Hyde Gordon Paymaster to the
Army in the field with a Salary of Six hundred (600)
Pagodas per Month in lieu of all emolument. I am
therefore directed to desire that you will submit for the
consideration of his Lordship in Council such an establish-
=ment of Servants, as you may judge necessary for the
Department, and at the same time advert to such parts
of the Regulations for paymasters as may be required to
be made applicable to the situation of a Paymaster on the
field—

The Governor in Council has been pleased
to

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to appoint Lieutenant Thomas Sydenham to be deputy in the Department of guides with the usual allowances annexed to that Station —

The Governor in Council has also — been pleased to appoint Captain Prescot to be deputy Commissary General of Stores with the Army in the field upon the pay and batta of a Major —

The Governor in Council desires that you will authorize the following Payments and — Advances —

An advance of Six thousand (6000) Pagodas on account to the Contractors for gear carriages —

An advance of fifteen hundred (1500) Pagodas to the Gram Agent of his Majesty's 19th Dragoons —

The inclosed bill of the Deputy Commissary of Stores at Vellour amounting to Ninety — Seven Pagodas one fanam and forty Cash (97. 1. 40)

An Advance of three hundred and fifty (350) Pagodas to the agent of supply at the Presidency for the precision of dooles —

The inclosed Statement of petty Stores

provided

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26th provided at Masulipatam for the Hydrabad Detachment amounting to Sixty Nine Pagodas Nine fanams and forty Nine Cash (69-9-49

The enclosed bill of Lieutenant Colonel Mcat for temporary buildings at Chicacole amounting to Eighty two Pagodas and eight fanams (82-8-)

The inclosed bill of Lieutenant Fotheringham for Repairs at Ryacottah Amounting to eleven hundred and Ninety Seven Pagodas forty one fanams and Sixty three Cash (1197-41-63)

An advance of fifty thousand (50000) Pagodas to the principal Agent for draft and Carriage Cattle —

The inclosed bill of the Tent Contractor Amounting to two thousand Nine hundred and forty seven Pagodas Eleven fanams and twenty Cash (2947-11-20) by a bill on the Collector at Rajahmundry —

An advance of ten thousand (10000) Pagodas to the Agent of supply at the Presidency for artillery Ordered by the Military Board —

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I have the honor to be
Sir Sir
(Signed) S. Webbe Sec.y 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 16th 18th 19th 20th 22d and 23. Instant.

We are satisfied of your exertions to accomplish our wishes in having the whole equipment of the battering train ready to move from Vellore on the 20th next Month; and approve, for the reasons you have stated, your instructions to the principal agent against assembling the whole of the bullocks at that station, unless he may receive specific Orders.

We should have readily complied with your recommendation in favor of the artificers employed by the Gun Carriage Contractors, but as the public bazars appear to be plentifully supplied, it may be unnecessary to indent upon the Stores; if however any farther difficulty should be experienced in procuring provisions, we shall authorize the indent, you mention, to be complied with by the Garrison Storekeeper.

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Fort St. George Military Board — The artificers employed under the Gun carriage contractors shall be supplied with rice from the public Stores should there be any farther scarcity of that article in the bazars — An advance of 6000 Pagodas has been ordered to be made to the Gun Carriage Contractors — All the Lascars employed under the Import Warehouse and the Black Town Wall Committee have been ordered to be placed under the authority of the Military Board — The charge made by the Commissary of supplies for article purchased by him at a price exceeding the established rates have been authorized — Lieutenant Evans letter respecting the Stud shall be brought under the notice of the Court of Directors; a bill on Bengal in his favor is enclosed — The Number of Servants recommended for the Engineer at Dindigul approved — The necessary orders to be given for the repair of the European Barrack at Masulipatam — The Arms and accoutrements required for the temporary troop of Cavalry ordered to be raised are to be indented for on the public stores —

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In compliance with your Recommendation We have Ordered the Sum of Six thousand Pagodas to be Advanced on account to the Gun Carriage Contractors.—

We have Ordered the whole of the Lascars employed under the Black Town Wall Committee and the Import Warehouse to be placed under the Authority of your Board.—

We concur in your recommendation for the provision of one hundred Bullocks in addition to the number already Ordered, and have in consequence authorized an advance of three hundred and fifty Pagodas on that account to the Agent of Supply.—

In compliance with your recommendation We have Authorized payment of the Sum charged by the Commissary of Supply at Masulipatam for providing certain articles of petty Stores; but desire that he may not be permitted to charge Commission upon the overplus.—

We shall point out Lieutenant Evans's Letter to the Proctor of the Court of Directors upon the subject of the Mud; and enclose herewith the Bill upon Bengal for 7000 Pagodas in his favor.—

We

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We approve the Number of Servants which you recommend for the Engineer at Dindigul during the Repair of the fortifications —

We have authorized the Several payments and advances which you have recommended —

We inclose Copy of a letter from the Officer commanding the Northern Division, and desire that such Order may be issued as you may judge necessary for the repair of the European barracks at Masulipatam —

We have authorized the Officer commanding the detail of Cavalry at the Presidency to indent upon the Stores for the Arms and accountrements which may be required for a temporary troop which we have resolved to employ under the commands of Lieutenant Montgomery in the Baramahal —

We are

&c. &c.

Signed Clive
&c. Council

To His Excellency The Honorable Frederic North
Governor of
Ceylon

Sir

We have the Honor to acknowledge the

To the Governor of Ceylon — Directs with his Excellency to make such medical arrangements as he may judge necessary for the Island of Ceylon — The Board do not think it necessary as far as relates to this Establishment to be furnished with a General Staff in the Medical Department. —

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26.th

The Receipt of your Excellency's letter of the 10.th Instant.

Having fully explained our Sentiments on our letter of the 9.th Instant upon the subject of the Medical Officers Serving on Ceylon We beg leave to refer your Excellency to that letter and upon this occasion shall only add that We consider the Arrangement of the Medical Department upon the Island to be of a general nature and to rest entirely with your Excellency.—

The Medical Gentlemen attached to Corps will of course conduct the Regimental detail through their immediate commanding Officer; and as far as relates to this establishment We see no necessity for loading your Government with a General Staff in the Medical Department.—

Fort S.t George
27.th December 1798

We have the honor to be
S.r
&.c &.c
(Signed) Clive
S.t Leger

Order of Council
Military Department
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Ordered that the Sum of Fourteen Thousand

Order in Council authorizing the Issue of Rupees 13031-12-60 to be paid from the Treasury to the Paymaster General agreeably to this additional estimate of 26.th Instant.—

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and Thirty One Pagodas Twelve fanams and Sixty Cash (Pagodas 13031-12-60) be Advanced from the Treasury to the Military Paymaster General on account of the Additional estimate enclosed in his Letter of the 24th Inst.

By Order of the Right Honorable the President in Council —

(Signed) J. Webbe
Secy to Govt

Received and Sent the undermentioned Letters entered in M. B. Nos. 177-178-179-180-181-182-183-184-185 —

From the Revd. Mr. Jericke

From Mr. Jericke — transmitting an address from the Inhabitants at Nagapatam with a Note from the Resident at Nagore, respecting the removal of the Clergyman at Nagapatam to the Island of Ceylon, as Ordered by Government —

To the Military Board

To the Military Board — transmitting to them Invoice Bill of Lading &c. of Rice Shipped on the Yarmouth by the Supreme Government

To the Military Paymaster General

To the Military Paymaster General — informing him that Pagodas 13,031. 12. 60. will be — Advanced to him from the General Treasury on his —

application

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application agreeably to his additional estimate of 24th Instant —

To the Offr commanding the detail of Cavalry at the Presidency —

To Captain A. Grant he is to indent on the publick Stores for the Arms and accoutrements that may be required for the temporary troop of Cavalry —

To the Commanding Offr at Madura —

To Captain Reddy — the Measures he has adopted for preventing the raising the price of grain at Madura, are approved; Nerganmah Chitty to be sent to the Presidency under a guard — Colonel Gowdie has been Ordered to proceed hither immediately —

To the Garrison Sherkeepur at Trichinopoly —

To Mr. William Hawkins — directing him to prepare a certain Number of bridles and saddles &c for the temporary troop of Cavalry —

To the Commissioners on the Malabar coast —

To the Commissioners on the Malabar Coast — they are requested to permit the two persons Mentioned in their letter of the 12th Instant to proceed to the presence of his Highness the Nabob, by whom they are both recognized —

To Lieutenant Montgommery.

To Lieutenant Montgommery — Communicating to him the establishment of Commissioned, non-Commissioned Officers &c that is to be attached to the

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the temporary troop of Mares about about being placed under his command — The Storekeeper at Trichinopoly has received orders to provide 120 bridles and saddles - He is authorized to clothe and feed the troop ——

To the Black Town Wall Committee

To the Black Town Wall Committee —

- The Lascars employed under their Authority are to be — immediately returned to the Military Board ——

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Received the following letters -

To Josiah Webbe Esqr

Secretary to Government

Fort St George

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit Translations of the Claims of the Mahratta Horsemen for their arrears and such observations as I have to make on them also — an Extract from the Duftar of the Accounts of the — five principal People; and to save trouble an abstract of the account of the rest of the Party. —

From the Resident at Tanjore transmits different papers with a particular account of the arrears said to be due to the Mahratta horsemen; with his remarks on the subject —

In addition to these Papers I enclose Copy of an Agreement between them and Ameersing, consenting to serve on the Reduced Rate of Pay; and

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a Copy of the annual Scales or Receipts which they actually praise for their pray for the four former Years

Owing to the Death of the Serkel and the greater degree of Negligence, which prevailed in the Cutcherry since that Event the accounts of the two last Years are unsettled — The Pradhanlas therefore without taking into the account the rates and Payments of former Years have calculated their accounts only for the last two Years but at the full or Nominal Rate of Pay — by which the Total amounts to Chuckrums A 2995 — and altho they did not accept the Rajah Serfojee's Service or even acknowledge him as Prince of the Country yet they have had the audacity to add to their claims (and at the same rate of full Pay) an arrear of Chuckrums 37111 for the last 6 Months that Serfojee has been placed upon the Musnud; Amounting in all to Chuckrums 60402 —

Star Pagodas 8783 —

Star Pagodas 7254 —

Star Pagodas 25167 —

Now, Sir, If it shall appear to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council that the full Pay is only Nominal and that the Reduced Pay is the Rate, at which they ought to settle their Accounts — and

8187 Fort St. George — December 1793 —

26. and which by their own Receipts and Agreement they — cannot dispute — I think it will be then admitted that — their claim for the last two Fyears is unjust and that they must be content to receive it on the terms expressed in the agreement or by the average of former Fyears. —

In this case the small sum of 1043 —

Star Pagodas 434¼ Chuckrums will be due to Sutwajee Inglay and to the whole

Star Pagodas 1147½ Party only Chuckrums 2755 — for I do not allow Myself to — calculate for a Moment on the Demand they have made on Rajah Serfojee and make no doubt but this instance of their rapacity and insolence will have due weight in the Estimation of their Character and claims — it will also appear by the Shahs or reduced Rate of Pay that some of them have actually Received More than their due to the Amount of Chuckrums 1388 — and that they have no excuse for joining in the clamours of the rest and when the small Sum that is due even to the whole is considered I should think it goes greatly to impeach the truth of the lamentable tale they — have told of their Distress for their Arrears and the necessity which they pretend force them into Dherna — for my own part I can consider their conduct on the late occasion in no other light than an act of Insolence and contumacy

to

29th to the present Rajah and brought forth just at this time from the hope of Escaping with impunity by the Mis-understanding which is known to prevail between the Rajah and the Company's Military Authority

With regard to the Representation of Sattwajee Inglay, I am very ready to subscribe to his Merits as a Soldier and to Credit the greater part of His Story But in this case I know him only as one of the Malcontents of the late Revolution and as such I did not discourage the Rajah from the Means He took to Protect his conduct, and the Event seems to Justify the precaution I can truly declare I never interposed with any Messages that I did not at the same time invite them to a Conference and what Sattwajee assures Confirms this assertion — I never heard His Complaint that the Doctor was prevented from going to him and the Rajah denies it, or any other restraint but the observance of that Conduct and which became more strict as they encreased in their Hostile

The Rajah appointed to meet Doing about the Horse, which by Sattwajee to be provided

8189 Fort St. George — December 1798

29th presented to his Brother answering did
not approve the Gift, nor did the Dustoor
account

When my Servant informed me that
follower of Salavajee Inglay had sent a Letter
in to his hand under his address, I told him
I was disapproved of this Channel of
Communication and to return the Letter
and when I understood the Contents were
not such as were warrantable after the
offers I had frequently made of an interview—
I desired he would add, as from himself,
that he did not dare to explain it to me
I have no remark to make on
Mantajee Rauneje Gaekwar's Representation,
but that it is not correct, and very —
disrespectful to the present Rajah by
the honorary distinction it gives to the
late Rajah Ameer Sing. —

of

8190 Fort St George. December 1798

29th. As soon as it was ascertained that Sutwajee Inglaye wish to come, so soon I saw him, and to prevent all misunderstanding, I luckily had the precaution to apply to the Fort adjutant Lieutenant Butler to interpret any offers, and be a witness to the promises he made as Representative of their Claims. -

As I did not believe the story of their distress I did not think it proper to commit the Company by the Payment of their arrears or any portion and I am sorry to perceive by the latter part of Sutwajees address that he is of opinion major Innes had pledged himself to that Effect, because any partial Indulgence the Right Honble the Governor in Council may now

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Fort St George 24th December 1798

29th now be disposed to shew on the adjustment
of their claims must inevitably fall short
of the Gross amount of their Encumbrances
charges. –

I beg leave to request an early &
Consideration of the subject by the Right
Honble the Governor in Council as the
People are at present buoyed up with
Extravagant Hopes in a situation not
quite consistent with the welfare of the
Public and the Good order & Government
to prevail in the Rajahs Government. –

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

(Signed) Benj.n Torin
Resident

Sanjour

24th December 1798.

Translation

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Translation of the Representation of Sirdar Jeejee Jeejay to the Honble Company

When the Company captured
this Fort, I was first wounded by some
Peons of the Commandant, the who was
present at the consultation, dressed all
my wounds, and sent me to Nagapattam,
where I was cured by the grace of God, and
then I went to Tanjore, where
I served Hyder Bahader at the head of
4000 Cavalry for 20 years, at the end of
which I was attached to the Reinforcement
of Bangalore but on my arrival there
with 350 men of the Fort I was sworn
Dewan to the Company's forces and I was
attacked by the Polliers, from the Bloody
battle continued till 2 hours, in
which all my men except 26 were killed
Out

8193 Fort St George 11 December 1798.

29th but all of them wounded.

Lord Cornwallis Behaved and

Hurjeunt Tudday a Jemmel of Tremient

having sent me and mymen thus "

wounded, they dressed all our Wounds,

while the Company granted a great "

Protection, in giving us Victuales &c "

Hurjeunt Tudday told me, he will "

employ me as a General of 10000 Horse if

I would like to serve under his direction,

but my answer was, that I will never

comply with his request, while I could "

meet my Master / Tipsoo / since he is

alive, Lord Cornwallis told me you "

Should neither go to Tipsoo, nor Muratta's

but had better go to your old Kingdom

/ Tanjore / wherefrom I will bring you a

letter on that account, this said he "

dust

8194 Fort St George &c " December 1798

sent me to Valore, in which I dwelt for
4 months, which time Mr Dallas has
asked me, if I would agree to be
employed by the Company as a General
of 5000 Horse I replied I would do it unless
I should see my Master Tippoo, the same
time Peace was called, and I was sent for
by Lord Cornwallis and delivered to the
son of Tippoo Saaheb, who having presented
me with Horse and Cloths, sent me to
Tippoo Saaheb, who having consulted me
on the death of my son, which happened
while I was in the war near Bangalore,
ordered me to go and prepare the same
I obeyed, which I have in my possession,
and so I did

Lord Cornwallis arriving at Madras
sent me 2 Letters and from my Brother
and

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29th and the 8th from the Vaqueel of Tanjore,
on which having taken the liberty of 4 months
from Tippoo Saeb, under the pretence
that I wd travel on Pilgrimage to the
Pagoda of Cape Comorin, I arrived at Tanjore
where I was monthly paid by annexing Rajah,
who presented me 1500 Chuckrums, with which
I accomplished my Pilgrimage. This Rajah
since 2 years has paid only four months to
his servants who gave him the Receipts
under their own hand, as if they were paid
fully for Twelve Months and as I was a
man of great expence, and indebted for 8000
Chuckrs. I did not give him any Receipts of
that Sum, but only Petitioning to him
to let me go away from this Country, but
he instead of granting me that favor only
satisfied

8196 Fort St George 1. December 1798

29th Dto Sir I am with his respects I
Jeremias saying, he will pay my bills
my arrears 1500 Pr. in ready money
and 500 Pr. on the Dindigals and
3000 Pr. on the next Crop or harvest,
and so according to his promise, he
ordered Nana his Man, to pay me
1500 Pr. immidiately, but within while
time the Palace was guarded by the
Company's Troops and his Gentlemen
the Sherjee's Rajahs obtained the
Prisoner, The latter took no notice
of me, but sent for all the Horses which
were sent to me and so I sent them
all to the Palace perhaps any objection
in this time many of the Rajah's Servants
asked me, whether I like to take
my

8197 Fort St George 11 December 1798

29th myself at the Public square of the
Palace, in order to demand the arrears
but I never agreed, because since we are
great men of this Kingdom, which
is belonged to the Company, I thought
it not fit for my honour to interfere
in such business. —

Ten years ago that morning
Rajah has presented a Horse to my eldest
Brother, which he kept some time at his
Stables, and returned back to my Brother,
who gave it to his son in law, this
Horse was strictly demanded from my
Brother by the Shortajee Rajah, but since
it was gifted to my Brother, I made
a little objection to give it to him;
who

8198 Fort St George 1 December 1798

29th who directly sent some People to arrest
me to make no resistance on that
account, when agreeably to the Sentiments
of the Rajah, I sent away the Horse
to Palace, afterwards on my enquiry,
I was very sorry to hear that Rajah's
intention was, to send a party of
Troopers to my house and shoot me,
provided, I should make any further
objection in delivering up the horse,
Two months after this, I have sent my
man to Mahdeck Rao, desiring him
to pay my arrears, which he owes
can never be poor, and said he is
not well inclined to grant object
This to the Rajah, Hence I have wrote
a Petition to Dattajee Rao, who told
that

8199 Fort St George 11 December 1798

29th That he is ready to comply me, if
I should agree to serve as the Shes
do. I replied I am unable to the sum
of 8000 Chr and therefore I can not do
what he said. Lastly he told, that the
Company have settled not to pay
Tributes, neither Loans nor the arrears
of the Servants, this induced me to give
a Petition to Major Frazer, who said
I can do nothing at all, but Mr Torin
Resident is to enquire all this, therefore
go there and tell nothing of it to me.
Here the Rajah has sent his Haricarah
to my house, forbidding me to leave
the house, in which I and my
forefathers have dwelt this 120 years
since, I told him I would never go
unless received my arrears on which
a Haricarah from the Resident came

To

8200 Fort St George 9th December 1778

29th to me and told me the same as the above Rajahs did, and told him I will never stir out until he would give up my life on the subject, he also gave me a call to wait on his Master at his home, which I told him I would. –

There is a certain man friend to my brother named Ganapaty Doss, who is a servant to the Rajah, has desired my brother to wait upon his Excellency & Board to obtain his favour, but my brother would not consent to do what his friend said, and then I have entreated him to grant that favour to his friend for my sake and for my part, I have told him, I can not stay in this Country, which at last my

8201 Fort St George 11 December 1798

29th my Brother agreed to, but the Rajah
says, he will never allow my Brother,
and his Son to wear Feathers on their
Turbant and Piece of gold Cloths to
their Gowns, which has been granted
to our Fathers by late Purtaparing
Rajah, in the Time when they had
gained a victory over Moorhay Pauly,
this entirely prevented my Brother
from Meeting the Rajah + the
whereupon a Hurcarah from the
Resident, has informed me if I should
attempt to go and set at the Palace
again, he will confine me at
Pitchenopoly, I told him, that what
can we do if the Company do so.2
the best thing is to pay our arrears
then give us leave to go away — hence
the

8202. Fort St George 2 d. December 1798

29th. The Rajah has ſolaced his People before any Troops, and began to ſurround all the People that came to me, and has alſo ſolaced his People in their Fort gates to ſurround all my Men ſhou entering the Fort, this indeed one to Muſe all my People aſſembled at one Palace, ſince there 3 months, at the end of which there came to my Name a Rec.d Harricarde, together with one ſmall Palace and have called me to come to meet his Maſter, but as I was ſick I have told them, I will do ſo after I was cured, Here the Rajah has ſurrounded the Doctor ſmall coming to me, or to which I ſent a Meſſage to the Resident but received no answer, then I have wrote

8203 Fort St George ye December 1778

29th wrote a Petition to Colepa Moodely
his Dubash, who said come tommorow,
to the Gardens & I will represent y
wery thing to my Master but the same
evening he sent back the Petition to my
house by one of y Hurcarah, to whom
he said my master will be very
angry if he hear any thing of this
house and that he will send guards
to my house, Coolly I sent to tell him,
That it is only better, if I meet his
Master tommorow, otherwise I shall
go one at my self at the Palace Square,
this induced his Master to send
for me, and so I met him, who told
me that they can not pay me any
arrears without Company's order,
and told me to write down what
is due, which he said he will send
to

8204

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29th to Madras, and let me know the answer from them, for else him if he would pay me any thing to my expence, that I may wait for 10 days, but he did give me any answer at all so I came away

Afterwards I wrote a Petition to Dallaje a Pram, desiring him to pay me at least for my dieters and Journey expence, but his answer was, that he shall be ready with his Accts, if I come to him with my own, - Myself while I was ready to set out, a Harcarah from the Resident informed me not go to the Aguiry, but as it was impossible for me to stay at home, I came out so far as a Temple of Hindoo where I halted, because I was prevented by the Harcarah in the company's

8205 Fort St George December 1798

29th Company's Name, ever since any Nothing
at that place, and fetched the Tents, the
Rajah placed several guards, within and
without the said Square were in the
place where my party halted, he sent
now and then some of his Troops, to take
notice, but I took great care, in keeping
my People, from creating any disturbance
with those Troops, because we only came
to demand the arrears, but not to war
against them, next day Major Innes came
on Sunday, to the place where we were,
and seeing all the Guards and my
party and drove away, immediately +
after which two other Gentlemen
seeing all the Guards off and away
they went. -

About 5 o'clock on the same day
the Gates of the Fort were shut and I was
told that some Gentlemen are coming
with Company's Sepoys and Guns having
heard

8206 Fort St George 11 Dicembr 1778

29th Inst this I have recvd ane my
party to use no arms against the
Company, but only be ready to be
Helpe by them if they se ocasion
this Time, having peace the prentice
of Depay on both sids of my Party, tha
Gentlemen came and told me, that if you
Shuld have ocasion disturbance shuld
happen, between you and the Dayak,
therfore leave the place and go
away, I answered as I can not suffer
the Trouble of any nation, I shall either
give my life or Recieve my answer,
and can not go from hence till I have
done me, then Major Innes came
himself to me, and said since the
Company are Mediator of your
cause, they shall pay you all
arrears, but you must first obey them
in leaving the place and they all
Rowandels House which is peaceably

8207 Fort St George 11 December 1792

29th Gloster sir, how we the owner of the house allow me to stay there, on which major Innes having sent a Message, obtained the liberty from great Mirmung the Cutwal / Row Saub, and then I went there, while Major followed me till I entered the house, and having Satisfied me with many Promises, that he will settle all the matter in a very good Manner, within four or five days, away he went, and then after having pitched my Tents, I halted there, with my party, and knew the Rajah, having placed his People at the Fort Gates, began to prevent the victuals, brought to my people from outside, and Bragos Innes did let them all pass free. —

I was one who treated Lord Cornwallis Bahadur word, when I came to Price — palace, but not for want food. —

Yours sincere

8208 Fort St George December 1798

29th Wherefore I request the Company, who
are victorious over all the Londa by
their justice, will be pleased to let me
have my arrears by which they may
obtain a great fame.

Copy

Translation of the Representation of Mauloyee
Ramoyee Gantagay and Goojar Row

The humble Representation of
Mauloyee Ramoyee Gantagay
and Goojar Row the Both are
Vagueries Maubs / Mians Noblemen /

We are our forefathers have
not only been on the Rajahs service
but have also been looked upon as the
Truely Noblemen of this Kingdom. Lord
Pigot, who came here, hearing our
service the Rajah was in the time when
he was confined, he desired the latter
not to forsake us for ever, which he
agreed to, but within some days after

8209 Fort St George. December 1798

29th there happened a little alteration in the Payment of our wages which induced us to receive all our arrears and - we prepare to go home / signifye Maratian Territory / where we have been received very Civilly by Swanjie Rajah, by whom my Brother was employed as a General of 10000 of his Cavalry. —

This being the case His Excellency Answering Maharajah dispatched us a Letter together with money for our Journey ffrome desiring us to come to Tanjour and Possess the Dignity we deserved and stay with him as his Trusty Friends as our Fathers did with the late Pertaub Sinking Rajah, and our ancestors with his + Forefathers at Bingalore, When Swanjie Rajah did not only give us leave to come to Tanjour but has also furnished us very

8210 Fort St George 11 December 1778

29th very richly in the Hons Comps
and Palanquins &c. and all
necessaries of Journey - with
which we arrived safe at Tanjore,
but to our great misfortune we
found the Rajah not capable
of fixing our Monthly Pay more
than 900 Chuckrums which we
hardly consented to, the latter has
ordered all our Provisions (brought
from any Place) to be sent from
without any Customs, but what
the Honour he did us yet the
Officiousness of the many have
reduced us to such precarious
circumstances that we cannot
possibly Proceed in our affairs - and
by which we are very deeply indebted
to many People at this Place. -

Yours

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Fort St George 11 December 1798

29th After the Consultation have passed Sherfojee Rajahs are the Manner, the
Letter has taken no notice about us — "
therefore we have sent a Mussenger
to demand from him our Cloaths and
the arrears — as his forefathers did
to ours, his answer was that he must
not pay any arrears but he will only
pay 4 months wages for every year
Provided we would serve him for the
future, He has also ordered us to demand
our arrears from answering Rajah —
which is entirely contrary to the former
establishment, that is all the former
Rajahs who Succeeded their old ones "
have always paid arrears to the
Servants who have been employed
by the late ones notwithstanding this
the Rajah sent us a strict order by
his Hircarrah, for bidding us to leave
the

Fort St George. December 1798

29th The house in which we lodge, and "
go away without any resistance, we
replied we can not go unless we should
receive our orders and afterwards "
Mr Torin sent us his cause Havildar
together with one of the Rajahs —
informing us should we not leave
the House and go away, we would "
become guilty of disobeying the Company's
order, we applied to them to let us know
whether is it right to the Company to "
drive the Servants away without "
paying their arrears but they did not give
any Satisfactory answer then they said
they will represent the Matter to Mr
Torin, and let us Know his Sentiments
on the subject, and away they went
Thence the Rajahs began to grow very
serious upon us for he has placed his
own People before our house, and "
persisting

8.213 Fort St George 11 December 1798.

29th. Forwarding all the People from coming
to us, even the Merchants who have
money, they have also took Some of our
Friends into their protection by delivering
them with Sweet words, this is not Sufferable
violence of the Rajah has induced us to
send our Petition to Mr. Torin, whose
Hircarrahs have told to our men that
there was no time to the latter to receive
the Petition; Whereupon a Hircarrah from
Mr. Torin has informed us that there
is an order from the Company to carry
us to Trichinopoly and therein to Keep
us confined, to which our answer was
thus, "The Company may rather Kill
us than confining us at Trichinopoly,
and their fame will be Spread over
all the Country or they may by all means
take our lives whilst we shall never
use our arms against them, and o
on the other hand. if they transport
us with Joy by praying us all over

true

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29th Inst Blacow. They may bear a good reputation
likewise, "at last we wrote a Petition to
Sherfojee Rajah and both his own &
Dillajee Appaw and Rogojee Madadeo.
which we do to no purpose — Some days
after this, a Thief has robbed our Lascar, we
desire a certain Man to discover him but
the Rajah has order'd him not to do us
that favour without this time we starved
two days for want of food — Therefore knowing
it best to be Killed by them rather than
dying of hunger, we dare not come no
further as a hundred Troops, where Mr Innes
Hercarrah has stopped us in the name
of the Company and told us they will
decide the matter — which indeed we
to hold for the same please we cannot, and
all the Proceedings after our Meeting, shall
be represented by Sadasaujee Jagtap &
Jannidar (means General) —

Sirs, We are once more pleased all
their Trust in the Company — Therefore we
request and hope the Company will be
pleased to pay our arrears and their
dispatch us from hence. —

Sedaseer

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Account delivered by Sunkanagie Sirgojee Vackeel to the Mahrattas & Hurrumsee for arrears during annee Sing's Reign - to which is added their demande upon Surfojee Rajah for the subsequent Months.

		arrears of former reign due by Surfojee Rajah to Ameer Sing's Government	amount of payd on Surfojee Rajah's account from the time each Individual came to the musnud	Total for Sicca 18 Dec.r 98
				Ch.o f. 6 Ch.o f. 6 Ch.o f. 6
Sunkanagie Ragoonaud a Row Mahratta including with his followers N.o 11				
To Balance due on bill 2 June 96 is Ch.o	343, 2. 5 1/4			
From 3.d June 96. to 30.th June 1798 being 24 m.s 26 days at 183 " " P.r month	4550 6 "			
	4893 8 5 1/4			
Received in part in the year 1796	1015. 7. 9 3/4			
Do - Do - in 1797	67-3-6	1633 " 15 3/4		
Balance				3260 7 13/2
To Do - Do - Do due by Surfojee Rajah including his followers N.o 11 from 1.st July to 18.th December 98 is 5 m.s 18 days at 183. " " P.r month				998 2 " 4258 9 13/2
Received now Sunkanagie Vackeel from 3 June 97. to 30.th June 98 is 12 m.s 26 days at 7. " " P.r month is Ch.o	90 " 18			
Rec.d in part in the year 1797	35-7-12			
Balance		54 3 6		
To Do - Do - Do due by Surfojee Rajah from 1.st July to 18.th December 98 is 5 m.s 18 days at 183. " " P.r month		39 2 " 93 5 6		
Carried forward		3315 " 19/2	1037 4 "	4352 4 19/2

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Account of annuities, amount of
pay &c. due to the late Nabob Ameer ul
Omrah Bahadur Individual
after the decease of
Government & his surviving
relations
December 98

				Ch.s	7	6	Ch.s 7 6
Ps. Star	9,315	.	14p.	10½	4	=	435 4 14p.

Rama Chenaroo Row

Sowcar

Balance due on bill 2d. June 1796
in Ch.s 16 6 4½

From 3d. June 96 to 30th June
98 being 28 mo. 26 days at
Ch.s 12 = = Pr month . . . . } 398 = 4 = —

= 315 = 4½

Received on part on
the year 1796 . . } 526 22½ } 126 7 22½
Do. Do. in 1797 . . . 99.2 }

Balance 188 2 6

Do. Do. due by Sirsajee Rajah for 6 months
18 days at 12 Ch.s Pr month . . . . } . . . . 67 2 = 255 4 6

Spolahmon Madlahoo Hoon
From 2d. June 95 to 30th June
98 being 36 mo. 26 days at
Ch.s 30 = = Pr month . . . . } 1126 = =

Received on part . . . . . 589 = =

Balance . . . . 537 = =

Do. Do. due by Sirsajee Rajah for . . . . .
5 mo. 18 days at 30 = = Pr month . . } . . . . 174 = = 691 = =

Sobanee Sabarayee Sangum
Balance due on bill 2 June 96 . 1862.2 =
including his salaries No. 75.
from 3 June 96 to 30 June
98 is 24 mo. 26 days at 1500 = = } 3614,8 =
Pr month . . . . . =

4076 = =

Received in part in the year
1796 . . . . . 2187.4.18 } 1450 87-15
Do. Do. in 1797 . . . . . 1321.3 . }

Balance 2568 2 6
Do. Do. due by Sirsajee Rajah for 5 months
18 days at 1600 = = Pr month . . . } . . . . 800 = = 3368 2 6

Carried forward 29,988 5 7½ 9678 . 6 = 39667 1½

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	arrears of pay due up to annexed dates Government	arrears of pay due by Surfojee Rajah from the time of his succession to the musnud until 18th December 98	amount of arrears to be paid for each Individual
Soobarow Seshayee Gottaky			
	Ch.P. ℔ 6	Ch.P. ℔ 6	Ch.P. ℔ 6
B. Over	29985 ℔	9678 6 "	39663 ℔
5 from 18th may 96 to 30. June 98 - Ch. 9 8 -			
being 49 Mos. 10 days at 20. " " P. month Ch.P.	986 - 6 - "		
Received in part on the year 1794	108-6-12		
Do. in 1795	92-3-3		
Do in 1796	107-1 1/2		
Do in 1797	91-3-12	400 - " 4/2	
Balance		586 5 21	
Do - Do - due by Surfojee Rajah for 5 Mos. 18 days at Ch. 20 P. month		112 " "	698 5 21
Murjah ause the Patco			
from 2. June 96 to 30. June 98 Ch. P. per month			
being 24 Mos. 26 days at 9 " "			
is Ch.	223-8 - "		
Received in part on the year 1796 Ch.	37-5-3		
Do. in 1797	46-1-6	83 - 6 - 9	
Balance		140 1 15	
Do - Do due by Surfojee Rajah for 5 Mos. 18 days at 9 Ch. P. month		50 4 "	190 5 15
Ruckoo Manjee Dattaujee Alaudeky			
from 2. June 96 to 30. June 98.			
being 24 Mos. 26 days at Ch. 8 - - "			
P. month is Ch.	199 - " - "		
Received in part in the year 1796	26 - " - "		
Do in 1797	36-2	62-2 - "	
		136 8 "	
Do - Do - due by Surfojee Rajah for 5 Mos. 18 days at Ch. 8 P. month is Ch.		44 8 "	181 6 "
Carried forward	30852 " 1/2	9885 8 "	40738 8-1/2

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arrears of rent as per Account Current
payable up Rajah for the for said
to commencing time of his Individual
Government as from the
Commencement
October 18th
December 1798

Nana Sawjee Mullargee
Singtoy

Brought over 30852 " 19½ 9,785 8 . 10737 8 19½

Balance due until 2d June 97 is ch 62 " - "
from 3d June 97 to 30th June 98 is
12 mo. 26 days at ch 10 --- Pr month is 190 6 18
Received in part in the year 1797 . . . 51.5.18

Balance . . . . By 1 "

Do - Do - due by Sursojee Rajah for
5 mo. 18 days at ch 10 --- Pr month } . . . . . 56 " " 195 1 "

Maholojee Raunojee
Gotiaking
Balance due until 2d June
97 is ch . . . . . 380 - " - "
from 3d June 97 - to 30th
June 98 being 12 months
26 days at 900 " - " Pr
month is ch . . . . . } 11,580 - - - -
Received in part in
the year 1797 . . . } 5794 8 - 10½

Balance 6165 1 13½

Do - Do - due by Sursojee Rajah
for 5 mo. 18 days at 900 - " - " Pr month } . . . . . 5040 " " 11205 1 13½
account has not Moorkutkay
including his following No 6
Balance due until 2d June 96 -
is ch . . . . . 520 - " - "
from 3d June 96 to 30th
June 98 is 24 mo. 26
days at 162 ch Pr month - 3110 - 2 "
Carried forward 3630 - 2 - " 37164 } 9 14,981 - 8 " 53,138 19

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arrian of pay arrears of pay amount of arrian due up to dec by Surfojee Rajah from the Individual emerging Rajah from the Government on the Musnud on the 18th December 98

Brought forward	3690-2-	Ch.	₹ 6	Ch.	₹ 6	Ch.	₹ 6
		37,156	3 9	14,981	8 "	52,138	1 9
Received in part in the year 1796 Chunkreena	560.8.15						
	641-2 -"	1202 " 15					
Do - Do - in 1797							
Balance		2028 1 9					
Do - Do - due by Surfojee Rajah for 5 months 18 days at 162 " Ch. ₹ month						907 2 "	3335 3 9
Rawnjee accountant now Moothy, Son of accountant Moothy including his followers N°6 from 2d June 1797 - to 30th June 1798 is 12 months 26 days at Ch. 70 - " - " ₹ month is Ch.		900 - 6 - "					
Received in part in the year 1797		260 - " - "					
Balance		640 6 "					
Do - Do - due by Surfojee Rajah for 5 months 18 days at 70 Ch. ₹ month is						392 " "	1032 6 "
Coneemma Rajah Nara Simma Rajah from 2d June 1797 to 30th June 1798 being 12 months 26 days at 40 " - " ₹ month is Ch.		514.7 - "					
Received in part in the year 1797		195-7 -"					
Balance		319 " "					
Do - Do - due by Surfojee Rajah for 5 mo. 18 days at 40 Ch. ₹ month						224 " "	543
Carried forward		40544 " 18		16505 " "		57,049 " 18	

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arrears of pay due up to ammexgo Gunnoms

arrears of pay accruing due by Surfojee Rajah from the time of the Individual ausjion to the 18th Dec. 1798

Soobarow Bawanjee Coushdy

	Ch. 1 to 6	Ch. 1 to 6	Ch. 1 to 6
Br. avr	40544.18	16505 . .	57049.18

Balance due on the 2d June 1797
on Ch. 54-6-3

From 3 June 97 to 30th June 98 being 12 mo. 26 days at 30 Ch. P. month . . . } 386 " —

440.6.3

Received in part in the year 1797 . . . } 174-2-12

266.3.15.

At the time of my giving Soodie for my having given up the arrears due to me for that year provided to me by the Circar on my application for the support of my Children residing . . . . . } 100-"-"

366 3 15

D°. do due by Surfojee Rajah for 5 mo. and 18 days at 30. P. Month . . . } 168 " "

534 3 15

Ramnojee Budhmanjee Powar

Balance due on the 2d June 97 on Ch. 75-2-12

From 3. June 97 to 30th June 98 being 12 mo. 26 days at Ch. 24 P. month . . . . . 308-8-"

384-"-12

Received in part in the year 1797 . . . } 183-1-12

Balance . . 195 9 "

D°. do due by Surfojee Rajah for 5 mo. 18 days at 24 Ch. P. month . . . } 134 4 " 330 3 "

Carried forw. 41063 9 16807 4 " 57871 9

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arrears of pay arrears of pay amount of
Rent up to date by Serfoje arrears
arrearage Rajah from the Store for
time of Hire each
Government are stoppd to the Individuals
mutiny until
18th December 98

Ramma Chundra Row
Sumbhaujee Singlay -

6h. T. C. ch. T. C. ch. T. C.
41063 9 16807 4 " 57913 7 9 -

18th over
Balance until 2d June 96 is Ch. ... 22-4-21
From 3d June 96 to 30th June 98
being 24 m.s 26 days at "
Ch. 5 Yr. month ... 1243.3 -
1265.7-21

Rec.d in part in the year 1796 ... 173-3-3
Do. in 1797 ... 170 " - } 343-3-3
Balance ... 922 4 18
Do. Do due by Serfojee Rajah for 5 months 18 days at the 50 Yr. months 280 " " 1202 4 18

Saick Hydur his Son
Saick ubdhul
Balance due until 31 December 95
is Ch.h ... 22-8-9 -
from 1st January 96 to 30th June 98 being 30 m.s 26 days at Ch.s 9 " " Yr. month is ... 227. 8 - "
300-6-9

Rec.d in part in the year 1796 } 57-8-18
Do. in 1797 - 62-4-16 } 162 4-16½
Do. in 1798 - - 42-1-12 } 162 4-22½
Balance ... 138 1 10½
Do. Do. due by Serfojee Rajah for 5 m.s 18 days at 9 Ch.s Yr. month ... 50 4 " 188 5 10½

Carried forward 42166 9 13½ 1737 - 8 " 59304 7-13½

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	amount of pay arrears up to 1 Jan.y 1798	amount of pay arrears Stopt by Surgeon Paymaster from the time of his appointment to the command 1st December 1798	amount Stopt for sick & Individuals
Chickoo N.o 6			
Bt. over ...	Ch.s 42166 9	13/4 17197 - 8 "	59304 1. 13/4
Town 3.d June 96 to 30.th June 98 being 24 Months and 26 days at Ch.s 57-" -" pr. Month is Ch.s ... -1415-5-"			
Rec.d in part in the yr 1796 -- 324.7.18 D.o in - 1797 . . 266.5.12 } 591-3-6			
Balance ...	824 1 18		
D.o . . D.o . dec.d by Surgeon Paymr at Fort St George 6 Mn.s 18 days at 57-" -" Pr Month ...		273 3 " 1097 1 18	
Grand Total Ch.s ...	42991 1-1/4	17411 1 "	60402 2 1/4

8223 "Account of Wages Due to Negroes"

No 1 Account of Salaries Engle & his followers pay from 24th moharam / July 1202 / August / year 1792

July	year	Number of followers	The full pay for 12 months or Nominal hire	The pay according to the rate for reduced pay to which they agreed at the end of the year past / Sodee / in full all demands	Paid in part	Balance due to them	Specifying the Boats for receipts in full of all Demands
			ch^{rs} f^{s}	ch^{rs} f^{s}	ch^{rs} f^{s}	ch^{rs} f^{s}	
1202	1792	79	12641 6	6523 4	73 5	" "	Negroes boats
1203	1793	79	17911 1	10722 7	15975 2¾	" "	8
1204	1794	73	16091 1	9653 2	7465 7⅝	" "	8
1205	1795	76	18154 1	7278 3½	9666 6⅜	" "	8
1206	1796	76	17935 6	7095 4	7157 .7 3/16	" "	He did not give
1207	1797	72	17102 "	6750 2½	7038 8 7/16	" "	10
1208	1798 months to June	72	1160 1	457 3¾	59 6	" "	8
		Chuck^{a}	100,997 1	48,481 1¾	47,437 4/8	1013 7⅝	or S^{a} Rs^{s} 434¼

N°2 Account Sonkarajee Moitta & his followers pay from 24th Shawal / Tuesday 1208 year 1793

82.24

Tuesday	year	Number of his followers	Nominal Hire	Has full pay for the day according to the 12 Months or a reduced pay Gratuitously a grant to Wet Ground after the Gun pay ceases / Sudder Jumma Sudder Jumma demands	Paid in part	Balance due to them	Specifying the Sepoys or persons to be in place of the Servants —
1203	1793	10	Ch^n 1900	5	Ch^n 1134	5	Ch^n 946 6/8 . . Ke gave Sudder
1204	1794	10	1944	"	1161	"	992 3/16 . " " " So
1205	1795	10	1944	"	777	"	898 4/8 " " " So
1206	1796	10	1944	"	777	"	815 2/16 " " " He did not give
1207	1797	10	1944	"	777	"	679 7/16 " " " So
1208	1798 January Inclusive	10	194	6	55	1/4	34 7/2 " " " So
		Chun^n —	9811	1	4679	6/4	4367 7/8 312 5/8 or S. Rupees 120

N°3 Account Ramachundera Row Venkatajee English pay from 7th September 1791 Fasly 1201

825

Fasly	year	The full pay for 12 months or nominal Hire	The pay according to the Cha or rate agreed to pay which they are entitled at the end of year proportional to date in full of all Demands	Paid in part	Balance due to them	Specifying the Sicca or receipts in full of all Demands.
		Chs° P° Ch°	P°	Ch° P° Ch° P°		
1201	1791	433 3. 216	6 1/2	141 3/4 " "		He gave Sicca
1202	1792	600 " 300	"	300 4 3/4 " "		D°
1203	1793	600 " 350	"	405 7/16 " "		D°
1204	1794	600 " 350	"	245 9 5/8 " "		D°
1205	1795	600 " 200	"	307 " " "		D°
1206	1796	600 " 200	"	173 3/8 " "		He did not give
1207	1797	600 " 200	"	166 3 5/8 " "		D°
1208	1798 Collected 30th June	41 8. 13	8 1/2	" " " "		D°
	Chuck°	4075 1 1830	5	1733 8 7/16 96	69 1/16	or S° Rup° 40

Still unpaid " Ditto "

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Account of Mandajee Gulika and his followers pay from 16th September / Lunar 1206 year 1796

Lunar	year	Number of followers	The full pay for 12 Months or Nominal hire		The pay accruing to them or ordered pay which they agree to take at the end of the year per full Stoke / in full of all Demands		Paid in part	The remainder stand due which he recommends them his pay	Specifying the Stoke per month in full of all Demands
			Ch.ᵗ	f.ᵉ	Ch.ᵗ	f.ᵉ	Ch.ᵗ f.ᵉ ch.ᵃ f.ᵉ		
1206	1796	28	6453	2	2369	9	1055 5⅞ " "		He gave Stoke
1207	1797	28	1068	"	3905	"	6736 4¾ " "		Do not give
1208	1798 Embraig Regime	28	736	8	296	5	" " " "		Do
			Chuckl 16208	"	6571	4	7792 ¾ 1220 6¾		or Sbg 519 ⅞

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A List of Maharattahs who have received more than their pay at the rate of Thaka or Reduced pay

		Time of Service	Full Pay	Thaka according to Thaka	Paid over and above	Balance due to Circar
			Chuck^r. F. Co			
4	Maholajee Ghatakay	2½ years	16,828 " "	6571 4 "	7792 " 3	1220 6 3
6	Govinda Row and Shiebaw Bajeng^a Rangley	12½ D^o	15779 4 6	8397 " 18	8546 8 14½	147 8 1½
	Nundial Gonummarajee	8 Dittо 10 days	3,862 6 "	1765 7 12	1783 4 3	17 6 15
	Total Chuck^r.		36,450 " 6	16734 2 6	18122 3 1½	1388 " 19½
	Total Sic^a Rup^s	Exchange at the rate of 24 G^s. for Sic^a Rupee	15174 "	35 6972	2475 7650	40 29 578 15 34

N^B. The full amount of the above Nos. 1,2,3,4 & 5 go as Number in the Pocket.

Fort St. George 8th December 1783

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29th

A Translation of the agreement drawn by

Subzow Sucksagee Singhey and delivered to the

Circar

I have as well as the other Banyans and

free Servants given our consent to get our

Salary abridged till trade comes thro' the ajoomd

Country be restored to the Circar as in the

following Line.—

We have agreed that the one whose

Salary is 5 Chuckrams ought only to

receive eight Months for every year and

those whose salary amounts from 5 to 10

Chuckrs ought to receive only Six Months and

those whose payment amounts to more

than Thirty Chuckrs ought to receive only

four Months; we gave our full consent

to their agreement and our promise to

receive for our determined Salary what was

the

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29th the Circar are willing to give at their own determined price, this Province we will strictly observe and will never remove from it

Written by the Hanjeb named Rauzo Heshna and Signed Sutwanjee Inglay by Rabzad

3. June 1796 A true Copy

(Signed) Nanajee Ragonada Punnese to answering Rajah

A Translation of Paper name a Soalee arzeen by Subarow Sutwanjee Inglay and delivered to the Circar

I have as well as my dependant Barguers observed our agreement with the Circar respecting our payment and consented to give up some Months on every year as in the following lines —

We have agreed to give up 5 Months for the men, whose Salary's amounts to

to

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29th
to more than 10 Chuckl. and 2 pair the to those
whose Salarys amounted to less than 10 Chuckl.
agreeably to which agreement we consented to
pay our arrears in the Proportion of the
Lachkeru and to the other People or Followers

We have assumed this Proposal
and will pay our arrears from our Province
Written by Hayagrib Rayerkistna
and Signed Sedwaajee Inglay
by
Roogoo
A true Copy
Signed Vonajee Rogoonaada Punnis
to Amaursing Rajah

22d February 1796

List of the Packet

No Letter to Josiah Webbe Esqr Secretary to Government
1.2 Translations of the Representations of Sedwajee
Inglay and Moodajee Gaudkay
3 Claims of the Mahratta Horsemen for arrears
4 Extract from the Duftur of the Claims of Sirdars of the

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29 Ltrs The above Packet with the abstract of the arrears of the whole Party, and with Duplicate accounts of Ditto in Mahrattas

5 — agreement, given by Sautewajee Inglay to annexing Rajah for Thaha or a reduced pay, with Copy of the original in Mahrattas —

6 Sowkar or Receipt given by Satwajee Inglay to the Circar for Reduced Pay with Copy of the original in Mahrattas. —

7 List of the Packet (Signed) B. T Rest

The Right Honorable Lord Clive

President and Governor in Council

Fort St George

My Lord

I have had the honor to receive Mr acting Sub Secretary Buchanan's Letter

from the Military on the General - importing an order for the immediate payment required by the Garrison of Gheriah to make them proceed to the Cape of Good Hope.

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29th Letter of this date, inclosing for
examination and report an Indent
of Cash required immediately by the
Garrison Storekeeper, amounting to
Pagodas 10,000 stated to be required on
account of advances to sundry
Carpenters employed in making
Carts ordered by the Military Board
under date the 10th Instant. - on this
subject I beg leave to state, that as far
as I understand the orders of that
Board, the Garrison Storekeeper was
instructed to provide by hire or purchase
as might be eventually agreed upon a
certain number of Carts to accompany
the army; but nothing appears contained
in that order to warrant his making
them, and as the Regulations established
for the Garrison Storekeeper's Department
appear fully

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29th I respectfully direct that all advances of Cash
on that Department are to be made on
the recommendation of the Military
Board & take the Liberty to submit
whether he should not be directed to
apply on this occasion thro' that Board,
as the only means of ascertaining their
Intentions in respect to the provision
of the Corps in question.

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

(Signed) W Sydenham
Military auditor Genl

Military auditor
Generals Office
Fort St George
21st Decr 1798

From Military
Paymaster General

Received a letter from Mr Roebuck
- entered in M.B. No 186 - inclosing an -
additional estimate of Cash for the current
expences amounting to Pagodas 67,850

In consequence of the above -
Letter the following order of Council went
to

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29th to the Clerk of Treasury

Order of Council

Military Department

29th December 1798

order of Council authorizing the issue of Pag.s 67850 to the Paymaster General on account of his additional estimate of this date. —

Ordered That the Sum of Fifty Seven Thousand eight hundred and Fifty Pagodas (Pagodas 67850) be advanced from the Treasury to the Military Paymaster General on account of the additional estimate enclosed in his Letter of this days Date.

By order of the Right Hon.ble the President in Council (Signed) J. Webbe Jun.r Sec.y to Govt.

Sent the following Letter to the Commandant at Palamcottah, and to the Collector at Dindigul

To

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Fort St George 2d December 1798.

29th

To Major John Bannerman

Commanding at

Palamcotah

Sir

It is of considerable importance that a supply of carriage bullocks should be provided in the Southern districts for the purpose of conveying grain from the Malabar Coast into the Mysore Country for the supply of our army in the event of its undertaking the Siege of Seringapatam: letters have in consequence been addressed to his Excellency the Rajah of Travancore and to the Collector at Dindigul for this purpose; and I am directed by the Right Honble the Governor in

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To the Commandant at Palamcottah and to the Collector at Dindigul - informing them that a letter has been addressed to the Rajah of Travancore desiring that he would procure a supply of carriage bullocks for the purpose of conveying Grain from the Malabar Coast into Mysore - they are also directed to procure as many bullocks as they can collect and to afford all the information in their power to Government on the subject. -

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29th in Council to desire that you will
afford every assistance which may be
in your power, - reporting what number
of cattle you may be able to procure for
this service, as well as the best information
which you may be able to obtain upon
the subject. -

Fort St George
29th December 1798.

I am
Sir
Your " Obt "
(Signed) J Webbe
Secy to Government

The same to Mr T. B. Hurdis -
the Collector at
Dindigul

X to the Commandant
at
Palamcotah

Received and sent the undermen-
tioned letters entered in Mr B. Nos 187. 188.
189. 190. 191.

From the late
Governor at
Pulicat

From Mr Jacob Pelbrat - requesting a

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29th a free passage to Europe on one of the Company's ships and that mention may be made of him to the Honble Court of Directors

To the Military Auditor General - transmitting for his information an additional estimate required by the Military Paymaster General, which sum has been issued to him from the Treasury

To the military Auditor General

To the Military Paymaster General - informing him that Pagodas 1/850 will be advanced to him from the Treasury on his application

To the military Paymaster General

To the Military Paymaster General - transmitting to him copy of the auditor General's report on the additional estimate which accompanied his letter of 21st Instant -

To

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To the Secretaries at Bengal & Bombay 29th
Commissioners on the Malabar Coast and Residents at Poonah and Hyderabad.

To Mssrs Barlow, Richards and Spencer - Lieutenant Colonel Palmer and Captain Kirkpatrick - transmitting to them copies of the latest intelligence from the Mysore Country

30th. Received and sent the undermentioned letters intend in Mr B's No.s 192, 193, 194 -

From Commandant at Chandernagore

From Captain Mealy - intimating that he has in custody an European, who was caught in attempting to pass into the Mizam's Country. -

From the Resident at Poonah. -

From Lieutenant Colonel Palmer - acknowledging the receipt of the intelligence from the Mysore Country, communicated to him on the 30th ultimo

From officer Commanding the northern Division of the army.

From Major General Bridges -

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30th he shall take no time on embarking
for the Presidency - He proposes to
embark the Company of Bengal
artillery, with as many Lascars as
possible on the Buffler - He has ordered
Lieutenant Colonel Muat and Quarter
Master Mr Dowal to proceed to the
Presidency without delay -

Sent the undermentioned
letter to the Rajah of Travancore,
entered in G.G. N° 180 requesting him
to provide as many carriage bullocks
as possible, as also two thousand
Coolies, or as many as he can - he is
also requested to furnish the Coolies,
he may be enabled to provide, with
provisions - praising him to com =
municate to this Government &c.

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30th also to Genl Hartley, how far ..
he may have been enabled to ..
comply with this request - Informing
him that the Governor General is ..
expected to arrive here in the course ..
of a few days.

31st Sent the following letters
entered in Mis: Nos 195. 196. 197. 198.
199.

To the Revenue Board

To the Revenue Board -
directing them to give instructions
to the Collectors of the different
Districts thro' which the Cattle
in the public service may have a
occasion to pass, to furnish the
owners of them with straw at the
price of one fanam a bundle - the
people authorized to purchase
straw for the public service will be

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31st Be furnished with certificates from the principal agent for Ballooks.

To the Military Board

to the military Board

enclosing to them Invoice, and Bill of Lading &c. of Rice shipped on the Triton by the Supreme Government immediately landed.

To Bombay requesting that

to Bombay

the agent for the purchase of Horses for this Establishment may be permitted to attend this Court on the Bombay Presidency in consequence of his having been authorized to purchase an additional number of Horses.

To Mr Williams Hawkins

To the Paymasters at Trichinopoly Madura Masulipatam and Vizagapatam

Mr Robert Hughes Mr Williams Gordon & Mr George Wilson transmitting to them two Collateral Security Bonds, which they are directed immediately to execute and to return

To the Paymaster at Hutchinsonry

To Mr J. G. Jackson enforming him that he has entitled to promote Government

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31 Government with a Second Collateral Security Bond as directed and transmitting to them Sicca one which he is desired immediately to fill up and to return

Substance of the letter to the Nabob

Sent them under cover a letter to the Nabob entered in Lett. Bk. No. 181 requesting that his Highness will give particular instructions to the Renters of his districts to supply Straw for the public Horses at the rate of one Fanam per Bundle. The person authorized to purchase it will be furnished with a Certificate from the Principal agent for Buildings.

Comp.d

G Strachey