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Diary

Sent the following letters

19th

To Lieutenant Colonel Brown

Commanding the Southern Devision

Sir at Trichinopoly

I am directed by the Right Honble the Governor General in Council to inform you that five companies of his Majestys 19th Regiment destined to serve under your command will be landed at Negapatam under the command of Lieutenant Colonel Dalrymple.

His Lordship has ordered Lieutenant Colonel Dalrymple to deliver over the command of the Detachment to the next senior officer and to return to the Head Quarter of his Regiment at Colombo.

His Lordship desires that you will immediately make such arrangement as may be necessary for victualling the detachment upon.

To the Officer commanding the Southern Devision Five Companies of the 19th Regiment will be Landed at Negapatam under the command of Lieutenant Colonel Dalrymple who after having delivered over charge of the Detachment will immediately proceed back to Colombo — Provisions and Camp equipage to be immediately provided for them, Mr Hawkins to be Paymaster and Captain Comerick to be Quarter Master of Brigade to the Detachment under his Command —

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Fort St. George ~ February 1799 ~

upon its disembarkation at Nagapatam and for "
furnishing it with Camp equipage to move to such
stations as you may judge necessary ~

The Governor General in Council
has been pleased to appoint Mr. William Hawkins ~
paymaster and Commissary and Captain William
Limrick Quater Master of Brigade to the Field
Detachment under your command ~

Fort St. George
19th February 1799 ~

I am &c &c
/Signed/ J. Webbe.
Secretary to Govt.

To Lieutenant Colonel Dalrymple
Commanding at Detachment of
His Majestys 19th. Regiment at
Negapatam

Sir

To Lieutenant Colonel D.
Dalrymple directing him to
deliver over the command of the
five companies of H. M. 19th
Regiment expected to arrive at
Negapatam to the next senior
officer and to return himself
immediately to Colombo

The Right Honble the Governor
General in Council having been informed that you
had embarked at Colombo with the five Companies of
his

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Fort St. George 19th February 1799

His majestys 19th Regiment destined to serve on this coast directs me to desire, that you will immediately deliver over charge of the Detachment to the next Senior Officer with directions to obey the orders of Lieutenant Colonel Brown the officer appointed by his Lordship to command the Southern Division.

You will lose no time in returning to Colombo which is intended to be the Head Quarter of his majestys 19th Regiment.

I am &c &c.

/Signed/ Jos. Webbe
Secy to Govt

Fort St. George
19th February 1799.

To His Excellency
The Honble Frederic North
Governor of Ceylon

Honble Sir,

By our Secretary's letter of the 17th Instant to your Secretary your Excellency will have been apprized of our intentions to relieve the 19th Regiment

Now

To the Governor of Ceylon
It is understood that a part of H.M. 19th Regiment will have in consequence of former instructions to that effect embarked for the Coast. It is the wish of the Governor General in Council that the remainder of that Regiment should not proceed to the Coast, but that they should form a part of the effective force of the Island of Ceylon.

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Fort St. George ~ February 1799 ~

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immediately to Colombo

Sir

The Right Honble the Governor
General in Council having been informed that you
had embarked at Colombo with the five Companies of
his

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Now at Colombo by the 10th Regiment expected from "
Europe —

In consequence of the directions of
the Governor General we understand that your Excellency
will have already imbarked a part of the Regiment "
under the command of Lieutenant Colonel Dalrymple
which may be expected to land at Negapatam —

Since those Directions were issued
by the Governor General circumstances have occurred "
which render it expedient that the remainder of his "
Majestys 19th Regiment should remain at Colombo "
instead of embarking for the Coast upon the arrival of
the 10 Regiment.

We desire therefore that your "
Excellency will consider the remainder of that Regiment
as a part of the efficient force of the Island and in
this idea we have ordered Lieutenant Colonel "
Dalrymple to return to Colombo as the Head Quarters
of his Regiment —

We

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Fort St. George
19th February 1799.

We have the honor to be
Yr. Hble. Servts.
(Signed) Jos. Webbe
Secy. to Govt.

Sent the undermentioned letters in-

MB. Nos. 116, 117.

To Messrs. Fullerton, Malcolm and Marshall Informing them that in consequence of the intelligence which had been received of the appearance of French frigates at Coringa la Sybille had sailed from hence for that Quarter - a copy of the private signals to be made by la Sybille inclosed -

To the Deputy Resident at Ingeram to the Resident at Vizagapatam and to the Master Attendant at Coringa

To Admiral Rainier Communica-ting to him intelligence received from Coringa regarding the appearance of ennemys ships on that Quarter Captain Cooke of la Sybille has gone in quest of them - at the request of Captain Cooke a company of the Scotch Brigade has embarked in la Sybille to serve as - Marines -

To his Excellency - " admiral Rainer.

Send the following letter -

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To

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Fort St. George 20th February 1799

To Captain N. Forbes

Commanding at

Sir

Nellore

To the Commandants at Nellore and Angole — Enclosing to them Perwannahs from the Nabob to his Aumils of Nellore — Candacoor and Angole threatening them with his most serious displeasure if they do not use their utmost endeavours in — Providing Grain agreeably to the orders which they — received. They are directed — to report the Conduct of the Aumils after the — receipt of these Perwannahs

The Right Honorable the Governor General in Council having stated to his Highness the great inattention of his aumils in the Talooks of Nellore and Angole to the — orders transmitted to them for the provision of grain for the Detachment and the Banjaries directs me to enclose perwannahs to the aumils of Nellore and Condacoor — — Containing the most positive orders upon this subject and denouncing the most serious displeasure of his Highness — by — dismissing his aumils from their places in the — event of any future neglect of his orders —

You will therefore cause the — — perwanah to be delivered to the aumils and lose no time in reporting the conduct of the aumil after the receipt of this perwanah for the information of the Governor — General in Council

Fort St. George
20th February 1799 —

Sam Davis

/Signed/ J. Webbe
Secretary to Government

The same to Captain D. F. Griffin
Commanding at Angole
For the Aumil at Angole

Received —

1048 Fort St. George 20th February 1799

Received and sent the undermentioned

Letters entered in MB Nos 118. 119. 120. 121. 122. 123. 124.

From Mr Boyd. Encloses Copy of

From the Assistant Secretary to the Govt. at Colombo — a letter from the Accountant and Auditor General regarding the half mounting of the Malay Corps commanded by Lieutenant Whittle

From Major Brunton enclosing

From Lieutenant Col. Orrs attorney — a receipt from Major Shrubb for Saddles &c. belonging to the 3d Regiment of Native Cavalry and requesting that Lieutenant Colonel Orrs Bond may be returned

From Lieutenant Colonel Brown

From the Officer commanding the Southern Division — Gives a particular account of a Frenchman named Le Long apprehended at Mayaveram

From Lieutenant Bose Requests

From Lieutenant Bose — that he may be permitted to join his Corps in the field instead of proceeding to Ceylon with the Malay Prisoners

From Lieutenant Colonel Close forwards

From the adjutant General of the Army — the Duplicate of a letter from Lieutenant Colonel McNeile to Government

To

1349

Fort St. George 20th February 1799

To the Military Board—

To the Military Board directing them to order to be delivered from the Stores two Cavalry Swords required for the public Service and two thousand five hundered tubes required for the use of H. M. Ship Ladybille

To Do— Do— To— Do. Do. Enclosing to them Copy of a letter from Lieutenant Colonel Orrs attorney together with a receipt from Major Sentlegar, and directing them to return Colonel Orrs Bond transmitted to them on the 25th January 1797—

25th

Received and sent the undermentioned letters entered in MB Nos 125. 126. 127. 128. 129 130. 131. 132.—

From the Secretary at Bengal

From Mr Barlow enclosing a Duplicate Bill of Lading for rice shipped on the Meermadut—

From the Military Paymaster General

From Mr Roebuck encloses an additional estimate of cash amounting to Rupees 179—71—68—

From Lieutenant Bose—

From Lieutenant Bose states that he had been permitted by the Commander in Chief to join the army— wishes also to have the sanction of Government—

From

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From Lieutenant Walker Encloses

From Lieutenant Walker of 28th Dragoons

a Bill for allowances which he requests may be sanctioned

To Messrs Stevenson and Cockell

To Messrs Stevenson and Cockell

acknowledging the receipt of their letter of the 8th Instant as the ships Susannah amelia has been detained by Lieutenant Colonel Croker he must be answerable for the consequences of the detention

To Mr Barlow acknowledging

To the Secretary at Bengal.

the receipt of his letter of the 14th ultimo as there is so small a proportion of Bengal Troops at the present in the northern Circars the Paymaster at Masulipatam will supply funds to the Paymaster to the Detachment sufficient for his disbursements He is requested to suggest to the Consideration of the vice President in Council how far it is expedient to have a separate Paymaster for so small a Corps as the Bengal Detachment now at Masulipatam

To Major General Sydenham

To the Military Auditor General.

Referring to his examination the Paymaster Generals Additional estimate of the 25th Instant

To

1051

21 Fort St. George 22 February 1799

To the Military Board

To the Military Board Transmitting to them an account of Rum shipped by the Bengal Government in the Wycomb for this Presidency which they are directed to have immediately landed

Substance of a letter to the Nabob

Sent the letter to the Nabob entered in C. C. No 37. expressing satisfaction at the payment of the February Kist

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Received the following Letter

To Jos: Webbe Esqre

Secretary to the Government

at Fort St George

From the Sub Secretary at Bengal Enclosing Copies of Papers regarding the Rum shipped by Messrs. Lambert and Ross on the Wycomb for this Presidency

Sir

I am directed by the Honble the Vice President in Council to transmit to you the enclosed Papers Shewing the quantity of Rum shipped by Messrs Lambert and Ross on board of the Wycombe for the use of the Presidency of Fort St. George being in further part of the 75,000 Gallons which they agreed to furnish at Sa Rs 1-4-0 per Gallon of London proof deliverable at Madras and at least four months from the Still when

Shipped

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22 Shipped

Fort William
the 7.th February 1799

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
/Signed/ L.C Hook
Sub Secretary

To Lieutenant Hook
Sub. Secretary to Government

Sir

I have the honor to enclose Copy of a Letter from Messrs Lambert Ross & Co. relative to their Supply of Rum for Fort St. George Ordered to be shipped on the Honble Company's Ship Earl of Wycombe and am directed to request you will lay it before the Honble the Vice President in Council for his information

I have the honor to be
&c &c &c
/Signed/ L. Hooke
Sub Secretary

Military Board Office
the 4.th February 1799

To Captain Isaac Humphrys
Secretary to the Military Board

Sir

We request you will acquaint the Board that conformably to your Letter of the 10.th Ultimo we sent down to Saugur for the Honble Companys Ship Earl Wycombe

the

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Shipped

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the remainder of the Rum to Complete our Contract for the Presidency of Fort St. George but we are sorry to find by a letter under date the 1st Instant from the Chief Officer of that Ship that 84 Casks of the Rum is returned the Ship not being able to take it on board There is shipped 153 Casks Containing in all 23106 Gallons - but Owing to a part being returned / the Numbers on which we do not know / we Cannot give at present a particular account of the numbers, and contents of each of the Casks Shipped -

We have the honor to be
&c &c
/Signed/ Lambert Ross & Co

A true Copy

/Signed/ Isaac Humphreys
Secretary MM Board

Calcutta 4th February 1799 -

True Copies
/Signed/ L. Hook
Sub Secretary

From the Military Auditor General Reporting in the Paymaster Generals Additional estimate of the 25th Instant and requesting the issue of Rupees 1797.4.6.8 from the Treasury -

The Right Honble the Earl of Mornington K.B.
Governor General in Council

My Lord

&c. &c. &c.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Mr Secretary Webbs letter of the 25th Instant with an additional

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additional Estimate of the Military Paymaster General for the current Month Amounting to Seventeen thousand, Nine hundred and Seventy four Pagodas six Fanams and Eight Cash (Pags 17974.6.8) and to report that this Sum is unobjectionable and may be issued from the Treasury being required for the purpose of making the advances of Cash directed in Mr Secretary Webbe's Letter of the 15th Instant to the agent for the supply of Military Stores at the Presidency to Colonel Gent for works which he has been ordered to execute and to discharge a Bill of the Contractor for Gun Carriages which was lately passed in my office under the orders of Government, together with a few Bills which have been drawn on the Military Paymaster General by the Paymaster to the Bengal Detachment and by the Military Paymasters at Masulipatam and Amboyna

I have the honor to be with great respect

&c &c &c

/Signed/ W. Sydenham

Military auditor Genl

Military Auditor Generals Office
Fort St George 22. February 1799

Sent the following letters

To.

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Fort St. George 22d February 1799

To Lieutenant Colonel Brown

Commanding the Southern Division

at

Trichinopoly

Sir

The Right Honble the Governor General in Council being of opinion that if the fourth lot of horses expected from Lieutenant Montgomery should arrive at Trichinopoly too late to join the grand army, they may be most advantageously employed with the field Detachment under your command has requested the commander in Chief to specify to you the latest period at which he may judge it practicable for the Horses to reach the grand army if therefore they should arrive within the period which may be fixed by the commander in Chief you will of course give every assistance in forwarding them to Camp but if the Horses should not reach Trichinopoly untill that period shall have elapsed you will retain them for the Service of your Detachment and if there shall be amongst them any Horses which from Youth or any other Cause are unequal

To

To the officers commanding the Southern Division informing him that the Commander in Chief has been requested to Communicate to him the latest period at which the fourth lot of remount horses to be sent to Trechinopoly by Lieutenant Montgomery may be enabled to join the army and directing them if they should arrive before the limitted time to forward them immediately but if they should not arrive before the fixed period had elapsed to retain them for the service of the Detachment under his Command

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To the Fatigues of Field Service you will send them to the

Presidency—

Fort St. George
25th February 1799—

I am
Sir
Your
Most Obedient Servant
/Signed/ J. Webbe
Secretary to Government

To Major General Brathwaite

President and Members of the

Gentlemen Military Board

To the Military Board
Endeavour will be used
to provide tonnage for
the Conveyance of the
Military stores required
at Ceylon which are
directed to be held in
readiness to be embarked.

We have received your letter of the
13th and 16th Instant with their enclosures—

We shall endeavour to provide
tonnage for the conveyance of the Military stores required for
Ceylon, and desire that they may be held in readiness to be
embarked

We have passed for payment
the several bills and advances recommended by
you

We are
Sir
Your
Most Obedient Servants

Fort St. George
20th February 1799

/Signed/ E. Saxe
Your
Most Obedient
Servant
Council.

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Fort St. George - February 1799.

To Major General Brathwaite

Sir

To Major General Brathwaite His Suggestion to have the sepoys lately recruited at Hydrabad brought to the Presidency approved Captain Hadow to be appointed his Secretary Copy of a letter from the adjutant General enclosed and he is directed to make the necessary arrangements for carrying into effect the recommendations therein contained regarding the supernumerary horses and Troops - Has informed of the plan proposed respecting the disposition to be made of the 4th Regt of Cavalry Troops

I am directed by the Right Honble the Governor General in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated 19th Instant

His Lordship approves your suggestion for calling to the Presidency the sepoys lately recruited at Hydrabad and has transmitted orders to Colonel Vigors for marching them down under the orders of Lieutenant Langan.

His Lordship has much satisfaction in complying with your request for the appointment of Captain Hadow to be your Secretary during your command in the Carnatic.

I inclose for your information copy of a letter from the adjutant General of the Army and I am directed to Inform you that the Governor General desires that arrangements may be made for carrying in to effect the recommendations therein contained in regard to the Supernumerary horses and Troopers

Sir

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In respect to the fourth Lot of horses expected from Lieutenant Montgomery his Lordship is of opinion that they may be most advantageously employed at Trichinopoly if they should arrive at a period too late to join the Army; and has accordingly requested the Commander in Chief to specify to Lieut: Colonel Brown the latest time at which it may be possible for them to reach camp from Trichinopoly; and Lieutenant Colonel Brown has been authorized, in the event of the horses not arriving at Trichinopoly before the period which may be specified by the Commander in Chief to retain them for the service of the field Detachment under his Command—

I have also the honor to inclose for your information Copy of my letter to Lieutenant Colonels Brown and Dalrymple for the disposal of a Detachment of his Majesty's 19th Regiment which is expected to landed Nagapatam—

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

Fort St George
21st February 1799

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To Captain A. Forbes

Commanding at

Nellour

Sir.

To the Commandant at Nellour directing him to remove the Guards which he had been ordered to place over the Nabobs grain - He is however to continue to pay the most vigelant attention to the Conduct of the Nabobs Amils agreeably to the instructions contained in the letter to him of the 20th Instant -

His Highness the Nabob having stated the serious inconvenience which his Revenue suffers by your detention of grain under the authority Contained in my letter of the 17th Ultimo - and the March of the Detachment out of the district of Nellour having rendered it unnecessary to Continue that order in force, I am directed by the Right Honble the Governor General in Council to desire that you will withdraw all Guards which on you may have placed over the Nabobs grain, and that you will leave it to the disposal of His Highness Amils -

This order however is not intended to affect the directions contained in my letter of the 20th Instant as far as relates to the supplies of Grain for the Bazaars, or for any further number of His Highness the Nizams Contingent which may arrive from Hydrabad, you will therefore

therefore continue to pay the most vigilant attention to the Nabob's annals and lose no time in respecting any neglect of his Highness's orders upon these important points

Fort St. George
"
21. February 1799

I am
Sir &c
/Signed/ J. Webbe
Secy to Govt.

To Major General Sydenham

Military Auditor General

Sir.

To the Military auditor General. The balance of Pags 1678 11 2. to be agreeably to his suggestion paid to the attornies of Lieut. Col. Bowser & Col. Vigors to draw the same table allowance as was enjoyed by his predecessors of the same rank. Two doolies and their bearers to be retained for the service of the Garrison of Malacca, & the Remainder to be dismissed a further Reduction of this establishment to be made on the Garrison being diminished. He is desired to report his opinion on Lieutenant Dalrymple's claim for an additional allowance. Copy of a letter from the assistant Secretary at Columbo enclosed; he is directed to furnish the

I am directed by the Right Honble the Governor General in Council to acknowledge the Receipt of your letters dated the 19th Instant.

According to your suggestion his Lordship Consents to pay the balance of one thousand six hundred and twenty eight /1,678 11 2/ Eleven fanams and two Cash to the attornies of Lieutenant Colonel Bowser.

The Governor General in Council permits Colonel Vigors to draw the same Table allowance as was enjoyed by his predecessors of the same rank.

His Lordship consents that two dooleys with

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the information requi-
red relative to the half
mounting of the Malay
Corps on Ceylon. The
Town Major to be
permitted to draw the
subsistence of Lieut.
Carr of the Bengal
Establishment agreeably
to his application.
Payment of Sundry Bills
and advances to be
authorized.

with their bearers be returned for the present Garrison of
Malacca, and directs that the remainder be discharged; and
as orders have been already transmitted for bringing over three
Companies of the Europeans it will become necessary to make
a further reduction of this establishment.

I am directed to refer for your Consideration
Copy of a letter from Lieutenant Dalrymple; his Lordship in
Council desires that you will state if it has been usual to
grant additional allowances in cases of a similar nature
and if it has not at ought in your opinion to be granted upon
the merits of the present case.

I inclose Copy of a letter from the Assistant
Secretary at Columbo, and am directed to desire, that you will
enable the Governor General to furnish the information
required in Respect to the half mounting of the Malay
Corps.

His Lordship desires that the Town Major
may be authorized to draw the subsistence of Lieut. Carr of
the Bengal establishment, during his residence at this Presidency
or

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on account of ill health –

The Governor General in Council desires that

you will authorize payment of the following Bills and advance

The enclosed Bill of the Gun Carriage Con-

tractors Amounting to four thousand eight hundred and

thirteen Pagodas, forty two fanams sixty Cash /4,813. 42. 60/–

The two enclosed Bills from the Agent of

Supplies Amounting together, to three thousand and fifty eight

Pagodas, nine fanams, twenty three Cash /3,058. 9. 23./–

An Advance of one thousand two hundred

and seventy one Pagodas, eighteen fanams /1271. 18/ to the

Agent of Supplies, being half the Amount of an Extraordi-

-nary Indent in lieu of the 30th Ultimo –

I have the honor to be

S.r &c.

/Signed/ J. Webbe

Sec.y to Gov.t

Fort St. George

21st February 1799

Dispatched the following Order of Council

Agreeably to the Auditor Generals Report of this date –

Order

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Order of Council
Military Department
22d. February 1799

Order of Council — authorizing the issue of Pags. 17974. 6. 8. to the Paymaster General on account of his additional estimate of 21st. Instant —

Ordered that the Sum of Seventeen thousand, nine hundred and Seventy four Pagodas six fanams and eight Cash / Pags. 17974. 6. 8. / be advanced from the Treasury to the Military Paymaster General on account of his additional estimate enclosed in his Letter of the 21st. Instant —

By order of the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council —

/ Signed / J. Webbe
Sec.y to Government

Received and Sent the undermentioned Letters entered in MB N. 133. 134. 135. 136. 137. 138. 139. —

From the Surgeon to the Eastern Expedition —

From Mr. Wilson — States Different hardship under which he conceives he labours with respects to his allowances as Surgeon at Amboyna —

From Mr. a Brooke assistant in the Military Office —

From the Brooke — Requests the Secretary to Government to procure him permission to Resign his situation in the Military Office —

From

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From the Commandant at Tanjore –

From Major Innes – Mentions that he has had Received under his charge a foreigner sent to him by the Commandant at Mayaveram, whom he shall detain until he Receives further orders regarding him –

From the Deputy Secretary to the Military Board –

From Lieutenant Macleane – Transmitting Lieutenant Colonel Orr's Bond as Required in the Letter to him of the 20th Instant –

From the Surgeon to the Garrison at Vellore –

From Mr. Watson – States the Distressed situation of the Family of the late Mr. Patterson formerly Sub. Assistant Surgeon in the Company's Service – no Authority has been as yet sent to the Paymaster at Vellore for paying to them the Pension Granted them by Government –

To the Officer Commanding at Walajahnaggur –

To Lieutenant Colonel Monat – Informing him that all the Money intended for Camp has been dispatched under the protection of an escort Commanded by Captain Gray – after the Arrival of the Money he need not delay the March of his Corps for the empty Tumbrils which Remain to be sent from hence –

To the Military Pay Master General –

To Mr. Roebuck – Informing him that

Pay Mr.

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Dr. Statement of the Revenue Farms of Malacca for the year 1798

1798

Janry. 31st To Mr. Hamel Secretary to the College of Justice &c. the Amount of a Duty of 5¾ p.c. levied on the fixed Property sold in January 1798 Spa. Dollars ---------- 146. 24

February 2d " Boom Farm Rent &c. in full for January 1798 ---------- 2896. 45¼

" Opium do. do. do. in do. for do. ---------- 209. 11¼

" Gaming do. do. do. in do. for do. ---------- 375. -

" Betelle Leaf do. do. do. in do. for do. ---------- 58. 22½

" Arrack do. do. do. in do. for do. ---------- 49. 39¾

March 1st Mr. Hamel received the Amount of the Duty of 5¾ p.c. collected by the College of Justice during the Months of February on the fixed Property sold ---------- 303. 22¾ — 4038. 29¾

" Revenue Farms &c. the Amount of the Rent for Febry. 1798 ---------- 96. 7

12. " Mr. Hamel &c. the Amount of a Duty Collected by the College of Justice from affixing its Seal to Deeds & Papers from the first September 1797 to the 28th Ultimo ---------- 3892. 5¾ — 3988. 12¾

April 1st " Revenue Farms &c. the Rent in full for the Month of March 1798 ---------- 218. 32

4th " Mr. Hamel &c. the Amount of the Duty of 5¾ p.c. Collected by the College of Justice on the fixed Property sold in March 1798 ---------- 3892. 5¾

May 1st " The Boom Farm Rent &c. received in full for April 1798 ---------- 69. 8

" Opium do. do. do. in do. for do. do. ---------- 2396. 45¾

" Gaming do. do. do. in do. for do. do. ---------- 209. 11¼

" Pork do. do. do. in do. for do. do. ---------- 375. -

" Betelle Leaf do. do. do. in do. for do. do. ---------- 58. 22½

June 1st " Arrack do. do. do. in do. for do. do. ---------- 49. 39¾

" " Revenue Farms &c. the Rent in full for the Month of May 1798 ---------- 302. 15. — 4090. 65¾

" " Mr. Hamel &c. the Amount of the Duty of 5¾ p.c. Collected by the College of Justice on the fixed Property sold in May 1798 ---------- 113. 18¾ — 4204. 16¾

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Contra Cr.

1797
Decem.r 30.th By the Boom, or Import and Export Duty Farm
sold at publick auction for the whole of the
year 1798 for — Spanish Dollars — 34760.—
" " Opium Farm sold at publick Auction for
the whole year for — 2,510. "
" " Taming — do — do — do — do — do — 4,500 "
" " Pork — do — do. — do — do. — do. — 700 "
" " Beetle Leaf do — do — do — do — do — 695. "
" " Arrack — do — do for the three first Months } 910. "
January, February and March 1798 for —
March 28.th " Arrack do sold at publick Auction for the
Last Nine Months of 1798 - from the 1.st of
April to the 31.st December for — 4520. " 48495. "

48495 "

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Fort St George February 1799

To the Military Bord Genl

Pag.s 17.974 .. 6 .. 8 will be delivered to him from the Treasury on his application —

23.

Received the following Letter.

To Josiah Webbe Esq.r

Secretary to Government

Sir,

From the Commandant at Malacca transmits three Statements of the Revenues and of the Disbursements at Malacca for the year 1798, with a Letter from the Receiver of the Revenues on the subject —

Accompanying this I have the honor to send you Statements of the Revenue of the Several Farms of this Settlement for the last year, together with a Letter from Captain James McKenna Receiver of the Revenue stating the particulars of the Receipts and Issues of the Treasury, with the Balance Remaining in it at the date of his letter &.c which papers I beg the favor of you to lay before the Right Honble the Governor in Council of Fort St George

Malacca
28.th Janry. 1799

I have the honor to be
&.c &.c
(Signed) M. D. Taylor
Major Comg.

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Major Taylor

Commanding the Garrison & Settlement of

Sir, Malacca

Accompanying this I have the honor to Transmit you No. 1 a Statement of the Revenue Farms of this Settlement, for last year shewing the Sums each Rented for, with what has been Received—

No. 2. is the Cash Account for the Same period, shewing the Sums Collected, with the Amount paid into the Treasury from time to time—

No. 3. Contains an Account of the Receipts and Issues of the Treasury, with the Balance Remaining in it, this day Amounting to Spanish Dollars 2,615. 3/4—

The whole are brought up to the present Date—

In No. 1 you will observe that all the Farms were sold for the whole year, that of the Arrack excepted, which at first was disposed of for the Months of January, February, and March for the Sum of Sk. Dollars 910— which made the Monthly amount of the Revenues Sk Dollars 3,892. 5/4 — On the 28th of March it was again disposed of for the Remaining Nine Months, for Sk Dollars 4,520— which increased the Revenues to Sk. Dollars 4,090— 65 3/4 ₱ month—

I have to beg the favor of you that the several Accounts may be forwarded to the Right Honble the President in Council of Fort St. George—

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

/Signed/ James McKerras

Receiver of the Revenue

Malacca

4th January 1799

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Dr. Statement of the Revenue Farms of Malacca for the year 1798.

June 30th	To Amount Brought forward — Spanish Dollars —			
"	Mr. Hamel Rec. the Amount of the Duty of 5 ℔ Cent collected by the College of Justice on the fixed Property sold in June 1798 —			
July 2.	" Revenue Farms Rec. the Rent in full for the Month of June 1798		20. 22.	
31st	" Mr. Hamel Rec. the Amount of the Duty of 5 ℔ C. Collected by the College of Justice on the fixed Property sold in the Month of July 1798	4090. 65½		4111. 19½
August 1st	Revenue Farms Rec. the Rent in full for the Month d°		176. 59.	
Septemr. 1st	" Revenue Farms Rec. d° in full for the d° of Augt. d°	4090. 65½		4267. 56½
"	" Mr. Hamel Rec. the Amount of a Duty Collected by the College of Justice from affixing its Seal to Deeds Papers &c. from 1st of Last March to the 31st Ultimo		191. 62.	
"	" d° d° Rec. the Amount of the Duty of 5 ℔ C. Collected by the College of Justice on the fixed Property sold in the Month of August 1798		149. 20	
October 1st	Revenue Farms Rec. the Rent in full for September 1798			4432. 11½
12th	" Mr. Hamel Rec. the Amount of the Duty of 5 ℔ Cent Collected by the College of Justice on the fixed Property sold in September 1798			4090 65½
Novemr. 1st	Revenue Farms Rec. the Rent in full for Octr. 1798		15. 50	
2.	" Mr. Hamel Rec. the Amount of Duty of 5 ℔ Cent &c. Collected by the College of Justice on the fixed property sold in October 1798	4090. 65½		
December 1st	" Revenue Farms Rec. the Boom Rent in full for Novr. 98		141. 12.	4247. 59½
"	d° d° Opium d° in for d°	2896. 45½		
"	d° d° Gaming d° in for d°	209. 11½		
"	d° d° Pork d° in for d°	375. "		
"	d° d° Betelle Leaf d° in for d°	58. 22½		
"	d° d° Arrack d° in for d°	49. 39½		
"	Mr. Hamel Rec. the Amount of the Duty of 5 ℔ Cent Collected by the College of Justice on the fixed Property sold in November 1798	302. 15.		
			63. 55.	3954. 57½

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By Amount Brought forward — S.D. — " — " 48495.. "

January 4th " Mr. Hamel Secretary to the College of Justice
for the amount of the Customary Duties
Fines &c. Collected by the said College, as
established under the Dutch Government
which solely depending on accidental &c.
Circumstances cannot be previously estimated
but during the year 1798 they have ca
Amounted to — " — 1402..35¾

49897..35¾

1871.

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Dr. Statement of the Revenue Farms of Malacca for the Year 1798

		To Amount Brought forward - Spanish Dollars		
	10th	" Revenue Farms received the Balance due for the Arrack Farm Rent for November 1798	"	200 " "
1799 Janry.	2d	" Revenue Farms Received the Rent in full for December 1798	"	4090. 65/
		Amount lost by Fractions during the year 1798	"	4/
		Total S. Dollars		4989/. 35/

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Errors Excepted
/ Signed / J. McKerras
Receiver of the Revenues

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By amount brought forward —— S.D. —— " —— 49897.35¾

Total S. Dollars —— 49897.35¾

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Errors Excepted

/ Signed / J. McKerras

Receiver of the Revenues

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Dr. Cash Account of the Revenue Farms of Malacca for the year 1798

1798
Janry 31st To Mr Hamel Secretary to the College of Justice, Rec.d the amount of the duty of 5 ¾ Cent levied in January 1798. on the fixed property sold ---------- Sp Dollars ---------- 116. 24.

February 2d " Revenue Farms Received the Rent in full for Janry 98 ---------- 3892. 5¾ 4,038. 29¾

March 1st " Mr Hamel Secretary to the College of Justice, Received the Amount of the duty of 5 ¾ Cent levied in February 1798 on the fixed property sold ---------- 96. 7

" " " Revenue Farms Received the Rent in full for Feby 98 ---------- 3892. 5¾ 3988. 12¾

12th " Mr Hamel Secretary to the College of Justice Received the Amount of a duty levied from affixing the Seal, of the College, to deeds, papers &c from the 1st September 1797 to the 29th ultimo ---------- " " 218. 38

April 1st " Revenue Farms Received the Rent in full for March 1798 ---------- " " 3892. 5¾

4th " Mr Hamel Secretary to the College of Justice, Rec.d the Amount of a Duty of 5 ¾ Cent levied in March 1798, on the fixed Property sold ---------- " " 69. 8.

May 1st " Revenue Farms Received the Rent in full for April 1798 ---------- " " 4090. 65¾

June 1st " Revenue Farms Do ---------- Do ---------- for May ---------- Do ---------- 4090. 65¾

" " Mr Hamel, Secretary to the College of Justice Rec.d the Amount of the duty of 5 ¾ Cent levied in May 1798, on the fixed property sold ---------- 113. 18¾ 4204. 16¾

30th " Mr Hamel Secretary to the College of Justice Rec.d the Amount of the Duty of 5 ¾ Cent levied during this month on the fixed property sold ---------- 20. 22.

July 2d " Revenue Farms Received the Rent in full for June 1798 ---------- 4090. 65¾ 4111. 19¾

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1798						
February 2d	By	Treasury of Malacca	paid in	S. D.	"	4,038.29½
March 1st	"	Ditto	of d°	paid in	"	3988.12½
13th	"	Ditto	of do	paid in	"	218.38
April 2d	"	Ditto	of do	paid in	"	3892.5½
4th	"	Ditto	of do	paid in	"	69.8
May 1st	"	Ditto	of do	paid in	"	4091. "
June 2d	"	d°	of d°	paid in	"	4,204.14½
July 3d	"	d°	of do	paid in	"	4111.10½
Augst 1st	"	d°	of do	paid in	"	4267.56½
Sept 3d	"	do	of do	paid in	"	4,432.11½
Oct 2d	"	do	of do	paid in	"	4090.65½
Novr 2d	"	do	of do	paid in	"	4247.59½
Decr 2d	"	d°	of do	paid in	"	3954.52½

45,606.33½

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Dr. Cash Account of the Revenue Farms of Malacca for the year 1798

To Amount Brought forward ——— S. Dollars ———

July - 31st Mr. Hamel, Secretary to the College of Justice Rec.d the Amount of the duty of 5 ℔ Cent levied during this Month on the fixed property sold ——— 176.59.

August 1st " " Revenue Farms Received the Rent in full for July 1798 } 4090.65⅞ 4267.56⅞

September 1st " do — do — do — in full for August do — 4090.65⅞

" Mr. Hamel Secretary to the College of Justice, Rec.d the Amount of a Duty levied from affixing the Seal, of the College, to deeds, papers &c.a from the 1st of last March to the 31st Ultimo — 191.62.

" Ditto — Ditto Rec.d the Amount of the Duty of 5 ℔ Cent levied in August 1798 on the fixed property sold ——— 149.20. 4632.11⅞

October 1st Revenue Farms Rec.d the Rent in full for Sept.r 1798 — — 4090.65⅞

12th " Mr. Hamel Secretary to the College of Justice Rec.d the Amount of the duty of 5 ℔ Cent in September 1798 on the fixed property sold ——— 15.50.

2nd " Revenue Farms Received the Rent in full for October 1798 } 4090.65⅞

" Mr. Hamel. Secretary to the College of Justice Rec.d the Amount of the duty of 5 ℔ Cent levied in October 1798. on the fixed property sold ——— 141.12. 4247.59⅞

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Contra Cr.

1798	By Amount Brought forward	S.D.	"	45,606.33½
Decemr. 10th	" Treasury of Malacca paid in		"	200. "
1799 Janry. 3.	" do of do paid in		"	4090.65¾

49,897.31½

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Dr. Cash Account of the Revenue Farms of Malacca for the year 1798

To Amount Brought forward —— S. Dollars —

Decemr. 1st " Revenue Farms Recd. the Rent in part for Novr. — } 3890.65
" " Mr. Hamet. Secretary to the College of Justice Recd. 1798 }

The amount of the duty of 5% Cent levied in
November 1798 on the fixed Property Sold — 63.55 3954.52

10th " Revenue Farms Received the Balance due in full
for November — — —

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By Amount Brought forward ——— S.D. " " 49897.31½

Total Amount paid into the Treasury during the year 1798. Spanish Dollars } 49897.31½

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Errors Excepted

/Signed/ J. McKerras

Treasurer of the Revenue

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Dr. Malacca Treasury showing its Receipts & Disbursements

1798

January 22. To Balance of Cash Remaining in the Treasury this day when the accounts of last year were balanced ---------- S. Dollars ---- " ---- 10402. 3½

February 2. " Captain McKenzie, Receiver of the Revenue } paid in ---- " ---- 4038. 29½

March 1st " do ---- do ---- paid in ---- " ---- 3988. 12½

13th " do ---- do ---- paid in ---- " ---- 218. 38

April 2. " do ---- do ---- paid in ---- " ---- 3892. 5½

4th " do ---- do ---- paid in ---- " ---- 69. 8

May 1st " do ---- do ---- paid in ---- " ---- 4091. "

June 2 " do ---- do ---- paid in ---- " ---- 4,204. 14½

July 3. " do ---- do ---- paid in ---- " ---- 4111. 19½

August 1st " do ---- do ---- paid in ---- " ---- 4267. 56½

Total Spanish Dollars 39282. 5½

Malacca
Errors
[Signed] J.

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from the 22d. of Janv. 1797 Contra Cr.

1798

February 6th By Mr. Buchan Paymaster advanced for his Disbursements as Pr Captain McKerras Receipt ——— 10,000. "

March 6th " Ditto — do. advanced for do — as Pr do ——— 8000. "

April 9th " Ditto — do. advanced for do — do Pr do ——— 4608. "

July 6th " Revenue Charges paid the Receiver of the Revenue his Salary from the 6th of January to the 6th Instant, six months at 112½ S. Dollars or 75 Pags Pr month — S. D. ——— 675.

" Revenue Charges also paid him his allowance as such from the 6th of January to the 6th Instant, six months at 60 S. Dollars on 40 Pags Pr month for Writers, Servants Stationary &c. &c. ——— 360.

——— 1035 "

9th Mr. Buchan Paymaster advanced for his Disbursements as Pr his Receipt ——— 5000

August 4th " do — do — advanced for his do Pr do ——— 3350

22. Balance of Cash Remaining this day, when Major Taylor received the Command from Lieut Colo. Campbell ——— 7289. 57.

Total Spanish Dollrs 39282. 57.

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Excepted

McKerras

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Dr.

Malacca Treasury

1798

August 22. To Balance of Cash Remaining this day, when Major Taylor Received the Command from Lieut. Colonel Campbell as brought from the Cr. side of account — 7289. 51.

September 3. " Captain McKerras Receiver of the Revenue paid in — 4432. 11¾

October 2. " do — do — do — do — paid in — 4090. 65¾

November " " do — do — do — do — paid in — 4247. 59¾

December 2. " do — do — do — do — paid in — 3954. 52¾

1799 10. " do — do — do — do — paid in — 200. " "

January 3. " do — do — do — do — paid in — 4090. 65¾

Total Sp. Dollars 29,306. 34¾

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Contra Cr

1798

August 24th By Captain Farquhar Acting Paymaster advanced for his Disbursements as p Receipt ——— 500.. ..

September 3.. .. do do do advanced for do do 5500.. ..

15th .. .. do do do advanced for do do 1000.. ..

October 3.. .. do do do advanced do do 6000.. ..

November 3.. .. do do do advanced do do 6000.. ..

10 .. Revenue Charges paid the Receiver his Salary from the 6th of July to the 6th of October Three Months at 112½ S.D.rs or 75 Pagodas p Month S. Dollars ——— 337.. 34.

.. .. Revenue Charges also paid him his allowance as such for Writers, Servants, Stationary &c. &c. from the 6th July to the 6th of October Three Months at 60 S. Dollars, or 40 Pagodas p Month ——— 180.. ..

——— 517.. 34

December 4th .. Captain Farquhar Acting Paymaster advanced for his Disbursements as p Receipt ——— .. .. 400.. ..

1799

January 4th .. do do do advanced for this do ——— 2,174.. ..

.. .. Balance of Cash Remaining in the Treasury this day, when the Accounts are balanced and Carried forward to those of 1799 ——— 2,615.. ¾

Total S.P Dollars — 28306.. 34¾

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(Signed) A.R. Taylor
Major Comp.

(Signed) J. & R. Kerras
Receiver of Revenues

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Dr.

Malacca Treasury

1798

August 22. To Balance of Cash Remaining this day, when Major Taylor Received the Command from Lieut. Colonel Campbell as brought from the Cr. side of account — 7289. 51.

September 3. " Captain McKenzas Receiver of the Revenue paid in — 4432. 11¼

October 2. " do. — do. — do. — do. — paid in — 4090. 65¼

Novemr. " " do. — do. — do. — do. — paid in — 4247. 39¼

Decemr. 2. " do. — do. — do. — do. — paid in — 3954. 52¼

1799 10. " do. — do. — do. — do. — paid in — 200. " "

January 3. " do. — do. — do. — do. — paid in — 4090. 65¼

Total Sp. Dollars 29,306. 34¼

1082 Fort St. George February 1799

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1798

August 24th By Captain Farquhar acting Paymaster advanced for his Disbursements as p Receipt ——— 500.. ..

Septemr 3.. .. do do do advanced for do do 5500.. ..

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.. .. Revenue Charges also paid him his allowance as such for Writers, Servants, Stationary &c &c from the 6th July to the 6th of October Three Months at 60 S. Dollars, or 40 Pagodas p Month ——— 180.. ..

517.. 34

Decemr 4th .. Captain Farquhar acting Paymaster advanced for his Disbursements as p Receipt ——— .. .. 400.. ..

1799

January 4th do do do advanced for his do ——— 2174.. ..

.. .. Balance of Cash Remaining in the Treasury this day, when the Accounts are balanced and Carried forward to those of 1799 ——— 2615.. 3/4

Total S. Dollars — 2336.. 34¾

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(Signd) A.D. Taylor
Major Comg.

(Signd) J. McKerras
Receiver of Revenues

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23.

Received the following Letter

Josiah Webbe Esqr.

Sir Secretary to Government

From the Commandant at Coringa Gives a further account of the appearance of French ships in the way of Coringa, which he states to have create a great alarm among the inhabitants in the neighbourhood—

I had the honor to write you on the 15th Instant for the information of Government that a large French Ship had anchored here on the preceding Evening two Snows or brigs and a Sloop came in with her at the two former at the time I wrote you to be black Vessels which had been taken but we have since found out that one of them is an armed Vessel long low and black and seems to sail well the large one seems to have or Eleven or twelve ports of a side with yellow sides they have plundered all the black Vessels that were in the Roads and took possession of a large Sloop which came into the Roads yesterday Evening not knowing I suppose it was at that time in possession of the French the above sloop and the snow that came in with them have just now got under sail and are standing out the ship armed Snow and the small brig and Sloop remain at anchor yet we have not yet seen any one that has been

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on board of them - on their arrival they took from the
different ships all the pilots that were acquainted with
this place - that and the strong Reports of two other large
Ships lying at the back of the point alarmed all the
Inhabitants of this place - Nellapilly Tolavo and Yanam
so much that they quitted their houses and sent away
every thing they had - as they expected the French would
have landed - will knowing that the small force I have
here in an open Battery with four Guns two European
Artillery twelve Lascars and about forty or fifty firelocks
could not afford them much protection in case of the
French landing with any considerable force - particularly
as landing can be made in the ships boats - in any place
about this and Nellapilly - It is strongly suspected that
they
have had communication with their friends at Yanam
4
from the great number of outlets from the Great river
which runs close to yanam, its impossible to hinder the
French there sending them entelligence, if so inclined and
there can be but little doubt of their inclination in that
way - when the Ships now take their departure I will
write

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write again. the weather has been so hazy till this day and the ships are so far out that we could form no just idea of their force before. I have the honor to remain Sir with much respect

Your &c.

[Signed] F. K. Pevey

Capt. Comg Corunga

Corunga
17th Feby 1799

P. S. The others the ship armed brig and Sloop are now Und. Sail standing out. and have not left a Single Vessel behind them - so that we Shall be able to find out what they were for some time they must have taken away all the Lascars that they out of the small Dungys. which they plundered -

Your &c.

[Signed] F. K. Pevey

Captain

To Josiah Webbe Esqr.

Secretary to Government

Fort St. George

From the Deputy Resident at Cuddalore.

Sir

I have the honor to inform you the Privateer reported in my letter of the 15. Instant has

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The preceding mentioned in this letter of the 15th Instant had stood out to sea & returned with her the prizes she had taken—

has again stood out to Sea taking with her two Snows and two Sloops, one of the Snows appears an Armed Vessel the others are deeply laden, — Several Vessels were also loaded in the Road which being empty were allowed to push into the River after having their Rigging destroyed. The intelligence Regarding the two Ships said to be cruizing off Porto Quadera has given rise to a Considerable degree of Alarm amongst the Inhabitants of these Villages most of whom Yesterday quitted the Place their fears were confirmed by the detention of several of the People from the Vessels loaded in the Road who they — supposed were Required as Pilots and that a Landing was intended—

I have the honor to be
Sir &c.
/Signed/ R. Fullerton
Dep.y Secr.y

Ingeram
17th Feby. 1799

Received and Sent the undermentioned
Letter entered in Mil. B. No. 140, 141, 142, 143, 144—
From Captain Dallas—acknowledge the
Receipt

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From the Commandant at Nellore — Receipt of the Letter to him of the 14th Instant, a Copy of which he has forwarded to Lieutenant Colonel Brown

From the Military Paymaster General — From Mr. Roebuck - Enclosing an additional Estimate of Cash Amounting to Pagodas 9143. 28. 3.

To the Military auditor General — To Major General Sydenham. Referring for this examination the Paymaster General additional estimate of this date -

To Do - Do - To Ditto - Ditto Enclosing to him extract of a letter of this date dispatched to the Commander in Chief - Enclosing also extract of a letter Received from the Paymaster at Vellore -

To the Military Paymaster General — To Mr. Roebuck - Enclosing to him extract of a letter of this date dispatched to the Commander in Chief -

Substance of a letter to the Nabob - Sent letter to the Nabob entered in C.C. No. 38 Justifying the order which was given for Receiving the Grain in the Nellore District as the necessity of the Requisition does not however

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now so urgently exist the disposal of the Grain is now
left to his Majesty's Armies. His Highness has been en-
already informed that orders have been given for the
payment of such grains as might be taken for the
Public Service either by Receipts or in Ready Money—

24th. Sent the following Letter to the Medical
Board.

To James Anderson Esqr. M. D. &c. &c.
President &c. Members of the
Medical Board

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Right Honble the
Governor General in Council to refer to your Consideration
the inclosed Copy of a Letter from His Excellency Rear
Admiral Rainier, and to desire that you will en-
Report how far it is practicable to supply the Ships
of his Majesty's Squadron in India with Medicines
from the public Stores under this Presidency—

His Lordship desires that your
Report upon this subject may be delivered in as early
as

To the Medical Board—Enclosing to them Copy of a Letter from Admiral Rainier and desiring them to report as soon as possible how far it will be practicable the Ships of His Majesty's Squadron with Medicines from the Public Stores—

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as possible -

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

(Signed) J. Webbe

Secy to Govert.

Received and Sent the undermentioned

Letters entered in M13. Nos. 145, 146, 147, 148, 149 -

From the Commandant at Manahara -

From Captain Sept - Acknowledges the Receipt of the Letter to him of the 14th Instant with which he shall be careful to Comply -

From the Officer Comg. the Nizams Detachment

From Lieutenant Colonel Roberts - Requesting that in consequence of the high price of Rice in the Nizams Detachment, the troops under him may be allowed, in Money, the Difference between the Company's Standard Price of Rice, and the Current Prices in the Buzar -

To the Secretary at Bengal -

To Mr. Barlow - Transmitting to him Copy of an embarkation Return of a Detachment of the 28th Dragoons in the Osterley for Bengal -

To

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To Messrs. Barlow, Reichards, Palmer

To the Secretaries at Bengal Bombay, to the Residents at Hydrabad and Poonah and to the President and Commissioners in the Malabar Coast—

Kirkpatrick and Sepencer - transmitting to them Copies of the latest intelligence from the Mysore Country—

To Mr. Reichards - the Governor &c. in Council approves the arrangement made by the Governor in Council at Bombay with Messrs. &c. Colt. Bather Day & Co. for bringing a supply of Money into the Malabar Treasury—

To the Secretary at Bombay—

25.

Received the following letter from the Military Auditor General—

The Right Honble The Earl of Mornington K. P.

Governor General in Council

My Lord

&c. &c. &c.

In reply to Mr. Secretary Webbes letter of the 23. instant, accompanying an additional Estimate of the Military Paymaster General for the Current Month I have the honor to report that the Amount Viz.t Nine Thousand one hundred and forty three Pagodas, Twenty eight Fanams and three Cash Pay.t

From the Military Auditor General Reporting on the Paymaster General additional estimate of Cash of 23. Instant and authorizing payment of Pag.s 9143. 28. 3. on Account of it—

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(Pagodas 9143.28.3.) is admissible and may be issued from the Treasury, being required for the purpose of discharging a Bill of the Contractors for Gun Carriages which was authorized in Mr. Secretary Wellesley's Letter of the 21st. Instant, and for an advance to the Agent for the supply of Military Stores at the Presidency directed to be made in the above mentioned Letter, as also the Amount of Two Bills in the same Department passed under the Orders of Government—

I have the honor to be

Sir &c.

(Signed) William Sydenham

Mily Auditr Genl

Military Auditor General's Office
Fort St. George 25th February 1799

Dispatched the following Order of Council agreeably to the foregoing Report—

Order of Council
Military Department
25th February 1799

Ordered that the Sum of Nine Thousand one hundred and forty three Pagodas Twenty eight

Order of Council authorizing the Sum of Pags. 9143.28.3. to be issued from the

The Treasury to the Paymaster General on account of his estimate of the 23d Instant

eight Fanams and three Cash (Pags. 9143. 28. 3) be advanced from the Treasury to the Military Paymaster General on account of the additional estimate enclosed in his Letter of the 23. Instant.

By order of the Right Honble the Governor General in Council

/Signed/ J. Webbe
Sect.y to Govt.

Recieved the following Letters

J. Webbe Esqr.
Secretary to Government

Sir,

I have the honor to acquaint you

From the Commandant at Coringa - Gives an account of the Capture of a Danish Vessel by the Privateer which came in to the bay of Coringa, on which the owner of the privateer embarked on instead of their own vessel which they disposed of to a passenger on board of the Dane, who had accordingly arrived at Coringa in the privateer - As he entertains doubts respecting the legality of the Capture he has detained the Vessel until

for the information of Government that the French Brig Privateer came to Anchor here yesterday evening. She now proves to have originally mounted two, 8lb, and to have had 25 Men on board Commanded by the man who formerly Commanded the Modest when taken by the Fox - The large Ship that came in with her on the 14th was a Dane bound from Madras to Bengal with wine and Ballast - had on board 6. Six lb. and 29 Men - when the

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until the pleasure of Government shall be known—

the brig fell in with her off Wattarra - the Danes took her for some pirrate brig and were not prepared to defend themselves - but the brig bore down on them fired into and boarded them - without shewing Colors - took possession of her and brought her in the next day to this place - they Removed their two Guns from the brig / and every thing else that was worth moving / into the dane while at anchor here - as also all their men - and when all sailed from hence they put two or three Danes on board - some Lascars and a half cast man / who was passinger on the Dane / on board the brig with orders to proceed to Tranquebar but they afterwards finding the brig leaky they stood in this place and came to anchor here last night shortly after the half cast men and a Dane came on shore the latter was 2. Offr of the Dane and was badly wounded in the knee the former man says the French man gave him the brig but has nothing to shew for it that I can understand - and the Offr of the Dane says he does not know any thing about it - I have therefore taken on myself / with the advice of the

Resident

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Resident, I and have this morning early sent off a party to take possession of the Brig - and to bring her into the River - When I will detain her till I Receive the orders of Government Respecting her - The half Cast man who says the French Captain gave him the brig - was passenger on the Dane for Bengal and was Chief mate formerly in a Pigue Ship that was lost off this place last Octr. and was at that time accused of plundering the Ship - and I believe Mr. Okes has some information against him on that business -

I have the honor to be

&c &c

Coringa
19th of Febry 1799

/Signed/ P. H. Vesey
Capt. Comg.

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

Sir,

The small Sloop I mentioned in my last, as having the appearance of an armed Vessel, has returned to the Roads and landed a Half Cast man by name

From the Deputy Resident at Ingaram states that Lieut. Lennox privateer had returned into Coringa

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Coringa Bay having been on the Capture of the Danish Ship Babet disposed of by the owners to one of the name of Gotting - as he intertain doubts of the legality of the sale he shall detain the Vessel until he receive further instruction

name John Leonard Gotting who informed me the Vessel was the Privateer L'Heureux mounted 2 Guns and had 25 Men on board that the large Ship was the Danish Ship Babet captured by her off Wotava he likewise informed me the French Captain having Moved every thing out of the Privateer into the Ship had sold him the former and produced the enclosed as Vouchers for the Sale; having doubts as to the Legality of the above transaction I concurred in Opinion with the Commanding Officer at Coringa that she ought to be detained until instructions Could be Received from the Right Honble the Governor General in Council, she is accordingly secured and on her way into the River. the Lascars that came on shore on this Vessel further inform one that some Rice was just on Board her which was taken out of a Sloop laden with a cargo belonging to the Honble Company - four Danis a Boat of the Ships Crew have also come on shore by this Conveyance and I am informed all the rest were just on Board a Sloop also laden on Account of the

Company

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Company which steered South under Charge of the late
Commander of the Ship by name Pederson

I have the honor to be

Sr. &c.

Ingeram

19th February 1799

/Signd/ R. Fullerton

Depy. Resd.

To Robert Fullerton Esqr.

Deputy Resident

Sir.

Ingeram

I beg leave to acquaint you that
I was a passenger on Board the Ship Habet, under Danish
Colors Commanded by Captain Saffery, who this Illness
as I understand was enduced to quit her at Madras, The
Command of her Consequentlly fell to the Chief Officer
Mr. Pederson—

We left Madras Roads on the 8th Inst.
and Bound to Calcutta, the wind being some times S.
E. at others S. E. and Variable on the 13th Instant in the
Lalt. 17. 18 We made the Land of Arixa and at 1. P.
M. we Saw a Sail a head of us Designingly to Board
upon

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Vessel to be a small brig and the appearance of a Paria
or a Country Vessel under Moorish Colors and at two
She boarded upon us and fired two shots, which Confused
the Crew and which they continued to do for few minutes
with musketry all this we had during the time the Danish
Colors flying and Accidentally Our 2d Officer was wounded
in the knee The Frenchmen afterwards Came on Board and
declared Our Vessel was their Prize after having examined
all the papers that were on our Board and from thence
the privateer proceeded to boringa with her Prize—

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and presented one of them to the Danish Captain and his
Crew the Captain and Officers of the Privateer having
tendered to give up the Brinjer to me, upon Condition of
my paying 500 Rupees (five hundred) to the French
Prisoners at Madras or any other Place otherwise they
meant to Burn her down and as I was fully Convinced
and actually was informed that they intended to do it
if I had not purchased her, I thought it most advisable

to

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to accept of the Proposal which will appear by the accompanying Copy of the Bill of Sale and as we Agreed in the Bargain I had Consequentlly taken charge of her We left on Board the 2d. Officer who was wounded & Requesting that I should See him Cured at the first port. I might put to and on the 17 at noon we Sailed and proceeded to the Eastward namely Poondamerean about 15 miles distant from shore, where I was induced by the French Captain to Steer my Course I have thus therefore put to Cottinga being the nearest English port.

I have Sir detailed to you Occurrences that had befallen me and beg leave to refer it to your Judicious consideration.

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

/Signed/ John Leonard Gosling

Ingaram
19th February 1799

/A true Copy/

/Signed/ R. Fullerton
Depy. Resident

Received

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Received

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Received and Sent the undermentioned Letters

entered in M.B. Nos 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157-

From Mr Boyd Transmits Copies of Letters

From the assistant Secretary to the Government at Columbo-

from the Military auditor General at this Presidency to the Deputy Paymaster General to the Kings Troops, and from Lieutenant Harr Paymaster to the Kings Troops on Ceylon to his Excellency the Governor - It is his Excellencys wish that Lieutenant Harr Accounts should be audited at this Presidency up to the 24th January 1799

From Mr Taylor - Encloses Letter from different individuals at Pondicherry for the Consideration of the Board - Having been apprized of the intention of Government to evacuate Pondicherry he Requests to have their particular instructions Relative to the Tribunals of Justice - Requests that his powers over particular employs may be more exactly defined -

From the collector at Cuddalore

From the Military Paymaster General

From Mr Roebuck - Transmitting estimates of the expences of the Madras Army for the Month of March 1799-

From Lieutenant Colonel Read - Encloses Letters

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From the Officer Commanding in the Baramahal

Letters from Officers Commanding different Stations in the ceded Districts, respecting the Want of Medical Assistance

From Lieutenant Macdeane. Encloses

From the Barrack master at the Residency

applications for Store Rooms for the use of the 23d and 29th Regiments.

From Lieutenant Salar to the Secretary

From Lieutenant Salar of H. M. 73d Regiment

encloses a letter for the Board, containing an application for an advance of five hundred pagodas to enable him to defray the expenses of his long passage from England to India by the way of China.

To Mr Roebuck. Informing

To the Military Paymaster General

him that Pagodas 9,143. 28. 3. will be advanced to him from the Treasury on his application.

To Major General Lydenham. &c

To the Military auditor General

directing him to authorize the Paymaster at Masulipatam to supply the Paymaster to the Bengal Troops stationed there with funds for his disbursements.

&c &c

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At a Consultation

Present

Tuesday 26th Feby. 1799

The Right Honorable

The Earl of Mornington K.P.

Governor General

The Right Honble Lord Clive

William Petrie

Ernst William Fallofield and

Esqrs.

Lieutenant General Harris absent on Service -

Minutes of last Consultation read and approved -

Read the following Letters from the Military Board -

To

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To the Right Honble the Earl of Mornington K.P.
Governor General in Council
&c. &c. &c.

My Lord

1st We do ourselves the honour to acknow-
ledge the Receipt of Governments Letters under date the
8th and 14th Instant, and of Mr. Secretary Webbes Letter
of the latter Date, and to Report that the necessary Orders
have been given in consequence.—

2d We have the honor to forward for
your Lordships information, Copy of a Letter from the
Officer Commanding Amboyna, as also Copy of the latest
Return which we have Received of Grain and Provisions
in Store at Amboyna, and Banda, and as it appears, as
well from the Letter as the Return, that there is great
Reason to apprehend that the Colonies at Amboyna
and Banda will be Reduced to very great distress if
a complete Supply of every article of Provision Store
be not immediately sent to those Islands, we beg leave
to

From the Military Board enclosing Copies of papers relating to the provisions in store at Amboyna and Banda give it as their opinion that a twelve months supply of provisions, agreeably to an enclosed list, ought to be forwarded without delay to these Islands recommend that a fresh supply of Madeira be sent a complaint has been rec.d from the Commissary of Provisions at the Moluccas regarding the bad quality of Dholl lately supplied him - the Garrison Storekeeper has been strictly enjoined to guard against any issues in future of grain of an inferior quality

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to Recommend that a proportion equal to 12 Months Con-
-sumption, of the Articles specified in the accompanying
List, may be dispatched thither as soon as possible; and
we further Recommend that in order to divide the risk this
supply may be sent on two or even three, different Vessels—

3d We also Recommend that a fresh Supply
of Madeira may be sent for the use of the Officers; to be
issued to them on the same terms as were granted on a
former occasion—

4th Having Received from the Commissary of
Provisions at the Moluccas a complaint of the bad Qu-
quality of the Dholl which has lately been supplied
him, and finding from an examination of Samples of
that Grain which he has Returned to us, that the Com-
Complaint is well founded, we have forwarded the Sam-
Samples to the Garrison Storekeeper with strict injunc-
-tions to guard against any future issues of Grain of
inferior quality—

We have the honor to be
&c &c
/Signed/ John Braithwaite
" Patrick Ross

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To Lieutenant General Harris

President &c. Members, Military Board

Provision Department

Sir,

I have the honor of acquainting you that Lieutenant Mathews having arrived early in September and having then taken charge of the pay and provision department he will now make his Returns to a late period - He will Report upon the Cargo of the Gloster and Generous Friends -

While I superintended those Departments Mr. Jones presented several accounts and Bills for Provisions furnished by him to the late Mr. Cunningham, and Bombay Frigate, but not paid for As he Required Bills on the Military Board, I thought proper to grant them - The Vouchers for Receipts at Amboyna and Banda will show to what supplies those Bills apply -

Accounts Received in October of a Ravaged equipment having relieved Ternate occasioned apprehensions

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apprehensions for the safety of the Carriers, and of our supplies of Rice expected from Menado by that Ships— A small quantity of Rice was then landing from the Generous Friends, which I directed to be purchased; as however small the quantity, it might have been useful had any accident happened to the Carriers—

The Dholl lately arrived is quite useless to the Troops, on account of the various sorts of which it is composed, but especially as by far the greater part is not Dholl, but split pease— Mr. Mathews will lay samples of the different sorts before the Board and the whole should have been returned, could I have got stowage for it in the Gloster—

The Tamarind which we have at different times received from Madras has been in every instance really very bad, in so much as to excite suspicions that much of it had been already used, and the Stones and fibres only mixed with very old Tamarind for the Troops at the Moluccas—

I beg leave to observe to the Board

that

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that the vast number of Sick Soldiers who have been constantly under the Care of Doctor Crilly, the nature of their Complaints and the provision he has made for them has been extremely expensive to him — As it came under my own observation that amongst other things he had given them a considerable quantity of Madeira Wine, and indeed still continues humanely to supply it to them - I mean to exempt him until the pleasure of the Board is known from paying for the small quantity of that Liquor which falls to his share out of the supply of 6 Pipes sent by order of Government for the Gentlemen in these Islands —

I have the honor of presenting to you the General Monthly Return, Bill of parcels, and account Current in the Commissary's Department for the Month of August, you will perceive that a considerable quantity of Sugar was issued in

that

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that Month beyond what had appeared either on the former Returns, or on the Proceedings of a Committee which sat upon the Provisions immediately after the death of Mr. Cunningham — it will be accounted for I suppose when the late Commissary's accounts are made up —

Tobacco of which we have had no supply is very scarce, very bad, and very dear in these Islands — I beg leave to notice this want, which is felt by the native Troops we have got a few partial, and small supplies for them, but indeed so small they need not be regarded —

Mr. Mathews will lay before you an Estimate of the period to which we are victualled

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Victualled. I hope there is already some of the most necessary supplies embarked for these Islands—

In the event of peace and that the Troops at the Moluccas are either to be relieved or withdrawn, I beg leave to notice the importance of Water Casks, and of Caboosses for Cooking— We want only Sheet Copper to make up those in the best manner at Amboyna—

I have &c.

Amboyna
28th November
1798

/ A true Copy /

/ Signed / Danl. McVeile
Lieut. Colo.

/ Signed / John Macleane
Depty. Secy. Mil. Board

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Estimate of the Quantity of Grain and on the 1st November 1798 and

	Spirituous Liquors	Salt Provisions	Rice	Salt	Dholl	Ghee	Samsome	Oil
	Gallons	Pounds	Candies	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
The Quantity & Quality of Grain & Provisions Remaining at Amboyna & Banda on the 1st November 1798	6,005.19	262.4.	155.150.	2.12.364.4	10.287.9.	77.4.12.	58.13.9.	15.12.24
Total Expenditure of one Month	1,280.	32.3.3.	22.157.4.	1.100.	1.202.	10.16.	10.16.	2.13
Ballance	4,725.19.	230.1.22.	132.393.10	11.264.4	9.87.9.	66.9.12.	47.17.9	13.12.11.
Specifying the time the above on average according to the above Expenditure	3 Months 20 Days	7 months and 17 Days	5 Months and 20 Days	9 months and 10 Days	6 Months and 4 Days	5 Months and 15 Days	4 Months and 15 Days	1 and and 24 Days

Fort Victoria Amboyna
1st November 1798

Errors Excepted
[Signed] R. W.

N.B. Through some mistake, the monthly consumption of Rice is Stated less in the Estimate than what is actually issued - instead of twenty two Garces, the Total Expenditure for one Month is upwards of twenty five - without enclueding His Majesty's and the Honble Company's Vessels, whom we are frequently obliged to Supply with Provisions.

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Provisions in Store at Amboyna and Banda a Months consumption

Rice	Salt Fish	Dholly	Wheat	Flour	Sugar	Sugar	Arrack	Wine	Vinegar
Candies Maunds Pounds	Candies Maunds Pounds	Candies Maunds Pounds	Candies Maunds Pounds	Candies Maunds Pounds	Candies Maunds Pounds	Candies Maunds Pounds	Candies Maunds Pounds	Pipes Gallons	Pipes Gallons
13.4.15	4.11.17	" " "	9.4.9	" " "	19.11.9	1.12.112	"	7.312.7/8	2.36.8	28.16.19	2 " "	" 878
2.13	1. " 6	1. " 6	1. " 6	4.1. "	8.2. "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "
11.4.2	3.11.11.	" " "	8.4.3	" " "	11.9.9	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "

5 Months 3 Months " 7 Months " 1 Month
and and
15 Days 15 Days " 25 Days " 12 Days

/True Copy/

Wm. Mathews
Commissary

/Signed/ John Macleane
Depy. Secy. Mil. Board.

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List of Articles of Provision Store

Recommended by the Military Board, to be sent to

Amboyna and Banda

Arrack

Salt Provisions

Rice.

Salt.

Dholl

Ghee

Tamarinds

Chillies

Garlick

Onions

Turmerick

Betle Nut

Tobacco.

Madeira

for the use of the Officers

Military Board
Office Fort St. George
20th February 1799.

[Signed] John Macleane
Depy: Sec.y Mil.y Board.

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Minutes in the foregoing letter

Resolved to inform the Military Board that the Board of Trade has been directed to advertize for proposals for the conveyance of Stores and Provisions to the Moluccas Islands, and that the Board will hereafter give their further orders in this Subject-

Resolved to inform the Military Board that the Garrison Storekeeper is to be held responsible for the Dholl of bad quality furnished to the Troops at the Malaccas, and that he is to be debited in the amount of all costs, freight and other charges included-

To the Right Honble the Earl of Mornington K. P.
Governor General in Council
&c &c &c

My Lord

From the Military Board state that they have procured a house at the rent of 100 Pags a month, and request to be informed if they may engage it on these terms-

Having in consequence of the Receipt of Government's Letter under date the 30th January directed the Deputy Secretary to our Board to enquire for a suitable House for our accommodation, we have the honour to Report to your Lordship that but one House

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House can be procured and that not for less than a Monthly Rent of one hundred Pagodas, and beg to be informed whether it may be engaged upon those terms.

We have the honor to be

Fort St George
22d February 1799

&c &c

/Signed/ John Braithwaite
" Patrick Ross

Resolution thereon

Resolved that the Military Board be authorized to hire a house for their accommodation at the Monthly rent of a hundred Pagodas—

To the Right Honorable the Earl of Mornington K.P.
Governor General in Council

My Lord
1st
1d

&c &c &c

From the Military Board enclosing the last weekly Reports of the Garrison Storekeepers at Vellore and Arnee up to the 13th Instant Request that the orders formerly sent to the Commercial Residents in the Northern Districts respecting the supplying of

We have had the honour to receive Mr. Secretary Webbe's Letters of the 20th and 21st Instant and have taken the necessary steps for carrying into
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2d effect the orders contained therein—

We have the honour to enclose for your Lordships information, Copy of Reports of Paddy issued and remaining

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of Tent Cloth to the Tent Contractor may be repeated Proposed under Regulations for the Grain and Provisions Department.

and Remaining, and of Rice Received, at Vellore, and Arnee Respectively to the 18th Instant - including also the quantity of Paddy issued by the Garrison Storekeepers of those Stations to Bunjarries attached to the Army, in consequence of orders to that effect from the Commander in Chief -

3. Having understood from the Tent Contractor that the supplies of Tent Cloth engaged to be afforded him by Government have not been furnished to the extent which he was led to expect; and deeming it highly important that no assistance which can facilitate, or expedite the Completion of his engagements, should, at the present juncture, be withheld; We beg leave to Recommend to your Lordship, that the orders heretofore sent to the Commercial Residents in the Northern Districts Respecting the Supplies of Tent Cloth to be furnished to the Contractor, may be Repeated; and that permission may be given, as formerly, for the free transit of Tape and other Materials required by the Contractor for Making up Tents.-

4th

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4th. Being of opinion that much advantage would accrue to the Service from an addition which we propose should be made to the Regulations for the Grain and Provision Department, we beg to bring on under your Lordships consideration the propriety of its being established as a Rule of the Service, that when Grain or Provision Stores may be provided at any Station under a Contract, or occasionally, by Garrison Storekeepers, a Report is to be made, in both cases, by the latter to the Commanding Officer of the Station, when any quantity of such Grain or Provision Stores may be Ready for inspection, in order that a Committee of Survey may be appointed to examine and Report their state; and the Report of the Committee of Survey with the approving Signature of the Commanding Officer of the Station is to accompany the Bills of the Contractor or Garrison Storekeeper, as a necessary Voucher upon which Payment thereof will be Recommended by the Military Board to Government.

5th. That the Bills of Garrison Storekeeper

at

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at Out stations for Grain or Provisions which they may be occasionally ordered to provide for the publick Service, as well as the charges attending the same, shall be certified on honor agreably to the terms of the aforeseveration prescribed by Government for the Garrison Storekeeper at the Presidency, Copy of which will be furnished to them by the Secretary to the Military Board-

6th And further, that the Commanding Officer of each Station shall transmit to the Military Board, a Monthly List of the wholesale and Retail prices of the different kinds of Grain and Provisions in the Bazar at such Station, and in the District, certified by himself to be, to the best of his knowledge and belief, and according to every enquiry he could make, the actual Prices at such Station and District, according to the following form—

"I do hereby certify that the average prices of "the undermentioned Grain and Wet Provisions for the Month of— 179— has been at this

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This Station and in the adjacent Country to the best of my knowledge and belief, and according to every enquiry I could make as follows—

	Retail Price in Bazar	Wholesale Ditto in District
Rice of the Year — Garee	"	"
Paddy of the year — Do	"	"
Ponnalos	"	"
Raggy	"	"
Horse Gram	"	"
Bhoot Gram	"	"
Marramalos	"	"
Pervalos	"	"
Ghee	"	"
Tobacco	"	"
Beetlenut	"	"
Curry Stuff	"	"
&c.		
&c.	"	"

We are the more desirous that the Latter of these Regulations should be adopted from a conviction that the Monthly List will greatly assist our Board in forming a Judgement of the proposals for Contract which it may be expedient to call in for the annual, or occasional, Supplies of new Grain &c. at the Several Military Stations; and will also serve as a guide in determining the periods at which the Sales of the old Stock may be made to advantages, conformably to the 16th and 17th Articles of the Regulations at present in force—

We have the honor to be
&c. &c.
[Signed] John Braithwaite
" Patrick Ross.

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23. February 1799

Report

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Report of Paddy issued and Remaining, and Rice Received at Vellore 18th February 1799

	Paddy in Store	Rice in Store	Bengal Rice Received from Wm Brodie G. Shepherdson
	G. M. S.	G. M. L.	G. M. S.
Remaining on the 11th February as per last Report	232. 342. 1/2	100 " "	16. 200. "
Received from 11th to this Day	" " "	11. 200 "	12. " "
	232. 342. 1/2	111. 200. "	28. 200. "
Delivered to Bungarries	" " "	13. 387. 3.	" " "
Issued from 11th to this Day	24. 366. 8.	" " "	" " "
Total Remaining	207. 375. 5/2	97. 212. 9.	28. 200. "

/ A true Copy /
/ Signed / J. Macleane
Depy. Secy. Mill Board

/ Signed / J. H. Shardon
Garrison Storekeeper

Issued Paddy
Delivered Rice

Report of Paddy issued and Remaining, and Rice received at Arnee 13th February 1799

	Paddy in Store	Rice in Store
Remaining on the 11th February as p^p^ last Report	575. 1. 9	43. " "
Issued from 11th to this Day	15. 66. 8	" " "
Received from Ditto to Ditto	. . .	7. " "
Total Remaining	559. 335. 1.	50. " "

/ A true Copy /

/ Signed / John Mackeane
Depty Secy. Mil. Board

/ Signed / J. H. Skardon
G. Storekeeper

Copy of Report dated 13th Feby 1799

No 4

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Resolved that the orders of the Board to

Resolutions thereon the Board of Trade for facilitating the Supply of Cloth to the

Fort contractor be repeated —

The Board approve the Regulations

suggested by the Military Board for the Grain and Provision

Department; and it is Resolved that they be published in

General Orders —

The Board proceed to read & pass their

resolutions in the following proceedings of the Medical

Board —

Medical Board

21st February 1799

From the Medical Board acknowledge the receipt of the 10th Orders they received to send a Surgeon and an assistant Surgeon on board of La Sybille State that Mr Mudie had delayed to get on board in time enclose copy of a letter from him expressing his regret at the circumstance they disapprove of his conduct —

In compliance with

the orders of Government of the 19th

Instant to send a Surgeon and

an Assistant on board his Majesty's Ship Sybelle — Mr

Surgeon Nicol and Mr Assistant

Surgeon Mudie being immedi-

-ately on the spot, and well qualic

-fied

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The Board are much surprized at the inattention of Mr. Mundie to his duty upon an occasion so important as that in which he was ordered on board his Majestys ship La. Sybille the Medical Board are therefore ordered to reprehend Mr. Mundie for his want of energy and activity under an order practical Service—

qualified for the Service required, were accordingly selected for this duty, and ordered to repair on board at an hours Notice - Our Secretary informs us that he carried both these Gentlemen to Captain Cook in the Fort for orders; who having given them instructions regarding what Instruments Medicines &c. would be requisite to carry on board, allowed them two hours to get ready - Mr. Neal having provided these Necessaries embarked and is gone with the Ship - But we are extremely concerned in forwarding the enclosed Letter from Mr. Mundie, to observe, that an Error in supposing he would have time to get a few things

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from the Gardens was the cause
it would appear of his being a
few Minutes too late to get on
board -

We have directed our
Secretary to signify to Mr. Mudie
our pointed disapprobation &
and displeasure at his not
having been so active in this
instance as the exigency Requir-
-ed - and strictly to caution
him against falling into a
similar situation in future -

We are induced to
spare further animadversion
on Mr. Mudie on this
occasion in consideration of
his former good conduct in
the Service - this being the
first instance we have had

occasion

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occasion to censure, and the distress he seems to labour under at us being left behind, which we trust will meet the approbation of Government -

/Signed/ Ja.s Anderson

Physician General

/Signed/ W Kaine Chief Surgeon -

To Alexander Boswell Esq.r

Secretary to the Medical Board

Sir

I had the honor to receive your letter of yesterday, ordering me on board his Majesty's Ship Sybille, when in the Fort, after seeing Captain Locke, who allowed two hours for getting ready; I thought I should have time to go out to Doctor Andersons Garden for a few Cloaths, I made every expidation by borrowing a co Bandy, and Doctor Anderson very kindly lent me his Carriage to Return, upon my returning to the Fort under-

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understanding that there was a chance I might be too late,
I immediately got into a boat, altho my few things had not arrived,
and I am infinitely distressed to inform you, that altho every
exertion I could induce, was made by the boat people in rowing
and waving a cloth as a signal, I had the mortification to
see that I could not reach the Ship, altho not more than
one hundred Yards from her – no Notice being taken of the
boat, the boat people refused to go farther the Ship being e-
under sail, and no likelihood of getting nearer, which obliged
me greatly distressed to Return –

Having erred in judgement, but not in
intention, as the above circumstances I hope will shew, I trust
my former conduct, before sickness obliged me to go home, ca-
will have some influence in the judgement You may pass
on this my first fault in the Service –

I have the honor to be

Sr. &c.

Madras
20th February 1799

/ A true Copy /

/ Signed / D. Munro
Asst Surgeon

/ Signed / Alex: Boiswell
Act Jr Sec. Med. Board

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Read the following letter from the Military Auditor General—

To

The Right Honble the Earl of Mornington K. P.

Governor General in Council

My Lord

&c &c &c

From the Military auditor General encloses Copy of a letter from Major Bannerman, states various particulars respecting the mode in which he ought to keep the accounts of this Department. for the Consideration of the Board Recommends that Major Bannerman may be permitted to apply to the Paymaster General for the advances which he may require Encloses a contingent Bill of the Payments the Servants Establishment which he Recommends may be paid. Recommends that an allowance of 13 Rupees a Month be made to the Military Paymaster to enable him to have a regular Register kept of the daily bearers in Camp—

I have the Honor to enclose Copy of a Letter from Major Bannerman dated 9th Instant, and Received with his accounts for Bullocks supplied to the Bombay Army in the Month of January last— Having taken into consideration the proposal made by that Officer, for continuing to make up the accounts for the hire of those Bullocks at Palamcottah, near which place the Owners reside, I beg leave to offer it as my opinion, that no inconvenience whatever can Result to the public Service from the adoption of this measure, and should Your Lordship be pleased to approve of its being carried into effect it will only be necessary to intimate the same to Lieutenant General Stuart, and to the Bombay Government, with a desire that the advances which may be required for the hire of the Drivers and Feeding of the Bullocks may be made

By

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by the Paymaster of the Bombay Army, to the person authorized by Major Bannerman to pass Receipts for the same, that these Receipts be made out in Duplicate, one to be kept by the Paymaster as his Voucher, and the other to be forwarded to Major Bannerman, by such public Staff Officer as Lieutenant General Stuart may appoint for that purpose, together with a Monthly Muster Roll of the Bullocks properly attested, and Certificates from Corps and Departments according to the enclosed Form - These documents will be forwarded by Major Bannermen with his accounts, which should be Certified upon honor as directed by the Regulations for the Bullock Agency, and after being passed in my Office, will be Regularly entered, and a Report thereof made Monthly by me to your Lordship in Council, for the purpose of being communicated to the Government of Bombay -

2. It will of course be understood, that the amount of Grain issued to the Bullock people, is to be charged conformably to the established rates with the Bombay Army, and to be included in the Receipts for Cash-

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3 I would also beg leave to suggest, that Major Bannerman be authorized to apply thro' the Military Paymaster General of Fort St. George, for such Sums as he may require on account of the Monthly hire of the Bullocks in question, which Sums will be checked like all other advances, in the Office of Audit previous to their being authorized—

4 I have likewise the honor to submit to your Lordship the enclosed Contingent Bill amounting to Pagodas 35. 25. 16. from Mr. Peter Cherry, Paymaster of the Seizams Detachment, for sundry Articles provided for the use of his Department, which appearing to be necessary and the Charge being Certified on Honor, I beg leave to recommend may be admitted in his accounts—

5 The Military Paymaster of the Detachment having addressed a Letter to me, of which the enclosed is a Copy, representing the publick convenience which would result from authorizing a Writer at 3 Pags and a Head Mastry at 5 Pagodas Month to be placed under the Paymaster of the army, for the purpose of keeping a

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a Register of the Dooley Bearers employed with the Corps in the Field, and to facilitate the transmission and payment of a portion of their pay to their Families which Mr. Cochrane is of opinion will ensure their continuing with the Army - Under the impression that this may be case, which the Paymaster at the Presidency, from having hired the whole of the Dooley Bearers, has the best means of ascertaining, I cannot hesitate to Recommend that the charge of 13 Pagodas ₹ month for that purpose be allowed, so long as the army shall continue in the Field -

I have the honor to be

Sir &c.

(Signed) Williams Sydenham

Asst. Aud.r General

Military Auditor General Office

Fort St. George 26th. Feby. 1799

Major General Sydenham

Auditor General

Sir,

I have had the satisfaction to Receive your letter of the 24th. January, and feel myself extremely Obliged, by the ready manner you sent me the Forms of Returns and Accounts - but you must again pardon my intruding on

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on your time a few Minutes, by stating the following circumstances—

I have only sent in charge of the Cattle dispatched for General Stuarts Army a Serjeant and a few Conacapillies hired for the Purpose of the making up of accounts and settling with the Paymaster of the Bombay Army was left to these people, it would subject me, to great inconvenience, as it would also the Owners of the Cattle, who are all in the Tinivelly Country and would completely do away the Arrangements I had made with them—

On the 4th of January I received the order of Government to use every exertion, to provide and forward Cattle, for General Stuarts Army had I delayed commencing the business, until I received official Forms to guide my Settlements, I should only be commencing the work now, and if I had waited until I had received Cash to advance, collecting Cattle would not have I imagine been begun until towards the end of this Month whereas there are now with and on the March to General Stuarts Army Four thousand Bullocks— I was sensible that to delay for Forms and wait

for

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for Money to advance, would for from fulfill the intentions of Government, the object was to be accomplished with Promptitude or not at all I therefore made the settlements with the people who furnished the Cattle, as nearly as possible corresponding with the Regulations 8th September 1798—

I have advanced the owners at the rate of Four Pagodas for each Draft and three Pagodas for each Carriage Bullock from my Private Credit—

I must in consequence intreat you to allow so far a Deviation from a form, as that you admit the whole of the Monthly Payments for the Cattle sent to the Malabar Coast, to be made at Pallamcotah and that the Monthly Accounts may be sent from thence to the Paymaster General and your Office, these Accounts to be made out from and checked by the Monthly Muster Rolls to be sent from General Stuarts Army the Original Muster Rolls to be forwarded with the Accounts—

The January Payments to be made from the Muster Roll of the Mustering Officer at Pallamcotah—

The only Money required with the Army

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army will be a sum equal to the subsistence of the Bullock Drivers, as the purchase of Cattle, to keep up the establishment sent must be made in the Tinnivelly Country – I therefore suggest – that General Stuarts Paymaster, make advances on the Receipt of the persons I have authorized to pass them which Receipts to be Transmitted in Duplicate to your Office, my people will immediately communicate to me the Amount of such Receipts which I will give credit for in my Account Current with the Paymaster General – The grand object of this Proposal is to keep myself and those with whom I have made my engagements, clear of all accounts with the Paymaster of the Bombay Army and to look to your and the Paymaster Generals Office at Madras for ultimate Settlements for from my want of Experience in accounts I dread the Idea of getting into perplexity –

I shall with this transmit you my January Account as nearly corresponding with the forms you sent as circumstances will admit – I have not as yet received any advance from the Paymaster, nor do I see a prospect of it soon, if I get it in all February it will be stated in my account Current for that Month –

For

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For all grain issued to my people Receipts to be granted as so much Money received—

There are several contingent charges connected with my supplying the Cattle for instance I have agreed to pay the Serjeant, I have sent Thirty Pag.s p Month, there must also be writers &c. allowed I beg the favor of you to let me know how such charges are to be included—

As I have no other advantage in this Business than the satisfaction of exerting myself, as far as the Measure of my means for the public Service Sought certainly not to be any loser—

I have the honor to be.

&c. &c.

/ A true Copy / / Signed / I. Bannerman

Palamcotah
9th February 1799

/ Signed /
Pat. Bruce
Ast. M. A. Genl

Certificate

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Form

Certificate of Draught and Carriage Bullocks from the heads of Corps and Departments with the Bombay army for the Agent at Palamcotah upon which is Monthly Charges are to be made. This is to Certify that the following number of Draught and Carriage Bullocks were employed within in the (here enter the Corps or Department) during the Month of 179-

179		Draught	Carriage
Jany 1st	From 1st to 31st Inclusive five hundred and Twenty one Draught	521	-
	From 1st to 31st Inclusive two hundred and Seventy six Carriage Bullocks	-	276

Casualties

From 23d to 24th	2 Draught Bullocks Dead	2	-
	10 Carriage Ditto discharged	-	10
25th	3 Draught Ditto Dead	3	-
	12 Carriage Ditto dischd	-	12
From 26th to 28th	Inclusive 20 Do Do Do	-	20

(Signed) A. B.

Comg His Majestys Regt
or C. D.

Comg B. Regt No. 1
or E. F

Commy of Stores &c &c

(Signed) William Sydenham
Mily Sec. Genl

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Major General Sydenham

Military Auditor General

Sir,

Not having been able to procure more than 63 Mastries and 2406 Dooley Bearers towards completing the Indents for the different Corps with the Army, and being sensible that the most effective mode of securing their Services in Camp will be to facilitate their remitting Money to their Families residing at Madras and the different Stations to the Northward, on their paying a proportion of their Monthly hire into the hands of the Paymaster in Camp, for that purpose, by means of proper people well acquainted with them to be sent from hence purposely to keep a Register of the Bearers employed in the public Service with the Army, and to draw upon a Roll descriptive of the Persons paying the Money into the hands of the Paymaster and of those to whom it is to be paid at the different Stations.—

I would therefore recommend that one in

Writer

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Writer at eight Pagodas and one Head Maistry at five Pagodas be appointed to this duty, and by putting them under the Paymr. of the Army they will have free access to the Rolls of the Regmts when the Bills are sent in for Payment – and in case of any desertions taking place they can immediately dispatch to Madras thro the Paymaster description Rolls of such Desertors to enable me to apprehend them, should they make their appearance at the Presidency –

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) Basil Cochrane
Military Paymr.
Fort St. George

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(A true Copy)
(Signed) Pat. Bruce
Sec. to Govt.

Resolutions thereon

The Board approve the Arrangement proposed by the Auditor General relative to Major Banniermans accounts; and it is Resolved that Directions be sent to Lieut. General Stuart and to the Governor in Council at Bombay to Conform to the Regulations it contains –

Resolved that the Paymaster at Madras be authorized to comply with Major Banniermans Indent

expres[s] him

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him for Cash

Read the following Letter from Lieutenant

General Stuart-

To the Right Honble the Earl of Mornington

Governor General &c. &c. &c.

Fort St. George

My Lord

I have the honor to apprise your —

Lordship that on the 11th Instant the Restoration arrived

at this Port laden with a Cargo of rice on Account of the

Company.

From Lieut. Genl. Stuart stating the arrival of the ship Restoration at Tanjore mentions that he had rejected 800 bags of the Rice out on her - encloses a letter from the Commissary of Provisions on the Subject -

2 Agreeably to the Letter of advice —

addressed from your Secretary to the Commanding Officer at

Tanjore Sealed on the Captain of the Ship for the Sample

of rice under the Honble Company's Seal; and he produced

two unsealed parcels containing rice of different qualities

which he declared to be the Specimen in question -

3 Having directed the Commissary of —

Provisions to inspect the quality of the Cargo I have the

honor to enclose his report, and as the 800 bags of rice —

Mentioned to be in want of cleaning does not appear to

come

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come under the description of that noticed in the letter
from your Lordships Secretary, and as the operation would
consume too much time to free it from the quantity
of dust it is said to contain, I have directed the rice
reported in this condition to be rejected—
4t

The 5700 bags which are deemed good
are now landing and respecting their disposal I shall as
minutely follow your Lordships intentions; as concerning
with which I have ordered the rice to be landed at Ballia-
patam and forwarded by the speediest means from
thence to Pondicherin Ghaut—

I have the honor to be
&c &c
Signed J. Stuart

Head Quarters
Cananore 14th. Feby. 1799

To Captain Walker
Military Secretary to the Commander in Chief

Sir,

I shall be favored with your informing
Lieutenant General Stuart, according to his directions of
yesterday, I repaired on board the Restoration for the
purpose

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purpose of inspecting / said to be 6500 / Six thousand five hundred
Bags of good Merchantable Rice, of which / 5700 / five thousand se-
ven hundred are deemed Good, and Serviceable; the Remaining
eight hundred, are ~~good~~ but will require cleaning, as there appears
to be a Quantity of dust and dirt in each bag examined—

I am
Sir
Your
Most Obed.t Hble Servt
/ Signed / Geo: Corsellis
Comm.r of Prov.ns

Canamore
13.th February 1799

P.S. Lieutenant Turner of the Marine Service, with two Native
Officers attended on the above inspection—

/ True Copy / Signed / A. Walker
A. S.y

Read the following Letter from the Resident
at Tanjore—

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

Sir,

From the Resident at Tanjour the Rajah has given his ready concurrence to sending his

Your Letter by Express, dated the 15.th
February, was delivered to me Yesterday Morning at 8 Oclock.

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The Rajah was at this time at Trivicar performing a religious Ceremony to the Memory of His Father and it was not till to day that I could communicate to him the wishes of the Right Honble the Governor General in Council relative to his Cavalry. The Rajah has assured me of his Chearfull compliance, and promised at the same time to deliver the Horses of His Regular Troop to me tomorrow but as He is of Opinion few of them will be found fit for Service, He proposes to send His Subedar with them to Trechenopoly, provided Colonel Brown cannot send a Cavalry Officer to make the Selection—

His regular cavalry to Trichinopoly but he apprehends that few of them will be found fit for Service—The irregular horses are in a very defective state—as besides the horses are the property of the horseman, the Rajah has it only in his power to transfer their services to the Company unless the people can be provided on to dispose of their horses—

The Rajah readily assented to the Question relative to His Troopers He said they were altogether ~~caused~~ to Field Service, and would not willingly serve under any other Command than his own that he used them as his confidential Guards to himself, to the Widows of the deceased Rajah Tuljajee, and to his Relations when they went into the Country—

The irregular Horse will be found I fear

fear equally deficient of all the Horsemen in the Lushkeer Pettah, about 35 Persons only have Horses, and these are very inferior – The Horses are besides the Property of the Horsemen, and all the Rajah can do in the case is to transfer the Services of both to the Company – Unless the People can be prevailed on to sell their Horses on condition of being kept in pay by the Rajah, till they can procure others – and I have the Rajahs leave to make them this proposal –

I had already suggested to the Rajah the propriety of making this offer to Government at the time that he promised so large a supply of sheep and cattle for the Grand Army, but discontinued my application from a belief that the Horses were not worth the few objections I saw might be made to the request, for it seems no purchase of Horses has been made since the year 1789 when they were drafted for the Company's Cavalry by Sir Archibald Campbell the Troop now called for is principally composed of the Number Remaining with an addition of three or four from the Rajahs Stable – these

&c

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His Excellency allows to be included, and frequently in the course of Conversation Expressed his Apprehension and Regret that the Troop should fall short of the Supply the Governor General had been led to expect—

Tanjour
19th February 1799

I have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) Benj.n Torrin
Resident

To Josiah Webbe Esqr
Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

Sir,

In consequence of your letter of the 16th Inst: containing the orders of Government to apply to the Rajah of Tanjour for the use of His Elephants. I have the pleasure to inform You that His Excellency has promised me four Elephants; He regrets that five are in a state of Musth and just at present unfit for use and five more are very young; these with the Flowder and Nishan Elephants compose the whole number in the Rajahs possession—

From the Resident at Tanjore states that the Rajah had complied with the application made to him for Elephants as far as he had it in his power states various particulars regarding the application which was made for horses [illegible] and concerning the number selected. Enclosed a Translate of a letter from the Rajah on the subject

Our

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On the 19th Instant I had the —
honor to Report the Rajahs acquiescence in the Request
for his Regular and irregular Cavalry - and at the same
time to state my opinion of them — But as I Received
a Letter from Colonel Brown on the following Morning
informing me that the Rajahs Troop was said to —
consist of more than Eighty Horsemen Mounted — I
thought it proper to Renew my Application representing
at the same time the Urgency of the service and the
disappointment the Honble the Governor General in
Council would Experience in a Supply so far short of
the Number Reported —

The Rajah sent me the enclosed Letter
in Answer — I had previously desired Colonel Brown to —
appoint a Committee for the inspection of the Rajahs —
Horses and Major Innes and Lieutenant Blackburn were
immediately admitted to the Stables and allowed to take
their choice of all the Cavalry Horses — They Amount to the
number of three hundred of various descriptions and this

Mostly

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Translation of a Letter from the Rajah of Tanjore to Benjamine Torin Esq.r Resident at Tanjore Dated the 20.th of February 1799

You have informed me that the eighty Horses of my Troop are required for the Service of the War. I will give up the Horses of my Troop for the service of War with the greatest pleasure But there are only thirty two Horses Attached to the Troop. The rest of my Horses have been appropriated to my Relations, Servants, Writers and others It has been always the Custom for the Rajahs of the Country to be Attended in this Manner when they go out on Horseback, and you will know how much I am attached to the Exercize of riding, and how necessary it is for my state and Convenience that my Relations and Servants should have Horses to attend me upon. But as the Company's Business is of far greater Importance in my Mind, you or any other Gentlemen are very welcome to visit my Stables, and Select from the Horses such as may be fit for the Company's Service. I disregard the Customs of the

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the Country when they are opposed to the Company's Interest and have great satisfaction in giving up to the Company the Horses which may be serviceable to them - I will direct the Havildar and the Chief of the Stables to be in waiting and to shew to the Gentlemen who may come to examine the Horses, the thirty two Horses of the Troop, those appro=priated to my Relations and Servants, my Carriage Horses, and the Horses of the two Bie Sahebs, Also the Foals and the sick and lame Horses, they shall all be particularly Shewn and those who inspect them will ascertain which are fit and which unfit for the Company's Service

The Troopers who are with me being old and respectable Servants I gave them good Cloths, and attached them to my Relations that when I, or either of the two Bie Sahebs, or any of my Family went out we might be attended by them - They are not in any respect fit for the Service of the army -

Respecting the Horses of the Linseer Peshah concerning which you have also spoken, I sent for

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Mostly the property of the Circar only twenty nine
Horses could be found fit for Field Service and among
those are included the Rajahs Carriage Horses, the
Horses which carry the Nuggor, and two Stallions—

I desired the Rajah to explain to me
the cause of His Troop being reported above Eighty
Strong while the whole Stable only produced thirty
Horses fit for Service— He acknowledged that His Troop
as it is called / for He has only twelve Saddles / was a
mere Matter of Amusement to him and that he had
made many of the Servants of the Palace assume
the dress of Troopers and entertained others to the number
of one hundred when he went out He mounted as
many as He could on the old Horses of the Circar and
Occasionally the Officers on some of His own Stable
Horse— that it was easy to believe one hundred People
might be Mounted out of the three hundred Horses
which were left by Amersing, and yet not twenty good
Horses be found in that Number— many of them were
not even His Property but belonged to the Widows of the
deceased

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deceased Rajah Tuljajee, and to other Persons who were allowed to keep their Horses at the Circar Expence—

The Rajah acknowledges to have retained fifteen state Horses which He received at His accession, and ten Serviceable Horses out of the few he was possessed of previous to that event—and His Excellency desired me to inform the Committee they were at full liberty to Examine not only his Stable but every part of the palace if any suspicion existed of more being concealed—

The information Government have received of the irregular Troop seems to be equally correct in point of numbers as the former, but to be as Erroneous in the services Expected from them—On a Review of that part of the Lushker Pettah which remain with the Rajah, forty Horses were produced and from these only two could be found for the Army Service—they have been purchased at one hundred Pagodas each—

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

(Signed) Benj.n Torin

Resident

Tanjour
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for the people, and invited them to enter into the Company's Service which they declined I then informed that if the Company should desire to purchase any of their Horses and they comply they should still be retained in my Service, I will send them there also you may speak to them

What can I write more -

A true Translation / Signed / Sree Ramprotaup

/ Signed / W. Blackburn

Mast.r Interp.r at Tanjore

/ A true Copy /

/ Signed / Benj.n Torin

Resident

Read the following letter from the Attorney General -

To the Right Honble the Earl of Mornington

Governor General in Council

My Lord

Fort St. George

In obedience to your Lordships order I have perused the proceedings of the Colledge of Justice at

From the Attorney General Reports his opinion in the trials of three Malays con= =demned

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condemned for murder at Malacca

at Malacca, in two cases of murder transmitted by the Command=
=ing Officer of that Place for the purpose of receiving instructions
in regard to the Sentence of death pronounced upon the Prisoners
upon this Subject I have only to offer it to your Lordships —
as my opinion that should no general Powers have been —
granted to authorize execution in the conquered Islands in
Capital offences, it would be proper to send him Copies of
the proceedings to be laid before his Majesty and to respect
execution until his Royal pleasure can be known —

I have the honor to be

&c &c

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23. February 1799

(Signed) Benj.n Sullivan

Minute thereon

Resolved that conformably to the —
opinion of the Attorney General, Copies of the proceedings
of the College of Justice at Malacca be transmitted to
England, and that the execution of the three persons —
condemned for Murder be respited until his Majestys
pleasure shall be known —

Read the following letter from Mr.

George Parry — To

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To Josiah Webbe Esqr.

Secretary to the Government

Sir,

Fort St. George

From Mr. George Parry states that he has embarked for England for the recovery of his health—

I beg leave to report through you to the right Honble the President in Council that in consequence of the permission granted in your letter of the 15 Decemr I have embarked for England on the freighted Ship Lovere for the reestablishment of my health, and that it is my intention to return to India so soon as that object shall be accomplished—

I avail myself of this occasion to express my sincere acknowledgements for the very flattering testimonial that has been received of my Services and to assure the Right Honble the President in Council that it will ever be an object of my ambition to merit the continued approbation of my employers

I have the honor to be

&c &c

(Signed) George Parry

Calcutta
26th Febry 1799

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The President proposes that Mr.

Mr George Buchan to be appointed Sub Secretary to Govern.t

George Buchan be appointed Sub Secretary in the Military Department of Government

Approved Lord Cord

Approved and ordered accordingly

Read the following Letters from the Adjutant General to the Army -

To Josiah Webbe Esq.r

Secretary to Government

Fort St. George

Sir

From the Adjutant General of the Army inclosed a Recommendation from the Commander in Chief relating to the raising of the provincial Native Corps to the Southward for the purpose of its being established in G. C.

The Commander in Chief having at the desire of Government transmitted instructions to Major Bannerman directing him to raise a Provincial Native Corps at Palamcotah, to be under the Command of Lieut.t Joseph Knowles, has ordered me to forward the enclosed Memorandum, with his Recommendation that its contents, or something similar thereto may be published in the form of a General Order by Government for the purpose of fixing the Establishment of the Corps, the amount of its pay, and the mode by which it is to be Clothed -

I have the honor to be

Sir &c

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Fort St. George

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I have the honor to be

S. S.

(Signed) George Parry

Calcutta
8th Febry. 1799

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The President proposes that Mr.

Mr. George Buchan to be appointed Sub Secretary to Government. George Buchan be appointed Sub Secretary in the Military Department of Government

Approved & Ordered Approved and ordered accordingly

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To Josiah Webbe Esqr.

Secretary to Government

Fort St. George

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I have the honor to be

&c &c

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Head Quarters
Camp near Veniambaddy
23d. February 1799.—

I have &c.
(Signed) Barry Close
Adjt. Genl. of the Army

Memorandum

The Right Honble the Governor General in Council is pleased to resolve that a Native Corps, to consist of the following Establishment, shall be raised at Palamcotah for Duty in the Southern Provinces, and be denominated the Tinnivelly Provincial Battalion

	Subadar	Jemadar	Havildar	Naigue	Drummr	Fifers	Pickallies	Privates
Establishmt. of one Compy.	1	1	3	3	1	0	1	94
Total Establishmt. consisting of 5 Companys.	5	5	15	15	5	2	5	470

Native Staff Non-Effective

1 Adjutant
1 Drill Havildar
1 Drill Naigue
1 Vaikeel — This Corps to be allowed the next Pay of effectives, and clothed at the expence of Government —

To command the Tinnivelly Provincial Battn.
Lieutenant Joseph Knowles —

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Approved & ordered

The Board approve the foregoing Memorandum, and it is Resolved that it be published in General Orders.

To Josiah Webbe Esqr.
Secretary to Government

Sir,

From the Adjutant General of the Army stating the Commander in Chief's recommendation of different staff appointment in the Baramahal Lieut. Montgomery's third Lot of Horses has arrived in Camp the 4th Lot is not to join the army but to remain to the Southward and to be disposed of as Government may direct.

Lieutenant Colonel Read having drawn together his Detachment for Service in the Field, has Solicited that he may be assisted with the following Staff. And as the Commander in Chief is of Opinion that the proportion applied for is not unreasonable considering the various Departments this Officer has to Arrange and conduct, and that the pay suggested for each Office is moderate, he has directed me to request you will communicate his recommendation to the Right Honble the Governor General that the Several Appointments may be ordered to take place Viz.t.

Captain

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Captain Thomas Munro, to be Secretary to Lieutenant Colonel Read with an Allowance of 100 Pagodas pr Month—

Captain J. H. Simons to be Superintendant of Bunyanies with an Allowance of 100 Pagodas per Month—

Captain Robert Munro to be Commissary of Grain and Provisions with an Allowance of 100 Pagodas per month—

Captain James Innes, to be Paymaster on Captains Pay—

Brevet Captain Radcliffe, to be Bullock Agent on Captains pay—

Lieutenant Marshall, to be Quarter Master on Captains Pay and allowances—

Serjeant George Fox to be Serjeant Major, on 10 Pagodas per Month—

Serjeant George King to be Quarter Master Serjeant and Post Master, on 16 Pagodas per Month

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Month-

Serjeant John McMannum, to be
Baggage Master Serjeant on 10 Pagodas per Month-

The Commander in Chief has further
desired me to report the Arrival of the 3d. lot of Horses
from Lieutenant Montgomery Amounting to 64 of
which 10 have been found unfit for the Service and
Sold on Lieutenant Montgomery's account. The remain-
=der 54 have been reported by the Committee of examina-
=tion as fit in all respects for the Service and have been
allotted to Regiments-

The 200 Horses in charge of Lieut.
Charles Dallas are supposed to have Arrived at or
near Ambore this day- and as this lot will be a-
sufficient to mount all the European and Native
Troopers in the Field, who in the Opinion of Major
General Floyd are sufficiently instructed in riding as
to be fit to be Mounted or sent in charge of Horses,
the Commander in Chief has caused Lieutenant Colonel
Brown

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Brown to be informed that the 4th Lot from Lieutenant Montgomery is not to be sent to the Army, but to be detained to the Southward for the purpose of Mounting the new Troop at Trichinopoly or for such other Service as Government may be pleased to direct—

I have the honor to be

Sir &c.

(Signed) Bary Close

Adjt Genl of the Army

Head Quarters
Camp at Tripatore
24th February 1799

The Board approve the above recommendations, and it is Resolved that they be Ordered accordingly—

approved & ordered

Read the following letter from the Assistant adjutant General—

To Josiah Webbe Esqr.

Secretary to Government

Sir,

From the Assistant adjutant General signifying Major General Brathwaite recommendations of promotions to Lieutenancies—

Major General Brathwaite has desired me to request you will signify his Recommendation that the following Promotions may be ordered to take place

Ensigns

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Ensigns Hastings Montague Kelly.
and Richard Otto Bayer to be Lieutenants to complete the
Establishment, Date of Rank to be settled hereafter.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) Wellshaw
Asst. Adjt. Genl.

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26th. February 1799

Resolved that the foregoing promotions
Approved and ordered be ordered to take place.

Read the following letter from Major
General Braithwaite.

To Josiah Webbe Esqr.
Secretary to Government

Sir,

From Major Genl. Braithwaite enclosing an application from Captain Ridge for permission to proceed to Europe accompanied by the Surgeons certificate.

I request you to lay before the
Right Honble the Governor General the enclosed
letter addressed to him by Captain Ridge, who
being an active and deserving Officer, would not,
I am well convinced, prefer such a request at
such

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such a time, was he not by extreme ill health so
reduced to the necessity of doing so—

Madras
24th. Feby. 1799

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) John Boatswarte

The Right Honble the Earl of Mornington K. P.
Governor General
&c. &c. &c.

My Lord

It is with particular regret and
concern that necessity at a Moment like the
present, compels me to forward to your Lordship
a Certificate from two Surgeons of the Establishment
describing the State of my health to be such as
to make a Voyage to Europe Indispensably
necessary for its re-establishment—

The

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The Inconvenience I have long

experienced from the Wound Mentioned in

my Certificates Renders the performance of

the common duties of my profession even

In Garrison extremely Irksome to me,

and the defect in my eye makes me very

apprehensive for the consequences. This

circumstance I trust your Lordship will

be pleased to permit me to proceed to Europe

on furlough by the first Occasion that

offers and that it will be Recommended to

the Honble the Court of Directors to allow

me such further extension of that furlough,

when

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Resolution thereon

Resolved that Captain Ridge be permitted to proceed to Europe for the recovery of his health. —

" Clive

" Wm Pitt

" Ch Wallace Field

A. Barclay Secr.

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Diary

Received and sent the undermentioned Letters

entered in the Mss Vol 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163

From Mr. Webb mentions that he had

apprehended two persons in the character of Merchants

from the Mahratta Country but who were in reality

endeavouring to raise Troops for the Bustar Zemindar

engaged in hostilities against his superior the Rajah

of Nagpour

To Lieutenant Colonel Vigors desiring

that the recruits lately raised at Hyderabad may

proceed immediately to the Presidency under Charge

of Lieutenant Longan

To Lieutenant Salar Informing him

that the application contained in Letter of this date

being inconsistent with the established Regulations

of the Service cannot be complied with

To Major General Lyaenham transmitting

for

From the Collector in the 2d Division of the Vizagapatam District

To the officer Comg the northern Division

To Lieutenant Salar of the 11/73 Regiment

To the Military Auditor General

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when the term granted by your Lordship as
shall expire, as Certificates from Eminent
Surgeons may appear to entitle me to. I have
great pleasure In Reflecting that it has ever
been my good fortune to discharge my pro-
-fessional duties both in the field and in
Garrison to the entire Satisfaction of those
who have been my Commanding Officers, and
I trust I shall not suffer in the Opinion
of my Honorable Employers on this Occasion
by taking the only Step left in my power
to seek in my native Country the Inesti-
-mable blessing of health which actual

Service

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Service in a baneful Climate has for some time past deprived me of-

I have the honor to be

&c &c

/ Signed / Ridge Capt.n

1.st B.n 3.d Reg.t N. I.

Madras
3. Feby.e 1799

Madras 20.th Feby.e 1799

This is to Certify that Captain

Robert Ridge of this Establishment is strongly

recommended to proceed to Europe by the

earliest opportunity for the recovery of his

Health which has been much impaired from

the effects of a Gun shot wound through the

Lungs &c. deceased State of one Eye which

indicates a probability of his loosing

strongly the use of it if a favorable Change does

not soon take place—

/ Signed / Geo: Ogilvey

Head Surgeon

" Thos. Thackery Surgeon

G. Hospital

Resolved

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for his examination the estimate of the expences of the Madras Army for the month of March.—

To the Secretary at Bengal

To Mr. Barlow—Stating that the Venetian who had embarked on the Cornwallis as Arabian Interpreter had been permitted to return to Bengal and that the sum of 200 Rupees had been advanced to him on account

To Lieutenant Walker of H.M. 28th Drag.

To Lieutenant Walker acknowledging the receipt of his Letter of the 21st Instant with the inclosed Bill—the usual allowances will be paid to him during his stay at the Presidency, but Batta cannot be admitted.—

27th

Received the following Letters

From the Military Board Recommend that the Repairs required by the fort at Chinglepat may be immediately executed an advance of Pag.s 27-.-.-60 recommended to Lieutenant Tottenham of the Engineers Recommend that the Repairs required by the Commander in Chief

To the Right Honorable the Earl of Mornington K.P. Governor General in Council &c. &c. &c.

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My Lord

We have the Honor to report that

we

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Chief Board in the Fort may be sanctioned Recommend an advance of Pag.s 2195 to the Agent of Supply.—

2d. We have given the necessary directions in Consequence of the Receipt of Letters from Government and of Mr. Secretary Webbe under date the 20th. Instant.—

2 Major General Ross the Chief Engineer having represented to us that the present dry Season having caused the Water in the Chingleput Lake to recede to a considerable distance from the Walls of that Fortress a more favourable opportunity occurs than may again present itself for many years for repairing several breaches in the Works the estimated expence of which is about 760 Pagodas; and our Board concurring in opinion with the Chief Engineer as well in regard to the necessity as the importance of the Work, we beg leave to recommend that an immediate execution of the proposed repairs may be authorized.—

3 We have also the honor to recommend that authority may be given for a second advance to Lieutenant Fotheringham of Engineers of Pagodas 27.36.60 in part of the

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for his examination the estimate of the expences of the Madras army for the month of March.—

To the Secretary at Bengal

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From the Engineer Recommend that the Repairs required by the Commander in Chief

To the Right Honorable the Earl of Mornington K.P. Governor General in Council &c. &c. &c.

My Lord

We have the Honor to report that we

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the estimated Cost of the Works now executing under his Superintendence in the Baramahal.—

4 It having been represented to our Board that the Commander in Chiefs House in Fort S.t George is in want of some trifling repair to render it fit for the reception of his family we do ourselves the Honour to recommend that the execution of such repairs may be sanctioned.—

5 Having in consequence of the large Indent made on the Arsenal for the Service of the Island of Ceylon been under the necessity of authorizing an extraordinary Indent upon the Agents of Supply, we request that the sum of 2195 Pagodas may be advanced to Mr. William Webb on account of the provision of the articles which we have Called upon him to supply.—

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27th February 1799

We have the honor to be
&c. &c.
/ Signed / Patrick Ross
Wm Lydenham

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Resolutions of Government
8 March 1799

Medical Board
27th February 1799

From the Medical Board Containing — recommendations affecting the Assistant Surgeon & Mr. Morris & Dr. W.m Peyton Proposing that Sub assistant Surgeon Barrett be ordered to do duty at Fort S.t George. —

In consequence of arrangements made by Colonel Read among the Assistant Surgeons in the Ceded Districts in forming his Detachment We recommend that the Garrisons in these Districts be supplied with medicine and medical assistance in the following manner Viz.p. —

That Mr. W.m McMorris Assistant Surgeon be appointed to do duty in the Garrison of Kistnagherry during the absence of Mr. Ord in the field and also to attend the Garrisons of Darampoory and Pinegaria. and that Mr. Peyton Assistant Surgeon at Sankeraroog attend also the Garrisons of Salem and Namcal

approved and Ordered

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approved and Ordered

Namcal during the absence of Wm. McMorris —

The Situation of Head Surgeon on the Island of Ceylon being annulled we recommend that Daniel Barrett Sub assistant Surgeon formerly placed under Mr. Briggs be removed from Columbo and Stationed under the Garrison Surgeon in Fort St. George —

/Signed/ Jas. Anderson
Physician General

/Signed/ W. Raine
Chief Surgeon

To Josiah Webbe Esqr.
Secretary to Government

From the Commandant at Tanjore gives a particular account of the Horses and mares he had selected from the Rajah of Tanjores Stables — incloses a report on that subject

Sir

On the morning of the 18th. I was honored with the Commands of Government in your Letter

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of the 15.th Instant and agreeably to instructions from Lieutenant Colonel Brown, and Lieutenant Blackburne, as a Committee attended on the 21.st by appointment of the Rajah at the Stable outside of the Palace, that in the inside we had not access to, and selected from the Horses and Mares left for our inspection, thirty seven, but were under the necessity of returning eight of the best, five belonging to the Queen and three to the Mharatta Vakeel, which we were informed they would not consent to part with — yesterday morning we selected, from forty irregular Horse which were produced for inspection, two Mares, valued them at One hundred Star Pagodas each and I passed my receipt for the amount they being private property. The whole selected were dispatched agreeably to the inclosed report of particulars yesterday Evening for Trichinopoly under Charge of a dismounted Troop from Madras, the Rajah having declined to spare his

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his Troopers — I am sorry to add the Horses in —
General are old and rather indifferent for the —
Company's Service. —

I have the Honor to be
Sir &c &c

Fanjour
23.d February 1799

/ Signed / Ja.s Innes
Major Comg

P. S. The irregular Horse declined serving the —
Honorable Company so I am informed. —

/ Signed / Ja.s Innes

Report

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27th Report of Horses and Mares selected by Major Innes and Lieutenant Blackburne from those belonging to His Excellency the Rajah of Tanjour presented to their inspection for the use of the Honble Company the 21st February 1799

As		
1	Cream coloured	Horse
2	white	Do
3	Grey	Do
4	white	Do
5	Do	Do
6	Chestnut	Do
7	Dun	Do
8	Dun	Do
9	Bay	Do
10	Roan	Do
11	Bay	Do
12	Dun	Do
13	white	Do
14	Grey	Do
15	Grey	Do
16	Grey	Do
17	Flea bitten	Do
18	Grey	Do
19	Chestnut	do
20	Dun	Do
21	Flea bitten	Do
22	Dark Bay	Do
23	Dark Bay	Do
24	Grey	Mare Do
25	Grey	
26	Flea bitten	Horse
27	Chestnut	Mare
28	white	Horse Do
29	white	"

Report of Mares purchased from the Irregulars in the Rajah's Service being Private Property.

As

30 Bay Mare Valued at 100 Star Pags

31 Dun Mare Valued at 100 Star Pags

Abstract		Total
Horses	26	31
Mares	5	

/Signed/ Jas Innes Major Comg

/Signed/ William Blackburne Lt

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Received and sent the undermentioned Letters

intered in the 113.d Pp.s 164, 165, 166, 167.

From the Secretary at Bombay

From the W.m Ricketts Requests to be

informed of the rule at the Presidencies of Bengal and Madras regarding the payment of passage money to the Kings or Company's Officers ordered home in duty, and if this indulgence be extended to any above the rank of Subalterns.—

From Lieutenant Colonel Muat—

From Lieut.t Coll.t Muat Commanding 1.st Battalion 8.th Reg.t

States that he had proceeded with the Treasure from Wallajahnaggur as directed on the 22.d Instant—

From the Resident at Poonah

From Lieutenant Colonel Palmer

acknowledges the receipt of the intelligence transmitted to him on the 31.st ultimo and on the 2.d Instant—

To the Deputy Sec.y to the Military Board.—

To Lieutenant Macleane transmitting to him Invoices and account of Military Stores shipped on the Dublin and Walpole for this Presidency, for which the usual certificates must be

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27th to be returned.

28th Received the following Letters

To Josiah Webbe Esqr.

Secretary to Government

Fort St. George

Sir

From the Commandant at Angole acknowledges the receipt of the Perwannah forwarded to him on the 20th Instant, which he has delivered to the aumil States farther particulars of Complaint against him & mentions the smallness of his Garrison and the inadequacy of his allowances

I received your Letter of the 20th Instant with an inclosed Perwannah from His Highness the Nabob to the Aumil of this District which I delivered to him — I beg leave To have the honor of stating for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council That the aumil having early in the last month recewed and a Purwannah nearly of the same tenor thro the meanin of Captain Malcolm who had previously taken effectual — means to Conciliate the Banjarries to the Service of supplying the army with Grain — and directed their Course to this Country and Vellore for that — purpose alone, It as notwithstanding every professions made

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made by him of aid to this end given the Banyans
ever since Salt at 10 Bags ₹ Rupee - with the view
and intention of levying very heavy subsequent
duties In the progress of its exportation thro the
Villages of his Pallocks of Ardinjay and Paulmaud

The very small means in my hands here
w^h about 50 Invalid Sepoys I exerted as much
as in my power - to Comply with the urgent
Letters I daily received from Captain Malcolm
and the army on the Subject - Detaching small
parties and going myself whenever I had
information they were to be met with - I am concerned
it has not been more in my power to be of greater
Service than by sending a very few Thousands I believe
about four or five / to Captain Forbes / out of above 80000
which I am well informed have been within 30 miles
of this during this last month - Many of whom
are gone into the Masulipatam District - The
Aumildar having seized on false pretences on some
horse which as I am informed they brought for sale
but

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but which I have obliged him to return to them.—

I have had the Honor of humbly submitting

By letter to the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council of the 9th Instant the utility of a more adequate force in this Valuable but extensive district with some means that occurred to me of raising it, and of being of essential service.—

Trusting that you will do me the favor to offer my own expensive and very unprovided Situation in this Garrison to His Lordships —

Consideration.—

I have the honor to be

Hble Hble

(Signed) D.F.G. Griffin

Capt Comm Angole

Angole

25th February 1799

To Josiah Webbe Esqr.

Secretary to Government

Sir

I was this morning Honored with the —

Commands of the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council by your Letter of the 20th Instant respecting the marriage of His Excellency the —

Rajah

From the Commandant at Tanjore acknowledges the receipt of the Instructions sent to him on the 20th Instant respecting the Rajahs marriage with which he shall carefully Comply

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me of the Death of the late and of the accession of the present King of Candy which Event Ceased to be immediately notified to the Public by a Royal Salute

They then presented me with a Gold Chain and a Ring set with small Rubies & with two Elephants on the Part of their master and having been sprinkled by me with Rose Water took their Leave promising to return again at Seven OClock the next morning to Converse upon Busines at the appointed Hour they came and were received with the same Honours as on the preceding Day - Having cleared the Room of all persons but those immediately necessary for Interpretation they began the Conversation by declaring their Confidence in me and their Hope that I would always maintain an uninterrupted Harmony with the King their master and observed that the Blacks were always attached to the Blacks hinting in no very oblique manner that the Kings Interest with the People on our Territories was as great as that of Government I answered that I had already shewn by my Conduct since my arrival the sincere

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Desire which I had to live in the most Cordial amity
with His Majesty, and that I certainly would do every
thing in my Power to cement our Friendship and that
our nation had in India so entirely acquired the
Love of the Blacks by its moderation and Equity, that
we were now at the highest Point of Power. They then
began a long Complaint against Mr. Andrews and the
Government of Madras for not having confirmed the Treaty
originally made between that Presidency and the
King by that Gentleman I answered, that They could
not possibly have thought that the Settlement agreed
to by Mr. Andrews was definitive and unalterable
since the Court of Candy had sent Two ambassadors
to Madras, who there consented to an alteration
in it, which the Court had not ratified during
more than Two years. and that certainly they could
not expect me to agree to a Treaty which the
Madras Government had not agreed to so long ago
They confessed that what I said was just and then
asked me, whether I had Powers to make a Treaty
with them, I answered that I certainly had, but that
such

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Rajah of Tanjour to which the strictest attention shall be paid, so far as depends on me, and regarding which the necessary orders were given on the 22.d — on my receiving intimation from the Resident that the publick rejoicings and processions were to Commence on that day, since which they have been continued without the least interruption or inconvenience whatever that I have heard of.—

I have not yet had any call for the attendance of any part of the Garrison. At all times whenever the Rajah appears abroad such of his own Troops as he thinks proper attend him without any impediment.—

I have the honor to be
&c &c
/ Signed / Ja.s Innes
Major Comg

Tanjour
24.th February 1799

Earl of Mornington K.P.
Governor General in Council &c &c &c

From His Excellency the Governor of Ceylon gives a full account of his interview with the ambassador of the Court of Candy —

Fort S.t George

My Lord,

In Consequence of an Intimation made to me some Time ago that the First Adigar or minister

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of the Court of Candy was Coming to me with Two other Persons of inferior Rank on a solemn Embassy, and that they were afraid of Coming to Columbo on account of the small Pox which is raging here, I appointed Them to Come to me at Sitawaca on the Frontiers on the Fifteenth of this month which arrangement appeared to me the more desireable, as I was apprehensive lest the numerous Train which would attend them should contribute very considerably to increase the present Scarcity of Rice and occasion great Expence to the Company which Inconvenience would be avoided by not removing Them from the Candian Territories for a longer Time than what might be necessary for their audiences.—

I therefore left Columbo on the 13th. and arrived on the morning of the 14th. at Sitavaca I immediately acquainted the Ambassadors of my arrival and appointed Four O Clock on that Evening for the Hour of their Audience, they came to me at that Time — & appointed with great Solemnity, and were received by me with the usual Honours.—

After the First Compliments, They informed me

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me of the Death of the late and of the accession of the present King of Candy which Event I caused to be immediately notified to the Public by a Royal Salute.

They then presented me with a Gold Chain and a Ring set with small Rubies & with two Elephants on the Part of their master and having been sprinkled by me with Rose Water took their Leave promising to return again at Seven O'Clock the next morning to Converse upon Business at the appointed Hour they came and were received with the same Honours as on the preceding Day - Having cleared the Room of all persons but those immediately necessary for Interpretation they began the Conversation by declaring their Confidence in me and their Hope that I would always maintain an uninterrupted Harmony with the King their master and observed that the Blacks were always attached to the Blacks hunting in no very obligue manner that the King Interest with the People on our Territories was as great as that of Government I answered that I had already shewn by my Conduct since my arrival the sincere

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such a Treaty must be ratified by the Company at Home and that more particularly I could not enter in to any agreement on the Point which were lately treated between the Two Governments and the Time for the Ratification of which had (as I had already informed the Honorable Company) been allowed to expire by Delays and objections on the Part of their Court as they have an unaccountable objection to that Treaty which however well Calculated to give us Possession of the Country seems to me by no means likely to make that Possession advantageous to us they agreed with seeming Satisfaction to that Position and then began to ask for Tamblegam and the Sea shore under Trincomale, which they said had been promised them, I asked by whom, and if they had any written Treaty to that effect. they answered no but that the English Government had promised it when we were in Possession of Trincomale last war, and that the Expectation of the Performance of that Promise had made them

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join so heartily with us in the Beginning of this I observed that it was very singular that they should expect it since They had entered into a subsequent Treaty with the Dutch which had confirmed their former Cession of it to them and that it was from them and not from the King of Candy that we took it.—

Having insisted / though not so strongly as I expected / on the necessity of that Cession They / or rather the adigar who was the only speaker throughout / dropped the subject and conversed upon the necessity of a strict and intimate union, even without Treaties to which I agreed most heartily and thought I perceived that some present Inconveniences in the personal situation of the King and Himself had more Effect on his mind / than the permanent Interests of the State as he began to abuse most virulently the whole malabar nation I answered that I should be always ready to treat the Kings Enemies who should Come under my Government in the way I had treated those who had been there lately, alluding to my having sent to Tutacoryn some nobles of the oppressed malabar Faction who had escaped into our Country — The adigar answered that "He had heard of that and was much obliged to me for so friendly and neighbourly an act and that He could tell me who the People were at Columbo

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the intrigued at the Court of Candy as I did not wish much to be informed of Circumstances which I could not — punish and against the bad Effects of which commen Prudence would always be able to guard us while our Power remains unbroken in the Island, and as I was afraid that such excessive Confidence might induce greater Community of Interests than I thought — necessary with a precarious and pericilitating Power I did not push him on that subject but Continued giving Him strong Professions of amity till He took Leave, when I gave Him and his Comrades some Presents on Behalf of the Company and some on my own Behalf which were indeed not magnificent but which were received with great Tokins of — satisfaction as He went away however He was as I was informed much struck with some fortunate white marks on the Hind Legs of a beautiful arab Horse belonging to Major Roberton the Deputy Agitant General who accompanied me which I immediately purchased for Five Hundred Pagodas and sent to Him as a present. The ambassadors

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returned forthwith to Candy and Sto Columbo.—

as I have not hitherto received any specific

Instructions from your Lordship Concerning the line

of Conduct you wish me to follow with Respect to—

that Court nor any orders from the Court of Directors

but some that proceeded from antient Information

and which a knowledge of the present situation of

affairs may probably have altered I am not Certain

whether what I did was in Conformity to your—

Wishes But I hope and trust that the Event of

this Interview will not meet with your Disappro-

bation as it has left us in the Complete Possession of

all that the Dutch possessed in Ceylon without

any Pretence of an obligatory Treaty with the King of

Candy with whom whatever Treaty we make—

hereafter must be advantageous to us as we have

nothing to ask of him and he is in Fact almost

entirely dependent upon us.—

I have the honor to be

&c &c

/Signed/ Frederick North

Columbo

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The Right Honorable the Earl of Mornington K.P.

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

My Lord

From the military auditor General Reporting in the Paymaster Generals estimate of the Expences of march and sanctioning the Sum of Pags 123858.7.76 from the Treasury.—

Having examined the Estimate of the Military Paymaster General for the Month of March 1799 I have the honor to report that the Sum of Two Lacks forty four thousand Nine hundred and ninety Six Pagodas One fanam and Nine Cash / Pagodas 244996. 1.9/ is required for the payment of such Military Charges as become due upon the first of the ensuing Month.—

	P.	F.	C
From the General Treasury	123858.	7.	79
By Bills on the Military Paymaster General	121137.	35.	10
	244996.	1.	9

Observing in the Estimate of the military Paymaster at the Presidency, that he has included the Sum of Pagodas One thousand Seven hundred Pagodas 1700/ for the Payment of French Prisoners who I understand Embarked for Europe early in February, I have therefore admitted only a proportion of that Sum equal to 700 Pag. in the Estimate, to answer the Demands that may be made on their Account for the few days previous to their

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their embarkation In the same Estimate a Corps denominated the 29th Regiment of Foot said to be stationed at Wallajah-bad has been comprehended but as there is no Regiment of this number on the Coast or any European Corps at present at that Station I apprehend there must have been a mistake in compiling this Estimate and have in Consequence deducted the Sum included for that Corps Vizt. Two thousand three hundred and Eighty Pagodas Pagodas 2380/ from the total Amount.

The Military Paymasters at Trichinopoly and Madura having each included Pay and Allow-ances for the 1st Battalion 3d Regiment of Native Infantry, I have deducted Four thousand three hundred and Eighty Pag.s/ Pagodas 4.380/ from the Estimate of the latter for although that Battalion has been hitherto paid by Mr. Hughes yet having been informed that it has lately been directed to March to Trichino-poly, it has appeared to me most convenient for the public Service, that Mr. Hawkins should be in possession of Funds to discharge their pay &c for the ensuing Month upon their arrival at the last mentioned Station

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Station, and in case it shall be found that Mr. Hughes had previously paid that Corps for the Month of March, the Military Paymaster General will of course take the necessary steps for adjusting this transaction in communication with the Paymasters Concerned.—

In the Examination of the Military Paymaster Generals seperate Estimate, an Error of thirty three Pagodas Thirty Seven fanams and thirty Seven Cash Pagodas 333 37/ has been discovered in the addition of a list of small Bills which were drawn on him by the Paymaster to the Army in the Field, and which has been rectified by deducting that Sum from the total of the General Estimate.—

I have the honor to be
Sir &c &c
/Signed/ W Sydenham
Mil.y and.r Gen.l

Military Auditor
Generals Office
Fort St. George 28th February 1799

The following Order of Council sent to the Clerk of the Treasury agreeably to the foregoing Report

Order of Council
Military Department
1st March 1799

Ordered that the Sum of One Lack Twenty

Order authorizing the Sum of Pagodas 123858-7-79 to be issued to the Paymaster General

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three thousand eight hundred and fifty eight Pagodas
Seven fanams and Seventy nine Cash Pagodas 123858-7-79
be advanced from the Treasury to the Military Paymaster
General on account of his estimated Disbursements
for the Current month inclosed in his Letter of the 25th
ultimo.—

By Order of the Right Honorable the Governor
General in Council.—

/Signed/ J. Webbe
Sec.y to Gov.r

Sent the following Letters

To Major Caldwell Taylor
Commanding at
Malacca

To the Commandant at Malacca Enclosing a Duplicate of the Gov.r letter to him of the 3d December the Penang has been engaged to Convey stored to — Malacca 20000 Dollars forwarded on her the has been engaged to Convey to the Coast three European Companies of the Garrison of Malacca She is authorized to reestablish the duties and taxes lived under

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your Letters of the 23d November 26th December and 28th January last.—

By my letter to you of the 3d December a Duplicate of which accompanies this you would be apprized of the application which was made to the Bengal Government to forward to you a supply of provisions and

for

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for the use of your Garrison, but the adoption of that measure having been found inexpedient, the Governor General has engaged the ship Penang to convey supplies from the Presidency and particular account of which will be transmitted to you by the Military Board.—

By the same opportunity you will receive a supply of Twenty thousand Dollars.—

The Penang has been further engaged to bring from Malacca to the Coast, agreeably to my letter of the 3d December three of the European Companies of Your Garrison, and the Governor General desires that they may be embarked without loss of time and that care be taken to have them in every respect as complete as possible.—

The Governor General approves the accuracy of your statement of the Duties and Taxes levied at Malacca under the Dutch Government—as from your situation you will have it in your power to judge of the probable success that may be expected to attend the reestablishment of them his Lordship authorizes you to adopt that measure if you think

under the Dutch Government at Malacca—are judged advisable The Malays condemned for murder at Malacca are to be respited until his Majesty's pleasure is known.—

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think it likely to be productive of any material —"
increase in the Revenues of the place.—

His Lordship however recommends that
this step may be taken with Caution lest by rendering
oppressive the duties which are already Considerable
an injurious effect should be produced.—

The Governor General could have wished
that you had stated more particularly the extent
and probable value of the land belonging to the
Dutch Company which remains unsold as also the
amount of the land taxes and quit rents which
might be Collected and will defer deciding on these
points untill he shall have received a more —"
particular report from you upon them.—

In reply to your Letter of the 23d. November
I am directed by the Governor General in Council to
transmit to you the inclosed extract of a Letter from
the Attorney General regarding the trials of the three
Malays Condemned by the College of Justice for —"

murder

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To

murder and to inform you that it is his Lordships desire that they be respited until His Majestys pleasure shall be known.—

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I am
&c &c
/Signed/ F. Webbe
Secy to Govt

To Major General Brathwaite

Sir

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council to inclose for your information extract of a minute by the Right Honorable Lord Clive, and to desire that you will take the necessary measures for carrying into effect the arrangement therein recommended.—

I also inclose for your information Copy of a letter from the Adjutant General in which the recommendations contained have been authorized, and Copy of a letter to the Officer Commanding the Southern Division respecting the disposal of his majesty's 76th Regiment which is expected to land at Negapatam.—

Captain Grant Commanding at Pondicherry has

To Major General Brathwaite Extract of a minute of Lord Clive inclosed and the regulations it contains to be immediately carried into effect. Copy of a letter from the Adjutant General and of a letter to the Officer Commanding the Southern Division inclosed. Captain Grant has been ordered to evacuate Pondicherry and to march to the Presidency with the Detachment under his Command.—

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has been Ordered to evacuate that place entirely, and to march to the Presidency with the whole of the —" Detachment under his Command.—

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient
humble Servant
Signed J. Webbe
Secy to Govt

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To Lieutenant Colonel Read
Commanding in the
Baramahal

Sir,

In consideration of the extensive duties Committed to you by the Commander in Chief the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council has at his recommendation been pleased to allow you the following Staff from the 1st March.

To the Officer Commanding in the Ceded Districts—detailing to him the Staff which has been granted to them at the recommendation of the Commander in chief with the allowances to be attached to the respective —" appointments.—

Captain Thomas Munro to be Secretary upon an allowance of One hundred Pagodas pr Month

Captain J. H. Simons to be Superintendant of Bengairries upon an allowance of One hundred Pagodas pr Month.—

Captain Robert Munro to be Commissary of Grain and provisions upon an allowance of One hundred

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hundred Pagodas p.e Month.—

Captain James Innes to be Paymaster on Captains pay.—

Brevet Captain Radcliffe to be Bullock agent on Captains pay.—

Lieutenant Marshall to be Quarter master upon Captains pay and allowances.—

Serjeant Fox to be Serjeant major upon ten Pagodas per month.—

Serjeant George King to be Quarter master Serjeant and Postmaster on ten Pagodas p.r month.—

Serjeant John mcmanamm to be Baggage master Serjeant on ten Pagodas p.r month.—

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I am
&c. &c.
/ Signed / Jr Webbe
Secy to Govt

To Lieutenant General Stuart
Commander in Chief &c. &c.
Cannanore

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council to inclose extract

To Lieutenant General Stuart Extract of a letter from the auditor General at the Presidency respecting Major Bannermans accounts inclosed

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of a letter from the Military auditor General at this Presidency, and to desire that the necessary orders may be issued to the proper Officers under your Command for — conforming to the regulations which have been adopted for Keeping the accounts of major Bannerman's expences on Supplying Bullocks for the service of your army. —

I have the honor to be
Sir &c. &c.
/ Signed / J. Webbe
Sec.y to Gov.t

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To Major General Brathwaite
President &c. &c. Members of the
Military Board

Gentlemen

We have received your Letters of the 20th. 22d. and 23d. Instant. —

Having already authorized the Board of Trade to advertize proposals for the conveyance of Stores and provisions to the Molucca Islands we shall furnish you with our further Orders upon that subject mean while we desire that the several — articles of military Stores which you have recommended

to

To the Military Board
The Board of Trade have been authorized to advertize for proposals for supplying the Moluccas with — provisions &c. and the Military Board will receive the farther Orders of the Board on this Subject
The Garrison Storekeeper is to be held Answerable for the shortfall of bad — quantity sent to the — Moluccas and to be debited in all costs — attending it. a House to be engaged for the — accommodation of the Military Board at the monthly rent of 100 Pags
The Orders regarding the supply of tent Cloth to the Contractor have been repeated. a report to be made of the quantity of Stores required to reinstate the

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the arsenal in a sufficient degree of resource.

to be dispatched thither may be held in immediate readiness for embarkation.—

We desire that the Garrison Storekeeper may be held answerable for the shall of bad quality supplied for the use of the Troops to the Malaccas including Charges and freight.—

We authorize you to take a house for the accommodation of the Military Board and its Offices at the monthly rent of one hundred Pagodas.—

We have repeated our orders for facilitating the supply of tents lately Ordered to be provided by the Contractor.—

Adverting to the large supplies of Military Stores which have been drawn from the arsenal for the equipment of the army we desire that you will report to us with as little delay as possible what is wanting to reinstate the arsenal in a sufficient degree of resource.—

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We are
&c &c
/ Signed / Clive
&c Council

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To Major General Sydenham

Military auditor General

To the military Auditor General his proposed arrangement regarding Major Bannermans Accounts approved and the necessary directions have been sent to Lieutenant General Stuart and to the Government of Bombay Major Bannerman has been directed to indent on the Paymaster at Madura for the Cash which he may require for his Disbursements The Contingent bill from the Paymaster with the Nizams Detachment amounting to Pag.s 35.25.16 to be authorized The military Paymasters additional Charge for Servants amounting to Pag.s 13 per month to be admitted Copy of a letter from Columbo regarding the accounts of the Paymaster to the Kings Troops on that Island inclosed his accounts to be audited to 24th. of January last Copy of a letter to the Officer Commanding the Ceded Districts inclosed He is to report his opinion regarding the number of Servants that will be required by Mr. Hawkins for the duties of his late appointment Mr. Hawkins and Captain Limerick to draw the same allowances in their new situations as Officers holding similar appointments in the Nizams Detachment.—

Sir

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated 26th. Instant and to inform you that the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council approves the arrangement you have recommended for the accounts of Major Bannerman directions have in consequence been transmitted to Lieutenant General Stuart and to the Governor in Council at Bombay for Conforming to the regulations proposed by you Major Bannerman has been directed to indent on the Paymaster at Madura for the amount of his disbursements and his Lordships desire that the Military Paymaster General may be authorized to comply with these demands.—

His Lordship admits the Contingent charge of the Paymaster with the Nizams detachment amounting to Pagodas 35.25.16.—

His Lordship also authorizes the military Paymaster

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Paymaster at the Presidency to establish servants in Camps for resisting the dooly bearers at the monthly escpence of thirteen Pagodas.—

I am directed to inclose for your information Copy of a letter from Columbo relative to the account of the Deputy Paymaster to the Kings Troops on the Island of Ceylon and to desire that they may be audited up to the 24th Instant last.—

I inclose Copy of a Letter to the Officer Commanding in the Baramahal for your information and guidance.—

The Governor General in Council having appointed Mr William Hawkins Paymaster and Commissary of Provisions to the field detachment under the Command of Lieutenant Colonel Brown directs me to desire that you will lay before His Lordship such an establishment of Servants as you may judge adequate to this duty.—

His Lordship desires that Mr Hawkins and Captain William Limerick who has been appointed Quarter-master of Brigade to the same detachment may be permitted to draw allowances equal to those

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enjoyed by the same Officers with the Nizams detachment

I have the honor to be

&c &c

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(Signed) J. Webbe
Secy to Govt

1st Received and sent the undermentioned letters entered in MB Nos 1.2.3.4.5.6.7.8.9.10.11.12.13.14.15.16

From Captain Young gives a Statement of arms &c with which he wishes to be supplied from the public Stores.—

From the Commander of the Ship Penang

From Mr Malcolm mentions that the La Sybille had arrived at Vizagapatam the preceding night and that she had sailed again immediately towards the northward.—

From the Commercial Resident at Vizagapatam

Do Messrs Barlow Ricketts Spencer Palmer and Kirkpatrick transmitting Copy of the latest intelligence from the Mysore Country inclosed in a letter from the Commander in Chief of the 23d Instant

To the Secretary at Bengal and at Bombay to the Resident at Poonah and Hydrabad and to the President and Commissioner the Malabar Coast.—

Do Mr Rowley desiring him to take immediately the necessary steps for establishing tappals with the Detachments of Lieutenant Colonel Brown and Lieutenant Colonel Read.—

To the Postmaster General

To the Medical Board inclosing to them

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Them Copy of a letter from Lieutenant Colonel Read and desiring them to supply the medical vacancies therein mentioned.—

To the Collector in the Guntoor Circar and to Commandant at Nellore

To Mr. Ram and Captain Forbes informing them that Lieutenant Nuthall has been directed to proceed to Hyarabad to take Charge of a Body of Horse offord by the Nizam for the Service of the Company they are required to afford him every assistance in procuring gram for his party.—

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To the Officer Commanding the Sn Dn

To Lieutenant Colonel Brown

Informing him that Vergannah Chitty has been permitted to return to Madura on Security being given by Messrs Chase & Co. for his future good conduct he is however directed to be watchful of his behaviour

To the Barrack master at the Presidency

To Lieutenant Macleane acknowledging the receipt of his letter of the 26th Instant the Baggage and Stores therein mentioned are to be

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1st be accomodated with Store rooms at the publick expence.—

To the Officer Commanding Southern Division

To Lieutenant Colonel Brown informing him that Government have no objections to the continuance of Lt Long at Trichinopoly or Tanjore while he conducts himself properly.—

To the Board of Trade

To the Board of Trade inclosing to them extract of a letter from the Military Board and directing them to give such particular instructions to the Commercial Residents in the northern Districts as will insure a regular supply of Cloth to the Tent Contractor.—

To the Commandant at Palamcottah

To Major Bannerman Informing him that the Paymaster at Madura has been authorized to comply with his Indents for Cash on account of the Bullocks he may furnish for the use of General Stuarts army.—

To Mr Geo Buchan

To Mr Buchan appointing him Sub Secretary in the Military &c Departments of Government.—

To the Secretary at Bombay

To Mr Bickett Transmitting to him extract of a letter from the Military auditor General at this Presidency regarding the Major Bannermans accounts with

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To the Secretarys at Bengal and Bombay the Resident at Vyaraud and Poonah and to the President & Commissioners on the Malabar Coast

To Messrs Barlow Ricketts Spencer Palmer and Kirkpatrick Transmitting to them Copies of the latest intelligence from the Mysore Country

To the Military Paymr General

To Mr Roebuck Informing him that Pagodas 123858.7.79 will be advanced to him on application agreeably to his Estimate forwarded

Friday 1st March 1799

At a Consultation

Present

The Right Honble the Earl of Mornington KP
Governor General
The Right Honorable Lord Clive
William Petrie and
Ernst William Fallofield } Esqrs
Lieutenant General Harris
absent on Service

Minute of last Consultation read approved. —

Read the following Letter from the Commandant at Pondicherry. —

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1200 Fort St. George 1st March 1799

Josias Webbe Esqr.
Secretary to Government

Sir,

From the Commandant at Pondicherry acknowledges the receipt of the letter to him of the 20th Instant Expresses his deep Concern at the displeasure of the Board enters into a full detail of the Causes of the error in the original List of the Inhabitants at Pondicherry, transmitted to the Board States various particulars respecting the Character of those who had embarked on the Triton agreeably to the Order he had received he is to set immediately out for the Presidency

Your letter per express reached me early this morning, words are inadequate to the expression of the grief and unhappiness with which the severe displeasure of the Governor General has overwhelmed me and at a time when the dictates of my own mind and the former approbation of my Conduct by Government persuaded me that all my actions were directed by an entire wish to merit it and with no less feeling for those persons who were embarked on the Triton, every one of whom has acknowledged his obligations to me for the lenient manner with which I executed what I fully supposed to be my duty as well as for the Consolation which I afforded the remaining families even of the most abondoned of these men.

The General list of Inhabitants which shortly after my arrival in Pondicherry I transmitted to you was delivered into my hands by my predecessor in Command Major Tolfrey as one taken

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so recently as to admit of no incorrectness Stranger as I was here at that moment I consulted those who I thought best qualified to afford me the truest information on the Subject and they agreed that it really was a true Statement of the numbers of the Inhabitants at least so far as their knowledge of such a Class as was therein included extended it has appeared and that mostly since the embarkation that these people highly displeased at the order for giving in their Names families &c &c proved very insincere for several of them whose families have since come forward with Claims were not so set down on that list and I leave you it to yourself to Judge whether it was possible for an English Commanding Officer who met with nothing but hatred and disobedience from this Class of violent Republicans to discover in so short a time the real truth.—

It appears then that the whole of this error is owing to the incorrectness of that General List proceeding entirely from the deceit practised by these Inhabitants in disobeying the Order issued to that effect and which deceit they followed up

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for what reason I cannot devine) even to the moment of
their embarkation. let me however Sir assure you that
with very few exceptions indeed these people were of the
most desperate fortunes and dangerous Conduct. holding
Clubs in dispute of all vigilance for the purpose of irritating
less violent men against the English Government at the
moment of embarkation their language was what it
had always been to the Knowledge of many respectable
men here namely "If we have a regret it is that we
do not remain long enough here to drink the blood
of every Aristocrat but we shall return ere long for
the accomplishment of our wish" such men Sir I should
have thought it an indispensible and praise worthy
duty to have sent out of the Colony beyond all scruples
even had they been exempted therefrom in your list
as not Knowing their principles.—

I must remark ere I point out the manner
in which the error has obtained that since the—
embarkation several of these families came forward
with their Claims perfectly happy at the event—
alledging that they were before the departure of their
husbands fathers or Sons in a state of starvation that

now

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now the English Government would amply provide for their wants may there are several here just now wishing for the same advantage.—

It will not be unnecessary to add that in august 1790 during the French Government a dreadfull Conspiracy was discovered for the massacre of all the better sort of Inhabitants there were seven sent to France of these Conspirators immediately altho they had families but shortly afterwards the French Directory returned them all to Pondicherry as fit instruments to carry on their sanguinary purposes amongst the embarked on the Triton are three of these men whose families are on the List—The following men also compased a violent Democratic club here and publickly expressed their hope of the arrival of Tippoo = Sultaun and Buonaparte in the

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Gardelle President having wife and Child
Le Normand - - wife and two Children
Ferray - Do three children
Jolly - Do
Jules Do
Morpuir - Six natural Children
Pilavoine - Two Do Do
Villefranche Two
Ferrier - The receiver of all the French deserters from Madras.
Pottier - Seperated from his wife 6 years ago
Pettit - a Daughter in law
Aubert - a Wife and Child
Carcassone -
Jacque Mercier -
Xa. Xa.

I certainly knew nothing of the most part of the above named having families until long after the Triton had sailed notwithstanding my best endeavours to ascertain this fact but even had the Contrary been the case I leave it to you to judge Sir whether in justice to the Service or the avowed intentions of Government for this embarkation and at this Crisis I could have excempted one of these witches added to these considerations the well

disposed

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disposed Inhabitants expressed their fears that such a sanguinary set should be left amongst them in the eventual avacuation of Pondicherry — as to Gardello the President had the express permission of Government to embark him. —

It behoves me now to point out a few of the names on the General list transmitted to you contrasted with that you did me the Honor to send on the 2d Instant it will appear to you that the error which has drawn down upon me the heavy displeasure of the Right Honorable the Governor General proceeds not from any wanton neglect — on my part but from the indisposition of these people to the Orders issued by the English Commandant. —

General List. — Francois Petit — No family mentioned has a Daughter in law ..}

Charles Liard — Dº Dº married

Francois Aubert Dº Dº Wife and one Child

Bastien Richard Dº Dº Wife and one Child

Prudent Boutrown Dº Dº three Children

and so on of almost all the others But I can venture to affirm upon the best information as of my own present knowledge that there are not ten men in Pondichery

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Pondicherry from the age of Twenty years upwards whoare not either married have Children mothers Sisters &c &c such being the case, how could I have Carried into effect the recent orders of Embarkation of so many bad men without leaving dependants on their County, not ten unconnected men could have gone — —

I have the Honor to inclose you a List

N°1 Containing the Characters of several of those men embarked which will be attested by every — respectable Inhabitant of Pondicherry. —

The List N°2 Conveys a particular discription of the several families left belonging to those embarked and here it may be required why I did not furnish you with these particulars at a more early period: but Sir, if you can for an instant place yourself in my situation you will readily grant that the thing was impossible, for first when I received the intimation of the intentions of Govern= =ment relatively to this measure I was enjoined the strictest secrecy a Circumstance that prevented my making all these necessary enquiries from the apprehension

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a/precluision of causing suspicion of what was going forward
2.ndly on the arrival of the Triton most of these people were
embarked the same day, in the most place several of these
people concealed having families until the embarkation
had been Completed and it was not until since my
last Communication that eagar to prevent any
imposition being practised on Government I fell on
the surest method of obtaining such information as
to the legitimacy of these families and of their respective
Characters, by applying to the Parish Priest from whom
I hold this Certain the late Knowleage had I not
received this very afflicting Letter you would equally
have had one from me by this days Tappall on this
Subject.

It will appear to you I hope, what is really
the fact, that several of these families whom now demand
subsistance from Government had not enjoyed the
least from their husbands or Connections for a very long
period previous to their departure.

Having thus endeavoured to erase the
impression of disadvantage with which I am considered
by Lord Mornington with the utmost Candour and

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truth I now proceed to obey his Orders with the utmost expedition and first have partly and shall fully announce to the Inhabitants of Pondicherry the benevolent intentions of the British Government in their favor and as I cannot procure Bearers before tomorrow Evening shall then sett off post for the Presidency leaving the Command with Lieutenant Bose the senior Officer here and trust on my arrival to be able with such other documents as I am possessed of to prove fully to his Lordship that my Conduct in this unhappy affair was guided by every good intention towards the Service and a firm wish to a strict obedience to his Orders.—

I have the honor to be
&c &c

Pondicherry
22d February 1799

/Signed/ R. M Grant
Capt Commg

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List of some of the men Embarked on the Triton leaving families with their Characters

Conspirators of 1790 } François Petit
Maurice Pelavoine

Theodore Gardelle — President of a Club amost sanguinary violent Democrat known to Genl Braithwaite for his infamous Conduct to Coll Merchant and to every individual as most dangerous demagogue. —

Le Normand — a very dangerous Character rendered more so by his abilities

Louis Ferray — a violent Democrat

Joly ..... One of the Party.

Jules ..... a Sanguinary Villain

Morpin ..... Do ..... Do

Villefranche .. So dangerous and seditious that General Floyd was obliged in 1793 to send him Prisoner to Vellore

Ferrier ..... Receiver of the French Deserters from the Prison of Madras one of whom he Natu was concealed with him at the time of embarkation Sent on Board. —

Pottier ..... A Civil prisoner of War a dangerous democrat who attempted to Carry concealed arms on Board the Triton. —

Aubert ..... A Turbulent seditious man sent in 1795 prisoner to Chinglepet by Coll. Sterling by Order of Government

Carcassone ..... a most abondoned Profligate

Jacque Mercier .. a Democrat of the first order

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Bertaud St. Michel — an infamous Subject
Boutroux ..... a Republican officer made during the Seige by the municipality of Ponaicherry a violent democrat

François De Brande — Formerly aajutant of Mons.r Raymonds Corps

Bastien Richard ... a Turbulent Democrat

Du Pertre ..... an Officer of the Privateer Dugay Trouin received his passage money to proceed to the French Islands from Government but returned here from Pulo Penang.—

Pondicherry
22d. February 1799

/ Signed / R. M. Grant
Capt.n Comm.g

Roll of families of French Inhabitants embarked on the Triton with their particular discription Characters &c.a

President Boutrown — Married to a black women two Children

Du Pertre ..... married the Eve of his departure to a half Cast women whom he had formerly Kept

Louis Blanchette — Separated from his Wife three years ago and refused to support a Child which she brought him.—

Pottier ..... Separated from his Wife a half Cast Servant Woman 6 years ago.—

Bastien Richard — Married to a Black women with an adopted Child

Pelavoine ..... Two natural black Daughters

Morpin ..... Seven Black natural Children

D. Elbert ..... not married

Villefranche ..... Do Do Two natural Children

Wever ..... not married left a mother

Jules ..... Black Wife

Le Normand — Half Cast Wife and two Children

De Brande ..... Wife and Child a man of large property

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Rene Guillard ..... Wife and Child
Scobie ..... Wife - half Cast
Leard ..... D.o ..... D.o
Petit ..... Widower

Pondicherry
22.d February 1799

/Signed/ R.t M.r Grant
Capt.n Comm.g

Read the following Letter from Lieu.t Bell

Josias Webbe Esq.r
Secretary to Government

Sir,

From Lieutenant Bell states various queries relative to the evacuation of Pondicherry which he requests may be replied to.—

Captain Grant having delivered over the Command of Pondicherry and the further execution of the orders relatively to it evacuation to my Charge permit me to solicit an early reply to the few following points for my future guidance namely

Whether or not I shall be permitted to allow those french Officers for whom Colonel Fourfeville has already interceded himself on account age infirmity or being incumbered with large families to retire to Cuddalore?

If the Inhabitants are to accompany the Detachment to the Presidency whether married

or

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or Single Fathers of families or not?—

Should any the most respectable of these people Civil or military request to pursue their Journey without waiting for the Escort, am I at liberty to accede thereto?—

There are about one hundred and fifty Topasses in or about Pondicherry—how am I to act in respect to these must they also accompany me or am I to take no notice of them?—

More than two thirds of the Inhabitants being miserable poor they have applied to me for Carriage for their Baggage am I to supply them therewith—ultimately to be repaid by Government or how?—

Innumerable are the enquiries made where and in what manner Subsistances Pensions or Charities are to be paid to those persons who may remain or retire to Cuddalore after the evacuation has taken place and french Officers having families if obliged to leave them how they may devide their Subsistance with them?—

What shall I do with the Records of the different Offices here namely the Commanding Officers

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Town Major Fort adjutant &c. &c. of all the Books belonging thereto.

As I shall be in readiness to march in a few days, should the Commissary of Provisions fail to appear here am I to supply them in the usual manner? and finally may I solicit the subsistance for the month of February to be discharged as a matter of infinite importance to these people and families on leaving Pondicherry.

I venture to trouble you with these questions merely to avoid troubling you too frequently and am anxious for an immediate answer to be able to march from hence as soon as possible

I remain

&c &c

/ Signed / P. Bose

Lieut. Comm.g

Pondicherry
23d. February 1799

Read the following Letter from the Commandant at Pondicherry.

To Josiah Webbe Esq.r

Secretary to Government

Fort St. George

Sir

I have the Honor to inform you that the

From the Commandant at Pondicherry States farther particulars regarding the persons who had embarked on the Triton at Pondicherry Encloses a Certificate from the Parish Priest

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General list of Inhabitants of Pondicherry which I had the Honor to transmit to you was made out by an Order from Major Tolfrey wherein it was particularly desired that those having Families should specify the same — Their motives for neglecting to do so I know not altho I was afterwards informed they were apprehensive lest their Families should be sent along with themselves I can however assure you for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor General that those embarked are of the lowest order and most pernicious principles and their female Connections left behind mostly similar to those of our European Privates. —

I have the honor to be
&c &c
/Signed/ R. & M. Grant
Captn

Madras
26th. February 1799

N.B. I do myself the Honor of sending you a Certificate delivered to me by the Parish Priest of Pondicherry by which you will observe that some of those mentioned in my Return as having families are not married

/Signed/ R. & M. Grant

François

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François Hubert is lawfully married
Pilavoine is not married.—
Ville Franche is not married
Moraia_ is not married_ has seven natural Children
Jules is lawfully married.—
Louis Blanchette is lawfully married but being a good for nothing fellow has abondonned his Wife and a grown up Daughter all the Chiefs of Police have obliged the Husband to pay 2 Pag.s to his Wife out of the pension he receives from the English.—
Scolse is lawfully married.—
François Petit is a Widower Interred his Wife
D. Elbret is not married.—
Henry Wever is not married.

I Certify that this note is conformable to my Oath.—

/Signed/ F. Benoit
Cap.n Cure

A true Translation
/Signed/ G G Keble
French Translator

Resolved that in reply to the foregoing letters the following Letters be dispatched to —

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Pondicherry.—

To Captain R.c M.. Grant

Commanding at

Pondicherry

To the Commandant at Pondicherry. The Governor General is satisfied with the explanation which has been given him regarding the embarkation on the Triton and is now relieved from the uneasiness and anxiety he experienced on the first intimation he received of a number of heads of families having been embarked. Instructions given him regarding the evacuation of Pondicherry

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your Letters dated 22d and 26th ultimo.—

The explanation Contained in those Letters together with your personal Communications have relieved His Lordships mind from a weight of anxiety which was deeply impressed upon it by the apprehension of having occasioned severe but unintended distress by the execution of his Lordships late orders issued for the embarkation on the Triton under information which he had every reason to suppose Correct but which afterwards appeared to be defective and erroneous.—

His Lordship is now satisfied that the regular means had been taken by your predecessor for ascertaining the state of the French families that the list which was in Consequence delivered in to you by the public Officers and transmitted by you to

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His Lordship could not under the circumstances you have stated, have been Corrected - however erroneous at an earlier period - and that consequently the cause of defeating His Lordships intentions of exempting the heads of families from embarkation is imputable to those alone whoever Chiefly interested in the event.

The Governor General therefore feels great pleasure that the principle upon which His Lordship regulated the embarkation of the French Prisoners and Inhabitants from Pondicherry has not been rendered abortive by any error on your part in the execution of his orders and that the national Honor has been rescued from the inhumanity of separating the families by compulsion from their husbands and fathers.

Under the farther explanation which you have given upon this part of the Subject and your assurance that the recall of these men would not be acceptable to their families who you state will be fully Content with the provision intended to be made for them in India his Lordship has relinquished his first intention of bringing back from the Cape those heads of families whom he would have exempted from

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motives of humanity alone towards their wives and Children.—

I now proceed to give you the final Orders of the Governor General in Council for the evacuation of Pondicherry.—

The Collector of Cuddalore has been ordered to suspend the functions of the Courts at Pondicherry untill farther orders but the Salaries will be continued to the different members.—

The difficulty of removing the records of the Courts renders it escpredient that they should remain at Pondicherry if there should be no material objection such of the numbers of the Court as may be desirous of remaining at Pondicherry are at liberty to do so and you will give the remainder their options of retiring either to Cuddalore or the Presidency.—

The Officers in whose favor exception has already been made and those who in consideration—of infirmity age or the incumbrance of families are to be allowed the same indulgence are permitted to remain at Cuddalore or Pondicherry provided that you shall be satisfied either from their known principles or Situation

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in life there may be no fear of their engaging openly or clandestinely to promote the Service of Typpoo Sultaun

The whole of the remaining Officers who are not exempted on account of their age infirmity or incumberance of Family are to be brought down to the Presidency

The Inhabitants not included in the above discription together with as many of the topasses as can be secured married or Single are to be brought down under the guard of your Detachment

Should any of the Civil or military gentlemen with whose principles you have reason to be satisfied be desirous of travelling separately from the detachment you are at liberty to grant them permission

Such part of the Baggage of the Inhabitants Coming to the Presidency as can be conveyed on the Boats of Pondicherry is to be embarked on them under the protection of a small guard

The Military Board has been ordered to provide Carriage and provisions for such of the

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the Inhabitants and prisoners as may require it but if the regular Officers should not have made the necessary arrangement for this purpose you will endeavour to effect it by such means as may be in your power.

It is impossible for the Governor General to make an arrangement for the payment of the several pensions which it may be necessary to grant in Consequence of the evacuation of Pondicherry, untill his Lordship shall have received lists of the final distribution you may make but in order to prevent immediate difficulty I inclose an order upon the Collector of Cuddalore for five thousand Pagodas and you will signify to all persons who may remain at Pondicherry or Cuddalore that their Salaries or pensions are in future to be paid at Cuddalore

You will take particular care that the former Order for removing the whole of the Boats from Pondicherry together with all the large Catamarans may be fully Carried into effect.

As these orders provide for the complete evacuation of Pondicherry it will be unnecessary to leave any part

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of your Detachment behind you will therfore — march the whole of it down to the Presidency —

His Lordship is not aware that any point of consequence has been omitted in these instructions but as you were fully apprized in your conversation with the Governor General of his Lordships — intentions and wishes you will be able to provide for all Calls which may occur upon the principles on which the Embarkation of the prisoners and the evacuation of Pondicherry have been regulated —

I am
Sir
Your
Obt Servt

Fort St. George
1st March 1799

Signed J Webbe
Secy to Govt

Read the following letter from Lieut Bate —

Josias Webbe Esqr
Secretary to Government

Sir

Herewith I have the honor to transmit You a List / All / of aged and Infirm Persons and of

From Lieutenant Bate inclose papers from No 1 to 5 regarding the — Inhabitants of Pondicherry who was to be allowed to remain there He has furnished Copies of them to the Collectorat Cuddalore —

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of those possessing property in this Town with their respective Characters as far as information and my own Knowledge affords, who I conclude have the Right Honorable the Governor Generals sanction to reside here after my departure.

No 2. is the Engagement which to avoid delay I ventured to Call upon those persons to execute and with which they most chearfully acquiesced

No 3 is a duplicate of that Engagement with the several names clearly Copied that you might not suffer any difficulty in decyphering them as they are for the most part written by persons so infirm as to be scarcely able to hold a pen — I have also added thereto their ages and Complexion you will observe that of the total number on this list fifty Six are not under the age of 50 years and the rest not less than 40.

No 4 is a list of persons either half East Europeans Sons or a very few Europeans of a less advanced age, as also of some persons who are so ill as to have induced me to request the Garrison Surgeon to pronounce upon their Cases and for such of these latter

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latter I hold his Certificates to the former discription
I was induced to extend the indulgence of Government
either on account of large families or in Consideration
of the very Commendable duty which they exercise
in the support of bed-ridden or otherwise miserable
parents and from a Knowledge of their very inoffensive
Characters which I feel convinced render them
free from the intention or power to do wrong.—

I add A.5 containing the names of
the Members of the Courts of Revision and Superiors
they have also the Governments Express permission
to return to Cuddalore or proceed to the Presidency

I have furnished Messrs. White
and Lagence two of the oldest Inhabitants of this
Town with Copies of the Engagement A.2 and
have apprized every individual who remains
where he may refer whenever he wishes to Consult
it to prevent the plea of forgetfulness from standing
them in any stead hereafter.—

Permit me Sir. to add that in the
Course of this complex and allow me to say painful

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Service I stood alone and unassisted except in the
case of a few enquiries as to Character and property, and
even herein I reserved some decision from my own
observation if therefore I have erred I sincerely hope that
it will be ascribed to my Judgement and to no
want of Zeal for the public Service or real wish to meet
the wishes and pay due obedience to the Orders of the Right
Honorable the Governor General which believe me I have
exerted to the best of my abilitees.

I shall furnish Mr. Taylor with Duplicate Copies
of all these papers before I march I am now ready to do so and
experience delay but from the Provision and Tent Department
which I am in hourly expectation of receiving from Cuddalore

Tomorrow I shall do myself the Honor to forward
a List of about one hundred Inhabitants who are to
accompany me exclusive of the Prisoners of War

I doubt whether I shall remain here long
to receive your further Instructions but even on the march
I should be happy to have your reply in favor of those french
Officers Prisoners of War who are encumbered with large families
and information in what manner if they must proceed
they may leave a proportion of their pay with them

I have the Honor to remain &c &c

[Signed] P. Bose Lt Commanding

Pondicherry
2d February 1799

It is necessary to inform you that Mr Taylor immediately after the
departure of Captain Grant appointed me Chief the Police that the
duties of the Town might suffer no interruption or myself no obstruction in
the execution of the present busine. Pardon inaccuracies as I have not time

Copy

[Signed] P. B.

List

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List of Aged and infirm Persons Inhabitants of Pondicherry permitted to remain after the Evacuation

Names	age	Character	Remarks
L'Nasseur	50	Of Inoffensive Conduct	Possessing property and enjoying a pension from Government
Magrony	60	Do	Do Do
Camus	71	Do	Infirm Invalid Do Do
Fontaeg	72	Do	Very Infirm
Dupont dit monbeage	64	a Respectable man	Do Do
Roque fort	50		Do Do
Renau	63	Inoffensive	An Invalid Do Do
Manneurre	73		Very Infirm
Correa	55	Inoffensive	Do Do
Massonnot	71	A very good man	Do Do
Lagrenee	70	A quiet man	Infirm a Gentleman
Dumas	75	Inoffensive	Very Infirm
Listache	51	A man of most respectable Conduct	Possessing large property in the Town

List of Aged & Infirm Persons Inhabitants of Pondicherry permitted to remain after the Evacuation 1795

No. 1. Fort St. George 1st March 1799.

Regnaudet	56	Inoffensive	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.
Adampere	50		Possessing property a large family			
Faure	52	a Gentleman of very respectable Chairac.rs	Do.	Do.	Do.	
Dacosta	60	Inoffensive	Infirm — Half Cast			
Bourneoy Senr	55		Very ill — remains on a sick Certificate			
Le Begue	68	Do.	Very Infirm			
Pierot	63	Do.	Do.	Do.		
Norel	66	Do.	Do.	Do.		
Rouxclot	60	Do.	Quite Worn out			
Bayet pere	68	a very good Character	Bed ridden			
Sicé pere	82	Inoffensive	very infirm			
Delarche pere	70	a very respectable old Gentleman	Do.	Do.	large property	
Menessier	71	Inoffensive	Do.	Do.		Pensioned
Biche pere	74	Do.	Do.	Do.		Do.
Fanthomepere	54	Do.	Infirm			Do.
Mention	52	Do.	Paralitic Regr Choultry Court			Do.
Asson Pere	50	Do.	Infirm — Half Cast			
Wiletecke	50	Do.	Do.	Do.		
Paulle	58	a good old man	Do.			
Compre pere	60	Inoffensive	Perfectly blind			
De Saligny pere	58	Do.	very Sickly			
C. D'Embrun	56	Do.	very infirm			
Labat pere	55	Do.	Do.			
Jean Mellois	50		Do.			
Sauvagere	50	Of regular Conduct	Do. a Gentleman of large property			

Names	age	Character	Remarks
Kreaan	55	very Inoffensive	very infirm
Brunel pere	71	Do	Do Half Cast
Vesseir pere	60	Do	Infirm
Templier pere	59	Do	Do
Bartro	52	Do	a Gentleman of some property
Lebrun dit Leigeois pere	64	very In Offensive	Infirm
Nicolas pere	53	a very good man	Do
Viniriez	52	Inoffensive	Do Asst Surgeon receives a Pension
Bruneau	50	Do	Surgeon Do
Lenoir pere	55	Do	Do
Blin pere	65	a respectable Gentleman	very infirm possessing large property
P.e Meder	58	Do Do	Do possessing property
Casannore	65		a Gentleman Do Do
B. Cornet	54	In offensive	Do Do a family of Six Children Do
Lidire	52	Do	Infirm
Lamoury pere	54	a very good man	Do upwards of 10 yrs Police Sergeant Do
Jaques Cornet	58	Do	Do
Laforgue	49		Left behind on a sick Certificate very ill
Augustin Dauzas	46	Do	Very Sickly - large Property
Desontaine pere	50	Do	almost bed ridden

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Sonneral	50		a cripple owing to frequent attacks of the Gout D°.
Jean Milfant	50	Inoffensive	Member of the Court of the Revesion
P. Launay	56	D°.	very Infirm D°.
Joannes Sinnan	42		a Certificate from his Infancy Man of very Considerable
D°. Quintual	41	D°.	a Topasses very Infirm
F. N. D. Bontet	56		List on Certificate as unable to march owing to his great infirmities large family and some property
J. B.te Bonnetal	47	a very good man	Infirm Surgeon
Cesar Gamben	40		Lame, produces a Certificate from the Surgeon that his Wife is so dangerously ill that his removal might accelerate her death. —

/ Signed / P Base
Lieut. Commanding

Fort St. Roger 1.re March 1794

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Fort S. George 1.st March 1799 --

We the undersigned Inhabitants of Pondicherry do engage and swear in the presence of Mr. Bose Commandant and Chief of Police at Pondicherry — that we will not either directly or indirectly give any assistance to the Enemies of the British Government during the present War either with any european state with Tippoo Sultaun, or with any native Prince — that we will not Carry on a Correspondence either with the said Enemies or their agents — that we will not be induced to form for them any depots of arms — ammunition Provisions &c. or Recruit for them in the said Town of Pondicherry under pain of being sent Prisoners to any place the English Government may think proper to Choose. —

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Signed	Comte A.de Baurset		J.B.te Bruno	50	Mention	52
	Sauvageire	50	Fanthome Senr.	"	Labat Senr.	55
	Laforgue	49	Collin	"	Remplier Senr.	59
	Regnaudet	56	Bonnefay	55	Lebrun Set down as	
	Fr.ois Jonneau	71	By Camus		from Liege	64
	Fr. White	46	Mayony	60	Le embrun	55
	Birch	74	Fonlacq	72	Mallon	50
	Sonnerat	50	Arson Senr.	50	A.t Pourcan	"
	Jean Jannian	42	Roufiac Senr.	50	La roche Paillur	58
	Levasseur	56	Wilstecke	"	Brunet	74
	Lemesle		Le Sicé		Bayoud	"
	Lagrence		Compere Senr.	60	Petron	"
	Blin Senr.		De la Seigny	58	Marcelly	"

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Guerie	"	Manceaux		Bouchey	
Bayet Juns.	"	D Quaintual		St Selon Bouche	45
Bluiac Lamaire	"	P Launay	46	Jacob Birch	40
A Bartis	52	Prevot	63	Lamoingelent	50
Bonnetat	47	Baryon	40	P Lamorny	"
Muffant	50	Ed Gillire	"	Limousin	"
Danzas	46	Daville	"	P Lanoy Jun	"
Barsac	47	J De Fontaines Sen	50	Rencontre	"
Menessier	44	Gambin	40	Richardin	43
Lafosse	"	Dupont ait		Renause	63
Kredan	55	Montrocaze	64	Daviot	"
B Cornet	54	Lanoy Sen	56	Ch! Rusel	"
J Cornet	"	Ch! Jaure	52	Camus	44
J Bte Bane	"	Auguste Vanloo			
Casanove	65	De Chougy	"	Michel	40
Manneuvre	43	Pochont	41	P Mounier	"
Roguefor	50	Lestorche	51	Finivin	52
Nouvel	66	De Gouspil	"		
Le Begue marked	68	De Larche Senr	44		
Adam Senr	50	Meder	58		
Tessier Senr	60	a Blin	"		
Bayet Senr	60	P St Paul Senr	"		
Pallu	53	La Sorgue Junr	"		
Lenoir marked	55	Dacorta	69		
Laure	52	Durieux Senr	45		
Gallyot	"	Sue Senr marked	42		
D Damoy	"	D Coma Senr	55		
Leroux	"	In D. Boutet	45		

/ A true Translation /

/ Signed / G G Keble

French Translator

List

List of Persons permitted to Reside in Pondicherry and for what reasons.

Names	age	Character	Remarks
Pierre Lasosse	38	An offensive man	has a large family and much property
F Barron	40	Do	Do Do Do Country born
Louis Baissac	47	Do	Do Do Do
Gallyot	31	Do	Do Half Cast
Clos gilles	24	Do	Do Keeps a school for poor Children half Cast
Dom Damoy	28	Do	Left behind at the intercession of several families whose Children he teaches half Cast
By Carnuf	32	a very good Character	has a large family half Cast writes for Mr Faure
Ne Marcilly	38	a very quiet man	has a large family and property
Pierre Leroux	35	Very inoffensive	Topass possessing some property
Le Meyte	35		The only Apothecary here whose removal would subject the
Silvin Bouche	45	Very Inoffensive	of a large family and some property
Richardin	43	Very respectable man	large family and property half Cast

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Louis Morceau	37	very inoffensive	Half Cast my arthmatic
G.F.A. White	46		A merchant of Considerable property the only remaining palmer of Mons.r Mercier sent to Europe on the Triton all the affairs of the firm being left to his Conduct represents his removal as dangerous to his numerous Constituents &c. &c. left till the further pleasure of Government is taken
F.B. Bucher	37	A man of very good chat.	Notary Public Charged with Documents and Records involving a great part of the property public and private of this Town left until further Orders.
F. Saul Cadet	32	D.o D.o	D.o a Gentleman of Large family and some property
F.B.te Barre	38	a quiet man	Left in Charge of Mons.r Carsenacs house of agency in Similar Circumstances to Mons.r Whites
Bayet fils	23	very good Young man	Left to the Solicitations of a bed ridden Father
Louis Sice	28	D.o	Half Cast Left to take Care of his old Father aged 82 Years
F. Rencontre	31	D.o	D.o Watch maker large family and some property
P. Monier	31	D.o	of large family and property

Names	age	Character	Remarks
Sosbehont	41	of very regular good Conduct	The only Medical man Consulted by the whole of the families here - his removal would be most severely felt - Left to his
Lanoy fils	14	a good Boy	Left to his numerous family of Sisters and aged Father his Brother goes to the Presidency -
Blin fils	31	A Simpleton	Pensioned
Blin fils Cadet	30	A good man	Attorney for the property of absent Persons Pensioned
L Limousin	34	Inoffensive	Topass with a large family
Eugene Lemon	34	a good Character	Bed ridden
Lieut. A.C. Bouffet	34	Do.	Do. An Emigrant Officer in India by Consent of the Honorable the Court of Directors.
Louis Goupil	31	A very good young man	An Emigrant Officer served on the Continent brother in Law of Mons. Leblache.
Biche fils	40	Inoffensive	Topass - family -

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Y. Bayoud	35	well behaved man	Topographer Dy to Captain Conway Inspector of Roads large family
A. F. Sourcain	29		Left on a Sick Certificate very ill of a Consumption
Thos. Russel	40	Inoffensive	Very dark family – great distress
Leonard Michel	40	Do.	In Charge of Six Orphans and of their little property exclusive of his own family
Daniel fete	27	Do.	Very dark large family in great misery
P. Lemoury	26	Do.	Half Cast Do. Do. Do.
F. Rodrigues		Do.	Topass with a large distressed family

Port L. Prayer 14th March 1799

/ Signed P Bose
Lieut Commg

Member

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Members of the Superior Council and Council of Revision who have the option of retiring to Cuddalore or to Proceed to the Presidency

Monsieur Mottet Senior - President
" Gerard
" Beaufort
" St.e Paul Aine
" Collin

Guerre Greffier en Chef

Of Revision

Monsieur Changy
" Sonneral
" Mottet Junior Secretary

[Signed] P Bruce

"

" Clive

"

" W.m Petrie

" Ell.t Fullofield

A. Barclay
Capt.n

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Diary

2d Received the following letters

To Josiah Webbe Esqr

Secretary to Government

Sir,

I request you to lay before the Right

From Major General Braithwaite enclosing Sick Certificate granted to Cornet Gaisk of the 29th Dragoons which he requests may be admitted to the Invalid passage Money granted Requests that Major Swinton of the 36th Regiment may be provided with a Passage to England states the Circumstances which have placed him under the necessity of returning to Europe Recommends that Capt. Brown as acting Brigade Major to the Kings Troops be permitted to draws the allowances attached to that situation. —

Honorable the Governor General in Council, the enclosed

Certificate which accompanied an application from Lieut.

Colonel Gordon Commanding His Majesty's 29th Regiment

of Dragoon for leave for Cornet Thomas Gaisk of that Regi-

ment to proceed to Europe for the benefit of his health

which I hope will be acceded to with the indulgence

usually granted on such occasions. —

I request of you, Sir also to state that

I have been directed by the Commander in Chief, on his

name to apply to the Right Honorable the Governor-

General in Council that Major Swinton may be provided

with a passage to England by the earliest opportunity at

the public expence. Major Swinton was in the Field, a

Captain in His Majesty's 74th Regiment, but by the late

promotion made by the Commander in Chief in India,

was

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was promoted to the Rank of Major in His Majestys
36 Regiment, vice Major Coleman removed to His —
Majestys 84.th Regiment Major Swinton therefore —
stands exactly in the place of Major Colemen late of
the 36.th Regiment, who was about to be provided with a
passage, in consequence of the Officers and Colours of that
Regiment having been ordered to return to Europe; and
as the Commander in Chief in the Field could not
accede to Major Swintons Request to continue to —
serve with the Army in the Field, he is desirous that he
should be provided with an early conveyance to Europe

I request of you, Sir, also to state my —
recommendation, that Captain Browne, who by
the recommendation of Lieutenant General Harris
has been approved by the Commander in Chief in
India as the Officer to act as Brigade Major to the
Kings Troops at this Presidency until further orders
should draw the allowances attached to that station so
long as he shall continue to act.

Madras
March 5.th 1799 —

I have the honor to be
S.r &c.
Signed John Braithwaite

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We hereby certify, that we have attended Cornet William Thomas Gaell of His Majestys 29th Dragoon for several Months past during his illness. — and are of opinion that he should return to Europe for the recovery of his health. —

Sworn to in Fort St. George this 28th February 1799 before me

(Signed) Alext. Cockburn
Mayor.

(Signed) Pat. Paterson Surgeon 29th L. D.
" John Fishor a/st. Surgeon 29th L. D.

We declare upon Oath that in our Opinion the above named Cornet William Thomas Gaell of His Majestys 29th Dragoons should return to Europe for the benefit of his health. —

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Josiah Webbe Esqr.
Secretary to Government

Sir.

I have the honor to inform you, that I arrived here this Morning, and found every thing in great forwardness for moving, as far as depended on the necessary arrangement

From the Commandant at Pondichery — States that on his Return to Pondichery he had found every thing in great forwardness for moving Encloses a Petition from two of the Inha= bitants Requesting

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Arrangements for the evacuation of the Town the Tents and Provisions had not yet arrived from Cuddalore; indeed we wait only for these and the Money to Move off immediately. The most respectable of the Inhabitants had Represented to Lieutenant Bose, the very great distress which the total removal of the Boats would occasion. I refer you to the enclosed letter for the reasons which gave rise to the request for leaving a couple of them for landing such grain as May come to this port hereafter: all hopes of supplies by land being frustrated by reason of the late drought. As I cannot expect an Answer on this Subject ere 1 March, I shall send two Boats, which are private property of persons here, to Cuddalore, that in the event of a favorable reply, Mr. Taylor May send them to this Port. I have also Received a Petition from the same persons in the Name of the Remaining Inhabitants, praying that some Measures might be adopted for the security of their persons and property after any Removal from hence they instanced the great distress to which they had been reduced after the former Evacuation when the Naval or Military Outwall left to attend to the safety of the Town, robbed and plundered them unmercifully

that some of the Boats may be allowed to Remain there. Suggests that for the Security of the Inhabitants who are to remain at Pondichery the police Department may be entrusted to the former deputies. Requests to be Reimbursed in the expences he had incurred in his late journey to the Presidency.

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unmercifully — from this circumstance I am led to request
of you, to solicit the Right Honorable the Governor General
to Continue the functions of the Police Department of
this place, under the Gentlemen who have so long acted
as Deputies, whose Principles and Integrity are well
Known, & Mesficiency & Ride and Sefebare — as a Measure —
that would contribute to the Trangiility of the Inhabitants
secure their property, and be the means of securing the —
intelligence of any extraordinary occurrence after the removal
of the Troops — the expence of this tribunal might
be considerably lessen'd a few Peons and a writer or two
with these Gentlemen's Salary would be sufficient for
this purpose, and they might become the Keepers of all
the Records of this Office, which are voluminous, and
with which I really do not know how to act. ——

May I also intreat of you to mention
to his Lordship, the great expence which my late visit
to the Presidency has subjected me to — had I had ever
the means of providing beyond the Necessities of the day
since I came into the Service, I certainly would not trouble
his Lordship upon a matter of so trifling a Nature —
excuse the paper I am reduced to write upon; my —
expenditure since some time past has been so Considerable

that

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another Ono less interesting Viz.t the safety of the Inhabi=
=tants of this City — all that we hear on the subject is
alarming — we are assured that we are to be left without
the slightest Garrison if so we shall be exposed to
innumerable dangers which are too evident to make it
necessary to enter into a detail of them. ——

We flatter ourselves Sir that you will
have the goodness to represent our situation to the Govern=
=ment of Madras — which should a War actually
take place with Tippoo Sultaun — would be dreadful=
Extreme. —

Pondicherry 27.th February 1799

/Signed/ Lafrenie Delarche

A true Translation

/Signed/ G.n Gkeble
French Translator

To the Earl of Mornington K.n P.n
Governor general in Council
&c &c &c
Fort S. George

From the Governor of Ceylon - Encloses an Embarkation Return of five Companies of His Majestys 19.th Regiment of Foot. —

My Lord,

I have the honor to enclose for the
information of your Lordship in Council Copy of the

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Embarkation Returns of the five Companies of His Majesty's 19th Regiment embarked on board the Ship Joyce Mr. William Jolly Commander; and the Snow Gustavus Mr. Charles Stewart, to be landed at Nagapatam.—

The Joyce sailed Yesterday and the Gustavus will sail this night.—

I have the honor to be

&c &c

/ Signed / Frederic North

Columbo
19th February 1799—

Embarkation Return of 5 Companies of His Majesty's 19th Regiment to be Embarked on Board the Ships Joyce and Gustavus—

	Commissioned Officers	Non Commissioned Officers	Drummers & Fifers	Rank & File	Followers			
	Staff	Sergeants			Men	Women	Children	Total
Lieut. Colonels								
Majors								
Captains	3	11	12	408	22	19	10	51
Subalterns	1	15						
Staff								
Total	26			446				

On Board the Joyce

Commissioned Officers and Staff	11
Non Commissioned Drums Rank & File	350
Officers Servants and Cook Boys	15
Woman and Childrens	20
Total	396

On Board the Gustavus

Commissioned Officers and Staff	4
Non Commissioned Drums Rank & File	96
Officers Servants and Cook Boys	7
Women and Children	9
Total	116

A true Copy / Signed / W. Boyd / Signed / J. Willson Actg Dupy Judge Genl

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Sent the following letter

To Major General Brathwaite

Sir

I am directed to acquaint you that accounts have been Received of an insurrection in the Kimmedy Zemindary which from the present paucity of troops in the district of Vizagapatam may be attended with peculiar inconvenience the Governor General in Council therefore desires that you will endeavour to make such a disposition of the Regular troops as may enable them to suppress this disturbance, or that in concert with the Commanding Officer of the District you will endeavour to augment the Corps of Sibbendy or to raise temporary troops to such an extent and of such a discription as you may judge adequate to the Nature of the Service.

It is the intention of the Governor General in Council to embark the French Prisoners at present confined at Vizagapatam on the Honorable Company's Ships Walpole and Dublin which his Lordship is about to dispatch to the Northward.

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To Major General Brathwaite informing him the Serious disturbances have broken out in the Kimidy District & Directing him to take such measures as he may in Consequence Judge Necessary. The french Prisoners at Vizagapatam will be embarked on the Dublin & Walpole Indiamen who will be shortly dispatched for that Quarter.

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

Rec.d 11th
Received and Sent the undermentioned
letters entered in Mc B. Nos. 17 18 19

From the Resident at Cuddalore —

From Mr. Kinchant requests that the establishment of a Militia at Cuddalore may be authorized agreeably to the plan he proposes. —

From the Master of the Ship Penang —

From Captain Young States that he is unable to make the Advances required by the Regulations of Government from those in the command of Country Vessels who have the loan of Arms from the public Stores Repeats the grounds of his application. —

To Major General Brathwaite —

To Major General Brathwaite informing him that it is the wish of the Board that Lieutenant Nuthall be sent to Hydrabad for the purpose of Making a selection of the horses that have been offered by the Nizam for the service of the Company — he is directed to furnish him with the instructions he may judge necessary, and he is to be particularly desired to inform the Collector at Guntoor and the Commanding Officer at Nellore what quantity

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quantity of Grain he is likely to require for his party.

3. Received the following letter

To the Right Honorable

The Earl of Mornington K.P.

Governor General in Council

&c &c &c

My Lord,

1st We have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Mr. Secretary Webbe's letter of the 26th Ultimo and to report that the requisite instructions have been given for landing from the Honorable Company's Ships Dublin and Walpole the Military Stores consigned to this Presidency

2d We do ourselves the honour to forward for your Lordship's information Copies of the Garrison Store = =Keepers Reports of Paddy issued and remaining and Rice received, at Vellore and Arnee respectively on the 25th February

3d Lieutenant De Haviland, the Officer of the Engineers charged with the execution of the reform of the Fortifications of Dindigul, having in consequence of a communication by our Board of the orders of Government that he should "be careful during the progress of the Work not to "lay the Fort open to an attack of the Enemy;" transmitted to us

From the Military Board The necessary instructions have been given for landing from the Dublin & Walpole the Military Stores consigned to the Presidency - Copies of the Reports of the Garrison Storekeepers at Vellore & Arnee to the 25th ultimo enclosed - Copy of a Letter from Lieut. De Haveland of the Engineers enclosed together with a plan containing alterations which he suggests should be made in the Reform to the fortifications at Dindigul originally proposed -

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us Plan of some alterations, the adoption of which he is of opinion will be the Means of preventing the Fort being too much exposed, and it being the opinion of the Chief Engineer that the alterations proposed are judicious, and that their being carried into effect will not be productive of an encrease of expence, We do ourselves the honor to transmit Copy of Lieutenant De Havelands Letter together with Plan of the alterations suggested, and Recommend in the event of their meeting your Lordships's approval that the execution thereof may be authorized.

We have the honor to be

Fort St. George
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&c &c

(Signed) John Brathwaite
Patrick Ross

Report,

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Report of Paddy and Rice issued and Remaineng. and Rice Received at Arnee 25th. February 1799.-

	Paddy in Store -	Rice in Store -
Remaining on the 18th. February as p last Report ——	G. 559. 335 l.	50 " "
Issued from 18th to this day ——	16. 100. "	" " "
Received from D. to D. ——	" " "	7. 200. "
Remaineng ——	543. 235 l.	57. 200. "

/Signed/ I. H. Skardon
G. Storekeeper

a true Copy

/Signed/ John Macleane
Depty Secry & Military Board.

Report of Paddy and Rice Issued and Remaining. and Rice Received at Vellore 25th February 1799

	Paddy in Store -	Rice in Store -	Bengal Rice Received from Mr. Brodie G. S. Madras
Remaining on the 18th February as p last Report	207. 375. 5/8	97. 212. 9	28. 200. "
Received from 18th to this day ——	" " "	14. 100. "	27. 112. "
	207. 375. 5/8	111. 312. 9	55. 312. "
Issued from 18th to this day ——	30. 350. "	33. 372. 11	" " "
Remaineng ——	177. 25. 5/8	77. 339. 10	55. 312. "

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Particular of Issues of Rice from 18th to 25th February 1799

	Garces	m	S
Delivered to Nagapah Chitty as p Order from Commander in Chief	13	90	6
Delivered to Ysent Row Gomastah of appagee Row Colonel Reads agent as p Order from the Commander in Chief	9	12	6
Delivered Ramoo Gomastah of Ramchunder Naick as p Certificate from Captain John Malcolm, Assistant Resident with his Highness the Nezam as p Order from the Commander in Chief	2	25	
Delivered to Murgu Gomastah of Tollah Naick do do do	2	231	3
Delivered to Major Corner Commissary of Provisions as p indent Countersigned by Commander in Chief	4	317	3
Delivered to Lieutenant Colonel Mcat Commanding 1st Battalion 8th Regiment Native Infantry by Order of the Commander in Chief	2	96	11
Garce	33	372	11

Atrue Copy

/Signed/ I H. Skardon
Garrison Storekeeper.

/Signed/ John Maclean
Depty. Secry. Military Board.

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To Major General Ross,

Chief Engineer,

Fort St George,

Sir,

Having received instructions from the Military Board through Major General Floyd when I was Ordered thither to Carry into Execution the Reform of the Fortifications, "to avoid as much as possible laying open the Fort so as materially to Weaken its defence during the progress of the Work" I consider it my duty to Suggest some trifling alterations in the disposition of the Case=mates, to prevent weakening the defence of the Fort during their construction. —

In the Oregenal plan it was proposed to have part of the Casemates, on the interior of some of the Towers on the North face, by first Removing the Earth with which they are at present filled but now that every thing wears the aspect of an approaching War, I think it would be imprudent to-

any of those Towers on that face, since on them only Can Cannon be brought to oppose an attack

attack on that which is the accessible side of the Rock.—

In lieu therefore of having Casements in the Towers they may be Constructed in the Curtains. by making the Rampart a little wider in some places and in others by Scarping part of the Rock the Expence will I find be nearly the same Since the labour of first moving the Earth out of the Towers will be saved and will about make up for the excess of Rampart and Masonry this alteration may Occasion. —

The Casemates will also have the advantage of being some what more airy than on the Original Plan. —

I beg also to propose a deviation in the Construction of the Cavilier at the North East angle to Move it a little more to the Eastward so as to Cover the East Face better from an Enemy's Enfilade, and to have Room to include in the Casemates underneath those in the interior of the Tower adjoining. —

I have the honor of enclosing a Plan, better to Elucidate these improvements. —

My Reason for not placing the Cavalier thus

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in my former plan, was a doubt I had whether the Revetment of the Tower O.Z. was Sufficiently Strong to be Raised to a Height of 33 feet it is now 27 Butts.— I have since my arrival here learned from the Maistry himself who Superin= =tends the Building of it that it is throughly Solid of Stone and Strong Cement like the rest of the Works here, it is about 9 Feet thick at Bottom with a Slope of only 2 1/4 so that I am under no apprehensions of its failing — particularly as the intermediate Wall : O K: connected with it answers the purpose of a Strong Buttress, and that the length of the Revetment O.Z. L: is so small this alterating besides including the Casemates in the Tower adjoining will give Room for 10 Men & more — the Saving of Masonry in the — Revetment will be nearly equivalent to the excess of arch Work and Earth for the Rampart. —

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I trust these Suggestions may —
appear to you Judicious and that you will
have the Goodness to authorize the alterations
till then I shall proceed with the rest of the
Works. —

I have the honor of enclosing
a List of Tools and other articles I have received
from the public Stores for the use of the Works. —
On the 21st Ultimo I had the
honor of addressing you on the Subject of the Doors
for the new Works stating the necessity of an
Encrease on the Rates they are put down at in
the Estimate from the advanced prices, Timber
Iron and Lead now bear — But having received
the two last articles from the Stores. on the 4
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Charge I shall beg to make, is the Carriage of the
Timber from the Coast to this place. —

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Rivers which I shall do as soon as possible.—

I have also received a Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Browns Brigade Major, directing me to prepare to take the Field with the Southern Detachment, and to be in readiness to Move with it on the 28th Current.—

As I suppose it will be proper that Ensign Bradley comes here to take Charge of the Works at this Station I have this day Written to Lieutenant Colonel Brown to that effect.—

I have the honor to be

Y.r a V.e

/Signed/ Thomas D. Havilland
Lieut. & Asst. Engr. S. D.

Dindigul
February 14th 1799

A true Copy.
/Signed/ Patrick Ross
Chief Engineer M.G.

A true Copy
/Signed/ John Macleane
Deputy Secry. Mily. Bd.

Josiah

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To

Josiah Webbe Esqr.

Secretary to Government,

Sir,

For the information of the Right Honble the Governor General in Council I have the honor to acquaint you that the Brahmins Inhabiting the Pagoda on the Rock within the Fort have these seven days been in

From the Officer Commanding the Southern Division gives an account of a Disturbance having broken out among the Brahmins at Trechinopaly details the Causes of & Encloses a private Letter from Mr Hawkins on the Subject—

a State of Disorder, and Rebellion against the Authority of the Circar, and of Contumacy to the Commanding Officer; the cause of which I will do myself the Honor to state with — precision, — and as briefly as the Circumstances admit. —

The Country between this and Carour being extremely favorable for the operation of a Telegraph, it was intended immediately to make the Experement of its effect at

private

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Private Expence as far as Sawjeum
or Curtallum Rock, which is half way
between Trechinopoly and Carroor —
Towards progress Mr Baynmaster
Hawkins directed his head Servant a
Braminy to tell the Brahmens of the Pagoda
on the Rock that he wished to have their
leave to build a parapet Wall three or
four feet high on the West side of the
Toh. of the Choultry for the purpose of fixing
Bamboos to which the Signal Balls were to
be placed. —

They did not readily give
into the Request but upon Representing the
experiment to be for the public benefit they
answered "Master Might do as he pleased. —

Some Bricks and Chunam
Were then sent up to the Choultry
on the Submit of the Rock where the
Nabobs Flag staff is erected which is at a

Considerable

considerable distance from the Pagoda, and entirely unconnec-
-ted with it. —

Hearing that Complaints had been made
M. Hawkins concerning the readiest way to remove the Cau-
-se was by going to the spot and shewing what he wished
to be done; he did so, and was met by five or Six of the
principal Brahmins who went with him to the Top
of the Cautry. ——

Upon pointing out where he wished to
have the Wall built, they asked him why he could not
fix the Bamboos and Signal Balls to the Flag Staff
when he replied "he did not think the purpose would be
"so well answered or he would not have asked their leave
"to build the Wall". ——

After much conversation they said they
believed the intention was good, but that they were afraid
to give their Consent on account of the people of the Circar
who would make it a pretext to seize on some of their priviledges.

M. Hawkins then told them they had
nothing to fear. that if a Grain of Rice was taken —
from them, they ought to make their Complaint to the
Commanding Officer, who would report on the Matter to

the

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the Governor — That the power under which they lived was protected by the Company, and that no Injustice would be permitted. —

They then proposed that he should sign a paper in conjunction with the Commanding Officer that the wall should be removed when the War was over. —

To this he having readily assented they spoke together for a considerable time, and at last told him they would send some of their Number to his House to let him know what they might agree on; he at the same time assuring them that not a Brick should be laid but with their consent. —

In the Evening two of them came to his Office and told his Head Servant that consent would be given provided he gave them the paper they required Mr. Hawkins desired they would call the next morning and such a paper as they wished should be made out signed and delivered to them. —

Next Morning it appeared that some others who were not so well inclined had the address to prevail

on

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on them to with draw the Consent they had given —

Three of the signal Balls formed of wicker

and covered with leather of different Colours having been —

prepared were this day sent up the Rock to the Choultry

and by directions of Mr Hawkins and Captain Gellem —

hoisted on the stays and shrouds of the Flag Staff to —

enable them to determine at what distance they could be seen —

When the last was put up all the Pan-

-darums Brahmins &c of the Pagoda got on the Top of

it displayed their Flags beat Tom Toms and sounded their

Trumpets and Cymbals to induce the Bazar people to shut

their Shops, the artizans and Cultivators to discontinue —

their work and labour and thus to carry their point by —

causing genral Inconveniince and Distress ——

It appearing that the Brick and Chunam

which had been carried up to the Choultry had excited —

apprehensions that a permanent building was about to be

built there, and that hence arose their ill humours and the

tumultuous Noise and disturbance they persevered in making

from Morning till Night Mr Hawkins directed that the

Bricks

Bricks and Chunam should be immediately brought down which was done accordingly. —

This however failing to pacify them and it being now reported that the three signal Balls which had been left hoisted to the Shrouds of the — Nabob's Flag Staff were the cause of their continued — Noise and disturbance, I enquired of Mr. Hawkins Brahmen, and some other respectable Natives of the Gentoo and Malabar Cast whether the signal Balls in the position they now were should cause any dissatisfaction or give the Brahmens of the Pagoda any reasonable cause of complaint and being answered in the Negative I sent to desire Meer Cuddubuddeen Cawn the Nabob's Manager to send for the principal Brahmins to his Cutcherry and to explain the matter to them in the way I had mentioned.

On being sent for they refused to go and the manager sent me notice that they were greatly in fault that he should represent their Misbehaviour to the Nabob, and begging that I might not

also State it to Government. —

With the Reason I had to impute this unaccountable conduct of the Brahmins to the misrepresentations of Mischievous persons, and the hope I entertained of removing the impression by the Communication I intended to have with the Brahmins in the Course of the following day. I was unwilling to intrude on the Notice of Government a Matter for which I could with so little certainty account. —

Yesterday having sent for the Nabobs Manager and for Coodinda Appilly the Amildar of Trichinapoly in the presence of Mr. Hawkins I asked the latter who is a follower of Shewn to whom the Pagoda on the Rock is dedicated whether the three Signal Balls / continuing still hoisted to the stays of the Nabobs Flag staff were reasonable Cause of dissatisfaction to the Pagoda Brahmins he answered in the Negative & said he was informed they were still apprehensive that a permanent building was intended to be made on the Top of the Rock, and that they would not be convinced to the Contrary until the Balls were taken

down

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Comm.—

When proposed to the Manager to send the Aumildar accompanied with Mr. Hawkins Head Brahmen and a respectable Native on my part to give the Brahmins such assurances as seemed calculated to Remove their apprehensions, and to Desire two of the principal Brahmins to come to Receive these assurances at my house, where the Manager Mr. Hawkins and I should wait their arrival.—

After the Aumildar and others had been about three hours absent. They returned saying the Brahmins were in a state too tumultuous to hearken to reason and that they were determined to persevere in Making Noise and disturbance until the Balls were taken down.—

The Manager who had come to me before three in the afternoon was of opinion they ought not to be taken down and took leave at past seven in the Evening expressing a hope that he should be able to bring them to Reason in the Course of this day.—

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The Brahmins however having secretly employed their influence over the prejudices of the Bazar people and of the Shroffs prevailed on the former not to open their Shops this Morning and the latter to desert from the Duties of their profession. —

At 8 Clock this Morning the Manager by a Confidential Messenger requested of me that the Balls might be taken down — which would have — been complied with but that Mr. Hawkins with Capt.n Gillum had proceeded very early this Morning to Cur= =tallum Rock purposely to determine whether the Balls could with a Spy-Glass be Seen from thence. —

I therefore desired a Native on my part to go with the Messenger to assure Meer Cuddubud= =deen Cawn that the Balls should be taken down precisely by three oClock in the afternoon and to desire that he might send his man with mine to give this assurance to the Brahmins. and to require them immediately to cause the Bazar to be opened to take down their Flags and to discontinue their Noise and disturbance. —

On sending them still unreasonable Man on my part proposed to stay with them untill

three

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three o'Clock, and if according to my promise the Balls were not then taken down, they might throw him from the Top of the Pagoda.—

This had not any effect they continued their Noise and disturbance until the Balls were taken down at three o'clock Soon after which their Noise ceased but they continued to fly their Colours until dark and the Bazar is still shut.— J. P. M.

The foregoing simple and correct narrative will shew how contumacious and rebellious the Brahmins have been, and I have to request that their unreasonable conduct may be followed by some mark of the Displeasure of Government.—

The Telegraph I believe might to good public purpose and at a very trivial Expence be established from this to Caroor, thence to Namcul and the Baramahul, were permission given to coerce the proud prejudices of the Brahmins here and at Curtallum Hill so far as to shut them up, and confine them to their Bag[s] in event of their again attempting to throw obstacles in the way, and in this case I think I could by taking previously measures with the Bazar people & Shroffs

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put it out of the power of the Brahmens to bring the public under any Inconvenience. —

I have this Moment received intimation from the Manager. that the Brahmens require that I should send a person on my part and he a person on his part to request them to cause the Bazar to be opened

I have returned for answer to the Manager that he may send a person if he thinks proper but as in my public situation I find them to be great offenders I cannot send a person to make a Request of them: and I will hope that the Right Honble the Governor General in Council will approve of my conduct if I do not submit to such demeanor untill I may be compelled by Necessity arising out of public Distress. —

I have the honor to be
Gr.ca Gr.ca
" "
/Signed/ A Brown
Lt. Col. Comg. Sr. Divn

Trichinopoly
26th. February 1799. —

Dear Brown,

When the experiment of the Telegraph was proposed, I desired my Dubash to tell the Bramins of the Rock

inclined had the Management to prevail on them to withdraw the consent they had given— Captain Gillam bringing in three of the Balls we agreed to hoist on them on the Stays and & Shrouds of the Flagstaff— to enable us to determine at what distance they could be made use of— when the last was just up all the Bandarums, Bramins &c. of the Church got on the top of it— displayed their flags— beat Tom Toms and Sounded their trumpets and & Cymbals— the rest you are acquainted with being an eye witness.—

Yours

Trichinopoly
25th February 1799—

/Signed/ W. Hawkins

To Josiah Webbe Esqr.
Secretary to Government.

Sir,

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go to the Mount myself and upon the Spot give to Captain Grey instructions for his future conduct - as I conceive that the Galloping Guns / three pounders / which are destined for the Mount will now be ready in a few days I beg leave to recommend that measures may be taken to procure Horses for them - the Guns will require three Horses each. which are to move one before the other - and I would recommend that three be also provided for the Tumbril I propose to man these Guns by a Small detail of European Infantry lately arrived from the Eastward under the Command of a non commissioned officer of the artillery who will soon train them I have no doubt to the expert use of them. and as soon as they are any way fit for service. they shall be sent to the Mount which post I shall wish to be considerably reinforced when the means admit of it as I could wish it to establish several dependant posts communicating with each other by Signals — and even now as Captain Grant has been ordered to evacate Pondichery. and bring the three Companies under his Command to the Presidency

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Rock Church Iwished to have their leave to build a parapet wall three or four feet high on the West Side of the top of the Choultry for the purpose of fixing bamboos to which the Balls were to be placed— they did not readily give into the Request — but upon representing the experiment to be for the public benefit they answered: Master might do as he pleased: I ordered up some bricks and Chunam and a day or two afterwards hearing that complaints had been made I conceived the shortest way to deal with them was by going to the Spot myself and Shewing what I wished to have done— I did so and was met by five or Six of the head people who went with me to the top of the Choultry upon pointing out where I wanted to have the wall built they asked me why I could not fix the Bamboos and Balls to the Flagistaff— I replied that I did not think the purpose would be so well answered or I would not have asked their Leave to build the Wall— after a great deal of conversation they said they believed the intention was good but that they were afraid to give their consent

or

on account of the people of the Circar who would make it a pretext to Seige on some of their previlegges. Told them they had nothing to fear - that if a grain of Rice was taken from them they ought to make their Complaints to the Commanding Officer / or that I would send them / who would report on the Matter to the Governor — that the power under which they lived was protected by the Company, and that no injustice would be permitted They then proposed that I should sign a paper in Conjunction with the Commanding Officer that the Wall should be removed when the war was over & to this I readily assented — they talked together a long time and at last told me they would send some people to my house to let me know what they might & agree on. I at the same time declaring that - not a brick should be laid but with their Consent — in the evening two People came to my office and told my dubash that consent would be given provided I gave them the paper they required - I desired that they would call the next Morning and such a one as they wished should be made out signed and delivered to them — Next Morning it & appeared that some others who were not so well inclined

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Signed John Braithwaite

Madras
March 3d 1799 -

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On your arrival at Hyderabad, you are to report yourself to the Resident, and to receive and take under your Charge such Horses as he may cause to be delivered to you & when he shall Signify to you, that he has no more to deliver, you are to concert with him measures for your Return to the Carnatic and in consequence you are to Return with the detail under your Command, & the Horses under your Charge by such route & Such Stages as you may after communicating with the Resident determine to be most convenient and you are, previous to your leaving Hydrabad to Report to the Right Honble the Governor General in Council the Number of Horses delivered over to your Charge

and

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and the route you mean to pursue, specifying the Stages you mean to make all the way to the Presidency that Orders may be sent to the Collectors or others whom it may concern to prepare Sufficient Supplies of Grain & Provisions for you, in your route through the Company's Territories, or the Country of His Highness the Nabob. — It is taken for granted that you will concert with the Resident previous to your leaving Hydrabad, the Necessary Measures for your being Supplied with grain & Provisions in your Passage through the Country of His Highness the Nizam. —

As often as opportunities occur you are to report to the Right Honble the Governor General in Council your progress that your Wants if any, may be attended to and if no order to the contrary Meets you you are to make the best of your way with the details under your command, and the horses under your charge, to the Presidency. —

I have the honor to be
Sir &c &c
/Signed/ William Shaw.
Adjt Genl.
P. S.

Fort St George
2d March 1799.

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I have the honor to be
Yr.ca Yr.ca
[Signed] William Shaw.
Aj.t Adj.t Gen.l —
P. S.

Fort St George
2d. March 1799.

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P.S. Major Grant will dispatch to you by Coolies this Evening the arms you have applied to him for.

/Signed/ W. S.

A true Copy.

/Signed/ William Shaw

Aft. Adjt Genl.-

4th Received the following Letters.-

Josiah Webbe Esqr.

Secretary to Government.

Sir,

From the Officer Commanding the Southern Division Lieutenant Crump has been directed to send Vibert to the Presidency The Nabob has made an offer of four Elephants for the Service of the Southern detachment The Rajah of Tanjore has furnished four Elephants - states different particulars respecting the Selection of Horses that has been made from the Rajahs Stables - Mr. Torrin has liberally offered his own horses for the public Service - three of which have been accepted Preparations have been made for the arrival of the five Companies of the 19th Regiment expected at Negapatam states the total —

I have the honor to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letters of the 16th 19th & 21st Current in the Military Department and of the 25th Current in the Secret Department and in Obedience to the Orders and Instructions of Government thereon contained — I have the honor to acquaint you for the Information of the Right Honble the Governor General in Council that Lieutenant Crump has been directed to send Vibert the French Prisoner from Carical under a — Guard to the Presidency that his Highness the Nabob has tendered four Elephants for the use of the — Southern

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Number of horses he expects to have in the course of a few days - The Cypher shall be returned as directed The disturbance amongst the Bramins is now quieted. —

1st. Southern Field Detachment. which will be accepted when their Services are required. and in the mean time Steps are taking by Communication with the Department of the Quarter Master General to ascertain the Monthly Expence of feed &c.a which by the Charges of his Highness Servants amounts to nearly thirty five Pagodas per Month for each Elephant which appears to be extravagant. —

His Excellency the Rajah of Tanjour furnishes four Elephants. three of which are arrived the fourth is dayly expected. —

His Excellency has also Submitted the Horses of his regular and irregular Troops to the Survey of a Committee consisting of the Commanding Officer of Tanjour and Lieutenant Blackburne who were appointed by me to examine them and having Selected /26./ Twenty Six Horses and 3. Mares the property of the Rajah. and purchased /2./ two Mares of the irregular Troop the property of their riders. they were immediately forwarded by his Excellency and arrived hereon the 25th. Current. —

Lieut.

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Lieutenant Montgomery who arrived here yesterday finding /5/ five of the Horses too old to be Serviceable they will be returned tomorrow in consequence of intemation to that effect contained in Mr. Torrins Letter of the 21st. Current a Copy whereof I have the honor to enclose with Copy of a Letter from his Excellency to Mr. Torrin. —

Mr. Torrin with a Magnanimous zeal having sent me /5/ five Horses from his own Stables for the public Service, accompanied with a private Note. I have taken upon me to Return two of them for the reasons stated in my letter to that Gentleman, a Copy whereof I have the honor to enclose and in expressing my hope that this part of my Conduct may meet with the approbation of the Right Honble the Governor General in Council. I beg permission to say that I will have a happy participation with Mr. Torrin in any commendation his Lordship in Council may be pleased to pass upon the liberality of his Conduct on this occasion. —

Conformably

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Conformably to the Instructions contai=
=ned in your Letter of the 19th Current Camp Equipage
with 20 Doolies were dispatched from hence to Nega=
=patam on the 21st Current for the five Companies of
His Majesty's 19th Foot and Mr Commissary Hawkins
had previously taken measures for Victualling
them on their disembarkation. and March hither
your Letter of the 21st directs me to retain eventually
the 4th Lot of Horses expected from Lieutenanant —
Montgomery: and having last night received intima=
=tion by Letter from Head Quarters at Vaniambady
the 23d Current, stating that the 4 Lot of Horses /50/
arrived at Palamcottah are not required to join the
Army and are therefore to be used in Mounting the
New Troops ordered to join you — I beg permission
to State that in a few days the following Horses.
may be expected here on their way from Cochin —

50 Mares - 30 Horses — 80.

From Palamcotah - 14 " 86 D. Travancore 100.

From Madura - - " " 50 D. 4 Lt - 50.

At Trichinopoly Supplied by the Rajah of Tanjore — 5 - " 21 D. 26.

Supplied

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Supplied by Mr. Torin - 3 - 8 — 3 —
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Required to mount the
New Troop — 3 — 21 —

Supernumerary Horses - 138 - of
which a few probably from youth may be unequal
to Field Service and shall be sent to the Presidency
conformably to the Instructions in your Letter of the
21st Current, and in order to bring forward the Services
of the Remainder of the Supernumerary Horses, I have
to request I may be honored with the sanction of
Government to direct Lt. Montgomery to recruit an
equal number of Men who notwithstanding the
difficulty of recruiting for the Infantry Corps at the
Presidency, may probably in greatest part be
raised there from established Troopers and the
Remainder may be had in this Division — And as
2 Subidars and 13 Jemeindars of Cavalry, who were
Supernumeraries with the Army, have lately
arrived at the Presidency should it not interfere
with any intended arrangement, I would request
that they might be placed under Lieutenant
Montgomery with whom they could render
important

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important Service in expediting the efficiency of the New Levies. —

I will have the honor to Return to your office the Cypher contained in your Letter of the 24th. Current when there may be no longer Necessity to use it in Correspondence with Government or the Commander in Chief. —

I have to acquaint you that the Brahmins have permitted the Bazars to be opened and the Shroffs to return to their employment this Morning. —

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

A Brown
D.C.Genl. &c.a &c.a —

Trichinopoly
28th. February 1799.

To Colonel Brown,
Commanding the
Southern Army.

Sir

On Receipt of your Letter of the 19th. Instant I renewed my application to the Rajah I informed him his Regular Troop was reputed to

Consist

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Reputed to consist of upwards 80. Horsemen mounted
and that the Governor General could be little
gratified with the Contribution of only twenty
or thirty very indifferent Horses. —

The Rajah in consequence
addressed me the inclosed Letter which in my
opinion needs no Comment — the Committee you
appointed were immediately invited to the Palace
Stables with full permission to make their Selection
from near 300 Horses mares & Colts The Horse of
the irregular Troop are also offered for their Selection
and purchase and that no suspicion might remain
in the Minds of the Committee the Rajahs Private
Stable was ordered to be open to them that they might
see the Horses this Excellency Retained for his personal
accommodation. —

I have no doubt but a Conduct so
liberal on the part of the Rajah will be received
with that attention from you which is due
to his Rank and Dignity —

It is very probable that on the
arrival

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arrival of a Cavalry officer Many of the Horses from this will be found unserviceable & from their age discover blemishes which may not appear at their Pickets. — His Excellency has therefore sent his Subidar to Trechinopoly and will thankfully receive back such Horses as prove upon trail unfit for the Field. — Inorder that they may resume their former — Duties about the Palace, —

Sir,

Tanjour
21 February 1799.

/Signed/ Benj.n Torin
Resident.

Translation of a Letter from the Rajah of Tanjour to Benjamin Torin Esq.r Resident at Tanjour dated the 20.th of February 1799. —

You have informed me that the Eighty Horses of my Troops are required for the Service of the War. I will give up the Horses of my Troop for the Service of the War with the greatest pleasure — But there are only thirty Two Horses attached to the Troops — the rest of

my

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My Horses have been appropriated to my Relation=
=ons Servants, Writers and others. It has been
always the Custom for the Rajahs of the
Country to be attended in this manner when
they go out on Horseback and you will know
how much I am attached to the Exercize of Riding
and how Necessary it is for my state and Conveni=
=ence that my Relations and Servants should
have Horses to attend me upon. — But as
the Company's Business is of far greater Importance
in my mind, you or any other Gentlemen are
very welcome to visit my stables, and Select
from the Horses such as may be fit for the
Company's Service - I disregard the Customs of
the Country when they are opposed to the
Company's Interest and have great Satisfaction
in giving up to the Company the Horses which
may be Serviceable to them - I will direct
the Bardidar and the Chief of the Stables to be
in waiting and to Shew to the Gentlemen who
may come to examine the Horses, the thirty two

Horses

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Horses of the Troop, those appropriated to my Relation and Servants my Carriage Horses and the Horse of the Bie Sahebs. also the Foals and the Sicks and lame Horses they shall be particularly shewn and those who inspect them will ascertain which are fit & which unfit for the Company's Service.— The Troops who are with me being old & respectable Servants, I gave them Good Cloaths, and attached them to my Relations, that when I or either of the two Bie Sahibs or any of my Family went out. we might be attended by them— they are not in any Respect fit for the Service of the army. —

Respecting the Horses of the Luscar + puttay concerning which you have also spoken, I sent for the people and invited them to enter into the Company's Service which they declined I then informed that of the Company should desire to purchase any of their Horses and they should still be retained in my Service, I will send them there also you may speak to them. —

What Can I write more

A true Copy
/Signed/ B. F.

/Signed/ Sree Ram Pretaup

A true Translation
/Signed/ W Blackburn
Marahtah Interpreter —
Bery in

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Benjamin Torin Esqr
Resident

Tanjour

Sir,

I have the honor to achnowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 21st Current inclosing a Letter addressed to you by his Excellency the Rajah whose attention to the wishes of Government by the supply of Horses and Elephants he so immediately grants for the use of the Field Detachment in the Southern Division exhibits in the most unequivocal manner his fidelity, liberality, and Zeal for the Public Service, which I shall have much gratification in doing myself the honor to state to the Right Honble the Governor General in Council.-

The Horses amounting to thirty one including three Mares the property of the Rajah and two Mares selected and purchased from their owners in his Excellency's irregular Troop have arrived here this Morning accompanied by an Mircarah by whom any which upon Treat may

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from Age discover Blemishes unfitting them for Service in the Field. shall agreeably to his Excel-lency's desire be returned that they may resume their former Duties about the Palace and this matter will be immediately determined by Lieutenant Montgomery who has given me to expect he will arrive here this Morning. —

As the Horse keepers and Grass Cutters who have accompanied the Horses are unwilling to remain and have expressed their wish for permission to Return to the Service of the Rajah it will be granted as soon as their places can be supplied by others. and by the directions which have been given on that head I am hopeful the Necessity of detaining them may not exist above three or four days. —

As the Service of the Elephants is of important Consequence by Conveying the Tents of the European Soldiery - so expeditiously as to be pitched & Ready for to receive them on arriving at their new Ground. I trust that any of the five Elephants. whose Mussle may have gone off before the Detachment Marches from hence may accompany the four his

Excellency

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Excellency intends to Supply.—

Although the Grey persian Horse, two Bay Arabs, and two Chesnut Carriage horses which you have supplied from your own Stables for the use of the Field Detachment and which arrived last evening in Excellant condition are mentioned only in your private letter of the 22d Current, I cannot close this Letter without offering you my best acknowledgements for the very liberal and important aid you have thus afforded to the public Service entrusted to my direction and which I shall have a true pleasure in stating to Government.—

I would have availed myself of your supply to the whole of its extent did not a Number of Horses now on their way from Travancour and from Cochin permit me to dispense with two out of the five, and to which I am more particularly induced by my having discovered that in parting with these you have left yourself without a Horse, at

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a time, when I know that exercises on Horse back
has been prescribed for the Recovery of your health
I have therefore taken the liberty to return the
persian and the Bay Arab. which I understand
from their Keepers you have been in the practice
of using more frequently than any of the other
three, and they have proceeded this Morning
under charge of your Servant. —

I have the honor to be,

Y.ca Y.ca
" "

Trichinopoly
25th February 1799.-

/Signed/ A. Brown.

The Right Honble,
The Earl of Mornington K. P.
Governor General in Council,
Y.ca Y.ca Y.ca
" " "

My Lord,

1st I have the honor to acknowledge
the Receipt of Mr. Secretary Webb's Letter of the 21st
ultimo referring for my consideration copy of a
Letter from Lieutenant Dalrymple of the artillery
lately

From the Military Auditor General - gives his opinion regarding Lt. Dalrymples Claim to be permitted to draw an additional Allowance for the period he remained at Ambayna - Encloses Copy of a

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Letter from the Master Master in the 1st Divn. regarding the expence of Postage - states his opinion on the Subject - Encloses copy of a Letter from the Military Paymaster at the Presidency respecting an increase to his office Establishment of Servants Recommends that a certain addition may be made - Recommends also an increase to the Establishment of the Paymaster at Vellore. -

lately at the Moluccas, with the desire of your Lordship in Council that I should state if it has been usual to grant additional allowances in case of a Similar Nature, and if so, what ought in my opinion to be granted upon the Merits of the present case. -

2. Having refered to the records of my office I do not find that any extra allowance exclusive of Batta has been hitherto granted to Officers in command of the Artillery at detached Stations - The Merits of Lieutenant Dalrymples Claim must therefore rest - I presume, on the circumstances stated in his Letter Viz.t "the "extra trouble and expense annexed to his Scattered "Command of the artillery on the Eastern Service "Without Conductors or any Assistance whatever "to carry on the duties of the Department" added to "his superintendence of the Laboratory in "which all articles of Ammunition were made "up for the different Garrisons to the Eastward "and the extraordinary trouble he had in "drilling the Infantry to the Artillery Exercise" &

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And altho these duties are comprehended in those which every officer Commanding the artillery at detached Stations has to perform, with the the exception of the latter, which must be occasional, yet should your Lordship be of opinion that local circumstances and the Remoteness of Lieutenant Dalrymple's command may entitle him to some distinction, I conceive that even in this case, he can only expect the allowances of adjutant from the time of his arrival at, to the period of his leaving Amboyna under the consideration of his having been employed, as he States in instructing the European Infantry at that place in the Exercise and Duties of the Artillery. —

3 I beg leave to Submit to your Lordship the enclosed copy of a Letter from Lieutenant Hewitt Muster Master of the Masulipatam and Guntoor Districts &c. Respecting the postage of public Letters in his Department and Request that the Post Master General may be directed to include the Several Muster Masters

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in the List of persons to be Reimbursed for the postage of Letters dispatched on the public Service. but to be limited in their correspondence to the Muster Rolls forwarded to my office and to the communi=cation which they will have to make to the Commanding officers of Stations within their respective Districts. giving previous notice of the periods at which they shall arrive at each station. for the purpose of Mustering the Troops and Establishments attached.—

4. Having found it necessary to call on the Military Paymaster at the Presidency for his accounts Disbursements which had fallen in arrear he has in a Letter of which the enclosed is a Copy stated to me the impracticability of Keeping up the business of his office with his present establishment of Writers. and has referred me to a Letter which he addressed Government on the same Subject under date the 31st July 1798. wherein he has shewn the extent of what he has to execute. contrasted with his former employment. when he had an establishment of

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Servants nearly equal to what is now allowed —

5. I have in consequence made a particular enquiry into the Business of his office and find that he is not unreasonable in his application for further assistance, and as it is of great consequence that the accounts of Military Expenditure at the Presidency as well as at outstations, should be regularly brought up to the latest period, I would beg leave to recommend that he may be allowed 3 additional Writers at 10 Pagodas ℔ Month each to his fixed establishment from the date of his Letter to Government, and that in consideration of the prodigious Number of Families belonging to " Corps with the army which he has to pay Monthly he may be allowed 2 Writers at 10 Pagodas each and one Conicopoly at 5 Pagodas from the 1st January 1797 expressly for this purpose and to continue only during the time that the army may be in the Field. —

6. I have received likewise an application from the Paymaster at Vellore, requesting

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Requesting an addition to his establishment on the last mentioned account, and stating that 1 Writer at 10 ℙ Cent. Conicoplies at 5 Pagodas ℙ Month each is the least that he will require for the payment of the great Number of Families at Vellore Arnee & Cuddalore. — Being sensible that a temporary addition to his Establishment while the army is in the field is Necessary on this account, I cannot but recommend his being allowed from the 1st February 1799. a Writer at 10 ℙ Cent. Conicoply at 5 Pagodas ℙ Month at Vellore, a Conicoply at the same Rate at Arnee, and another at Cuddalore for the Family payments at those Stations. I beg your Lordship will be assured it is with the greatest Reluctance that I propose any measure involving additional expense, but being convinced that it is indispensible on the present occasion as well for the regularity and punctual transmission of Accounts, as to prevent Complaints respecting Family payments. I am persuaded that I shall be considered as only having done my duty in Submitting the Subject to your Lordship's

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consideration. —

I have the honor to be with great respect.

Y.r a Y.r a

/Signed/ W. Sydenham

M.r Aud.r Gen.l

Military Auditor

Generals Office

Fort St. George

4th March 1799.

To Major General Wm. Sydenham,

Military Auditor General,

Sir,

At the usual period of the Month I forwarded the Rolls of the Garrisons I mustered for the Month December to the Post office and on my not being able to advance the amount of the enclosed Sum they were returned me. you will See Sir that my Monthly Tappal expences are very Considerable, and no mention made in the late Regulations of a Reimbursement to the Muster Master and independant of the forwarding such large Packets to you I have to Correspond with all the Officers Commanding Garrisons in my District. allow me also to mention to you Sir, that as there are now few Troops on the Northern

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Northern circars except the Invalids the Packets are Consequently much Smaller than they were ; and the Expence of Postage Considerably less than usual. —

Permit me to Request Sir you will have the goodness to lay before Government a Representation of the great expence of Postage Slam at Monthly, and totally unable at the end of the Month to advance so large a Sum for the Monthly Correspondence — I therefore beg you to solicit them to allow me to send my Chits to the Paymaster for Payment or to afford me any other assistance they may think most proper in making the advance, —

I have the honor to be,

&c. &c.

/Signed/ W. H. Hewitt.
M: M.
N. D.

Masulipatam
25th January 1799.

A true Copy,
/Signed/ E. Bruce
Aft. to M: and Gen.

Major General Sydenham,
Military Auditor General

Sir,

In reply to your Letter of yesterdays

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date mentioning your anxiety about having my accounts sent into your office. I beg leave to state that the accounts for October last have already been transmitted to the Paymaster General, and those for November and December are now in hand and will be soon Completed. —

The enclosed is a Copy of a Letter I addressed Government on the 31st. July last, by which you will perceive that I then pointed out the impracticability of Carrying on the business with the few Writers allowed me, and the great expense I was at in the extra Writers that I was obliged to pay Myself, and owing to the great press for Dooly Bearers D.ca D.ca required for the army and the encreased Number of Families to be paid in Consequence of the Troops taking the field has taken up much of the attention of my Principal Writers, so that the business has of late been daily getting in arrears. I have however taken more Writers into my Pay and now that the army is marched every exertion shall be used by me to bring up the business to the period you wish it. — Meanwhile

I am

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I am to request that you will be pleased to represent to Government the absolute necessity there is for allowing me the additional Writers applied for Viz.t.-

3 Writers at Pagodas 15 ₰ Month — 45..
2 Do. - at Do - 10 Do. — 20..
Total Pag.s 65..

And trust that they will permit me to make the Charge from the 1.st October 1797. —

I have the honor to be
Y.r Ob.t Ser.t
/Signed/ Basil Cochrane
Military Paymaster
Fort St George.

Fort St George
21.st February 1799.

A true Copy
/Signed/ P. Bruce
Aff.t M. aud.r Gen.l

Received and Sent the undermentioned Letters entered in M.B N.os 20. 21. 22. 23 24. 25.

From the Commandant at Tanjore -

From Major Innes. he has agreeably to the instructions sent him by Major General Braithwaite permitted the foreigner

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Neiboly Benjaras mentioned in his Letter of the 18th ultimo. to proceed to Tranquebar. —

From Major General Sydenham

From the Military Auditor General —

Transmits the usual letter of Audit on the accounts of the deputy Paymaster General to the Kings Troops from the 25th September to 24th Octr 1798. —

From Lieutenant Hughes. —

From the Commandant at Pattecottah —

Mentions that he had taken upon himself the Command of the Fort of Pattecottah — states the defenceless condition of that place. —

To Major General Sydenham —

To the Military Auditor General —

directing him to authorize the Paymaster at Vellore, to pay to the Widow of Sub assistant Surgeon Patterson an allowance equal to half the pay drawn by her late husband. —

To Major Taylor — Enclosing to him

To the Commandant at Malacca —

Bill of Lading for Twenty thousand Dollars shipped on the Penang for Malacca. —

To the Military Board — Enclosing

To the Military Board

to them copy of a Letter from the Master of the Penang and directing them to deliver to him from

the

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the Stores the articles therein mentioned on his
finding Satisfactory Security for the Value of them

5. Received the following Letters.—

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

Sir,

I Request you will inform the
Right Honble the Governor General in Council that
the Rajah of Tanjour has compleated his Payments
for the Month of February - that his Supply of
3000 Cattle and 6000 Sheep were also furnished
and punctual to the promised periods - you are
already acquainted with His Excellency's Ready
compliance with the Wishes of Government in
Regard to His Horses and Elephants and Colonel
Brown has no doubt Reported his Entire
Satisfaction on this Head —

The Rajah has desired me
to Request the acquiescence of the Right Honble
the Governor General in Council in a plan for the

From the Resident at Tanjore - The Rajah has completed his payments for February as also his promised supplies of Sheep & Cattle - the Rajah wishes to be permitted to take steps towards securing his Country from the ravages of Horse - his proposal on that Subject - The Resident Requests that he may be permitted to proceed for a few days to the Presidency - proposes that Mr W.R. Irwin be appointed Assistant to the Residency. —

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5 for the Security of his Country against any few straying Horse of the Enemy who may escape the Vigilance of the Southern army and attempt to disturb the peace of his Villages. — His Excellency informs me, He can call upon some of his Polygars, and rely upon their fedility, to assemble and Station about 1000 Peons on the borders of the Country for its protection The Batta of ½ a fanam a day and the Value of the Horse if any should fall into their hands, would be a Sufficient reward for their Services. —

The Rajah promises also to make the best use of his Sibbendy — for this purpose he wishes to be permitted to issue some Ammunition to them & hopes He may be allowed to do so or his Villages Will be but badly protected, and the Empty Firelocks useless in the hands of the Sepoy. —

I have been able to entertain and to dispatch to the Grand army 300 Doley Bearers — and for the use of the Southern army I have provided about 100 already and am — daily increasing the Number. —

I have now to request you — will

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will apply to the Right Honble the Governor
General in Council for permission for me to
proceed to the Presidency for a few Days, and
as no person has been appointed in the room
of Mr. Charles Torrin to be Assistant to the
Residency — I take the liberty to request Mr.
W. R. Irwin may be allowed to Succeed with
whose Services I have reason to be much
Satisfied during the Enquiries of the Commission —

I have the honor to be,

Y.r m.o h.ble

Tanjour, 1st. March 1779 — /Signed/ Benj.a Torrin
Resident

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

Hon.ble Gentlemen,

From Mr. J. L. Gotting
Transmits a Petition regar-
ding L. Maureaux privateer
purchased by him from
the owners of that Vessel
(details the particulars
of the transaction, &
Requests that the Vessel
may be restored to him.

I herewith took the liberty of
forwarding the Enclosed Petition and trust
that your Honble Board will take into your
Judicious Consideration —

I have

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I have the Honor to be

Sir
Your most
Obedt Humble Servt

Ingeram
2d February 1799.

/Signed/ John Leonard Gotting

To the Right Honble Governor General
in Council of
Fort St George,

Most Humbly Sheweth,

The Humble Petition of John
Leonard Gotting Mariner.-

Your Petitioner Being a Native
of Trangquebar from his infancy followed in
the Sea fairing line, But always in the
British Service, your Petitioner are Settled
at Calcutta for about 12 years having a wife
and 3 Children, your Petitioner has Sailed from
that port Commander of different Vessels always
under British flag. in the year 1799 your
Petitioner Commanded the Ship of Nabob Sypher
Mullock and Left her at Bengal in the
Same year, and then your Petitioner proceeded
to the Province of Pague, for Treading, and

Where

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Where your Petitioner was appointed Chief officer of the late Ship Elizabeth Commanded by Captain Charles Imbert - your Petitioner in his way to Madras and on the 13th of August ult accidently was Cast away on Shore on the South part of Coringa, where your Petitioner Lost all he had and was left in a Extream poverty from thence your Petitioner proceeded to Madras to meet Messrs Chase Sewell & Co the agents of the Said Vessel, in hope of recieving the Pay due by the Said Vessel, on your Petitioners arrival at Madras Was denied the Said payment by those Gentlemen as Petitioner being very hard to live at Madras and having a Large family at Bengal to mention - and wishing to Join his family - has procured a Passage on Board - the Danish Ship Maabet and Went on Board on the 2d Instant, and in the Same day the Ship has past to Sea, on the 13th Instant in the Latitude 17. 58 N. made the Land of Orixa and Saw a Sail a head Seemingly to Board upon the Vessel, at half past one the Said vessel

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Was Seen to be a Small Brig and the appearance
of a Paria or Country Vessel at 2. P. M. Boarded
upon the Said Danish Vessel and fired two
Shots which confused the Crew and all hands on
Board, They Continued to fire with there Musketry
for few Minutes, and Wounded the Second Mate
then the Frenchmen came on Board and took
Charge of her, and declared to be there Prize
after Examined all the Papers &c.a - that the
Captain had in Charge from thence the Priva=
=teer Proceeded with her Prize to Caringa Roads
your Petitioner finding Emprisoned by the Enemy
Most humbly begged to the Commander of the
Privateer for his liberty Being a familied man
the Captain of the Privateer took in his (4)
Consideration and promised to Restore your Petr.
Liberty on the 16.th Instant they Resolved to burn it
down the Privateer as she being Leaky as the
Captain of the Privateer has ordered to take out
her two Guns and many Stores &c.a Belonging
to her to put Theire Resolution in Execution
on the Same day the Captain of the Privateer has

made

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Made Present to the Danish Captain and his
Crew a Paria Sloop Loaded with Rice, and made
Theire Prize' other two more Country Vessel.-
In these entermedium the Captain and officers of
the Privateer Proposed to your Petitioner to take
the Privateer, in Consideration of your Petitioner
to pay 500 Rupees to the French Prisoner at Madras
or any other Ports. your Petitioner Being convensed of
theire Resolution accepted theire Proposal
in consideration of recovering the Losses your Pett.
Sustained in the different acation your Pett.
was obliged to Execute two Notes of hand
in English Language Promising to make
good the said payment of 500 Rs. to the French
Prisoners, and then the Captain of the Privateer
and officers Delivered to your Petitioner the
Bill of Sale / the Copy of it was forwarded to
Mr. Robt. Fullerton acting Resident of this
place / and the Second officer who was wounded
was sent on Board the Privateer with 3 Danish
Seamen. & 5 Telinga Lascars, and the Captain
of.

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of the said Privateer Monsieur Duclerture and
his officers Strictly Commanded and Requesting
your Petitioner should see the Said officers —
Cared in the first Port your Petitioner may put
in and which your Petitioner has Promised
todo it so on the 17th at noon your Petitioner
Was ordered to make Sail in Company with
others at 4 Clock the French Captain Sent on
Board your Petitioners Vessel 8 Telinga
Lascars & a Serang and Ordered your Pett.
to put them on Shore, so proceeded to the Eastward
Namely Pundamer Kah about 15 Miles
distant from Shore your Petitioner was then
Induced by the French-Captain about 11 Clock
at Night to take your Petitioners own Course
on the 18th Morning your Petitioner Saw a
Small Downey Standing from W. to E. and
the Wind Being Quite Calm and by the own
Request of the Telinga Serang your Pett.
have put them on Board said Downey
and then your Petitioner have put at

Coringa

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Coringa Being the Nearest English Port. and went
on Shore with the Wounded officer. and Reported
to the acting resident of Ingeram and Sent a
Copy of the Bill of Sale as. before mentioned.
The said Resident has put a Stop
of your Petitioner none Proceeding untile the
pleasure of your Honble Board are none in
the meanwile the Commanding Officer of
Coringa Sent Sepoys and take Charge of the
Vessel, and your Petitioner likewise acquainted
to the Resident that there was Some Rice on
Board, the Quantity unknown to your Petitioner
as the French Captain told your Petitioners it
was Some Black Damaged Rice and after the
Vessel was Brought in the River Examined the
Rice on Board before the Commanding officer
found to be in quantity 96 bags the weight &
unknown Some with Marks and Some without
your Petitioner after having delivered in there
Charge the Vessel Requested of them to proceed to
Madras to meet personally before your Honble
Board.

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Board to inform the above accurrences they have
permitted of so doing in first In the care of your Lett.
departure the acting Resident has put a Stop not
to proceed untill an answer Will be obtained from
your Honble Board, your Petitioner Being left
here without Cash or Friends therefore your Petitioner
Most Submissively beg that your Honble Board —
Will take into your Serious Consideration The above
Case, and Restore the said Vessel to your Petitioner
as your Petitioner Being a poor man and having
a Large Family to Maintain and having no other
protection to call to but to your Honble Consideration
hope it meet your Honble Boards approbation —
your Petitioner are in duty Bound,

Shall Ever Pray,

Ingeram
28th Febuary 1799. /Signed/ John Leonard Gotting

Deed of Sale. —

The Privateer L Heureux Captain
Dentule armed by the Government of the Isle of France
to cruise against the Enemies of the French —

Republic

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Republic. —

We the Captain & Officers of the said Privateer agree on the said Deed of Sale of the Vessel L. Heureux between Mr. Joan Leonard Getting and us - he having engaged in Writing and by promise to remit the Sum of seven hundred Rupees to the French Prisoners at Madras or at any other Port - in Testimony of which we have hereunto signed our Names. — In the Roads of Yanam 16th February 1799. —

/Signed/ Duterte — Pinar,

Simonet —

A True Translation

/Signed/ G. G. Keble.

French Translator -

A True Copy

from the Original

/Signed/ J. L. Getting

Received the undermentioned Letters entered in M. B. Nos 26: 27: 28: 29: 30. —

From the Officer Commanding in Guntoor Circar. —

From Lieutenant Colonel Mahab

Transmitts Copy of a Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Kenny respecting some Zemindars who had Crossed the Kistnah on their flight from a Dewan in the Service of

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of a Rajah dependant on his Highness the Nizam —

From Major General Sydenham

From the Military Auditor General. — Encloses copy of a Letter from the Deputy Military Auditor General to him, accompanied by one addressed to Government, requesting an increase to his allowances. —

From the Board of Trade. — In consequence of the letter to them of the 28th Ultimo on the Subject of Tent Cloth they have required an explanation from the Residents at Ingeram & Vizagapatam — they are led from different reasons to believe that the Complaint preferred by the Military Board on this Subject is as far as relates to Vizagapatam unfounded. —

From Mr Wilson — transmits another

From the Paymaster at Vizagapatam — Security Bond executed as required. —

From Captain Grant — gives a — farther account of the Reverend Father Lambert

From the Commandant at Pondichery — mentioned in his letter of the 13th February of whom he speaks in favorable terms. —

to 4. The following Casualty Reported. —

Capt.n

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Casualty Certificate reporting the death of Capt.n Chas Simpson of the 2d Battalion 7th Regiment N. I. at Hestinghurry on the 3d of March 1799.—

No. 1.

Casualty Report,

Captain Charles Simpson of the 2d Battalion 7th Regiment N. I. Died at Hestinagurry the 3d Day of March 1799.—

Adjt. Genl. Office
Fort St George
6th March 1799.—

/Signed/ W. Shaw,
apt. a. Genl.—

From the Government of Bombay - Enclose copy of a letter from the Resident at Busserah and of one from the Secret Committee, together with copies of various other articles of intelligence received by the overland dispatch last arrived.—

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Josiah Webbe Esqr.

Secretary to Government,

Sir,

I have the honor to acquaint you for the information of the Right Honble the Govr General in Council that in Obedience to his Lordships Commands Signified by your Letter of the 26th Ultimo to me received last night, Camp Equipage will be despatched from hence to Negapatam for the use of his Majestys 76th Regiment. —

Having no intimation of the Strength

From the Officer Commanding the South-ern Division States the Steps he has taken towards pre-paring for the dis-embarkation of the 76th Regiment at Negapatam & there March to Trichi-nopoly. —

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Strength of the Regiment, I have directed the regulated proportion of Tents for 2 Majors 2 Capts 16 Subalterns 4 Staff 1 Quarter Master 1 Surgeon 2 Assistants

700 and they will proceed tomorrow

In this Computation allowance is made for the Sick of the Regiment left in Calcutta and the Party, which I have understood are detached on Naval Service as Marines.—

Instructions go by this days Tappal to the officer Commanding at Negapatam to be prepared for their disembarkation and accommodation at that place in case their arrival should precede Mr Lewis and Mr Commissary Bowerbank will be prepared on the Victualling Department.—

I have the honor to be,
&c. &c.
(Signed) A Brown Lt Col
Capt. Gr 77

Trichinopoly
2d March 1797.

Received and Sent the undermentioned Letters entered in M.B. No. 31 32 33 34 35.—

From the Assistant Secretary to the Government at Fort St.—

From Lt Col Boyd—Encloses copy of the reply of his Excellency the Governor of Ceylon to

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to a Letter from the Deputy Paymaster to the King's Troops on that Island, respecting the Mode of paying the Companies of the 19th Regiment, remaining there.

From Lieutenant Shaw - Encloses for the information of Government a letter from the Commanding Officer at Amboyna, addressed to the Adjutant General, containing different Matters of detail regarding that garrison - Encloses also different papers regarding a Claim of Ensign Grave of that Garrison, to pay and allowances that the Commanding Officer had objected to his drawing.

From the assistant Adjutant Genl.

From Mr. Roebuck - Encloses an additional estimate of cash amounting to Sag. Fo. 23208. 8/. 25.

From the Military Paymaster Genl.

To the Military Board - Enclosing Copy of a tender of freight to the Moluccas, which has been accepted - Such supplies as appear to be most immediately required by those Islands to be embarked on the Vessel now engaged - a Supply of Medicines must also be sent by the medical Storekeeper. —

To the Military Board —

To

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To Major General Sydenham Reporting

To the Military Auditor General. for his examination the Paymaster Generals additional estimate of this date. —

7th Received the following Letters. —

To Josiah Webbe Esqr.

Secretary to Government.

Sir,

I request you to inform the Right Honble the Governor General in Council that Lieut. Colo. Browne, states that he will have 138 Supernumerary Horses, after completing Lieutenant Montgomeries Troop. Viz on the Road from Cochin

	Mares	Horses	
purchased by Lieut. Montgomery	50	30	80
From Major Bannerman at Balamcotah	16	76	100
4th Do of Lieut. Montgomeries Horses	"	"	50
Supplies by the Rajah of Tanjore	5	21	26
Do by Mr. Torin Resident	"	"	3
			259
Required to Mount the New Troop			121
Supernumerary			138

From Major Genl. Braithwaite gives a detailed statement of the Complement of horses attached to Lieutenant Colonel Browns Detachment. Request that Colonel Browne may be permitted to entertain as Number of troopers proportionate to the Supernumerary horses, & that he may be allowed two or three Bounden Gallopers. —

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7th of which a few may perhaps be found two young for immediate Service in the Field, and such by the Order of Government of the 21st February will be sent to the Presidency as there will however be a considerable Surplus Lieutenant Colonel Brown is desirous that he may be authorized to direct — Lieutenant Montgomery to Recruit as many men and is of opinion that men may be found in the Southern Countries to the amount required — who have actually before served as Troopers, but who will not entertain as Infantry. —

Lieutenant Colonel Brown is also desirous that two three Pounder Galloping Guns may be attached to the Southern Cavalry and he has sent down the Necessary Indents

I am of opinion that it will be much for the advantage of the Service that these Requests of Lieutenant Colonel Brown be complied with, and Request that I may be authorized to take Measures accordingly. —

Lieutenant Colonel Brown has

Forwarded

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Has forwarded Camp Equipage to Vizagapatam for his Majesty's 76th Regement, and has taken the Necessary Measures and given the Necessary Orders for its landing and progress through the Country. —

I have the honor to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter of the 2d Instant, and to report for the information of The Right Honble the Governor General in Council, that I have in consequence sent orders to the Officers Commanding the Northern Division of the army and the Troops in the Vizagapatam District. —

I have the honor to be,

Madras
March 7th 1799. —

Gen.l &c.a
/Signed/ John Braithwaite

Josiah Webbe Esq.r
Secretary of Government,
Fort St George.

From the Officer Commanding the Vizagapatam District
Inclosing Copy of a Letter from Capt.n Riddell Commanding a Bengal Battalion at Cheicole giving an account of the Surrender of

Sir,

With Respectfull Reference to my Letters

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the fort of Kimidy gives a detail of his resources & if the force be expected to be able to Collect - apprehends that Treanguilidity will not be restored amongst the banditti who are inforcing that quarter until we enforce it. -

Letters of the 6th from Chicacole, of the 18, 23. and 26th Instant with their several Enclosures. from hence I have the honor to transmit by Express. Copy of a Letter Received this Morning from Captain Riddell Commanding a Revenue Battalion & Division of the District for the Information of the Right Honble the Governor General in Council. —

I the Surrender of the Fort at Kimidy is much to be regretted. it is a Misfortune not unexpected, as I trust will appear from the Letters &c. I have had the honour to refer to, in our present Situation it was impossible either to reinforce or to supply it with Provisions and equally impracticable to strengthen the Fort at Magalingam or to open a Communication — between it and Kimidy, until the arrival of our Detachments employed in escorting the Zemindars to Masulipatam one of which will I trust arrive at Chicacole tomorrow, in Conformity to Orders — I have sent to the Officer Commanding it. - It should consist / for I have no Return / of 1 Lieutenant 2 Subidars

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Subidars 1 Jemidar 11 Havildars 9 196 Rank and File, as I have reinforced it with half a Company from hence, which is all I can possibly spare from this Garrison under present circumstances after the arrival of the Company detached with the Zemindars Escort.—

Lieutenant Mollay's Company was returned under Charge of Lieutenant Munt. from within 20 Miles N. of Ellore in Consequence of my Orders to the latter to march with all possible expedition to Chicacole where his Services were urgently wanted—I Received a Letter and Route from Lieutenant Munt Yesterday, from which it appears he would reach Samulcotah this day.—

As this was a Complete Company exclusive of Supernumerarys the Regulars at Chicacole on his arrival, should amount to 1 Lieutenant Colonel 2 Lieutenants 3 Subidars 2 Jemidars 16 Havildars and 280 Rank and File.—

The Seven Companys of the 2d Batt.n 8th Native Regiment want 1 Subidar 1 Jemidar 16 Rank

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Rank and File and 117 Supernumerary's to Complete
on this Subject I shall write to Lieutenant Colonel
Letunder, altho I am convinced that he uses every
Exertion to get Recruits but at this time they are
particularly unwilling to enlist the Native
officers being incomplete is owing to Recommen=
=dation Certificates not being returned Approval.

Captain Riddell's Battalion is
complete but there is a Detail of it Consisting of
1 Subidar 1 Jemidar 3 Havildars and 89 Rank
and file, employed in the 1st Division of the District
with Mr Collector Brown to whom / or in his
Absence to Mr assistant Collector Townsend / I shall
Write to request that as many as can possibly
be spared from that Detail may be immediately
sent to Chicacole.—

Captain Lieutenant Prestons Batt.n
is also Complete, but I have only been able to obtain
from it a Detail of 1 Havildar and 55 Rank
and file which is all that Mr Webb could spare
from his Division at that time, altho he has —

Given

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given me Reason to expect about 100 or 150 Men
this Detail included at a future Period I shall
write to him again. —

The above Details are extracted from
Monthly Returns received this day. —

I have been thus particular in stating
the Resources within my Reach which I am persuaded
will appear to Government altogether inadequate to
taking Possession of the Strong Holds in the Hilly
Country which if I am rightly informed cannot be
found in Conformation of which I beg leave to State
that Lieutenant Colonel Mead, when under Orders
to take Possession of that Country had 2 Twelve &
Six Pounders and 2 Howitz which Circumstance
I became acquainted with by having sent the Guns
from hence he had also a Detail of effective
artillery with an officer from hence whereas I cannot
mann a Single Gun without taking from this
Garrison every Means of Repelling Insult from
French or other Ships employed by the Enemy
our whole Detail is only 1 Fore Lepiant 6
Invalid artillery Men — Lieutenant Col. Mead

Was also reinforced With 4 Complete Company's
I understand 2 from Ganjam and 2 from
Samulcottah of the 1st Battalion 8th Native
Regiment.—

As soon as the Company under
Lieutenant Nuat may approach to Chicacole
I shall immediately set off for that Station, and
do every thing in my Power to protect the Country
from the Ravages of those Banditte and if freed
from the Charge of the French and other Prisoners
or from any of them. I shall be able to detach
More Men from hence in the meantime I am
Convinced that Lieutenant Colonel Letande &
Captain Riddell in communication with Mr
Scott will dispose of the Small force I am able
to Collect to the best Advantage

If we receive Orders to enter the
Kimidy Country we shall stand much in need
of Medical assistance as the Hill Fever is said
to prevail there with great Invetracy as well
as on account of Such as may be wounded—

there

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There is but 1 Surgeon & 1 Assistant on the District the former attached to the Garrison and the latter to the Collectors of the 1st and 2d Divisions I shall take upon me forever to order the latter to attend any Detachment ordered for Service in those Parts should no one be directed to proceed from any other Quarter, —

Col. Read has understand repeatedly instructed his Agents to encourage any overtures to an accomodation and Captain Riddell has sent Orders to his Native officers to the same Effect but none have been made, and much fear that tranquility is not to be restored Without the Means of injerring obedience. —

Tomorrow or Next day I shall have the honour of enclosing Copies of my Correspondence on the foregoing Subject. —

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

Signed Geo: Totheringham

Lieut Col.

Comg Vizagapatam

Vizagapatam
1st March 1799.

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To Lieutenant Colonel Sothringham,
Commanding the District of
Vizagapatam,

Sir,

Since Writing you this Morning I have Received a Letter from the Subidar who Commanded the party of the Revenue Battalion at Kimidy acquainting me that the Beeds attacked him in great force on the 21st Instant, and having possessed themselves of the Town Kept up a Fire upon our Troops from the Tops of the houses and trees that Commanded the Enclosure of the Rajahs house (Commonly called the Fort of Kimidy) where they had taken post, which continued for four Days where their provisions being Exhausted, their ammunition Expended unable to effect a Retreat, and Without prospect of Relief they were under the Necessity of Capitulating upon Condition of being allowed to Retire to Tukally with their Arms and Every thing belonging to them they were accordingly Suffered to proceed without molestation, where they arrived

on

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on the 26. March Exhausted by fatigue and hunger having tasted nothing for a whole day before they Surrendered, the Subidar Reports one Sipoy Killed he speaks of the Coons as innumerable.—

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

Chicacole
27th Febuary 1779.

/Signed/ Thomas Riddell
Captain.

A true Copy

/Signed/ Geo. Fothringham
Lt Col.

Sent the following Letters.—

To His Excellency
The Honble Sir A. Clarke K.B.
Vice President in Council & Deputy
Governor of
Fort William,

Honble Sir,

We have had the honor of receiving your Excellency's Letter of the 16th ultimo.—

The Right Honble the Governor General

To Bengal. The Governor General has informed the Board that he has communicated to the Vice President in Council his orders regarding the allowances to be made to the French Officers & Natives of the Nizams party who

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Bombay Frigate. In case an arrangement has not been already made on this subject it is requested that we may take place agreeably to the Communications of the Governor General.

General has Informed that he had communicated to the Vice President at Fort William his Lordship's wishes regarding the allowances to be made to the officers and Men of the French party who have arrived on the Bombay Frigate and the period from which the allowances are to commence. —

3. We conclude therefore that an arrangement will have already been made for this purpose by the Vice President in Council but if this should not have been done we request that the arrangement may be made according to the communications which his Excellency has received from the Governor General. —

We have the honor to be,

Honble Sir.

Your Excellency's most Obed.t

humble Servants.

(Signed) Harrington,

Jno Council.

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6th March 1799

To.

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To Major General Braithwaite

Sir,

In consequence of advices just Received from Lieutenant Colonel Fothringham of which I inclose a copy - The Right Honble the Governor General in Council deems it expedient that the directions contained in my Letter of the 28th ultimo for the march of the Hyderabad Recruits to the Presidency should be countermanded, and his Lordship accordingly desires that immediate orders may be sent for the March of those Troops into the Districts of Vizagapatam to be employed in Suppressing the insurrection in the Kemedy Zemindary. —

It is the intention of the Governor General in Council to embark a portion of His Majesty's Troops now doing duty in the garrison of Fort St George on the

To Major General Braithwaite Copy of a Letter from the officer Commanding in the Vizagapatam District enclosed, - in consequence of wh the March of the Hyderabad Recruits Ordered to the Presidency must be Countermanded. And they are to be ordered to proceed on to the Districts of Vizagapatam - a portion of His Majesty's Troops now doing duty at Fort St George are to be embarked on the Combler & Walpole Indiamen, for the purpose of escorting from Vizagapatam the french prisoners Confined there; or they are if found necessary to remain & to form a part of that Garrison. —

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on the Bonble Company's Ships Dublin and Walpole for the purpose of Relieving Lieutenant Colonel Fothringham from the Charge of the French Prisoners now confined in Vizagapatam and if Necessary to form a part of that Garrison in order that he may draw the greatest possible Number of Regular Troops into the field. —

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most Obedient

Humble Servant,

[Signed] J. Webbe

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7th March 1799.—

Received and Sent the undermentioned Letters entered in M.B.N.os 36, 37, 38, 39, to 41. —

From Lieutenant Colonel Dupont.

From the Commandant at Cuddalore. — Transmits a Return of Ordnance & Stores received from Vellaporam. —

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From Lieutenant Colonel D. Espirance -

Encloses a Certificate of the period to which he had been

From Lieut.t Col.e D. Espirance - paid at Bandichery, and Requests that he may be re-

=mitted to receive his pay from the Paymaster

at Trichinopoly. —

From Mr. Farriana. Encloses copies of Letters

From the Resident at Nagore - Regarding French Frigates that had been seen off

Acheen & the Andamans. —

From Lieutenant Colonel Vigors - The

Hydrabad Recruits will set out from Masulipatam for the Presidency on the 6th Instant,

From the Officer Commanding the Northern Division Being unable to furnish them with accoutrements

he does not conceive that it would be of any utility

to give them arms, and therefore proposes to send

along with them a Subadar Party as an escort -

To Captain Grant desiring him to transfer

To the Officer Commanding the Body Guard - to the Madras Battalion the Recruits he has raised

agreeably to the Orders he received on the 5th Ultimo -

To Captain Hill - Informing him of the

transfer that is to be made to the Madras Battalions

To the Officers Commanding the Madras Battalions of the Recruits raised by Capt.n Grant & directing him to

Make the necessary arrangements for receiving them -

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Received the following Letters,

Resolutions of Govern= =ment - Dated 8. March 1799. —

Medical Board,
1st March 1799.

From the Medical Board - Recommend that Mr Assistant Surgeon Studie be desired to proceed to Camp - Enclose Copy of a Letter addressed to them by the head Surgeon of the Army as also Copy of one addressed by him to the Commander in Chief related to — different new medical arrangements which agreeably to his recommendation have been adopted - Recommend that the Barrah mahal in the Center Division be permitted to furnish the former Compliment of doolly bearers for the Hospital at Vellore Recommend that Sub: Assistant Surgeon Peters be permitted to resign the Service & that Sub: Assistant Surgeon Briggs be dismissed from it - Recommend that Mr Ray be appointed as Ass.t Surgeon to Vel= =lore Enclose Copy of a Letter from Mr Miller requesting to be appointed Head Surgeon to Colonel Brannis Detachment -

Approved & Ordered. -

In compliance with the Orders of Government - The Medical Board have directed their Secretary to transmit a Copy of their Proceedings, of the 21st Ultimo, with the orders of Government in consequence, to Mr Studie, and Recommend that he be directed immediately to — proceed to Camp, and put himself under the orders of the Head Surgeon to the army. —

The Medical Board have the honor to transmit

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transmit the Copy of a
Letter addressed to them
by the Head Surgeon to the
Army, accompanied by one
from him to the Commander
in Chief as the alterations
Suggested by the Head
Surgeon, and approved
by the Commander in Chief
may have been found
expedient from circumstan-
ces with which we are
unacquainted perhaps
it may be improper for
us to offer any Opinion
But we cannot by any
Means recommend its
being established as a
fixed principle, that
Patients are not to be
furnished with Hospital
Cloathing

as the whole power and
authority over the arrange-
-ments for the field has
been entrusted to the Comman-
-der in Chief the Board do
not think it necessary
to interfere with the orders
which he may have issu-
-ed. —

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Cloathing in every possible
Situation, as attention to
Shifting Patients in Hospital
and Cleanliness in their
persons are the Chief objects
in conducing to their health
and recovery. —

We have the honor
to enclose the Copy of a Letter
from Mr Watson Mate
Surgeon at Vellore; and
recommend that the Barrack
Master be ordered to furnish
the former complement of
four Dooly Bearers. —

approved & Ordered

Having had
Several applications from
Mr Watson of Sub: assistant
Peters wish to resign the
Service we recommend
his wish may be complied
with

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With — and that Sub Assistant Briggs be dismissed in consequence of his extreme irregularity and incessant drunkenness. —

Approved & Ordered.

Mr. Watson having also represented his being in want of Assistance to enable him to carry on the duty we Recommend that Mr. John Kay Assistant Surgeon be appointed to do duty at Vellore —

Approved and Ordered,

We have the honor to forward a Letter just received from Mr Miller Surgeon at Madura soliciting the appointment of Senior Surgeon, to a Detachment said to be forming under the Command of Colonel Wood. —

Approved and Ordered

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As we do not know what the Strength of this Detachment may be on Board be appriged that the the Nature of the Service Southern Detachment will on which it is ordered — we consist of about 3500 Native cannot presume to judge Infantry, 700 European Infan= of the expediency of Mr. =try and 200 Native Cavalry Miller's application being and that they be directed to give complied with but should in an arrangement for the Such an appointment Medical Department in the obtain we have no hesita= field with this force. — =tion in recommending Mr. Miller's Zeal and abilities to the favorable Notice of Government. —

/ Signed / Jas. Anderson,
Physician General.

D. Raine,
Chief Surgeon.

By order of the Right Honble the Governor General in Council. —

To

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To Dr. James Anderson

Physician General &c.a Members of the

Medical Board,

Gentlemen,

I have the honor of enclosing a Letter which I have addressed the Commander in Chief on the Subject of Stoppages made from the European Sick, when Victualled in the field, which I hope will meet with your approbation. —

The Commander in Chief has published in Orders the alterations which have been recommended regarding the Stoppages, as well as in the Diet Table subject to the confirmation of Government

I was induced to recommend the alteration in the Diet Table, as they contain articles principally Bread and Sugar, which cannot always be got on the field, and while the existing orders directed them to be supplied it might have been expected that the Surgeons should furnish them. —

The Wings of the Army having been seperate for some days I have not been able to get regular

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Returns of the Sick, and it has not consequently been in my power to make a Statement to your Board which would have been considered Satisfactory — the Returns shall be sent for the future weekly, if opportunities should occur. —

As the Hospital of Kistnagurry is likely to become a Station of some importance, and consequently requiring a person of experience to superintend its Management Mr Alexander M.c Kinzie Surgeon has been directed by the Commander in Chief to take charge of the sick sent from the Army into that Garrison and Mr. George Anderson Surgeon of the 8.th Regiment Native Infantry has been desired to do duty with the 2.d Battalion of Artillery during Mr. Mackenzies absence. —

It may be likewise Necessary to Mention for the information of your Board that Mr. Assistant Surgeon Ingleden has been Directed to do duty in the Garrison of Ambore and Mr. Assistant Surgeon Street to the Corps of Pioneers in

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in his Room. — Mr. Assistant Surgeon Betty has been likewise directed to do duty in the Garrison of Arnee. —

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your Obt. Servt.

Camp Baroor.
27th February 1799 —

/Signed/ A. Anderson,
Head Surgeon to the Army.

A True Copy

(Signed) Alex Boisanell.
A. F. & H. Board —

To Lieutenant General George Harris,
Commander in Chief &c. &c. —

Sir,

The Stoppages authorised by the 1st Paragraph of the Medical arrangements of the 2d January last from the pay of the European Sick when Victualled in Hospital have been Represented by the Regimental Surgeons, as bearing hard on their Patients and more than sufficient for defraying them, and wish anxiously that an alteration may be made in favour of the Soldiers — . . .

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As it is not practicable for the Surgeon to furnish Clothing for the Sick in the field in that complete Manner which is done in a fixed Station, the Soldier must from so great a proportion of his pay being stopped & from being obliged to wear his own Clothing while in Hospital, be subjected to much inconvenience on being discharged for procuring wearing apparel and other Necessaries which are absolutely Necessary to him, and in order to relieve him from this difficulty, as well as the Surgeon from the Suspicion, which he at present his under of making an advantage of the diet money I am of Opinion that the plan which was followed so much to the Satisfaction of all parties during the last War should be adopted. —

The Surgeon is by this arrangement to draw the dry Batta of 3 fa.s 30 Cash. of the Soldier when Victualled in Hospital, and is further to receive 1 fanam 40 Cash from his pay amounting to 4 fa.s 70 Cash instead of 5 fa.s 70 Cash, as directed in

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into Conjee with the Same quantity of Milk.—

Dinner A quarter of a Measure of boiled Rice or two Oppohas with a proportion one Sheep for every 12. Men with a quarter of a Measure of good Soup, with greens when procurable Onions black pepper, and about one Seer of Rice flour mixed with the Soup for every 20. Men.—

Supper As Breakfast.—

Low Diet.—

Breakfast. Tea one pint with one hoppah, or one pint of Strained Conjee with Two glasses of Wine Sweetened with Sugar, or one pint of Sago with the Same proportion of Wine & Sugar—

Dinner. A Chicken boiled, or made into broth, when procurable with one oppah—or a quarter of a Measure of good Mutton Broth, with a oppah or one pint of Sago with two Glasses of Wine Sweetened with Sugar.— or one pint of boiled flour & Milk—or one pint of Rice boiled and Milk—or Rice pudding.—

Supper. As Breakfast.—

Good

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Good Conjie Water to be always kept in readiness for the common drink of the Patients — When Bread or any article contained in the former Tables can be procured they are always to be supplied. —

A true Copy

/ Signed / Alex.r Boiswell
Actg Secry MBoard

To Dr James Anderson,

Physician General &ca & Members of the

Medical Board,

Gentlemen,

I had the honor to address you some time ago, on the Subject of two of the four Dooly Bearers being struck off, which formerly to me allowed to this Garrison, on account of the greater part of the Swiss Detachment De Meuron having been ordered to join the army in the field But since that period nearly three hundred of the King's Troops sick and well have been thrown into this Garrison besides above 100, of the Swiss Corps which still remain here During the last fortnight, several of the men have been

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in the General Orders above mentioned, —

The Soldier has independent of these Stoppages and of the rates, which he pays to Government for his provisions a balance of his pay remaining equal to five pence per diem D which is supposed to be Sufficient for all his wants —

If the above plan is approved of a deduction must likewise take place of the Sums allowed by the existing Regulations for defraying the expences of the Sick when sent from their Corps into a field Hospital the Surgeon of the field Hospital is to draw the dry Rats and the Stoppages abovementioned and he is besides to receive per each Man the further Sum of five fanams per diem from the Regimental Surgeons to whose Corps the Sick belongs amounting to 9 fan 7½ instead of 10 fanams 9½ Cash. —

The diet Tables being calculated for fixed Stations, contains many articles of diets which cannot at all times, be supplied in the field. and I have enclosed a Table calculated

on

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on the same proportions of diet as in the former ones and which several articles are substituted particularly for low patients and which are generally procurable in Camp. —

As the diet Tables and the establishment of Medical Servants for attending the Sick are not sufficiently known I have to submit the Necessity of their being published in general Orders and directing them to be placed in the European Regimental Hospitals. —

I have the honor to be

&c.a &c.a

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Camp
Trepatore
25th February 1799.

/Signed/ A. Anderson,
Head Surgeon to the Army

The Diet Table

As various articles of Diet contained in the diet Tables for the European Sick cannot be procured in the field the following Table, calculated with proportion of Diet in the former one, is to be substituted. —

Full Diet.

Breakfast. A quarter of a Measure of Rice boiled into

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into Conjee with the Same quantity of Milk.

Dinner A quarter of a Measure of boiled Rice or two Oppahas with a proportion one Sheep for every 12. Men with a quarter of a Measure of good Soup, with greens when procurable Onions black pepper, and about one Seer of Rice flour mixed with the Soup for every 20. Men. —

Supper As Breakfast. —

Low Diet. —

Breakfast, Tea one pint with one Soppah, or one pint of Strained Conjee with Two glasses of Wine Sweetened with Sugar, or one pint of Sago with the Same proportion of Wine & Sugar—

Dinner. A Chicken boiled, or made into broth, when procurable with one oppah — or a quarter of a Measure of good Mutton Broth, with a oppah or one pint of Sago with two Glasses of Wine Sweetened with Sugar. — or one pint of boiled flour & Milk — or one pint of Rice boiled and Milk — or Rice pudding. —

Supper. As Breakfast. —

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Good Ponjie Water to be always kept in readiness for the common drink of the Patients - When Bread or any article contained in the former Tables can be procured they are always to be supplied. -

A true Copy

/Signed/ Alex.r Boiswell
Actg Secry A Board

To Dr James Anderson,
Physician General & Ca.s & Members of the
Medical Board,

Gentlemen,

I had the honor to address you some time ago, on the Subject of two of the four Dooly Bearers being struck off, which formerly to me allowed to this Garrison, on account of the greater part of the Swiss Detachment De Meuron having been ordered to join the army in the field. But since that period nearly three hundred of the King's Troops sick and well have been thrown into this Garrison besides above 100 of the Swiss Corps which still remain here During the last fortnight, several of the men have been

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been so suddenly and violently taken ill in the Barracks as not be capable of walking to the Hospital the Two remaining Doolys Bearers were consequently incapable of carrying a sick European even the short distance that was required. I therefore feel it a duty encumbent upon me to represent to you, the necessity of recommending to the Governor in Council, that an addition of at least two if not four Dooly Bearers should be made to those now attached to this Garrison.

I have the honor at same time to enclose you an application from Mr. Peters Sub. assistant Surgeon for leave to resign the Service. But having so much professional business on hand, and so few to assist me in the execution of it, I cannot recommend your complying with his wishes, unless Mr. Pascal could be sent up in his room. —

On the contrary, I conceive it a duty I owe to Myself and the Sick under my Charge, to inform you of the incorrigible Idleness and drunkness of Mr. Richard Briggs Sub: assistant Surgeon, attached to the General Hospital here —

who

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who is so constantly intoxicated, that I cannot trust
to his either opening a Vein dressing a Wound or making
up a prescription Daily complaints are made of him,
by the Sick, from Neglect of duty, and these I fear have
already gone to their Commanding Officers with the
Army. —

In this distressing predecament therefore
I must request the favor that, you will be pleased to
Recommend Mr Briggs's speedy removal from hence
and that some person of correct conduct should be appointed
in his place. —

I have the honor to be,

Gen.a & C.a

Vellore
26.th Febry 1799 -

/Signed/ Alex.r Watson,
Head Surgeon -

A true Copy
Alex.r Baisewell
Act.g Secry M Board

To D.r James Anderson
Physician General & President &c.a Members
of the Medical Board,

Gentlemen,

Understanding

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Understanding that a considerable
Body of Troops are now assembling at Trichinopoly
for field Service under Colonel Brown, permit me
to Solicit your Recommendation of me for the appoint-
ment of Senior Surgeon of the Detachment as fully
qualified & trust from Seniority long Service, and
uniform attention to my duty, to this Mark of
your consideration, and more especially so as my
present Situation is totally inadequate to my
Claims on the Service, unequal to the provision made
for many of my juniors, and that I am present the
Next in Rank to Mr Richardson in this division
Whatever may be the event of this
application to you for advancement, I assure myself
you will consider it both reasonable & proper, and
am therefore prompted to desire that it may be speedily
Submitted by you to the Commander in Chief & to Govern[t]
I have the Honor to be with Respect.

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27th Feby 1799

Y[r] Y[r]

A True Copy / Signed / H[y] Miller
(Signed) Alex[r] Boswell Surgeon
a. F. St. G[e]

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To Alexr Watson Esqr

Head Surgeon &ca

Vellore,

Sir,

I have to beg that you will be pleased to Solicit thro the Medical Board, and the Regular Channels to Government permission for my Resigning the Honble — Company's Service. —

I am,

&ca &ca &ca.

/Signed/ Wm Peters
Sub. Asst Surgeon —

Vellore
23 February 1799.

A true Copy

/Signed/ Alexr Baisnell,
Acg. Secy. M.B.

Josiah Webbe Esqre

Secretary to Government,

Fort St George,

From the Resident at Hydrabad Transmits a Continuation of the Miscellaneous correspondence of his Residency from the 31st January to the 28th ultimo —

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit for the Notice of Government the Miscellaneous Correspondence of the

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This Residency in continuation from the 31st January to 22d ult.
Omitting however such parts thereof, as have been already
forwarded to Government from time to time. —

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your &c.

Hyderabad,
1st March 1799.

/Signed/ J. A. Kirkpatrick
Resdt

Captain J. A. Kirkpatrick
Resident
at Hyderabad,

Sir

I am directed to acknowledge the
Receipt of your Letter of the 3d Instant and to inform you
that the Honble the Vice President in Council admits
of the increase to the Deputy Postmasters Salary
and Establishment at Hyderabad as Suggested by you
Viz. Forty five Rupees P Month to the Salary and
Forty Seven Rupees to the Establishment, and that the
additions is to Commence from the 1st January 1799 —

I am &c.

Fort William
25th January 1799.

/Signed/ John Stracey
Sub. Secy
Govt —

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Captain Jn.o Malcolm

Assistant Resident &c.a &c.a

Sir,

By desire of Captain Kirkpatrick Resident at Hyderabad, I have the honor to enclose Copy of my Estimate sent to Coll.o Roberts on the 8.th Instant, and of the Receipt I passed to him for Hyderabad Rupees five Thousand. —

I have the honor to be

&c.a &c.a

Camp 22.d January 1799. —

/Signed/ W.m Hemmings

Act.g Dep.y Pay.r

Berg.r Detach.t —

Estimate,

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Estimate of the Sums Required by Capt.n W.m Hemming's acting Deputy Paymaster for the Payment of the Bengal Detachment Serveng with the Troops under the Command of Coll.o Geo. Roberts for the Month of February 1799.—

Corps	By whom Commanded	Where Stationed	Amount in Hyderabad Rupees
Artillery—			
3 Company 1.st Battalion—	Capt.n Dunn, In Camp		2884. 10. 3.
Lascars—			
6.th & 20.th Companies Train & 2 Artificers Establishment &c.a	Do—	Do—	309. 9. 10.
Native Infantry—			
1.st Regiment—	Coll.o Wyndham	Do—	6,033. 9. 6
Detachment Staff			1690. 12. 9
Allowance to Kullidars			456. 6. -
Contingent Charges, Stores Boundaries &c.a			7832. 5. 6.
Total Hyderabad Rupees			56011. 6. -
Deduct Cost on Lands Hyderabad Rupees			99. 6. 6.
Balance Required to Pay the Troops up to 1.st February Inclusive Hyderabad Rupees			55911. 15. 6.

Camp.
8.th January 1799.

/Signed/ W.m Hemming's
Act.g Deputy Pay.r Beng.l Troops

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Received from Colonel George
Roberts Commanding the Nizams Detachment the
Sum of Wyderabad Rupees Fifty five thousand
W.R.s 55000, for the use of the Bengal Troops
Serving with the Detachment.—

Signed Wm Hemmings,
Actg Pay.r Beng.l Dechm.t—

Camp
9.th January 1799.—

Captain J. A. Kirkpatrick,
Resident
at Hyderabad,

Sir,

I am directed by the Honble
the Vice President in Council to inform you, that
Orders have been issued to the Board of Revenue
to desire the Collector of Benares to provide for the
Regular payment of the Bills that may be drawn
on him by you, as they become due, also to give them
the preference to every demand whatever, and if
Necessary for this express purpose to draw Bills
on the Resident at Lucknow or on the Presidency
Directions

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Directions have also been sent to the Resident at Lucknow, to be particularly careful to honour such Bills as may be drawn upon him, by the Collector of Benares for the purpose above Stated. —

I am &c.

/Signed/ Jn.° Stracey,
Sub. Secy.

Fort William
2. February 1799.

Captain J. A. Kirkpatrick,
Resident &c. &c. &c.

Sir,

I beg leave to transmit herewith a Return of the Recruits raised by me for the Honble Company's Service at Hyderabad. You will perceive by it Eighty one Casualties, which I trust will be considered as unavoidable unassisted as I have been by a Second Person, — for I can confidently say, that every anxious exertion of Mine, and Moment of time, was as it ought to have been dedicated to them. It is with much pleasure however, I have to add that those now present for the enclosed Statement have upon inspection been approved of by the Officer Commanding the

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To the Northern Division of the Army.—

I have the honor to be &c.

/Signed/ Thomas Longan,
Lieut in Charge.

Masulipatam,
16th February 1799.

Present State of Recruits, Raised at Hyderabad,

Sepoys			736
Drummers, Entertained as Sepoys			4
Fifers	Do	Do	3
		Sepoys	743
Havildars			7
Naigues			6
Puckallies			7
Vakeel or Writer			1
Total now present, and inspected by Colo Vigors			764
Deserted on the March from Hyderabad & Adjutant Genl's return, to be forwarded on the 1st of Next Month,		Sepoys	81

/Signed/ Thomas Longan,
Lieut in Charge.

Masulipatam
16th February 1799.

True Copies
/Signed/ J. A. Kirkpatrick
Resdt.
Thos.

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To

Thomas Myers Esqr.

Accountant General,

Sir

Fort William,

I have the honor to transmit you a Registe.
of Bills drawn by me upon the Governor General in
Council, and Vice President in Council of Fort William
from the 16th January 1799 to the 1st of February 1799
inclusive and to be. —

Hyderabad
1st February 1799. —

I have &c &c
/Signed/ J. A. Kirkpatrick
Resdt. —

Register of Bills of Exchange drawn by the Resident at Hyderabad on the Vice President in Council of Fort William from the 16th January 1799 to the 1st February 1799 inclusive. —

Date	No.	In whose favor Granted. —			
January 16th	3	Capt. Sir Malcolm or Order	Expences of the Reading	1000	1000
February 1st	4	Messrs. Family Gilmore & Co.	do	5000	5000
	5	do do	do	1000	1000
	6	Messrs. Cockerell Trail & Co.	do	10000	10000

/Signed/ J. A. Kirkpatrick
President —

Thomas