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Diary

Received the following Letter

To the Earl of Mornington K.P.

Governor General in Council

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Fort St. George

My Lord

From the Governor of Ceylon acknowledged the receipt of the Letters dispatched to Ceylon on the 17th and 19th Ultimo - The Walpole & London sailed from Colombo on the 5th Instant with very valuable Cargoes.

I have been honoured with your Lordships Letter in Council of the 19th Ultimo, announcing it to be Your desire that I should consider the Remainder of the His Majestys 19th Regiment as part of the efficient force of this Island -

Mr. Secretary Webbs Letter of the 17th Ultimo respecting the Measures taken for ordering the 10th Regiment direct to Colombo, has been communicated to me, as has also His Letter to Mr. Secretary Cleghorn which announces Your Lordships intention to send the whole of the Malays on the Coast to Ceylon under the Command of Lieutenant Bose -

I have the honor to acquaint

Your

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Acquaint your Lordship in Council that the Honble Company's Ships Walpole and London having Completed their lading, Sailed from this Road on the 5th instant Directed to proceed off Point de Galle, where on Making the appointed Signal, they would be joined by the Honble Company's Ships Duke of Montrose, and Berrington, and proceed to Europe in convoy, under Captain P. Burt of the Montrose as Senior Commander.

The Cargo Shipped here by the Walpole and London Consisted of a very valuable Investment of 5,642 bales of Cinnamon, and 1,411 Cwt. 2 Qrs. of Malabar Coast Pepper for Stowing the Cinnamon.

I have the Honor to be

My Lord

Your Lordships Most

Obedient faithful Servant

/Signd/ Frederic North

Colombo
7th March 1799

To

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Sent the following letter.

To Major Aldwell Taylor

Commanding at

Malacca

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honble the Governor General in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated 12th Ultimo.

Under the circumstances therein stated his Lordship approves you having authorized the Paymaster to take up one hundred and five thousand Dollars for bills upon the Military Paymaster General at the Presidency.

As a considerable part of the garrison will have been withdrawn from Malacca according to my letter of the 1st Instant the Governor General concludes that this supply of treasure together with the produce of the public Revenue will be equal to all your demands for a considerable time to come: he therefore desires that the treasure, amounting to 25,000 dollars, consigned

To the Commandant at Malacca in consequence of the supply of treasure lately procured at Malacca and the diminution about to take place in the Garrison he is directed to forward on to the Malacca Islands the Supplies of Money lately sent to Malacca from Bengal and from this Presidency.

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consigned to you by the Vice President in Council of Fort William on the Ship London, as well as the treasure amounting to 20,000 Dollars forwarded from this Place on the Ship Penang, may be sent on to the Resident at Amboyna upon the Ship London, of which you on will accordingly send advice to the Malacca Islands.

Notwithstanding the Supply of Money now at Malacca and the reduction of your Garrison, you should hereafter be in want of cash, his Lordship authorizes you to raise it upon the same terms as the present.

Fort St. George
19th March 1799.

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

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

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Right Honble the Governor General in Council to furnish you with the enclosed

to the Military Board.
enclosing to them Copy of
a letter relative to the
Supplies sent from Bengal
to the Malacca Islands.

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an engagement has been entered into with Messrs. Chase Sewell & Chase for a further supply of about 2000 bags of rice, and they are directed to report their opinion how far it may be necessary to engage additional tonnage for the remaining Supplies that may yet be wanted.

enclosed Copy of a letter relative to the supplies which have been sent to the Moluccca Islands from Culcutta-

In addition to those supplies His Lordship has authorized engagements with the house of Chase Sewell and Chase for about two thousand bags of rice to be delivered at Amboyna; he therefore desires that you will report your opinion how far it may be necessary to engage farther tonnage for the conveyance of the Supplies which may yet be Required-

I have the honor to be

Sir &c

Fort St. George
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(Signed) J. Webbe
Secy to Govt

Received and Sent the Undermentioned Letters entered in M.B. Nos. 82. 83. 84.

From Major Lindsay commanding the Dindigul district.

From Major Lindsay - States that he had been joined by Captain Simons the Commandant at Pilney. He is employed by orders of Lieutenant Colonel Brown, in restoring confidence among the Natives in the Dindigul district, to the Command of which Colonel Brown

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Brown has appointed him -

From Capt.n Simons Commandant of Pelney

From Captain Simons - States that he had received orders from Lieutenant Colonel Brown to withdraw the Pelney and Yerracottah details, and to join the field detachment under Major Lindsay at Harrapore with which he has accordingly complied -

To the acting Superintendant of Prince of Wales Island -

To Mr. Saunter - Informing him that the Ship Gloucester has been engaged to convey a supply of provisions and stores to the Malacca Islands, and directing him to expidite the repairs which she may require at Prince of Wales Island.

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Sent the following Letter

To Major General Brathwaite

Sir,

To Major Genl. Brathwaite detailing to him the force which has been ordered to proceed to Vizagapatam on the ces Dublin, which it is hoped will be sufficient to quell the

I am directed by the Right Honble the Governor General in Council to acquaint you that in order to afford the most expeditious assistance to the ces Officer Commanding the District of Vizagapatam in the present

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the disturbance in that quarter one Company of Sepoy to be ordered from the Mount, and a mother from Poonamalle to replace those ordered to Vizagapatam —

present state of that province, his Lordship has ordered two Companies of the 2d Battalion 12th Regiment and a detail of Thirty of the Body guard with their horses to be embarked tomorrow on the Honble Company's Ship the Dublin.

The Governor General has ordered the detail of His Majesty's 19th Dragoons already embarked in the Dublin to proceed to Vizagapatam to form a part of that Garrison or to be employed in the field as the Commanding Officer may judge proper-

as Lieutenant Colonel Sherringham will be enabled upon the arrival of the Dublin to draw out a considerable part of the native troops at present detained in Vizagapatam to guard the French prisoners who will ultimately proceed to the Presidency on the ships Dublin and Walpole, the Governor General trusts that this reinforcement will enable the Lieutenant Colonel to restore tranquility in that province.

His Lordship has judged it advisable

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adviseable to put the two Companies of the 2d. Batn. 10 Regt.
under the Command of Lieutenant Paul Bose, and he desires
that you will provide in your instructions to Lieutenant
Colonel Fattheringham against any interference with the
Command of the detail of Native Cavalry, who are to
serve under the Subadar of the Body Guard appointed
by his Lordships orders.—

In consequence of this draft from
the strength of the Garrison of Fort St. George the Governor
General desires that one Company from Saint Thomas's
Mount and another from Poonamallee may be immed-
-diately called in to do duty in Fort St. George.

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

Fort St. George
20th March 1799

To the Military
Paymaster General

Sent Letter to Mr. Roebuck entered in
MB No 35 informing him that the Sum of Pagodas on
4530. 20. 2. will be paid to him, agreeably to his es-
estimate of the 15th Instant on his application.

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21st Sent the following letter

To His Excellency

The Honble Frederic North

Sir, Governor of Ceylon

To his Excellency the Governor of Ceylon informing him that the disturbances which have broken out in the Vizagapatam district place this Government under the necessity of applying for a Reinforcement of 400 Sepoys from the Garrison of Point de Galle.

Having urgent occasion for a reinforcement of Native troops in consequence of an insurrection in the districts dependent upon Vizagapatam, and having reason to be satisfied that the force we require may be drawn from Pointe de Galle with less inconvenience to the public interests, than from any other place under our authority we make it our earnest request that you will take the earliest opportunity of embarking from thence 400 Sepoys of the 1st Battalion of the 9th Regiment now stationed there with orders to be landed at this Presidency -

We have the less hesitation in desiring this assistance from your Excellency in Consequence of our having ordered his Majestys 10 Regiment to be landed at Columbo as soon as it shall arrive from Europe and

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after having Countermanded the orders which we had issued for the remainder of his Majestys 19 Regiment to embark for the Coast an arrangement, by which your Excellency will we have no doubt, be enabled to provide for the Military Service of the Island without inconvenience—

We have the honor to be

&c &c

/Signed/ J. Webbe

Sec.y to Govt.

Fort St. George

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To Lieutenant Colonel Read

Commanding in the

Baramahal

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honble the Governor General in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated 11th Instant—

As the greatest part of the force formerly Stationed in the Baramahal is Collected under your Command his Lordship is of opinion that your detachment may be paid by the paymaster

M.

To the Officer Commanding in the Baramahal—Mr. Jackson to act as Paymaster and Bullock Agent to his detachment—the appointment of an acting deputy adjt. General disapproved the appointment of Mr. Ord, and of Serjeant King confirmed—Captain Stones claim to advanced batta has been referred to the co. auditor General—

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Mr. J. S. Jackson without any intimation to the Garrisons and accordingly directs that Gentlemans shall provide for the payment of the Troops in the field -

His Lordship is also pleased to direct that Mr. Jackson shall do the duties of bullock agent with the detachment; and the Military Auditor General has in Consequence been desired to furnish him with instructions for his guidance in these Departments

The Governor General disapproves the appointment of an acting deputy adjutant General, an appointment, which does not exist with the detachment under Lieutenant Colol Brown and desires that it may be annulled -

The Governor General in Council confirms your appointment of Mr Ord to act as deputy postmaster with your detachment, and of Serjeant King to command your pioneers upon the allowances

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of a Conductor.

The claim of Captain Sotan to the
batta of advanced rank will be determined by the Regulation
of the Honble the Court of Directors upon Reference to the
Office of audit.

I am
&c &c
(Signd) J. Webbe
Sec.y to Gov.t

Fort St George
21st March 1799

To Captain Robert Reay
of the Ship
Dublin

Sir.

Having received on Board your Ship two
Companies of Sepoys and a detach.t of thirty Natives
Cavalry with their horses accoutrements and baggage, you
are hereby ordered to make the best of your way to
Vizagapatam.

Upon your Arrival at that place
you are to land the detachment of his Majesty's 29.th
Dragoons

To the Commander
of the Dublin Instruc=
=tions given him regard=
=ing the detachment
about to be embarked
in the Dublin for
Vizagapatam. He is
to receive at that place
a proportion of french
prisoners for the pur=
=pose of conveying them
to the Presidency. He is
also to receive an addi=
=tional number, to be
afterwards

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Dragoons, with the Sepoys, and Cavalry -

If however the Commanding officer should think it advisable to land the troops at any place to the Northward of Vizagapatam, you are to comply with his application for that purpose -

Having landed the Troops you will be guided by the Separate orders, herewith delivered to you, for your future proceedings.

Upon your Return from Vizagapatam you are to receive on board your Ship a proportion of French prisoners not exceeding twenty men; but as the Walpole will probably have sailed for Calingapatam before your arrival at Vizagapatam, and as the Returning voyage of both Ships may be materially delayed by touching at Vizagapatam His Lordship thinks it advisable that the whole number not exceeding forty men shou Should be embarked on the Dublin at Vizagapatam, and that half of them should be transferred to the Walpole upon your junction with that Ship — you will accordingly

afterwards transferred to the Walpole in case that vessel should have sailed for Calingapatam before the arrival of the Dublin at Vizagapatam -

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accordingly Comply with the application of the Commanding officer for this purpose—

If the Commanding officer should be desirous of advancing any part of his field train to a place North of Vizagapatam, you will also Comply with his application on this point—

I am

&c &c

/ Signed / J. Webbe

Sec.y to Govt.

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To Captain W. Venner

of the Ship

Sir.

Walpole

The Right Honble the Governor General in Council having determined to Remove a number of french prisoners from Vizagapatam to the Presidency not exceeding forty men, hereby directs you to Receive on board your Ship either at Vizagapatam or from the Ship Dublin as circumstances may occur, a proportion of the prisoners not exceeding twenty men: and convey them to the Presidency

To the Commander of the Walpole directing him to Receive on board of his Ship at Vizagapatam or from on board the Dublin, as circumstances may occasion a proportion of french prisoners not exceeding twenty, and to Convey them to the Presidency—

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Presidency—

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Y. Y.
/ Signed / J. Webbe
Secy. to Govt.

To Lieutenant Colonel Fatheringham
or Officer Commanding at
Vizagapatam

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honble the Governor General in Council to inform you that a detachment of his Majesty's 29th. Dragoons two companies of the 2d. Batt'n. 10th. Regiment Native Infantry and a detail of thirty Native Cavalry have been embarked on the Company's Ship Dublin for the Service about to be undertaken in the district of Vizagapatam—

The Commander of the Dublin has been ordered to land the whole of the troops at Vizagapatam or to convey them to any port north of that place as you may judge advisable: you will accordingly communicate your intentions upon this point to Captain Reay—

With

to the Officer Commanding at Vizagapatam detaining to him the force which has been embarked on the Dublin for the purpose of quelling the disturbances prevailing in his district—Informing him that the whole of the French prisoners at Vizagapatam are to be conveyed to the Presidency on the dispatch of Wallpole—

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With a view to deliver the Garrison of Vizagapatam and by that means enable you to draw a greater proportion of Native Troops into the field the Governor General in Council desires that the whole of the french prisoners now in Confinement may be embarked on the Dublin and Walpole in order to their being brought to the Presidency-

As the Walpole will probably have already Sailed to Calingapatam, and as it may delay their returning passage to the Presidency, if these Ships should be ordered to call touch at Vizagapatam for the prisoners his Lordship is of opinion that they should be embarked on the Dublin and so divided upon the arrival of that vessel at Calingapatam; and Captain Reay has been accordingly directed to comply with your application for this purpose.—

If it should be expedient to embark any part of the Field train on board the Dublin, Captain Reay will also receive it upon your application.

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I am
&c. &c.
(Signed) J. Webbe
Sec.y to Govt.

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To Mr. James Cochrane

Sir,

To Mr. Jas. Cochrane directing him to proceed to Calastry, for the purpose of preventing the Rajah from throwing impediments in the way of the Banjarries who may pass thro his Zemindary, and giving him instructions for the guidance of his Conduct—

In consequence of an arrangement made for the march of his Highness the Nizam Contingent and the Banjarries which were engaged for the public service through the Budwail pass by Rampore through the districts of Venkatagherry Calastry and Bommanjepollam towards Chandergherry and Vellour positive orders were issued to the Zimindars of Venkatagherry, Calastry, and Bommanjepollam, to facilitate the March of the troops by providing supplies of grain and forage, and to furnish the Banjarries with grain at certain prices for the purpose of being conveyed to the Army—

The Rajahs of Venkatagherry & Bommanjepollam have acquitted themselves of this duty to the satisfaction of the Right Honble the Governor General; and the Rajah of Calastry had conducted himself so as to obtain his Lordships approbation during the passage of the Nizams Contingent through his Country but within these few days

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it has been reported to his Lordship that the Zemindar of Calastry has actually obstructed the progress of the Banjarries, Compelling them to return into the districts of Venkatagherry after they had already entered the Confines of Calastry.

As it is of very Considerable importance that there should be no impediment to the March of the Banjarries or to the parties of his Highness the Nizams Cavalry, which are yet to join the Army the Governor General in Council has been pleased to appoint you to proceed to Calastry, for the purpose of inspecting the Conduct of the Zemindar, to remove any impediments you may observe opposed to the progress of the troops and the Banjarries, and to afford them all the assistance in your power.

For this purpose you will proceed with the least possible delay to Calastry, where upon your Arrival you will send to communicate to the Zemindar the object of your Mission and upon your first interview with him you will deliver the enclosed Letter from the Governor General, of which I inclose a Copy for your information.

You

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You will in consequence require the Zemindar to remove all restrictions which he may have put upon the march of the troops and Banjarries as well as to facilitate and assist their progress by providing supplies of grain and forage according to the first orders of the Governor General -

In order that this Service may be effectually accomplished it will be necessary for you to receive on the time by which the Banjarries and troops are to advance, to assure them of protection, and to provide as far as may be possible for the full execution of the Governor Generals intention -

If you should observe any negligence on the part of the Zemindar and his servants you will remonstrate with him upon such a violation of his duty to the Company and apprize him of the Certain Consequences which he must bring upon himself by provoking the just displeasure of the Governor General: you will not fail to transmit at the same time to his

Lordship

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Lordship in Council a Report of your observations upon the Conduct of this Zemindar, or of any other Zemindar connected with this Service.

The Military Board have been ordered to provide you with tents and Carriage for them and the town Major will order a Naig and Six Sepoys to accompany you upon this Service—

You are permitted to entertain as many hircarrahs as may be absolutely necessary for enabling you to carry their orders into effect.

You are not to Return untill you may receive express permission for that purpose but you are to Retain during your absence all your appointments at the Presidency; and you are to keep an account of all expences, which you may incur on this Service to be laid before the Governor General in Council—

as it may probably be necessary for you to correspond with Lieut. Col. Read relative to the advance of the Bangalore that Officer has been apprized of the nature of your appointment

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21st March 1799

Sam
G.a & C.a
/ Signed / I. Webbe
Sec.y to Gov.t

Received and Sent the Undermentioned

Letters entered in Mil.y Cons.s 86. 87. 88. 89. 90. 91. 92. A & 92. B.

From Lieutenant Colonel Palmer

From the Resident at Pernah - acknowledges the Receipt of the intelligence transmitted to him on the 18th & 24th February -

From Lieutenant Colonel Brown the

From the Officer Commanding the Southern division - forwards by express a packet which has received from the Commissioners in the Malabar Coast addressed to Government - he has received a Duplicate of it, and proposes transmitting a Copy to the Commander in Chief this Lieut. Colonel Read, for whose perusal he shall leave it open -

From Captain Reay - He has been en-

From the Commander of the Dublin - unable to fall in with the privateer of which he was sent in pursuit, but he has recaptured the vessel which was out ant of Nagore Roads -

To the Military Board - Informing them

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To the Military Board-

Them that Mr. James Cochrane has been ordered on duty, and that he is to be furnished with Tents - The Garrison Storekeeper to be directed to send provisions on board of the Dublin for two companies of Native Infantry about to be embarked on her -

To the Commandant at Cuddalore -

To Lieutenant Colonel Dupont. acknowledging the Receipt of his letter, enclosing a Return of Ordnance and Stores Received by him from Villapooram - directing him to provide immediately for the Security of the Guns and Muskets still Remaining at that place -

To Lieut. Colonel D'. Espenaee -

To Lieutenant Colonel D'. Espenaee He is permitted to draw his pay from the Paymaster at Trichinopoly, from the period to which he drew it at Pondicherry -

To the Military Paymaster General

To Mr. Roebuck - Informing him that the Sum of Pag. 75,336. 21. 60. will be issued to him on his application, agreeably to his estimate of the 12th Inst.

From the Resident at Cuddalore -

From Mr. Blanchard - Requests to be permitted to entertain Horsemen for the public Service -

Sent

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22. Sent the following Letters-

To Major General Brathwaite

Sir.

I am directed by the Right Honble the Governor General in Council to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letters dated 1st 8th 19th and 20th Instant-

The Military Auditor General has been authorized to grant the usual passage money to Major Swinton and Cornet Gaul, as well as the usual allowance to the acting Brigade Major of his Majesty's Troops-

His Lordship approves your instructions to the officer Commanding the Northern Division respecting the equipment of a force to serve in the districts of Vizagapatam; and in Consideration of the large force about to be employed in the field under Lieutenant Colonel Fatheringham, his Lordship desires that officer may be authorized to appoint a Staff adjutant to assist him in conducting the details of the Detachment-

As Lieutenant Colonel Brown may be expected to have entered the enemy's Country before he can

To Major General Brathwaite. The auditor General has been authorized to grant the usual passage money to Major Swinton and to Cornet Gaul, and the usual allowance to Captain Brown as acting as Brigade Major to the Kings troops. His instructions to the officer Commanding the N. D. approved Lt. Col. Fatheringham to be allowed a staff adjt. If Ismal Khan Commanding the Nizams Troops serving with the Southern Detachment can produce satisfactory authority for his being afforded with 30,000 Rupees, that sum is to be advanced to him It is to be recommended to Coll. Brown to conciliate the Chiefs of the Nizams part as much as possible - Coll. Brown must refer to General Harris for all information regarding the particular terms on which the Nizams Horse are to serve with his Detachment Conductor Goudie has been dismissed the Service-

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can Receive an answer to his Reference upon the subject of the Nizam horse, his Lordship deems it unnecessary to provide for the case stated by Lieut: Colonel Brown in Regard to an application to his Highness the Nabob—

The party of horse serving with Lieutenant Colonel Brown have no claim upon the Company for pay; but if the Letter stated by Lieutenant Colonel Brown to be in the possession of Ismail Khan, by which he expects to be assisted with 30,000 Rupees should have been written by the authority of the Commander in Chief, Captain Malcolm, or Meer Allum Bahadur the Governor General in Council desires that Lieutenant Colonel Brown will authorize the Paymaster to assist them with advances of Cash to that amount, taking the Receipts of the Sirdars for the same, to be hereafter adjusted with the Government of his Highness the Nizam—

In communicating these orders to Lieutenant Colonel Brown His Lordship desires that you will Recommend to that officer in the strongest manner

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Manner to conciliate the minds of the Nizams Officers and to treat them with every degree of attention required by the intimate connexion at present subsisting between the two States -

As the Governor General has received no particular explanation from the Commander in Chief of the terms, on which this party of horse has been engaged to serve with the Southern Detachment, His Lordship is under the necessity of referring Lieutenant Colonel Brown to Lieut. General Harris for information on this Subject -

Conductor Gowdie has been dismissed from the Honble Company's Service -

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

Fort St. George
21st March 1799

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

Gentlemen,

We have received your letters of the 6th

To the Military Board the different officers entitled to send letters on the Company's public

8th and 15 Instant with their enclosures -

By an order to the Military Auditor General

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publie Service have been authorized to draw on the Paymaster of their respective Stations for the postage disbursed by them - the Garrison Storekeeper in the Baramahal shall be reimbursed in any sum he may appear to have sustained by the Sheep he has purchased - the acting Garrison Storekeeper at Malacca to be authorized to purchase rice at 2½ Dollars per bag to the extent that may be necessary the several payments recommended by the Board have been authorized -

General we have authorized all officers entitled to send letters upon the publie Service to draw from the different paymasters a Sum sufficient to Reimburse the charges of postage in their respective departments -

In consideration of the circumstances Stated by you Relative to the purchase of Sheep by the pay=master in the Baramahal, we shall authorize the Reimburse=ment of any sum which may appear to you to have been to it by the transaction -

We desire that the Garrison Storekeeper at Malacca may be authorized to purchase Rice for the use of the Garrison at the Rate of two and a half dollars per bag to the extent that may be necessary -

We have authorized payment of the several bills and advances Recommended by you -

Fort St. George
21st March 1799.

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

To Mr. George Taswell

To Mr. George Taswell.
Informing him that the

Sir

I am directed by the Right Honble the

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the national faith is so pledged to an observance of the term on which the ship Recovery was permitted to proceed to the Coast after her capture by the La Forte that no deviation from them can be admitted.

The Governor General in Council to acknowledge the Receipt of your letter Dated 16th Inst: and to inform you that the national faith is so pledged to the terms, on which the Ship Recovery was permitted by the Commander of the French Frigate La Forte to cause to the Coast, that his Lordship cannot permit any diviation from the agreement concluded by the officers and passengers on board that Ship with the french Captain.

I am
&c &c

/ Signed / J. Webbe
Sct to Govt

Fort St George
21st March 1799

To Hugh Cleghorn Esqr
Secretary to the Government at
Colombo

Sir

I am directed by the Right Honble the Governor General in Council to Request that you will lay before his Excellency the Governor the enclosed Copy of a letter from the Secretary at Fort William Relative to the further issue of promissary notes to the prize agents for the Captors of Colombo; and at the same time to inform his Excellency that the Governor General will not feel himself at

The Secretary to the Government at Colombo Copy of a letter from the Secretary at Bengal, enclosed. The Governor General does not feel himself at liberty to authorize a further issue of 3 pr. Ct notes until the doubts of the advocate General shall be removed. Copy of a letter from the Auditor General with its enclosures, regarding the effects of the Stanley.

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Malay Corps on Ceylon enclosed-

at liberty to authorize a farther issue of notes until the doubts of the advocate General shall have been Removed-

I am also directed to Request that you will lay before his Excellency the inclosed Copy of a letter with its inclosures from the Military auditor General at this Presidency upon the Subject of the Stoppages or Offreckoning of the Malay Corps-

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

Fort St. George
21st March 1799

To G. H. Barlow Esqr.
Secretary to the Government at
Fort William

Sir,

I am directed to Request that you will lay before the Vice President in Council the inclosed Copy of a Letter from the Governor in Council at Bombay, and to express the desire of the Right Honble the Governor General in Council that the indulgence therein Recommended in favor of the ship of the Imam of Muscat may be shewn upon her arrival at Calcutta-

To the Secretary at Bengal
Copy of a letter from the
Bombay Government
forwarded, and the indul-
gence therein recommended
to the ship of the Imaum
of Muscat to be shewn
to her on her arrival at
Calcutta - the Government
of Bombay have been
desired to establish on
some means of distin-
guishing the Imaums
ship Copies of the whole
proceedings regarding the

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The Government of Bombay have been

desired to establish some means of distinguishing their

Imams Ship and to communicate it to the Vice President

in Council—

The detention of the Armida by the Mysore ruled to be transmitted from Bengal, in order that a final judgement may be formed on the Case—

The Right Honble the Governor General

in Council having received further applications relative to the

detention of the Ship Armida by the Honble Company's

Armed Ship Nonsuch under the Command of Captain Thomas

further directs me to desire that a complete copy of the

whole proceedings in this affair may be transmitted to this

Presidency in order that his Lordship may be enabled to

pass a final judgement on this case—

I have the honor to be

&c &c

/Signed/ J. Webbe

Sec.y to Govt.

Fort St George

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Sent the undermentioned Letters entered in

MBR. 93. 94. 95. 96. 97.—

To Mr. Spencer—&c transmitting to them

To the President & Commissioners in the Malabar Cast.

a Letter for General Stuart which is to be immediately forwarded—

To

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To the Collector at Vizagapatam.

To Mr. Webb - Acknowledging the Receipt of his Letter of the 20th. Ultimo, and desiring him to communicate with the Resident at Nagpour Regarding the Prisoners therein Mentioned, and to be guided by his answer —

To the Resident at Cuddalore.

To Mr. Kinchant - Authorizing him to establish a Militia at Cuddalore, agreeably to the plan proposed by him —

To the Secretary at Bombay.

To Mr. Richards Enclosing extract of a Report from the Auditor General Regarding the passage Money allowed to Officers proceeding to Europe agreeably to the Request contained in his Letter of the 28th. Ultimo —

To the Board of Trade.

To the Board of Trade - Transmitting to them Proposals Received from the Commander of the Brond Prince Frederic for conveying to Colombo the Malay prisoners in this Coast together with a supply of thereiw —

Substance of a letter to the Nabob.

Sent Letter to the Nabob entered in CC. N 41 - Acknowledging the Receipt of his Letter of the 15th. Instant, intimating his having paid his Kist for March —

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23. Received the following Letter.

To the Right Honorable the Earl of Mornington K.P.

Governor General in Council

My Lord &c. &c. &c.

1st We have the honor to acknowledge the re-
ceipt of Mr. Secretary Webbes Letters of the 18th and 20th Inst.;
and have the Report that instructions have been given for
Carrying into effect the orders they Contained.—

2d We have the honour to enclose Copies
of the Garrison Storekeepers Reports of Paddy issued, and
Remaining, and of Rice Received at Vellore and Arnee,
Respectively on the 18th Instant—as also of a quantity of
Horse Gram left by the Army on the ground of Encamp-
-ment near Vellore, and which has since been received
into Store there according to directions from the Commander
in Chief

From the Military Board. Enclose Copy of the Reports of the garrison Storekeeper at Vellore and Arnee up to 18th Inst., in which is included a quantity of horse Gram left by the Army on their moving from the incampment at Vellore—

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

Fort St. George
22. March 1799.

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Report of Paddy and Rice issued and Remaining, and Rice and Horse Gram received at Vellore 13th March 1799

	Paddy in Store	Rice in Store	Bengal Rice	Horse Gram rec.d from Major Hart Commissary of Grain
	Garce Mer. Ps	Garce Mer. Ps	Garce Mer. Ps	Garce Mer. Ps
Remaining on the 11th March 1799 as p last Report	118. 225. 5/4	68 375. 4	60. 66. .	. . .
Received from 11th to this day	" " .	13 " "	" " "	26. 122. "
	118. 225. 5/4	81. 373. 4	60. 66. .	26. 122. "
Issued from 11th to this day	28. 66. 8	24. 71. .	" " "	" " "
Remaining	90. 158. 9/4	57 302. 4	60. 66. .	26. 122. "

Particular of Issues of Rice from 11th to 13th March 1799

	G.	M.	P.
Delivered to Nagapah Chitty as p Order from the Commander in Chief	7	311	10
Delivered to Ekunt Row Gomasta of Appajee Row, Colonels Read's Agent as p Order from the Commander in Chief	16	159	2
Total	24	71	.

/ A true Copy /
/ Signed / John Macleane
Dy. Sup.t Mys.e Board.

/ Signed / J. Hb. Thardon
G. Storekeeper

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Report of Paddy issued and Remaining and Rice Received at Arnee 18th March 1799 –

	Paddy in Store	Rice in Store
	G. M. S	G. M. S.
Remaining on the 11th March as p. last Report	514. 135. 1.	71. " "
Issued from 11th to this day	13. " "	" " "
Received from Ditto --- to Ditto	" " "	6. " "
Remaining ---	501. 135. 1.	77. " "

/ Signed / J. H. Skardon
G. Storekeeper

/ A true Copy /
/ Signed / John Macleane
Depy. Sy. Mill Board –

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Sent the following letter.

To the Honble Jonathan Duncan Esqr.

Governor in Council at

Honble Sir,

Bombay

To Bombay - directions have been given to the Bengal Govrnt. to shew the indulgence recommended by them to the ship of the Sumaun Mureal - some means of distinguishing the Vessel to be communicated to the Bengal Govt. This Governor General has already communicated to Mr. Duncan the Measures he judges it expedient should be adopted in Consequence of the death of the Nabob of Surat.

We have Received your letter dated the 4th Ultimo - with its inclosure -

We have directed that the indulgence you have recommended should be shewn to the Ship of the Sumaun of Mureal upon its arrival at Calcutta; but it will be necessary that some Means should be established for distinguishing her, which we accordingly desire you will communicate to the Government at Fort William -

Our Secretary has laid before us your Secretary's Letter of the 11th January Relative to the Death of the Nabob of Surat -

The Right Honble the Governor General having Communicated to your President the Arrangements which this Lordship has thought advisable upon this event we accordingly desire that you will be guided by them

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them -

We have the honor to be

Sir &c &c

/ Signed / [redacted]

& 9 Council.

Fort St. George
21st March 1799

To Major General Sydenham

Military Auditor General

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honble the Governor General in Council to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letters Dated the 13th 16th and 19th Inst: with their inclosures -

Under the circumstances which you have explained Relative to the claim of Captain C. Godfrey to the Batta of Major while on Command of the 1st Batn 9th Regiment Native Infantry the Governor General is of opinion that the claim is will provided and accordingly desires that it may be admitted -

The Governor General in Council is of opinion that all private adjustments for the exchange of publick situatures should be restricted and as no publick advantage is Stated to arise from the exchange of Captain Wynne and Mr Hewit, his Lordship cannot consent to it -

His Lordship approves the establish=
=ment

To the Military auditor Genrals Depr. Godfrey claim to the batta of Major to be admitted Captain Wynnis and Lt. Hewitts joint applicat=ion cannot be Complied with. the Establish=ment of Servants re=commended for the Payment & Commy. of the Southern Detachmt. approved - the Retrenchment against Mr. Martin an acct of Cyder purchased by him to be remitted. Major Swinton of the 3d Regt and Cornet Gaul of 29th Dragns to draw the usual passage money to Europe and Captain Brown acting Brigade Major to the Kings Troops to draw the ex=ual allowance from the date of his appoint=ment - all charges on account of Abundancy are

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establishment of Servants, which you have Recommended for the paymaster and Commissary with the Southern Detach=ment=

In compliance with your Recommenda=tion the Governor General in Council authorizes you to remit the Retrenchment Standing against Mr. Martin to the amount of Pag.a 543.. 9.. 36. for the purchase of Ghee at Palamcotah=

The Governor General in Council is desires that Major Swinton of his Majestys 36 Regiment and Cornet Gaul of his Majestys 29th Dragoons may be permitted to draw the usual passage Money and that Capn. J. Brown may draw the usual allowances as acting Brigade Major of his Majestys troops from the time of his appointment=

The Governor General in Council on having ordered the entire evacuation of Pondicherry desires that all charges of every discription on account of that garrison may cease: such of the prisoners of War, as on may have been permitted to draw their subsistence at Pondicherry and it have been permitted to Retire to Cuddalore

are now to cease= Lieut. Colo. J. Espinn to be permitted to draw his pay from the Pay= =master at Trichin= =poly from the 1st. February Copy of a letter from the Com= =mander in Chief Containing different Regulations which he had found it ne= =cessary to alter or to establish, enclosed= Copies of three letters from the Adjutant General to the Army inclosed for his gui= =dance the several orders therein specie= =fied having been communicated Copy of a letter from Lieut. Colo. Read regarding different Staff appoint= =ments in his detach= =ment, enclosed. Mrs. Jackson as Paymr. and Bullock agent with the Detachment to be furnished with the necessary Regu= =lations, and to have sent an additional number of Servants allowed him as may be requisite Copy of a letter from the Assistant Secretary at Columbo regarding the payment of the Detachment of the 19th Regiment at present on the Coast enclosed

Cuddalore, are to draw it in future at the Latter place;
and those of the prisoners of War who have been removed
to Pomamallee are to be paid by the Military Paymaste
at the Presidency-

Lieutenant Colonel D'Esperiace is
permitted to draw his pay from the Payemaster at Trechinopoly
from the 1st. February-

I enclose Copy of a Letter from the
Commander in Chief upon the Subject of sum Detail regula-
tions which he has found it necessary to alter or to establish;
and am directed by the Right Honble the Governor
General in Council to desire that the several departments
in Camp, to which they refer may be accordingly Regular-
-ted-

I also inclose for your information
Copies of their Letters from the Adjutant General of the
army; and am directed to inform you that the Several
orders therein enclosed have been confirmed by the Governor
General in Council-

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enclosed Lieut. Colt. Patteringham has been authorized to appoint a Staff adjutant-Apmt. of the following Bills to be authorized one Bill of the Garrison Storkeeper in the Baramahal Rupees 154-28-64- For Bills of the Gunbarriage Contractors, the former amounting to Rps. 3,573. the Latter to Rps. 1102-17-72 Bill of Lieut. Colt. Gent. Rpt. 173-41-32. Bill of the Garrison Storkeeper in the Baramahal, Rpt. 1176-30-60- and of the Gun barriage Contractors, Rupees 1935-18-14- Do. of Captain Lieutenant Wood Rpt. 235-12-20-

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I inclose a Copy of a letter to Lieut: Colonel Read upon the Subject of some Changes in the Staff appointments in his detachment; and am directed to desire that Mr. Jackson the Paymaster in the Baramahal, who is to join the Detachment as paymaster and Bullock an Agent may be furnished with the instructions necessary for his guidance and authorized to make such Reasonable addition to his establishment of Servants as the change of circumstances may render absolutely necessary-

I inclose Copy of a letter from the Secretary to the Government at Colombo Relative to the Payment of the detachment of his Majesty's 9. Regiment of Foot Serving in the Southern Division-

In consequence of some disturbance in the district of Vizagapatam the Governor General in Council has ordered a field detachment to be assembled under the Command of Lieutenant Colonel Fatheringhame and has authorized that Officer to appoint a Staff adjutant

for

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for Conducting its detail duties -

The Governor General in Council desires

that you will authorize the following payments -

The enclosed Bill of the Garrison Storekeeper

in the Ceded Districts for Firewood stored at Ryacottah

amounting to one hundred and fifty four Pagodas, twenty

eight Fanams and sixty nine Cash / 154 " 28 " 69 /

The two inclosed Bills N. 2. & 3. of the

Gun Carriage Contractors for Articles of Military Store delivered

by them the former Amounting to three thousand five hundred

and Seventy three Pagodas / 3,573 / the Latter to one thousand

one hundred and two Pagodas, seventeen Fanams, and seventy

eight Cash / 1102 " 17 " 78 /

The enclosed Bill of Lieutenant

Colonel Gent for Repairs to different buildings in Portuguese

Square, Amounting to one hundred and seventy three Pag.s

forty one Fanams, and thirty two Cash / 173 " 41 " 32 /

The enclosed Bill of the Garrison

Storekeeper in the Ceded Districts for provisions laid in

by

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by him at Sankerydroog Amounting to one thousand, one hundred and seventy six Pagodas thirty fanams and sixty Cash

/1,176. 30. 60./—

The enclosed Bill of the Gun: carriage Contractors, Amounting to one thousand and thirty five Pag.s eighteen fanams and fourteen Cash /1035. 18. 14/

The enclosed Bill of Captain Lieutenant Wood of the Engineers for Materials provided by him for the construction of a second Gateway in the fort of Vellore, Amounting to two hundred and thirty four Pagodas, twelve fanams and twenty Cash /235. 12. 20./

I am directed to desire that the Recommendation Contained in the enclosed extract of a letter from the Military Board respecting the advance made to Captain Lieutenant Wood on account of the proposed Reform to the Fort at Vellore be complied with—

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21st March 1799

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
/Signed/ J. Webbe
Sec.y to Govt.

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To Major General Ross

Chief Engineer

Sir.

To the Chief Engineer - Enclosing to him Copy of a letter from the Attornies to the Executor to the Estate of the late Mr. J. Douglas, respecting a piece of ground in the Black Town to the value of which they lay claim and directing him to make the necessary enquiries on the subject -

I am directed by the Right Honble the Governor General in Council to transmit to you the enclosed Copy of a letter from the Attornies to the Executor to the Estate of the late Mr. John Douglas, accompanied by Copy of a Bill of Sale describing the Situation of the ground therein referred to — His Lordship desires that you will make the necessary enquiries, and Report to him whether the ground which is claimed by the Attornies to the Executor of the deceased, has been or is actually, occupied by the Company -

I have the honor to be

Sir &c &c

Fort St. George
22. March 1799

/ Signed / J. Webbe

Sec.y to Govt.

Received and Sent the Undermentioned Letters entered in Mil. Br.s 98. 99. 100. 101. 102. —

From Mr. Vanddyk - Requests that he and his family may be permitted to leave Madras and to Reside at Chengleput -

From Mr. Vanddyk - at Madras -

From

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From the Collector at Vizagapatam.

From Mr Brown. Mentions that the Vessel of which he wrote on the 13th Instant. had since proved to be the Walpole Indiaman.

From the Commandant at Poonamallee

From Captain Grant. States that in consequence of the indisposition of several of the french prisoners at Poonamallee, he had appointed Mr Assistant Surgeon M.c Intosh to attend them; but he believes that to enable him to draw the allowance it will be necessary to appoint him in General Order.

To the Paymaster at Vellore.

To Mr Shardon. all the french Inhabitants who Receives salaries or pensions from Government and who have been permitted to Remain at Pondicherry or to retire to Cuddalore are in future to draw their allowances at the latter place. a list of the pensions granted to the families of those who have embarked on the Triton enclosed the payment of them to Commence from the time of the embarkation.

To Bengal.

To Bengal. The Board entirely approve the Measures taken to furnish the American Ship Martha

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Martha with 500 tons of Saltpetre -

24th Received letter from Lieutenant Colonel

From the Officer Commanding the Mr. Dr

Vigors entered in M.B.P. 103. Requests that Lieut. John Munro his Brigade Major may be permitted to draw the same allowances as were granted to Major of Brigade

Ogg-

25th Sent the following Letter-

To Hugh Cleghorn Esqr.

Secretary to the Government at

Colombo

Sir,

To the Secretary to the Government at Colombo informing him that the whole of the Malay prisoners at this Presidency have been embarked on the Brond Prince Frederic for Colombo, agreeably to an enclosed Return-

According to the intimation made to his Excellency the Governor in the letter of 14 Ultimo from the Right Honble the Governor General in Council the whole of the malays at this Presidency with their women and children have been embarked on the Brond Prince Frederic, and I have the honor to enclose for his Excellency's information an embarkation Return of the Provisions and Water have been shipped at the publick expence for the use of the Malays

J

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of which also I enclose a Statement-

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

Received letter from Mr. J. L. Gotting

From Mr. J. L. Gotting-

entered in M.B. N. 104 Recals to mind his former applic-
-ation respecting the privateer L'heureux which he states
to have purchased from the Owners of her.

26th

Received the following letter

To Josiah Webbe Esqr.

Sir,

Secretary to Government.

From the Officer Commanding on the Baramahal- States that the Rupees paid to the Nizam troops serving on his detach-ment are of an inferior value, and that the loss they sustain is very con-siderable- Requests to know how he shall rectify the deficiency-

Captain Malcolm who Commands the
Nizams Regular Infantry has 53,836 Rupees for the pay-
payment of his Highness 3. Battalions with my Detach-
-ment- These consist of 17 different sorts which as appears
in the Accompanying Statement N 1. are all of the same
weight and Currency tho they vary in fineness from 86
9/12 in a Scale of which 10 is pure silver- so that of 2
kinds an hundred have 95- of the kinds one hundred.

have

have 91 ⅌ and of fine kinds one hundred have only 80 Rupees of Silver in them—

Notwithstanding this disparity in their entrinsic value they all pass Current in Hyderabad at the same Rate and having all several holes in them they, all go under one Common denomination Sulauke or punch'd Rupees but in this Country 100 of them will not pass for more than 83 Company's Rupees—

The Consequence is the Nizams Troops Complain that they lose as stated in N 2. 17 ⅌ Cent or one sixth of their pay which being ascribed to a Combination of the Shroffs it is supposed that it may be easily prevented by forcing them to receive all Rupees at Hydrabad at the same value—

In the first place Rupees and all other Coins are articles of trade in this Country—the Shroffs are too few and poor in these parts to form any General plan of advantage for themselves, and as exhibited in N 1. they benefit no more by these than by any other Rupees.

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Rupees passing thro their hands. their profit by the exchange not exceeding 1/2 p.Cent which cannot be much when the circulation is inconsiderable— For these reasons it would be equally unjust and impracticable to put the same value on every kind of Rupee—as on every kind of Grain or other Commodities—

The quantity of the Rice which the Troops sustain depending on Comparison implies a Standard or Government Coin by which their pay is Regulated = That Standard is doubtless the Sulauke Rupee— but in making the Comparison they adopt the Company's Rupee and on that account it may appear inadmissible—

Notwithstanding this view of the Matter it must be acknowledged that owing to the Nizams Rupee not being so current as at Hyderabad his troops are Con=siderable losers and it is submitted to the Right Honble General whether or no a Compensation shall be made them and in what manner it shall be done—

The first step is the fixing on a

Standard.

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Standard Coin - If the Company's Rupee be taken for that and the Rupees which the Nizams people have brought as the amount of 2 Months pay be paid to them at the present Rate of Exchange which is 120 P Cent there will be a deficiency of one fifth to be made up either by the Nizam or by the Company - It would be a cheaper way to melt down some of them and Coin them into Company's Rupees. two sorts of them being exactly of the same fineness and two sorts being finer as 9/12 to 9/13 the expence of Coinage being about 5 P Cent the saving would be 15 P Cent but then probably is not time to adopt this in Respect to the Money here -

I request to be soon informed of his Lordships determination on this Matter and am -

Sir

Your Most Obedient

humble Servant

[Signed] Alex. Read

Lt. Col. Comg. of a Detachment

Camp near Ryacotah
22 March 1799

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Statement of the kinds of Rupees composing the Cash intended for the payment of His Highness the Nizams Troops under Major Gerard and of that Current in the Baramahal—

Rupees	Weight in Gold Fanl.	Assay	Rate Silver in 100 of each	Rate of Abschar	Rate Tale
Arcotto	30	9 3/16	95	121 7/16	120 3/16
Pondicherry	30	9 3/16	95	121 7/16	120 3/16
Adoni	30	9 3/16	91 7/16	121 7/16	120 3/16
Narmi or Company's	30	9 3/16	91 7/16	121 7/16	120 3/16
Hyderabade	30	9 3/16	91 7/16	121 7/16	120 3/16
Jahangeri	30	9 3/16	91 7/16	121 7/16	120 3/16
Naraingpet	30	9 3/16	91 7/16	121 7/16	120 3/16
Carnoul	30	9 3/16	91 7/16	121 7/16	120 3/16
Godwall	30	9 3/16	91 7/16	121 7/16	120 3/16
Raichoori	30	9 3/16	91 7/16	121 7/16	120 3/16
Masulipatam	30	9 3/16	91 7/16	121 7/16	120 3/16
Bidanoori	30	9 3/16	91 7/16	121 7/16	120 3/16
Gadageeri	30	8	80	121 7/16	120 3/16
Shapsoori	30	8	80	121 7/16	120 3/16
Goondoo Mustaeul	30	8	80	121 7/16	120 3/16
Curnal	30	8	80	121 7/16	120 3/16
Bangricotte	30	8	80	121 7/16	120 3/16

The Sultaunee or Nizams Rupees

Baramahal

Company's	30	9 3/16	91 7/16	100	100
Sultanee	30	9 3/16	95	90	88 3/16
Arcattee	30	9 3/16	95	96 7/16	95

(Signed) A. Read
Lt. Col. Commt. of Arabs

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Statement of the Pay of the different Ranks in His Highness the Nizams Service and of the loss they sustain by the Exchange in the Baramahals

Ranks		Pay in Sulanke Rupees	Pay in Company's Rupees	Difference or Loss
A.	Major	2,000.	1,663 9/16	336 11/16
	Captain	400.	332 10/16	67 6/16
	Lieutenant	200.	166 8/16	33 4/16
	Serjeant	50.	41 10/16	8 6/16
	Subadar	50.	41 10/16	8 6/16
	Jemadar	25.	20 13/16	4 3/16
	Court Hawildar	14.	11 10/16	2 6/16
	Hawildar	12.	10	2
	Naigue	9.	7 8/16	1 8/16
	Nishanburdar	15.	12 9/16	2 7/16
	Native Adjutant	25.	20 13/16	4 3/16
	Bheeste	7.	5 13/16	1 3/16
	Masalchi	7.	5 13/16	1 3/16
	Khalasie	7.	5 13/16	1 3/16
	Beldar	7.	5 13/16	1 3/16
	Drummer	10.	8 5/16	1 11/16
	Fifer	10.	8 5/16	1 11/16
	Golandaz	10.	8 5/16	1 11/16

/ Signed / A. Read
Lt. Col. Lieut.
of a Detach.t

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Received the Undermentioned Letters entered in M.B.N. 105. 106.—

From the Military Paymaster Genl.

From Mr. Roebuck - Enclosing a Statement of the expences of the Madras Army for April 1799-

From Ditto - Ditto Enclosing an additional estimate of each for the Month of April, amounting to Pgs. 5,035.—

From Dr. Lee

At a Consultation

Present

The Right Honorable

The Earl of Mornington K. P.

Governor General

The Right Honble Lord Clive

William Petrie and

Ernst William Tollowfield. } Esqrs.

Lieutenant General Harris absent on Service

Tuesday 26th March 1799-

Minutes of last Consultation read and approved-

Read

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Read the following Letters from the Military Board -

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

My Lord &c &c &c

From the Military Board enclose a Bill of the Garrison Storekeeper at Masulipatam of which payment is recommended States that Mr. Collector Oakes had levied duties on the Grain delivered by him to the Garrison Storekeeper at Masulipatam which appear unusual -

1st We have been honored with the Receipt of Governments Letter under date the 8th Instant, and have to report that the necessary orders have been given in Consequence -

2d We have the honour to forward a Bill of the Garrison Storekeeper at Masulipatam for Provision Stores laid in under Authority of our Board at the several Stations in the Masulipatam District, Payment of which we recommend may be authorized - and we think it necessary at the same time to bring to your Lordships Notice that Mr. Collector Oakes has charged the Company's duties on the Paddy delivered by him to the Garrison Storekeeper Amounting to Pags. 675. 2. 12. which does not appear to have been the General practice of the Service when Grain has been laid in as a Garrison Store -

We

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Fort St George
13th March 1799

We have the honour to be
Sir &c &c
(Signed) John Braithwaite
" Patrick Ross
" William Sydenham

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

My Lord
&c &c &c

1st

It appearing by a Report of the Commanding Officer at Pallamcotah that the Paddy in Store at that Station will be subject to decay if kept much longer, and will daily become less fit to be issued to the troops, we beg leave to Recommend that the present very favourable opportunity of disposing of the whole of it may be embraced, and it being our opinion that such quantity is more than is necessary to be kept in Store at Pallamcotah, adverting to the strength of the Garrison, we further Recommend that only one hundred Garce of new Paddy be purchased in lieu of it which may now be done on Reasonable Terms.

From Do. Do. Recommend that the old Paddy in store at Pallamcotah may be disposed of and that one hundred Garce of new Paddy be purchased for the Garrison there. Recommend that the Paymaster in the Baramahal be permitted to make the advances to the Senior Engineer as that may be necessary for the execution of the works under his Superintendance. Recommend that three Months Grain be sent to Chingleput. Recommend an advance of Pags 10,000 to the Garrison Storekeeper at Fort St George of Pags 702.4.79 to the Senior Engineer in the Baramahal.

2nd

We also beg leave to Recommend that an

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an advance of ten thousand /10,000/ Pagodas may be authorized to the Garrison Storekeeper at Fort St. George, being two thirds of the Estimated Cost of the Articles of Provision Store which he has been ordered to purchase for the use of the Troops &c. at Amboyna and Banda —

3rd We have the honour to forward Copy of a Letter from the Officer Commanding in the Ceded Districts to our Board, and to Recommend that authority may be given for an advance to the Senior Engineer in the Ceded Districts of Pagodas 702. 4. 79. being one third of the Estimates for the Works at Ryacottah and Darampoury, as corrected by the Chief Engineer; and we further Recommend that authority may be given to the Paymaster in the Ceded Districts to make an advance to the Senior Engineer in the Baramahal on the written Requisition of Lieutenant Colonel Read for such Works and Repairs as he may have been empowered to execute at Darampoury, and other Posts in the Baramahal, the date of the Order, or authority for the Works, and Repairs, being stated in every such Requisition, and Duplicates of the Receipts for such

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such advances being transmitted by the Paymaster General, in order to enable him to take the necessary measures for adjusting them - But such authority to Lieutenant Colonel Read, and the Paymaster, being a deviation from the established mode of making advances, can only be considered as applying to the present state of public affairs, and is not meant to exempt Lieutenant Colonel Read from laying before our Board for examination and approval, all the Estimates for Works, and Repairs, which may have been executed under his authority, on the exigency of the Service -

4.th There being no Grain in Store at Chingleput we deem it necessary to bring the circumstance to your Lordship's Notice, and Recommend in consequence that a quantity equal to three Months consumption for the present Garrison may be sent there without loss of time. -

Fort St. George
20.th March 1799

We have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) John Braithwaite
" Patrick Ross
" William Lydenham
&c

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To Captain Macleane

Deputy Secretary Military Board

Fort St. George

Sir,

I request of you to lay the accompanying Estimates before the Board, and express again my wish that orders may be given the Paymaster for the Payment of advances that have been made by me to enable the Engineer to enter immediately upon such Works as have been necessary for the security of Ryetwah and Daraumpoory, and for the Requisite accommodations of Troops and Stores at Kistnagherry, which could not be delayed for the Boards approval of his Estimates and which I have been authorised to undertake without a Reference that there might be no impediment to the public Service.

I have advanced him sums at different times to the amount of one thousand Pagodas, and he desires at present a thousand more which I have agreed to give him. If the Board will be pleased to authorize the payment of one third of the enclosed Estimates and others that have not been returned, he will be able to pay me. But the Paymaster should be directed to

such advances being transmitted by the Paymaster General, in order to enable him to take the necessary measures for adjusting them — But such authority to Lieutenant Colonel Read, and the Paymaster, being a deviation from the established mode of making advances, can only be considered as applying to the present state of public affairs, and is not meant to exempt Lieutenant Colonel Read from laying before our Board for examination and approval, all the Estimates for Works, and Repairs, which may have been executed under his authority, on the exigency of the Service —

4th. There being no Grain in Store at Chingleput we deem it necessary to bring the circumstance to your Lordship's Notice, and Recommend in consequence that a quantity equal to three Months consumption for the present Garrison may be sent there without loss of time. —

Fort St. George
20th March 1799

We have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) John Braithwaite
" Patrick Ross
" William Lydenham
&c

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To Captain Macleane

Deputy Secretary Military Board

Fort St. George

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to make him such Advances from the Public Money in his hands, as I may sanction, at a time like this, when attention to forms in such Matters would cause delays extremely detrimental to the Service—

Ryhotah
7th March 1799

P. S. The Engineer informs me the Board has not ordered the payment of a third of Estimates approved sometime ago—

Sam
Yr &c
/Signed/ A. Read Lt. Col.
Comg. of a Detachmt.

/A true Copy/
/Signed/ John Macleane
Dep. Sec. to Bd Board.

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

My Lord

1st

We have had the honor to receive Mr. Secretary Webbes Letter of the 16th Instant, as also Governments Letters of the 21st and 23d Inst:, and have given the necessary instructions for carrying into effect the Orders contained therein—

2nd

We have also received Mr. Secretary Webbs Letter of the 19th Instant, and in Reply to that part of it which conveys

From Dr. D. Reason—
=mend that they may
be authorized to procure
tonnage for 1,000 bags
of rice and 1,000 bags of
other provision, as further
Supplies for Ambagon
Enclose a letter from
the Agent for Spiritu=
=ous Liquors & Recom=
=mend his, being per=
=mitted to complete
the annual stock
from

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from his own Supplies
as Navy Agent Trans-
mit a Bill received
from the Paymaster of
Extraordinaries for the
sanction of the Board-

conveys to us the desire of your Lordship, that we should Report how far it may be necessary to engage further Tonnage for the conveyance of the Supplies which may yet be Required," we have to observe; that it may be of great importance to the safety of the Molaccas, that nothing should be left to chance in Respect to supplies of Provisions; and as the quantity embarked on the Gloucester, the Articles sent from Bengal, and the Rice to be delivered at Amboyna by the house of Chase, Sewell, and Chase will not effect that object, unless the Engagement entered into with Captain Young should ensure a supply not only of Rice but of other Articles of Provision Store before the time that the quantity already sent is likely to be consumed, and as it is possible some of these means of supply may fail, We Recommend that Tonnage for one thousand Bags of Rice, and for a Supply of Dholl, Tamarind, Turmerick &c. Amounting together to 1,000 Bags may be procured, and the above Articles despatched as soon as possible. And in the Event of your Lordship being pleased to adopt this Proposal, We also Recommend that we may

be

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be empowered to direct the Garrison Storekeeper to suspend until further notice, the Provision of the Remaining Articles to complete the 12 Months Stock before ordered for the Malaccas.—

3d

We have the honor to forward for Your Lordship's information, Copy of a Letter from the Agent for Spirituous Liquors, and, as it appears therefrom, that he has already made a considerable advance of Arrack on the Company's Account from his Store as Contractor to the Navy, and as a further quantity is immediately necessary to comply with the Orders of Government for laying in an additional Store at Kistnagherry, and to the Southward, for the use of the Army,— we beg leave to submit to your Lord=ship the expediency of this being directed to complete the Annual Stock of Gallons 110,565. 10 which he states he shall soon have the Means of doing from the quantity he has ordered from different Districts for the Navy:— As it is evidently his interest as a Contractor, to provide the Arrack on the lowest terms, and as he is expressly provid=

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precluded by the 32d. Article of the Regulations for his Department of Agent from deriving any benefit directly or indirectly from the purchases which he may be occasionally authorized to make on Account of the Company, We are of opinion that this proposal should under present circumstances be accepted, but that as the same Regulations specify, that the Agent shall be in general confined to the Custody and distribution of the Liquors, and "shall not be" allowed to make "purchases except on special authority arising from peculiar "circumstances of which Government will be the judge on the Representation of the "Military Board," he should not be permitted to extend his purchases beyond the quantity beforementioned, unless it shall hereafter appear to be warranted by circumstances similar to those which have at present occurred.—

4th. The Military Auditor General having in conformity to the Regulations laid before Us a Register of Bills Received from the Paymaster of Extraordinaries for the Month of February 1799, We do ourselves the honor to

Send

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send it enclosed with the opinion of our Board upon each Charge -

Fort St. George
26th March 1799

We have the honour to be
Yr. Yr.
/ Signed / John Braithwaite
" Patrick Ross -
" William Sydenham -

To Major General Braithwaite.
President and Members of the Military Board -

Gentlemen,

Agreeably to the directions signified in your Secretary's Letter dated the 21st Ultimo, I proceeded to land from the Honble Company's Ship Earl Wycombe, the Rum Shipped by Messrs. Lambert, Ross, and Co. and I have now the honor to enclose an Account of 153 casks Containing 22,909 Gauged Gallons of Rum delivered, the whole of which appears to me to be of a proper Quality, and equal to Muster -

I beg leave to inform you that in the Month of October last, there arrived in the Honble Company's Ships Henry Dundas 111 casks of Rum, Shipped by Messrs. Campbell

and

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and Clarke in part of their Contract with the Bengal Government
for the supply of this Presidency, but in consequence of no commun-
-nication having been received here on the Subject, I could only
permit Mr. William Clarke (who accompanied the Rum)
to lodge it in the Arrack Store, in the hopes that such commun-
-nication would have been sent by Land — after waiting some
time, and no official advice regarding the above Rum having
been Received by the Secretary of Government, I at the particular
request of Mr. Clarke who wished to Return to Calcutta, —
granted a Receipt for the actual quantity delivered, Copy of
which with the account particulars I have now the honor
to lay before you —

The following is the Statement of Rum —
Remaining to be delivered by the respective Contractors on Account
of the 700 Leagers Contracted for at Calcutta —

Messrs. Lambert Ross and Co. —

Quantity Contracted for ... G. Gallons — 7,500

Receipts —

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Fort St. George
26th March 1799

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Sir &c.
/ Signed / John Braithwaite
" Patrick Ross -
" William Sydenham -

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Quantity Contracted for ... G. Gallons – 700,000

Receipts –

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September 1st By the Honble Company's

Ship Henry Dundas ... 42,475

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February 28th By Do Earl Wycombe 22,809 65,284

Balance to be Received .... G. Gallons 9,716

Messrs Campbell and Clarke

Quantity contracted for G. Gallons 30,000

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October 22d By the Honble Company's Ship

Henry Dundas 12,850

Balance to be Received .... G. Gallons 17,150

Total to be Received .... G. Gallons 26,966

In my Letter of the 22d December last I

Recommended that on account of the high price that the Bengal

Rum stands at no more might be ordered than the Balance

of the 700 Leagers already Contracted for, and added, that I would

engage to lay in the quantity of Liquor required for this year,

being

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being Mr. Gallons 110,565 — 18 at a much more moderate rate,
from the Supplies that I had ordered from Bengal, Batavia,
and Columbo, on account of the Navy — but being informed in
your Secretary's answer the day following, that it was your
intention to Reply to that point at a future opportunity, I have
to Request that you will be pleased to take the Matter into
consideration, as the Arrack Agency is now considerably in
debt for Arrack lent from the Navy Store, and should it be
thought expedient to intrust the provision of Arrack to me,
as formerly I can answer that a very considerable saving will
be the result, experience having shewn, that whenever the
provision of Arrack was transacted by Agency under proper
Check, the Rates of purchase including all charges, were much
less than when Liquor has been procured under a Contract,
and it will doubtless be found, that a Servant of the public,
who makes it his Study to take advantage of the Market,
and who is expressly precluded from deriving any personal
benefit from the purchase, will always be able to provide
Spirits for the Company at a Cheaper rate, than by any
other

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other mode that has been, or can be adopted, and in my
Situation particularly who have the sole provision of Spirits
for the Navy, which renders it of great importance to me as
a Contractor, to obtain it on reasonable terms, and to keep
down the price, by purchasing it from different Quarters —

Under all these Circumstances it is
presumable that Government will find it to be most for the
Interest of the public to direct me as the Agent, to keep up
the Ground Store of Liquor for the consumption of the Troops,
by making purchases when it can be done to most advantage,
and as by the Regulations, my Bills are delivered in under an
Asseveration upon Oath, I conceive that Government will
have every Security that can be desired, as I trust that the
result of the confidence in me will fully demonstrate

I have the honor to be

Sir &c &c

/ Signed / Basil Cochrane

agent for Superintendent Liquors

Fort St George
23. March 1799

/ A true Copy /
/ Signed / John Macleane
Dep.y Sec.y Mil.y Board

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Minutes on the foregoing Letters-

Resolved that the Military Auditor General be directed to authorize the Paymaster in the Baramahal to make, under the sanction of Lieutenant Colonel Read, such advances to the Senior Engineer as he may require for the execution of the works under his superintendance —

Resolved that the Military Board be directed to send immediately to Chingleput a supply of Grain equal to three Months consumption-

Resolved that the Military Board be directed to ship immediately on the Active one thousand Bags of rice and one thousand bags of provision stores for the Malaccas; and that they be directed to desist at present from preparing any further supplies for those Islands-

Resolved that in consideration of the circumstances stated by the Military Board, the Agent for Spirituous Liquors be permitted to complete the annual stock of 110.565 Gallons of Arrack, from his own supplies-

Ordered that the several payments and advances Recommended by the Military Board be authorized-

The

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The Board proceed to read and pass their Resolutions on the following Proceedings of the Medical Board—

Medical Board
25 March 1799

Resolutions of Government in Council
26th March 1799

From the Medical Board—They have recd the intimation communicated to them of the appointment of Mr. Heyne as an acting Assistant Surgeon recommend that previous to his being admitted to be examined before a Committee to prove arrangements, affording Mr. Assistant Surgeon Stevenson, Mr. Surgeon Barker, Mr. Assistant Surgeon Reddy, and Sub. Assistant Surgeon Perry. State that they have received an Indent from the Military Board for Medicines for the Breeding Stud—Suggest the expediency of including supplies of this Description in their Europe Invoices

approved

Read a Letter from Mr. Secretary Webbe,* stating the appointment of Mr. Benjamine Heyne to be an Assistant Surgeon, until the pleasure of the Court of Directors shall be known—

As we suppose that Government have made this appointment as well for a permanent prospect to Mr. Heyne, as a want of Assistant Surgeons, it behoves us to say, that the Assistant Surgeons sent here, undergo a formal examination of professional Men previous to their being employed, and as for our experience enables us to Judge. this is absolutely necessary to give

* Dated 16th March 1799
vide entered in Public Records

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give them confidence in practice,
and satisfy Patients on the pro-
priety of intrusting life or limb
to their care—

That this appointment
may be conformable to the usage
of the Service, we Recommend that
Mr. Mein Head Surgeon of Masu-
lipatam and Mr. Bonie Surgeon
at Madapollam be constituted
a Committee to examine Mr. Payne,
and if found duly qualified that
he be appointed to fill the vacan-
cy at Samulcotah—

We recommend that
Mr. Stevenson, Assistant Surgeon,
be Removed from Rajamundry and
Stationed at Chicacole—where we
have reason to think his Services
are more Required—

Mr. Surgeon Barton
having arrived at Madura in
bad health from the Island
of Ceylon, and having stated his
being unable to join his Corps
in the field we Recommend on
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be be permitted to do the duty of that Garrison during the absence of Mr. Miller and that Mr. Assistant Surgeon Steddy, be Removed from thence and appointed to do duty with the 1st Batt. 14th Native Regiment with Coll. Brown's Detachment vice Mr. Reid on Service on board his Majesty's Ship Lady Nelle—

The Medical Storekeeper has transmitted to us an Indent from the Military Board for Medicines for the use of the Breeding Stud in the Ganjam District—

In furtherance the annexed indents to include a supply of Medicines for the use of the Stud—

Knowing the present sufficiency of our Stores and believing that Medicines properly applied may occasionally be useful to Horses we have limited the Indent to be complied with—

But this being altogether a Novelty we deem it expedient to

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to apprise Government if such demands are to be continued it will be necessary to provide for the same by a proportional encrease of the Supplies from Europe and Request the instructions of Government on the Head—

We Recommend that

Sub. Assistant Surgeon, Fedrick Ferry. be Removed from Cuddalore and Stationed at the General Hospital Vellore in the Room of Peters Resigned and Briggs dismissed—

approved

/Signed/ Jas. Anderson
Physician General

" Wm Chief Surgeon

By order of the Right Honble
the Governor General in Council

/Signed/ Josiah Webbe
Secy to Government—

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Read the following letter from Major General Braithwaite—

To Josiah Webbe Esqr.

Secretary to Government

Sir,

I request you to lay before the Right Honble the Governor General in Council the accompanying Reports of the negligence and extreme Misbehaviour of Mr. Gowdie Conductor of Stores, I am sorry on account of the interest Colonel Gowdie has in his welfare, that I cannot in Justice to the Service, Recommend any favor to be shewn to this Conductor, further than to Recommend that he may be ordered to proceed immediately to the Presidency, where he may more conveniently be dismissed from the Service, if after a short employment of him here, he is found to be as unworthy to remain in it, as he has shown himself to be for a long time past—

From General Braithwaite Encloses Copies of letters from Lieut. Colonel Brown and Captain Fennel at Trechinopoly Regarding the irregular behaviour of Mr. Conductor Gowdie—Recommends that he be dismissed the Service if upon a short trial he is not found to alter his conduct—

I have the honor to be

&c &c

[Signed] John Braithwaite

Madras

20th March 1799

Copy

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Copy of a Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Brown to Major General Brathwaite under Date Trichinopoly 15th March 1799

Major General Brathwaite

Commanding in the Carnatic -

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit a Letter this day Received from Captain Lieutenant Fennel, acting Commissary of Stores, and to Requaint you that upon receiving a verbal Report from Captain Fennel this Morning of the circumstances therein stated, I sent for Mr. Conductor Gowdie, who acknowledged his having been absent from the Stores, as therein set forth, but having attempted to exculpate himself by asserting that Captain Fennel had dispensed with his attendance which he confidently said he could prove by the testimony of Mr. Conductor Clarke who was present on the occasion, and of Park Serjeant Wilson, to whom he said Mr. Clark had Mentioned the Circumstances they were immediately sent for, and in his presence, questioned seperately as to the points he had

asserted

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assisted which they both positively contradicted —

On this occasion having had opportunity to observe much effrontery in this unhappy man, and insensibility of his own Misconduct, as to leave no hope whatever that Reformation might be produced by any censure I might pass, or advice I might give him, and as there is Reason to apprehend he might repeat his late outrageous conduct was he left at Liberty, I have formally ordered him to consider himself under Confinement in his House, until the pleasure of my Superiors concerning him is known —

In concluding this disagreeable part of my duty, I feel it incumbent on me, to state my opinion, that Mr. Conductor Gowdie is extremely unfit and wholly unworthy of his present situation, which occasionally involves important trust and great Responsibility —

I have therefore to Request that Capt.n and Acting Commissary Fennels Letter, with this may be laid before The Right Honble the Governor General in Council —

I have

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I have the honor to be

Sir &c &c

/ Signed / A. Brown

Lt. Col. Comg. S. Divn.

Trichinopoly
15th March 1799

/ A true Copy /

/ Signed / G. Hadow
Secretary

Copy of a letter from Captain Fennel acting Commissary of Stores to Lieutenant Colonel Brown, under date Trichinopoly 15th March 1799

To Lieutenant Colonel Brown
Commanding Southern Division of the Army

Sir,

I cannot longer avoid although extremely unpleasant, troubling you on a subject, which I now conceive an indispensible duty my acquainting you with—

Mr. Gowdie Conductor of Stores has almost invariably absented himself, from the duties of his station since my arrival in this Garrison the 4th of December last— He has at times been one two and on three Weeks absent from the Ordnance Department, without leave although repeatedly spoken to, by me on that subject—

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subject—

About a Month ago, he attended for the best part of a day at the Park after having been several days absent, and the following day, asked me, if I had any objection to his being absent for two days—I replied none—for any good he did, he availed himself of my Reply, to continue absent until now—

Previous to this, I recommended to Mr Gowdie to pay some attention to the duties of his station, while Preparations were and are carrying on for the equipment of the Southern Detachment under your command, to which he paid not the smallest attention—

He is seldom out of his Quarter, and I have every Reason to be well assured of his being almost constantly in a state of intoxication—

About three Weeks ago he wrote to me to apply for leave to proceed to the Coast or else where pleading indisposition, I informed him that it was Requisite he should procure the Doctors Certificate, however I have not heard

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heard that he had applied for it— He was yesterday —
guilty of excessive irregularity in having the Servant of an
officer, who Commands a Corps in this Garrison, brought —
forcibly to his quarter where on Account of Eleven Fanams
due by the Servant to a Native in Connection with him,
he beat the Servant unmercifully who made this Complaint
to me.

Without being Reported Sick he has this Morn
=ing absented himself from Muster without Leave, or giving
any intimation to me his Commanding Officer, which puts
it out of my power longer to overlook his glaring miscon=
=duct, of which I have to Request you may take such notice
as to you may deem proper—

I have the honor to be

&a &a

/ Signed / B. Fennel
act Jr. Commissioner

Trichinopoly
15th March 1799

/ A true Copy /
/ Signed / G. Haddow
Secretary

Resolved that Mr. Conductor Gowdie be
dismissed from the Honble Company's Service —
To

Minute therein

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To Josiah Webbe Esqr.

Secretary to Government

Sir,

From Ditto—Ditto
Enclose Copy of his instructions to the Officer Commanding the detail of the 29th Dragoons embarked on the Dublin, together with Copy of his Instruction to the Officer Commanding the Vizagapatam District.

Herewith I enclose Copies of the instructions I have given to the Officer Commanding the Details of Troops embarked on the Dublin, and to the Officer Commanding the Troops in the district of Vizagapatam, which I request you to lay before the Right Honble the Governor General in Council and to inform his Lordship that the Native Company which had joined the force at the Mount, and one of the Company's from Poonamallee, have been ordered into Fort St. George for Garrison duty, in obedience to his Lordships Commands, conveyed to me in your Letter of yesterday—

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

(Signed) John Braithwaite

To

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To Captain Kearney or Officer
Commanding the detail of His Majesty's
29th Regiment of Dragoons on Board the Ship
Dublin.

Sir,

I am directed by Major General Braithwaite to Signify to you, that in addition to the detail now under your Command, the Right Honble the Governor General in Council has come to the Resolution of Embarking on the Ship Dublin, a Detachment of thirty Men and horses from his own Body Guard, under the Command of a Subidar, — and two Companies of the 2d Battalion of the 10th Regiment of Native Infantry, under the Command of Lieutenant Bose. —

The whole of the Details of Troops now Embarked on the Dublin, are to proceed to Vizagapatam, to Reinforce the Troops in that district, and are Subjected to the orders of Lieut.t Colonel Fatheringhaw or Officer Commanding the Troops in that District — to whom the Gent.l desires you to Report the details Embarked, as soon as you can

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can, after your arrival, and to Obey such Orders as you may receive from him Lieutenant Colonel Fotheringham has a discretionary power to Employ the detail of His Majesty's 29th Regiment of Dragoons either in the Field or Garrison, as may be necessary, but it is not imagined, that it will be found necessary to Employ any of them in the Field, unless it may be to Man a field piece or two, should the aid of Artillery be Required; and he is informed, that the detail of his Lordship's Body Guard, is by the Order of his Lordship, always to be considered as a distinct Corps, under the immediate Command of its own Subidar—

Adjt. Genl. Office
Fort St. George
21st March 1799

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
/Signed/ Willm. Shaw
Asst. A. Genl.

/A true Copy/
/Signed/ Wm. Shaw
Asst. A. Genl.

To Lieut. Col. Fotheringham
or Officer Commanding in the District of
Vizagapatam

Sir,

By the return of the Dublin East Indiaman
to

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to this port, Government has the means of forwarding to you,
the detail of his Majesty's 29th Regiment of Dragoons, which
by a former letter of mine you have been informed was —
embarked on board that Ship, originally with the intention
of Reinforcing you, and which consists of one Captain, one
Lieutenant, 3 Sergeants, 3 Corporals, and 47 Privates. and the
Right Honble the Governor General, taking into consideration
the present troubles in the District of Vizagapatam, has come
to the Resolution in Council, to Reinforce you still further
by a detachment of thirty Men and horses from the Body
Guard, under the Command of a Subadar, and two Companies
of the 2d Battn of the 10th Native Regiment of Infantry,
under the Command of Lieutenant Bose; and these additional
details will be also Embarked this day in the Dublin,
in order to their being conveyed to Vizagapatam, with as
little delay as possible, where Captain Kearney Commanding
the Detachment of his Majestys 29th Regiment of Light
Dragoons, will deliver to you this Letter, or forward it to you
in case of your absence from that place, — and the whole

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of the details now Embarked are subjected to your Orders — The details of his Majesty's 29th Dragoons may be employed in ev- Field or Garrison duties, as you shall Judge proper, but I imagine you will not find it necessary to Employ any of them in the Field, unless it may be to man a Field piece or two, as they have been trained to the Gun Exercise, should you find it Indispensibly Necessary, to Employ any such Detail in the Service in which you are engaged, — this detail however by being Employed in Garrison duty, will enable you to draw a larger portion of Natives to the Field, than you could other- -wise have done — and you will find yourself shortly relieved from any anxiety on Account of the French Prisoners, as his Lordship has Resolved, that they shall ultimately be Embarked on the Ships Dublin and Walpole —

The Native Cavalry will I trust be of great use, in clearing the Lower Countries from any predatory incur- -sions of the insurgents, and on that Service I wish them to be Chiefly Employed; under such Orders as you may think proper to give to their own Subidars in whose Command of them, it

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to his Lordships Orders; that no other Officer is to interfere—
they must in short be considered, as a distinct Corps under
the immediate Command of their own Subidar—

With this Reinforcement, added to that
which Colonel Vigors has been directed to send to you from
the district of Masulipatam, I trust sir, that you will find
yourself Sufficiently Strong, Completely to Suppress the in-
Insurgents, and to Restore the District to Tranquility—I shall
cause a Copy of this Letter to be sent to the Officer Comm.g
the Northern Division for his information, and for your
further information a Copy of the Instructions given to
Captain Kearney, Comm.g the Details on board the Dublin,
is enclosed—

I have the honor to be
&c &c
/Signed/ John Braithwaite
Major Gen.l

Madras
21.st March 1799

P. S. we are here exceedingly distressed for Officers, and the sending Lieut.
Bose with the two Companies of the 10.th Regt., has for the present
disappointed an intention that existed of Employing that Officer
here; If therefore you can employ the two Companies, so that they
will have to act under the Orders of some officer of a little expe-
rience, and the Services of Lt. Bose can be dispensed with, I desire
that

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That you will in conformity to the wish of Government permit the Officer to Return to the Presidency on the Dublin—

/ A true Copy /

/ signed / Will Shaw
Agt. Genl.

/ Signed / J. B.

Minute thereon

The Board entirely approve the foregoing Instructions—

To Josiah Webbe Esqr.

Secretary to Government

Sir,

From Dr. De Meuron copy of a letter from General De Meuron, who requests to be permitted to join the Regiment De Meuron in the field, and who at the same encloses Copies N. 2 & 3 of correspondence with the Governor of Ceylon— States that Cornet Gaul of H. M. 29th Dragoons having disposed of his Commission is not now entitled to passage money to Europe— States that he has received letters from the Commandants at Angle and Beddalang requesting that the strength

Herewith I inclose under Numbers 1. 2. and 3. Copies, of a letter I have Received from Brigadier General De Meuron, and correspondence between his Excellency the Governor of Ceylon, and him, which I request you to lay before the Right Honble the Governor General in Council—

I request you, Sir, to Report to his Lordship, that since I made application for Passage Money for Cornet Gaul of His Majestys 29th Regiment of Dragoons, about to proceed to Europe by permission of Government for the Recovery of his health that the permission of the Commander in Chief in India, for that

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Strength of their Garrison may be augmented, and that they may be allowed table money — he proposes sending an additional number of Invalids to these Garrisons — Gives it for his opinion that the Hydrabad Recruits should be formed into a Masulipatam Battalion, and proposes giving in a detailed arrangement on that subject —

that Officer to sell his Commission has arrived, and as a Purchaser has been approved and Recommended by Lieut: Colonel Gordon Commanding the Regiment, Cornet Gaul must now be considered as having Retired from the Service, and consequently to have no claim to the indulgence of Passage Money Lately ordered for him, by the Right Honble the Governor General in Council —

I request you also to Report to his Lordship in Council that I have Received Letters from the Officers Commanding at Cuddalore and Ongole they both Represent the weak state of their Garrisons, and Request me to solicit his Lordship in Council, for an allowance of Table Money — the former stating that he finds his expences in that respect unavoidably much increased by the numbers of French who have resorted to Cuddalore, in consequence of the evacuation of Pondichery — the latter on account of the expence he is subjected to, as all Travellers going to, or Coming from the Northward, usually make his House an halting place —

In

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In Regard to the strength of their Garri=
sons, I am at present making an Arrangement, of all the
Natives who have passed the Invaliding Committies,
and shall be able to complete all the Native Invalid
Companies, and to Augment some of them considerably by
the Supernumeraries and I propose that the Companies
which Garrison Cuddalore, Chingleput and Angole shall
consist of 100 Rank and File, which is doing, all, that
under present circumstances can be done, and I mean also
considerably to Augment, by Supernumeraries, that Company
which is devided between Vizagapatam, and Ganjam—

I consider the Hydrabad Recruits essentially
useful in the Northern Division, the readiest and least
expensive mode I can propose, is to Recommend that they
should be formed into a Masulipatam Battalion, upon
the same principle as the Madras Native Battalion is
formed. That is, with two European Officers, one to com=
=mand, and the other to be Adjutant and the Native
Officers, (with the exception of those appointed on the re-
promise

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promise made to them by the Resident at Hydrabad / and the Non-Commissioned, to be furnished from the Native Invalid Establishment - by all the information I have gained of them, good service may be expected from them united in such a Corps but that an attempt to distribute them into other Corps, would be followed by a general desertion - and I think that such a Battalion establishment at Masulipatam, for the duties of that Garrison, is, in the present state of the forces, in the Northern Division much wanted, and if His Lordship in Council is pleased to approve of this Idea, I shall prepare a detailed Arrangement of the Corps to be submitted to him -

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

/ Signed / John Braithwaite

Madras

25th March 1799

To Major General Braithwaite

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

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit you, Copy of my Correspondence with His Excellency the Honble Frederic North

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North Governor of Ceylon that you may be made ac-
quainted with the reasons which have induced me
to apply for permission to join my Regiment—

The Marching of the Army and the de-
tention I have experienced having altered my disposition,
I now beg leave to Request that you will do me the honor
to solicit permission from the Right Honble the Governor
General in Council for me, to join the Swiss Regiment
De Meuron, now in the Field with the Ground Army,
by the first opportunity—

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
/Signed/ P. F. De Meuron
Colo Comg R. M. Swiss Regt
& B. G.

Madras
22. March 1799

/A true Copy/
/Signed/ G. Haldane.
Secretary

To His Excellency
The Honble Frederic North
Governor &c. &c. &c.

Sir,

The purpose for which I was ordered to Colombo
having been to investigate the different branches of Revenue

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of this Island the Committee at which I had the honor to co-
preside have laid before your Excellency the Result of the
Researches which I have endeavoured to explain in as detailed
a manner, as the construction of the Dutch Books, and
the extent of my local experience admitted of — These proce-
dings being now before you, I deem that the object of my
Mission, is at an end the more as the Command which
I had the honor to hold was vested in me, in consequence
of circumstances which are now done away —

For these reasons I take the liberty to
request that your Excellency may be pleased to permit me
to Return to the Regiment I command in the course of
next Month, where my presence becomes every day en
more necessary, because the Accounts of the Corps with
Government, are not yet adjusted, which circumstance
may eventually put me under the necessity of applying
for permission to proceed to Europe —

I am concerned to be under the necessity
of making this application; but actual circumstances
oblige

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oblige me to give my attention to a Corps, the Command of which has been intrusted to me, which I value, and to which I am bound to pay attention, to enable it to render such services as may be expected from it, as well as to promote the happiness of the Families to which the Individuals composing it, belong —

I shall ever call to my Remembrance a grateful recollection of your goodness, and I shall derive the greatest satisfaction from having it at any time in my power to prove my gratitude and Respect for you —

I have the honor to be

Columbo
22. December 1798

A true Copy
/Signed/
G. Hadow
Secy

/Signed/ P. F. De. Meuron
Yr. Yr.

Brigadier General De. Meuron
Commanding the Forces &c.

Sir.

Ceylon

It was with the greatest concern that I read in your letter of this days date, in which you solicit leave to go to

your

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your Regiments, and Mention your intention of applying for permission to Return to Europe —

The inexpressible advantage which I have hitherto Received from your Advice, and which I still hoped to Receive from it, makes your departure a most serious Misfor=tune to me, —

I cannot however on my own account decline Complying with a wish of yours, so strongly expressed, and will therefore only Request you wait for the arrival of Colonel Champagné to whom the immediate Command of the Troops will be committed as Senior Officer, and to whom I beg you will write to bring him to the seat of Government —

Be assured, Sir, that I shall always Retain the most gratiful sense of the assistance which you have so kindly afforded me, in every branch of my Labori=ous Office, and that you will be accompanied through life, and in every part of the World, by the respect, esteem and good wishes of him who has —

the honor to be
Yr. &c.
/Signed/ Frederic North.

/A true Copy/
/Signed/ G. Flaxman Jeffs

Columbo
22d. December 1798

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Sir

To His Excellency

The Honble Frederic North

Sir,

Your Excellency in your letter to me of the 22d December 1798 having been pleased at my Request to grant me leave to the Coast and only to put off my departure until the arrival of Colonel Champagne, I again presume on your kind indulgence, and solicit your acceptance of my resigna=tion, from this date, as I have some private business which I am anxious to close, before the expiration of the few days I propose Remaining in Columbo—

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Your Excellencys letter above quoted contains expressions

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expressions so highly flattering to a Mind like mine,
whose ambition thro' life, has been to do its duty; that
I must beg leave here, to express to you, my sincere ac-
acknowledgement for the compliments you have been
to pay me, which, however, I fear are only due to my en-
endeavours and not to my talents.

Ever since the civil and Military authority
over Ceylon, were entrusted to me by my Noble and
Much respected Friend Lord Hobart, and latterly since
under your Excellency, I was honored with the Command
of the Troops, it has been the sole study of my heart, to
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and advantage of those placed under my controul—

The interest I have long felt, and ever shall
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fit him for the duties of his important and laborious
Office, which I hope he will long continue to hold, as
he has begun, to his own honor, and to the Blessing of all
those, who look up to him, as their Guardian Governor
and Protector—

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) P. F. De Meuron

Columbo
7th February 1799

(a true Copy)
(Signed) G. Haddow
Secretary

Brigadier General De Meuron
Commanding the Forces &c. &c. &c.

Sir,

I have received the letter of this date, by
which you solicit my acceptance of your resignation of
the Command of the Troops on this Island—

As you have already expressed your
intention to take that step on the arrival of Colonel
Champagné, I cannot desire you to defer it, at the
sacrifice of your own convenience, how sincerely soever,
I feel the loss of your Cooperation and assistance, and
how sincerely soever I grieve at the dissolution of a
Connection

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Connection, which has continued for four Months
with such uninterrupted union and Cordiality I
must therefore, according to my promise, accept
of your resignation, and communicate it to the
Troops

Flattered as I am, by your expressions
-ons of Regard for my person, and of your approv
-bation of the Measures hitherto pursued by me,
I can assure you, Sir, that if I succeed in the cen
fondest wish of my heart which is to ameliorate
the condition and fix the prosperity of the cen
Inhabitants of this Colony I shall always be
proud to acknowledge, the great assistance cen
I have received in my endeavours to obtain cen
those objects, from your labours previous to,

and

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and from your advice since my arrival in my Government

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

/Signed/ Frederic North

Columbo
7th February 1799

/A true Copy/

/Signed/ G. Godow
Secretary

Minutes in the foregoing Letter

The Board are fully sensible of the Zeal displayed by Brigadier General De Meuron in the desire which he has expressed of being enabled to join his Corps in the field; but as the Commander in Chief will have made his arrangements for the Conduct of the campaign without providing

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providing for the junction of General De-
Meuron the Board cannot but apprehend
that the rank of that Officer will interfere, and
are therefore under the necessity of desiring that
he may remain at the Presidency until the
the event of the campaign shall be
known—

The Board approve the
Mode proposed by Major General
Braithwaite for augmenting the Garrisons
of Ongole and Cuddalore; but cannot
consent to any additional allowance
to the Officers commanding at those
places—

The

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The Board approve the Plan suggested for forming a Masulipatam Battalion from the recruits lately arrived at that place from Hydrabad and it is accordingly Resolved that Major General Braithwaite be desired to Submit a detailed arrangement for their consideration.

" Close

" W.m Pitts

" Wallace

A. Barclay Capt.n

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Diary

Received and Sent the undermentioned

Letters entered in M.B. Nos 107 108 109

From the Commandant at Sankerydroog — From Major Cuppage mentions that he had received a letter from the Conductor of Stores at that place applying to be reimbursed on the expences of postage that he had incurred by the late regulations

From the officer commanding at Gingee — From Lieutenant Colonel Leighton, Mentions that he had sent a party of Sepoys to protect the Southern parts of the Gingee District, against the banditties in the Kennedy Country

To the Military auditor General — To Major General Sydenham — transmitting for his examination the Paymaster Generals estimate for Cash for April, together with an additional estimate for the current Month enclosed in the Paymasters Generals letter of the 25th and 26th Instant.

27 Received the following letters

Josiah

(1829) Fort St. George — March 1799

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Josiah Webbe Esqr

Secretary to Government

Sir

I have the Honor of transmitting to you, for the information of the Governor General in Council the accompanying Copy of a Letter from Wm. A. Scott Esqr. Collector to the 3d Division of the Vizagapatam District and of the reply thereto; both being relative to the situation and sentiments of the Rumedy Rajah, in confinement at this place.

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I have the Honor to be
&c &c

Masulipatam
March 22d 1799

(Signed) Mr. Vigors.

To Colonel Urban Vigors
Commanding the Northern Division
of the Army

Sir

Masulipatam

When Guzzapelly Do. and the other three Persons were sent off from this place, it did not appear to me to be necessary to communicate any thing respecting them, as I concluded that you would

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27th would receive such Orders as the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council might deem proper on that Subject.

It may probably happen that Guzzapelly Deo may be desirous of addressing the Board of Revenue on the Subject of his affairs, and as I think there ought to be no impediment to his doing so, I request the favor of you to forward any representations that he may wish to make directly to the Board, as it would be a needless loss of time to transmit them first to me; and if there should be any thing of which he wishes me to be informed, it may be done by his sending Duplicate thro. you.

He may perhaps not know that since the party of Sepoys retreated from Hemedy his Wife has bestowed the Talmoor. Wagaucalacum Caicavalara and Bominable Purgemnahe in the Havelly and Vagul and who would lately have been glad of five Pagodas a month for his subsistence, but I have a better opinion of his understanding

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understanding than to allow myself to believe that this was done by his authority for if I did, he might come to find that my threat of his being transported to Bencoolen was not altogether — ill

ajest.

Dated at
Chicacole March
11th 1799

I have the Honorable
&c &c
Signed A.r Scott

To A. Scott Esq.r
Collector to the 3d Division of the
Vizagapatam District

Sir,

I am directed by Colonel Vigors to acknowledge his receipt of your Letter of the 11th Instant; and to inform you that he communicated its contents to Guzzapelly Deo

Guzzapelly Deo requested the Colonel to acquaint you that he is not desirous of addressing the Board of Revenue direct as he has no affair which demand immediate dispatch and as he wishes that any representation,

which

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27 which he may have occasion to forward to the Board, shall be first transmitted to you.

He affirmed, with the greatest appearance of sincerity, that the measures of his Wife were unauthorised by him; and that so far from desiring to foment troubles, or to encourage the refractory in this country, it was the chief wish of his Heart that tranquillity should be immediately restored. He said that he had addressed you on this subject; and had suggested the methods which in his opinion would prove most conducive to the re-establishment of Order.

I have the Honor to be
&c &c

Masulipatam
March 21. 1799

(Signed) J Munro
M.B.C.

(Signed) Wm. Vigors

To J Webbe Esq.
Secretary to the Government
at
Fort St George

Sir

I am directed by the Honorable the Vice President in Council to transmit to you, for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor General

From Sub Secretary at Bengal Enclosed copy of report from the Military Aud. General at Fort William respecting the additional expense likely

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likely to be incurred by the Pay Regulations lately introduced at the Bengal Presidency —

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General in Council the enclosed Copy of a Report made by the Military Auditor General on the effects of the Regulations that have been adopted at this Presidency in Consequence of His Majesty's Warrant of the 5th of July 1797.

I have the honor to be
&c &c
Signed S. Hooke
Sub Secy.

Fort William
the 4th March 1799

The Honble Lieutenant Genl Sir Alured Clarke KB
Vice President and Deputy Governor in Council
&c &c

Military Department

Hble Sir,

I have the honor to lay before you an Estimate of the Expence to be incurred by the Company in Bengal, in order to pay up the Arrears of increased rates of Pay to the Artificers of Artillery and the Privates of the Kings and Company's Infantry, granted by minutes of Council of the 15th February 1799

In this Estimate is included Arrears to the Privates of his Majesty's 33d Regiment between the 25 of May 1797 and the 24th September 1798: — after which period they Ceased drawing Subsistence

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27 Subsistence in Bengal

3 I also lay before you an Estimate of the additional monthly Expence that will be incurred on account of the encreased rates of Pay infutive in which is included the additional Expence for the Honorable Company's Regiments, and for one Corps of His Majesty's Infantry only because the 33. Regiment has already left this Presidency and the 76 Regiment is expected daily to embark for the Coast It will appear however from this Estimate that the additional expence of encreased rates of Pay for any of His Majesty's Infantry Regiments, who may be removed from the other Presidencies to Bengal, will scarcely exceed one Hundred Rupees per Month

4 Upon an inspection of these Papers it will also appear that the additional Expence by the encreased rates of Pay to the Kings Troops is less, in proportion than to those of the Company which is to be explained

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27 explained by the Circumstance of the Privates of the Kings Infantry Regiments having received Poundage prior to the 24.th December 1797. at the rate of 12 1/2.d per Annum, and 1/2 penny per diem, in lieu of Poundage subsequent to the 24.th December 1797. without any deduction having been made on that account from their Companys allowances:- but as the Consolidated allowance of the half-penny a day is now taken into the account of what Constitutes the Subsidence of 8 1/2 the Each Equalization of the Pay of the Privates in both Services, is effected with a Comparatively very small addition of Expence, and relates to the Kings Troops; Certainly, with no very burthensome Consequence as far as regards the Companys Regiments

I have the honor to be with great respect

&c &c

(Signed) G. A. Robinson
Mily Aud.r Gen.l

Military Auditor
Generals Office
1 March 1799

A true Copy:
(Signed) L. Hook
Sub Secy

Estimate

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Estimate of the Expence that will probably be incurred by the Honble Company in Bengal in order to pay up the Arrears of the increased rate of Pay to Privates of His Majesty's Regiments, and Matrosses and Privates of the Honorable Company's Artillery and European Infantry granted by Minutes of Council dated the 15th February 1799 including Invalids and Supernumeraries.

	£	S	P	£	S	P
Average of Men of the 33 Regiment 810 from 25 May 1797 to the 24 September 1798 at 5 pence per Man per Month	270	"	"	2160	"	"
Actual amount of Bills passed for the arrears of the increased rate of Pay to the 76 Regiment up to the 24 January 1799	138	5	"			
Probable Amount of increased Pay of the 76th Regiment from the 25 Jany to the 24 March 1799 according to the effective Number of Privates on the 1 day of January 1799 Viz 765 Privates at 5 pence per man per Month	31	17	6			
				170	2	6
1361	"	"				
Average of Men of the 78 Regiment 938 from 25 May 1797 to the 24 March at 5 pence per Man per Month for 22 Months amounts to				429	18	4
3439	5	3				

Carried over

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Brought forward

Average of Matrosses including Invalids of the Honorable Companys Artillery 9'30 from the 25 May 1797 to the 1 March 1799 at 9 10 per Man per Month being 21 Months 7 days ——— 17138 7

Average of European Infantry Privates of the Honorable Companys Regiments including Invalids 1500 men from 25 May 1797 to the 1 of March 1799 at 9. 10 per allow per Month ——— 19.578 2

Leonard Ruspini ——— 3867643

Military Auditor Generals Office
28 February 1799

(Signed) G. & Robinson
Dpty Aud Genl

A true Copy

(Signed) L Hooke
Sub Secy

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Estimate of the additional Monthly Expence that will probably be incurred by the Honorable Company in Bengal on account of the increased rates of Pay to the Privates of His Majestys Infantry — Regiments and Matrosses and Privates of the Honorable Companys Artillery and European Infantry granted by Minute of Council 15th February 1799 including Invalids and Supernumeraries — according to the Numbers mustered on the 1st day of February 1799

		£ Rs a P	£ Rs a P
The Privates of His Majestys 78th Regiment will receive an increased rate of Pay of 2 pence per diem, which for 850 men for 365 days is equal to £2,585. 8-4. or Sonaut Rupees		20,683 5 4	
Deduct therefrom the Allowance formerly drawn under the denomination of Difference between Kings and Companys Pay which is now abolished Sonat Rupees 1-11-8 each per month for 850 men amounts to		17550 " "	
	12/	1133. 5 4	
Equal on Extra Expence per month of			94 7 1
The Matrosses of the Honble Companys Artillery will receive an increased rate of Pay at the rate of 9as per Month each, which for 868 Men the present effective Strength of Matrosses of the Bengal Establishment is equal per Month to Sonaut Rupees			533 7 4
The European Infantry Privates of the Honble Companys Forces in Bengal are also to receive an increased rate of Pay at the rate of 9-10 each per Month which for 1394 Men the present effective Strength of European Infantry Privates is equal per Month, to Sonaut Rupees			256 11 8
Total Estimate Additional Monthly Expence S Rs			1484 10 1

Military Auditor Generals
Office 28 February 1799

(Signed) G. S. Robinson
Mily Aud Genl

A true Copy
(Signed) L. Hook
Sub Secy

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J. Webbe Esq.

Secretary to Government

Sir

From Lt. J. Cochrane at Calastry Gives an account of what he had done on his arrival at Calastry

I beg leave to acquaint you, for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council, that I arrived here this morning agreeably to the orders contained in your Letter of the 21 Instant. I immediately communicated the object of my Mission to the Zemindar, and having procured an Interview, delivered him the Letter I had in Charge from the Governor General; upon the Contents of it, being fully explained to him, he expressed the greatest surprize, and attributed the Complaints against him of having obstructed the Progress of the Banjarries entirely to the malice of his numerous Enemies. as so far from impeding their march, he had afforded them every Assistance in his Power, while passing thro his Country and should do his utmost to expedite the Progress of those that were still to join the Army, by furnishing them with Forage and every Necessary – he concluded with requesting, that I would proceed upon the different Routes by

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by which the Banjarries were to advance and ascertain the truth of his Assertions

I told him that I hoped for his own Sake, that the Complaints against him were unfounded, and at the same time warned him of the certain Consequences that would insue, if he in the least impeded the March of the Banjarries, or Parties of the Nizams Cavalry that were still to join the Army, as it was of the utmost importance that they should proceed without the smallest Delay.

I intend setting out this Evening, or early to morrow Morning on the Route by which the Banjarries are to advance to see that no obstruction is given; in the mean time I have despatched Harkarahs to apprize them of my Arrival and that they may advance without the smallest Apprehension, as I am sent by Government, for the express Purpose of protecting them on their march thro the Calashty Country — I shall not fail to Report the Result of my Enquiries, and if any impediments are thrown in the Way of the Banjarries by the Zemindar or his people

I am

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Sam just informed that 10 Days ago 6000
Banjarries and 200 of the Nizam's Cavalry passed this
Place on their way to the Army and that they met with no
intercuption from the Zemindar but were provided with
every thing they required

Palastry
25th March 1799

I have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) Jas. Cochrane

Sent the following letter

To Major General Braithwaite
President &c Members of the
Military Board

Gentlemen,

To the Military Board the old Paddy at present in Store at Pallamcottah to be disposed of and one hundred Garce of new paddy to be purchased the Paymasters in the Barahmal will be authorized to make such advances to the superintending Engineer in the Ceded Districts as may be required for the execution of the works carrying on under him equal to three months expenditure to be sent to Chingleput. The payments & advances recommended by them have been sanctioned.

We have received your letter of the 13th 20th and 22d Instant

We observe that you will authorize the disposal of all the Paddy at present in store at Palamcottah and that one hundred Garce of new paddy may be purchased for the use of that Garrison

We have directed the Military auditor General to authorize the Paymaster in the Baramahal to make such advances, under the sanction of Lieutenant Colonel Read to the Senior Engineer, as may be required for the execution of the works under his superintendence.

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27th superintendence

We desire that you will forward to Chingleput a quantity of Grain equal to three months expenditure

We have authorized the several payments and advances recommended by you.

We are &c. &c.

Fort St George
27th March 1799

(Signed) Clive
&c. Council

Received and sent the undermentioned letters entered in M.B. Nos 110-111-112-113-114-115-116-117-118-119-120-121-122.

From the officer Commanding Northern Division—

From Lieutenant Colonel H. Vigors — —

Mentions the arrival at Masulipatam of two French Prisoners sent thither by the Resident at Hydrabad

Encloses copy of a letter from the Resident regarding them.

From the officer Commanding the Body Guard —

From Captain A. Grant — mentions that he had received into the Body Guard eight young horses sent to the Presidency by Lieutenant Dallas; who is willing to receive a Company's bond for the value of them.

From the Sub Sect. at Bengal —

From M.r Hook — encloses copy of a letter from D.r Ogilvie of the Coast Establishment who has been permitted to draw six months pay in advance previous to his embarkation for Europe.

From

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From the Secretary at Bengal —

From Mr. Barlow — encloses copies of two letters from Lieutenant Hardyman of H. M. Ship La Sybelle — stating that accounts had been received of there being two — French Privateers in the Bay, not connected with the — La Forte, and thanking him for the attention which had been shewn by the Bengal Presidency.

From the Sub Secy. at Bengal —

From Mr. Hook — states that the appointment of Deputy Paymaster to the Bengal Troops serving in the Northern Circars is agreeably to the suggestions of this — Presidency abolished.

From the assistant adjutant General

From Lieutenant William Shaw — states that Messrs. W. Clarke and T. Jones are the two persons — recommended by Major Clarke as Conductors of Ordnance to the Madras Native Artillery.

From the Military Paymaster General

From Mr. Roebuck — encloses an — additional estimate of Cash amounting to Pag. 5,889 35 44.

From the Secretary at Bengal.

From Mr. Barlow — encloses a duplicate bill of Lading for Rice shipped on the Meer Achmudded for this Presidency.

From the late Chief at Pulicat

From Mr. Elbrachs — mentions that he proposes to quit Pulicat for the Presidency in the course of a few days, recommends his brother as a fit person to have charge of the Dutch Records.

To

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To the Military Board

To the Military Board enclosing to them Invoice and Bill of lading of Rice shipped on the Dony Mangapatilly for this Presidency

To the Military Genl.

To Major General Sydenham — enclosing for his examination the Paymaster Generals additional estimate transmitted in this letter of this date.

To the Collector at Cuddalore —

To M.r Taylor — directing him for the accommodation of the remaining Inhabitants at Pondicherry to send thither two of the boats delivered over to him by the late Commandant. — If any particular circumstances should render an increase of this number necessary, he is permitted to send thither two in addition but the extra ones must be removed as soon as they are no longer immediately wanted.

To Lieutenant Colonel Vigors —

To the Officer Commanding the Northern Division —

In compliance with the application contained in his letter of the 20th Instant Lieutenant Munro is to be permitted to draw the same allowances as were enjoyed by Major of Brigade Ogg.

Received the following Letter.

To

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To Major General Braithwaite

Commanding the Troops in the Carnatic &c &c &c

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit a letter addressed

to the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council which

I have to request you will be pleased to deliver to his

Lordship

The Binjaries are very much enraged at

the Ill treatment they met with from the Aumildars of

Tirumalle but the steps I have taken, I have reason

to believe will in part satisfy them

I have the honor to be

&c &c

Robt Sale

Colonel

From the Commandant at Vellore to Major General Braithwaite. Encloses a Letter for Government stating different particulars regarding the misconduct of the Nabobs Amuldar at Tirumalle towards the Banjarries. he has sent a guard to apprehend the Amuldar and to bring him to Vellore.

Vellore

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To the Right Honorable Earl of Mornington

Governor General &c &c &c

In Council

My Lord,

I have the honor to inform your Lordship that

a party of Banjaries who were bringing 500 Bullocks

loads of Grain from the Southward for the use of the army,

have been stopped by His Highness the Nabobs Aumildr

at

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27 at Triacomallie, who demanded double Custom's of them,
and when the Head Bonjary shewed the Nabobs order
for them to pass through the Country Custom free, the
Aumildar blotted it with Ink, and spoke of the
order in a very disrespectfull manner, the Aumildar
has detained the Bullocks and Grain, and has beat
and otherwise Ill treated them, to one of the Men
he hung a firelock to his ear by shutting the pan
upon it, he has also Confined one of the two Sepoys that
the Benjaries has with them.

To convince the Benjaries of my readi-
-ness to support them; at their earnest request I have
given them two Guards of Sepoys to go with them to
Trincomallie, and to release their Bullocks and Grain
and to bring the Aumildar a Prisoner to Vellore,
on his arrival I shall do myself the honor to —
acquaint your Lordship therewith, and shall keep
him a Prisoner untill I can know your Lordship's
pleasure regarding him.

I have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) Robt. Gale
Colonel
Comt.

Vellore
25 March 1799

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Sent the following letters

To Major General Sydenham

Military Auditor General

Sir

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council to transmit to you the enclosed extract of a letter from the Military Board and to desire that you will authorize the Paymaster in the Baramahal to make the advances therein recommended, under the sanction of Lieutenant Colonel Read.

I enclose Copy of a letter from Lieutenant Colonel Vigors, and am directed to inform you that his Lordship has been pleased to grant Lieutenant John Munro the allowances recommended, while he may continue to act in his present situation

The Governor General in Council desires that you will authorize the following payments and advances.

To the Military auditor General. Enclosing extract of a letter from the Military Board and directing him to authorize the advances therein recommended to the Superintending Engineer in the Baramahl. Copy of a Letter from Lieutenant Col. Vigors enclosed the allowances to Lieutenant Munro recommended have been granted Extract of a Letter from Major General Braithwaite regarding Cornet Gaunt enclosed payment of a bill from the Garrison Storekeeper at Masulipatam authorized as also payment of advances to the Garrison storekeeper at Fort St. George and to the Superintending Engineer in the Ceded Districts—

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Lt. M.

The

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The inclosed Bill of the Garrison Storekeeper at Masulipatam for provision Stores purchased by him amounting to seven thousand four hundred and seventy nine Pagodas, twenty three fanams twenty four Cash—

(7479. 23. 21.)

An advance of ten thousand Pagodas (10,000) to the Garrison Storekeeper at Fort St. George being two third of the estimated cost of the articles of Provision Store which he has been ordered to purchase for the use of the Troops at Amboyna and Banda.

An advance of seven hundred and two Pagodas, four fanams seventy nine cash (702-4-79) to the Senior Engineer in the Ceded Districts, being one third of the estimates of the works at Ryacottah and Darampoury under his superintendence.

I enclose for your information extract of a letter from Major General Brathwaite.

I have the honor to be
&c &c

(Signed) Jos: Webbe
Secy to Govt.

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27th March 1799

To

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To Major General Brathwaite

Sir

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated 25th Instant

Although the Governor General is fully sensible of the Zeal displayed by Brigadier General de Meuron in the desire which he has expressed of joining his corps in the field, yet as the Commander in Chief will have made his arrangements for the conduct of the campaign without providing for the junction of Brigadier de Meuron, his Lordship cannot but apprehend that the rank of that officer must interfere; and his Lordship therefore desires that he may remain at the Presidency until the event of the campaign shall be known

The Governor General approves the mode you have proposed for augmenting the Garrisons of Ongole and Cuddalore but cannot consent to any additional allowance to the officers commanding

To Major General Brathwaite - as the Commander in Chief will have already made his arrangements for conducting the campaign without providing for the junction of General de Meuron the Governor General cannot at present comply with his request the mode he proposes for the augmentation of the Garrison of Ongole and Cuddalore approved but no additional allowances can be granted to the Comandants at these places. His proposal for forming a Masulipatam Battalion from the Hydrabad recruits at that place approved and he is directed to give in a detailed plan of arrangement

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commanding at those places

His Lordship approves the plan which you have suggested for forming a Masulipatam Battalion from the recruits lately arrived at that place from Hydrabad; and accordingly desires that you will submit a detailed augment for his consideration.

I have the honor to be
&c &c

Fort St George
27 March 1799

(Signed) Jos. Webbe Sec.y to Govt

Received the undermentioned letters entered in MB. No.s 123 124 125 126 127 128 129.

From the Resident at Nagore -

From M.r Torriano - containing an explanation of the motives which led him to refuse an advance of money to the Paymaster of His Majesty's 19.th Regiment

From the acting Barrack Master Southern Division

From Lieutenant Smith - transmits bills for the rent of houses engaged at Negapatam for the public service which he requests may be sanctioned.

From the Church wardens at Pulicat

From Messrs. Joachim Hafz. and Van Vessel. - enclose copy of a bond of M.r Eilbracht late chief at Pulicat for 500 Pagodas which he has not discharged and in the recovery of which amount they request the assistance of Government

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From Commandant at Pulicat — From Captain Godfrey — The late Chief having left Pulicat he requests to know who is to be considered as being in charge of the Dutch Records.

From Commandant at Cuddalore — From Lieutenant Colonel DuPont — mentions that a Vessel commanded by a Frenchman and having a Spaniard as a passenger on board had been obliged in consequence of having sprung a leak to run aground, he requests to be instructed how to act

From the Military Paymaster General — From Mr Roebuck — forwards copy of a letter from Mr Collector Lushington to Mr Paymaster Hughes, the former stating that he has received orders to hold the cash in his treasury at the disposal of the Officer Commanding the Southern Division

From the Military Secretary to Lieut.t General Stuart — From Captain Walker — Acknowledging the receipt of the letter of the 28th February respecting Major Bannermans accounts, the necessary directions have been given by General Stuart for complying with the instructions it contains

Received the following letters

To

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No 29

To Josiah Webbe Esq.r
Secretary to the Government
at
Fort S.t George

Sir

From the Sub Sec.y at Bengal - encloses copy of a Letter from the Accountant Genl at the Bengal Presidency the pecuniary supplies intended to have been sent to Amboyna have in Consequence of it been postponed -

I am directed by the Honorable the Vice President in Council to request, that you will lay the enclosed Copy of a letter from the Accountant General before the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council and inform him, that in consequence of the circumstance mentioned by Mr. Myers, the pecuniary supply intended to have been sent by the London to Amboyna and Banda has been postponed.

I have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) John Stracey
Sub Secy

Fort William
the 13th March 1799

To His Excellency the Honorable Sir Alured Clarke K.B.
Vice President and Deputy Governor in Council
Fort S.t George

Honorable Sir,

Our Residents at Amboyna and Banda having lately drawn up Bengal and Fort S.t George Bs the amount of Four Lacs of Rupees, which is about two

thirds

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29 thirds of the estimated amount of their annual Disbursements. I conceive that the pecuniary supply proposed to be sent to them on the London may be postponed, without any material inconvenience, either to our Military Establishments or Commercial concerns at those Islands, and as Money is much wanted for the Sugar Investment at this Presidency, I beg leave to recommend that the Sub Treasurer may be directed to send a further supply of Sicca Sixty thousand Dollars (60,000 Dollrs.) to the Mint, and that the Mint Master may be directed to coin them into Bengal Money with all practicable dispatch.

I have the honor to be
&c &c

(Signed) Thos Myers
Acct Genl

Fort William
Accountant Generals Office
the 1st March 1799

A true Copy
(Signed) J. Stracey
Subscy

Order of Council
Military Department
29 March 1799

Read the following letter from the Military auditor General.

To

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

My Lord,

1 I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of

From the Military Auditor General — Reporting on the Paymaster Generals additional estimates of the 26th & 27th Instants and sanctioning the issue of Pag.s 10919. 35. 4h agreeably to it.

Mr. Secretary Webbe's Letters of the 26th and 27th Instant with additional Estimates of Cash required by the Military — & Paymaster General for the Current Month.

2 The additional Estimate accompanying the former Letter amounting to Five thousand and thirty five Pagodas (Pag.s 5035.) appears unobjectionable, and may be issued from the Treasury, being required to pay the Subsistence of 5 Companies of His Majesty's 19th Regiment of Foot — landed at Negapatam from Columbo, from the 2d of Feby to the 2d May next inclusive

3 The other additional Estimate amounting to Five Thousand Eight hundred and Eighty four Pagodas thirty five fanams and forty four Cash (Pag.s 5,884. 35. 44) is likewise admissible, and issuable from the Treasury, for the purpose of discharging three Bills of the Gun Carriage Contractors which were passed a few days since under the authority of Government, and also a small Bill of

the

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The Superintending Engineer for Repairs executed at the Presidency

Military Auditor Generals Office
Fort St. George 28 March 1799

Have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) W. Sydenham
Mily. Aud. Genl.

Order of Council — authorizing the Issue of Pags 10919. 35. 44. agreeably to the — Pay master Generals additional estimates of the 26 and 27 Instant

Ordered that the Sum of Ten Thousand nine hundred and nineteen Pagodas thirty five fanams and forty four Cash (10.919. 35. 44) be advanced from the Treasury to the Military Paymaster General on account of the additional estimates enclosed in his Letter of the 26th and 27th Instants.

P F C.

By Order of the Right Honble the Governor General in Council

(Signed) Jos. Webbe Secy to Govt

Received and sent the undermentioned letters entered in M.B. Nos 130-131

From the Military Paymaster General

From Mr Roebuck. transmitting an additional estimate of Cash amounting to Pags 5625

To the Military Paymaster General —

To Mr Roebuck informing him that the Sum of Pags 10919. 35. 44 will be issued to him on his

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29th his application agreeably to his additional Estimates of the 26th and 27th Instant —

Received Letter from the Rajah of Vencat Ghery entered in C. C. № 42. Mentions that he has sent considerable Number of Sheep and Cattle to Tripasore for which he requests that receipts may be as usual granted - a few of the Cattle have run into the Calastry Country - Mentions that he has collected about Sixty palankeen Boys whom he proposes sending to the Presidency under a guard —

Substance of a Letter from the Rajah of of Vencatagherry —

30th Received the undermentioned Letters -

To the Right Honorable
Richard Earl Mornington &c &c
Governor General in Council

My Lord,

I have the honor to inform You that the Sloop Mercury has imported here with the Chief Officer John Peters and 20 of the Crew of the Danish Ship Habet lately Captured by the Heureux French Privateer at Coringa. Inclosed is a Copy of a paper delivered me by the Officer, by which it appears the Vessel was given to them to convey them to any Port they pleased —

I have further to acquaint Your Lordship

From the Commercial Resident at Masulipatam mentions the arrival at Masulipatam of the Brig Mercury captured by the French Privateer Heureux and delivered over to the Officers of the Danish Ship Habet with 20 of the crew to carry them to any port they pleased enclosed a certificate of the above from the Captain and Officers of the privateer. he had obtained the Vessell —

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Lordship that there is an English Seaman on board who says he has a Letter for Mr. Sewell Navy Agent and that he was put on board by Captain Cook of his — Majesty's Ship Sybelle, on the 24th February and desired to go to Madras but being unable to make good the Passage, and having expended their provisions and Water they put in here —

I have taken upon Myself to order the Crew on Shore, and shall detain the Vessell untill — I am honored with Your Instructions, which I am in hopes will be approved by You —

I have the honor to be with the — greatest Respect —

&c &c

(Signed) Vin.t Corbett

Commd.r Rest.

Masulipatam

The 25th March 1799

We the Captain and Officers of the Privateer L'Heureux do certify that the Vessel named the — Mabet is a true and Lawful prize to the French — Republic, and that the Captain Officers and Seamen having attested to us the truth in writing, we deliver to them this paper, and recommend them to all French Men whom it may concern — we in Consequence Make

them

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them a present of the Sloop Mercury taken this day, to be carried away and disposed of by them on their own account and wheresoever they may think proper in Witness — whereof we have delivered to them this writing to serve them in case of need —

In the Roads of Yanam 15th February 1799.

(Signed) Benan. Dutuit - Simonete

De Serotlean - Nirael

(A true translation)

(Signed) J. J. Keble

French Translation

A true Copy

(Signed) Vent. Corbett

Count. Resd.

Josiah Webbe Esqr.

Secretary to Government.

Fort St. George

Sir.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of Your Letter of the 12th Instant. with the Inclosures — therein referred to and in reply thereto have the honor to acquaint you for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council, that the promise made by me to Meer Behader Ali. Mahomed Khan, and

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From the Resident at Hydrabad. acknowledges the receipt of the letter to him of the 12 March — states the nature of the promise made by him to the three native — Officers belonging to the Hydrabad recruits — mentioned in that letter he will forward immediately a copy of his Letter

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Letter to the Officer Commanding the Northern Division—

30th Shaick Khodawund—was that they would receive the former a Subidars and the two latter Jemidars Commissions in the Company's Service or Pensions equivalent to the Pay of those respective Ranks, provided they raised conjointly a Thousand Recruits for the Coast Army—and took care withall that the Recruits thus raised should reach the place of their distination without any Material diminution in their Numbers. Though the condition on which Commissions or an equivalent in Pensions, were promised to the Persons in question was not completely fulfilled. Yet as the deficiency in the Stipulated Number of Recruits is to be attributed to the early March of the Party from hence to Masulipatam, and not I believe to any intermediate want of exertions on their part. the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council will I trust see no objection to ratifying one or other of the Assurances. thus held out by me conformably to a Latitude entrusted to me for the purpose by Lord Clive; and under this presumption I shall lose no time in forwarding a Copy of this Letter to the Officer Commanding the Northern Division—

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

(Signed) J. A. Kirkpatrick

Resl.

Hydrabad
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To Josiah Wibbe Esqr.

Secretary

Sir,

Permit me leave to send you the Enclosed Papers Concern the Brig L'heureux (the French Privateer) which was sold to me and hope you'll forward the same to the Government for obtaining their Answer on the Subject —

I have the honor to be

&c &c

(Signed) John Leonard Gotting

from J.L. Gotting to the Secretary forwards a petition to the Board respecting the French Privateer Heureux — purchased by him from the owners on certain conditions and permitted to proceed to Coringa where she was detained by the Deputy Resident at Ingeram —

Madras

29th March 1799.

To the Right Honorable Lord Clive

Governor and President

Fort St. George

&c &c &c

Sheweth,

The humble Petition of J.L. Gotting Mariner —

That Your Petitioner having already addressed a Petition to the Honorable Board from Ingeram dated the 27th February last on the Subject of the Brig L'Heureux formerly the French — Privateer.

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Privateer. Which was Sold to your Petitioner for the Sum of 500 Rupees, And your Petitioner having addressed a Letter to Robert Fullerton Esqr. Deputy Resident of Ingeram. dated 19th February on the same Subject Inclosing a Copy of the Bill of Sale of the said Brig. was ordered to be detained untill Robert Fullerton Esqr. was fully acquainted with the orders of Government and who also gave Your Petitioner Information that all the papers respecting the Vessel had been forwarded —

When Your Petitioner having been detained to the 10th. March and afterwards; was desired by Robert Fullerton Esqr. to proceed to Madras. and lay his Case before the Honorable Board Having received no Information on this Business Your Petitioner was necessiated to proceed to Madras. by Land. which has incurred a heavy Expence In hopes of having the Said Business brought to Issue —

Your Petitioner therefore having already Sustained heavy losses in Several Undertakings has drove him to great Inconveniences particularly. his having a Large Family in Calcutta —

Your Petitioner for the further better Information

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30th Information begs leave to lay before the Honorable Board his papers, relative to the Said Vessel —

When after persual Your Petitioner hopes Submissively that The Honorable Board will be pleased to take Your Petitioner Case into Consideration, and grant Your Petitioner the Indulgence of obtaining the said Vessel, which has been purchased by Your Petitioner from the Captain of the French Privateer —

Which act of Humanity Your — Petitioner as in duty Bound —

Ever to Pray

Fort St. George
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To the Right Honorable 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 — Tranquebar from his infancy followed in the Seafaring 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

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30. Sailed from that Port Commander of Different Vessells —
always under British flag in the Year 1797 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 Pegue for Treading
and where Your Petitioner was appointed Chief officer of
the late Ship Elizabeth Commanded by Captain —
& Imperf Your Petitioner on his way to Madras on
the 13th of August 1798 accidently was Cast on Shore on the
South part of Coringa where your Petitioner lost all he
had and was left in a Extreme Poverty. from thence Your
Petitioner Proceeded to Madras to Meet Messrs. Chase
Sewell and Chase the agent of the said Vessel in hope of
recovering the Pay due by the abovementioned Vessell
on Your Petitioners arrival at Madras was denyed the
said Payment by those Gentlemen Your Petitioner
finding very hard to live in Madras and having —
a Large family at Bengal to maintain and wishing
to Join his family has Procured a Passage on Board
the Danish Ship Haabet. and went on Board on the
8th Instant and in the same day the Ship has put to Sea
on the 13th Instant in the Latitude 17°. 18 N. Made the
Land of Orixa and Saw a Sail a head Seemingly to Board
upon

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30th upon the Vessell at half Past one, the said Vessell was
Sun to be a Small brig and the appearance of a Paria
or Country Vessell at 2 P.M. Boarded upon the said
Danish Vessell and fired two Shots and hoisted french
national flag which Confused the Crew and all hands
on Board, they continued to fire with their Musketry
for few Minutes and Wounded the Second Mate in
his Knee by a Musket Shot then the French men came
on Board with their boat and took Charge of her and
declared to be their Prize after Examined all the Papers
&c that the Captain had in Charge from thence, the
Privateer Proceeded with her Prize to Coringa Roads your
Petitioner finding imprisoned by the Enemy. Most humbly
beged to the Commander of the Privateer for his Liberty —
Being a famaled Man, the Captain of the Privateer —
took in his Consideration, and Promised to restore your
Petitioner Liberty; on the 16 Instant they resolved to
Burn it down the Said Privateer has ordered to take
out her two Guns and many Stores &c Belonging to
her to put their Resolution in Execution in the same
day the Captain of the Privateer has made Present to
the Danish Captain and his Crew a Paria Sloop
Loaded with Rice and Made their Prize other two
more

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More Country Vessell In these enterneduim - the Captain and officers of the Privateer Proposed to your Petitioner to take the Privateer; on Condition of your Petitioner to pay 500 Rupees to the french Prisoner at Madras or any other Ports your Petitioner Being Convinced of their Resolution accepted their Proposal, in Consideration of Recovering the Losses your Petitioner Sustained in the different ocations; your Petitioner was obliged to execute two Notes of hand in English Language Promising to make it good the said Payment of 500 Rupees 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. Fullerton acting Resident of this place and the Second officers who was wounded was sent on Board the Privateer with 3 Danish Seamens and 5 Tellenga Lascars and the Captain of the said Privateer Monsieur Du Sertre and his Officers Strictly Commanded and Requesting that your Petitioner should See the said officers Cured in the first port your Petitioner may put in, and which your Petitioner has promised to do it, So On the 4th at Noon your Petitioner was ordered to Make Sail in Company with others at 4 P.M. the French Captain sent on board your Petitioner Vessell 8 Tellinga Lascars and

D. M.

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and a Serang, and order your Petitioner to put them on Shore - so proceeded to the East Ward Namely Pundamerkah about 15 Miles distance from Shore, your Petitioner was then Indused by the French Captain about 11 o Clock at Night to take your Petitioner own Course on the 18 Morning saw a Small Dony Standing from W. to E. and the Wind being flate Calam by the own request of the Tellinga Serang Your Petitioner have put them on board the said Dony - and then your Petitioner have put at 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 your Petitioner none Proceeding until the pleasure of your Honorable Board are none, In the Meanwhile the Commanding officer of Coringa sent Sepoys and took Charge of the Vessell, 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 Petitioner it was some Black Damaged Rice, and after the Vessell was in the River Examined the Rice on Board before the Commanding Officer - - found to be in quantity 94 Bags the weight unknown

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some with Marks and some without Your Petitioner after having Delivered in their charge the Vessell Requested of them to Proceed to Madras to Meet Personally before your Honorable Board to inform the above accurrences they have Permitted of so doing in first. in the Eave of your Petitioner Departure, the acting Resident has put a Stop not to proceed untill an answer will be obtained from your Honorable Board, Your Petitioner Being left here without Cash or friends therefore Your Petitioner most Submissively begs that your Honorable Board will take into your Serious Consideration the above Case and restore the Said Vessell 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 Honorable Board Your Petitioner are in Duty Bound —

Shall Ever Pray ..

Ingeram
27th February 1799

A true Copy was forwarded by the Post.
(Signed) J. L. Gotting

To

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To Robert Fullerton Esq.r
Deputy Resident
Ingeram

Sir,

I beg leave to acquaint you that I was a Passenger on Board the Ship Hadabet under Danish — Colors Commanded by Captain Saffery who thro' illness as I understand was induced to quit her at Madras. the Command of her consequently fell to the Chief officer — M.r Pederson — We left Madras road on the 8.th Instant and bound to Calcutta the Wind being Sometimes — N. E. at others S. E. and Variable — On the 13.th Instant in the Latt.d of 18 N. We made the Land of Orixa and at 1 P. M. We Saw a Sail a head of us Seemingly to board upon us at half past One We clearly Saw the said Vessell to be a Small brig and the appearance of a Pariah or a Country Vessell under Moorish Colors and at two She board upon us and fired two Shots which Confused the Crew.d and which they continued to do for a few Minutes with Musketry. altho' we had during the time the Danish Colors flying and accidently our 2.d Officer was wounded in the Knee: the French Men afterwards Came on board and declared our Vessell

was

was their Prize after having examined all the Papers that were on our board. and from thence the Privateer proceeded to Coringa with her Prize —

On the 16th they took 3 Country Vessells 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 Cruser to me upon Condition of my paying 500 Rupees 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 I thought it most advisable 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 Consequently taken Charge of her who 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 17th at Noon we set Sail and proceeded to the Eastward Namely Poonda e Mereah about 15 Miles distant from Shore where I was induced by the French Captain to Alter my coarse I have thus therefore put to Coringa being the nearest English Port —

I have Sir delineated to you the Occurrences that had befallen me and beg leave to refer

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30th refer it to your judicious Consideration —

I have the honor to be

&c &c

(Signed) John Leonard Gotting

Ingeram
19th February 1799

A true Copy

Deed of Sale

The Privateer L'. Heureux Captain Dutute armed by the Governments of the Isle of France to cruise against the Enemies of the French Republic —

We the Captain and officers of the Said Privateer agree on the said Deed of Sale of the Vessel L'. Heureux between Mr. John Leonard Gotting and us he having engaged by writing and by promise to remit the Sum of five hundred Rupees to the French Prisoners at Madras or any other Port - in testimony of which we have hereunto Signed our Names —

In the Roads of Yanam 16th February 1799.

(Signed) Dutute — Pinan.

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A true Copy from the Original —

(Signed) J. L. Gotting

(A true Translation)

(Signed) G G Keble

French Translator

Order

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Order of Council

Military Department

30th March 1799

Received the following Letter from the Military Auditor General —

The Right Honorable

The Earl of Mornington K.B.

Governor General in Council

&c &c &c

My Lord;

From the Military Auditor General — Reporting the Pay Mr. General Estimate for April and Sanctioning the issue of Pags. 1,18,244. 14. from the Treasury.

Having examined the Estimate of the Military Paymaster General for the Month of April 1799, I have the honor to report that the Sum of Two Lacks Twenty Two Thousand four hundred and Fifty Nine Pagodas, Sixteen fanams, and Thirty one Cash (Pags. 2,22,459. 16. 31.) is required for the Payment of such Military Charges as become due upon the first of the ensuing Month —

From the General Treasury	1,18,244. 14. —
By Bills on the Military Paymaster General	1,04,215. 2. 31.
Pagodas	2,22,459. 16. 31.

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On the examination of Mr. Paymaster Wilson's Estimate, an Error of One hundred Pagodas (Pagodas 100) appears in extending the Pay of Native Invalids Stationed at Ganjam, which has been — rectified by deducting that sum from the General Estimate —

In the gross Total herein reported on, is included Pag.s Ten thousand Four hundred and Fifty (Pag.s 10,450) the amount of Bills drawn by the Paymaster to the Army, on the Military Paymaster General, as also the Field Charges of the Detachments serving under the Command of Lieutenant Colonels Brown and Read, all of which are unobjectionable —

I have the honor to be with great respect —

Military Auditor General's Office Fort St. George 30th March 1799

&c &c
(Signed) W.m Sydenham
M.A.G.

Order of Council authorizing the issue of Pag.s 1,18,244 - 14 to the Paymaster Gen.l agreeably to his estimate for april —

Ordered that the Sum of One — Lack eighteen Thousand two hundred and forty four Pagodas fourteen fanams (Pag.s 1,18,244 - 14 -) be — advanced from the Treasury to the Military Pay- master General on account of his estimated disburse- ments

30th ments for the ensuing Month which accompanied his Letter of the 25th Instant —

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

(Signed) J. Webbe

Sec.y to Gov.t

Received and Sent the undermentioned Letters entered in M.B. Nos. 132_133_134_135_136_137 —

From the Military Paymaster General — From Mr. Roebuck — transmits an additional estimate of cash amounting to — Pag.s 4000 —

From the Resident at Poonah — From Lieutenant Colonel Palmer acknowledges the Receipt of the Letters to him of the 28th February and 1st March —

From the Secretary at Bengal — From Mr. Barlow encloses a — duplicate letter for the Governor of the Cape of Good hope —

From the Military Paymaster at Fort St. George — From Mr. Cochrane stating that he had received intimation that 114 Dooley Bearers and 6 Maistries had arrived at Ryacottah from the Northward, on their way to join the Army and — requesting that Lieutenant Colonel Read may be

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be authorized to make the necessary advances to them —

To Mr. Roebuck informing him that

To the Military — Pay master General

the Sum of Pags. 11,244-14 will be issued to him on his application agreeably to his general Estimate for — April —

From Captain F. M. Grant encloses

From the Commandant at Coondanally —

a Letter from the French Officers Prisoners of war cantoned at Coondanaly & requests it may be laid before the Governor General —

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Received the following Letters

To the Right Honorable Richard Earl Momington &c

Governor General &c &c

My Lord,

I have the honor of forwarding —

From the Commercial Resident at Masulipatam encloses a Letter from Captain Cooke of the La Sybille brought by the people of the Mercury —

under cover a Letter delivered me by the Danish — Officer who brought the Sloop Mercury into this Port — and at the same time think it necessary to observe to Your Lordship no Mention was made of this Letter Yesterday - as it is probable also from a Letter being addressed to Mr. Sewell the Navy agent which — I forwarded by this Post, that She may deemed a Prize

to

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to the Sybelle. it may be fortunate that there distress — made them bear away for this Port. as I have great reason to believe, from persisting in their right to the property that they never intended making Madras —

I have the honor to be with the greatest Respect —

Masulipatam
The 27th March 1799.

&c &c
(Signed) Ven.l Corbett
Com.d Res.t

The Right Honorable Earl. Mornington.

&c &c &c

My Lord,

We have just boarded a small Vessel which was taken by some French Ship that I cannot find out, but tomorrow I trust will shew us I have just a Man on board here a retaken Vessel —

La Sybelle Thursday
7 P.M.

(Signed) Cooke.

Received and sent the undermentioned Letters entered in M.B. Nos. 138. 139. 140. 141.

From.

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From the Commander of the Ship Dublin —

From Captain Reay — mentions that he has arrived safe at Vizagapatam —

To the Honorable Mr. Eilbracht acknowledging his brother G.L Eilbracht as the person who is to succeed him in charge of the Dutch affairs at Pulicat —

To late Chief at Pulicat

To Captain Godfrey Informing him that the brother of Mr. J. Eilbracht has been acknowledged as the person who is to remain in charge of the Dutch affairs at Pulicat. The Claimants against Mr. Eilbracht are referred to the Tribunal at Pulicat for redress —

To the Commandant at Pulicat

To Major General Sydenham referring to his examination the Paymaster Generals additional estimate of the 29th Instant —

To the Military — Auditor General —

1. Received the following Letter

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

My Lord.

1. I have the honor to submit to Your Lordships Consideration the enclosed copy of a Letter from Mr. Peter Cherry Paymaster to the Nizams — Detachment

From the Military — Auditor General: encloses copy of a Letter from the Paymaster with the Nizams Detachment to

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Detachment to the Military Paymaster General under —
date the 8th March respecting his Office Establishment as
Paymaster and Commissary of Provisions, which he has
desired may be refered to Government —

to the Military Paymaster General — respecting his establishment of servants which is found inadequate to the duties of his appointments recommends that Mr. Cherry may be allowed such an additional allowance for servants as he can declare upon honor as to the actual disbursement of Recommends that Mr. Cherry may in like manner be allowed to draw for the Cart and bullocks he has employed on his afferdation in honor —

2. The Establishment allowed him
at Hydrabad for the former Department amounted to
120 Pagodas ℔ Month and for the Provision Department to
60 Pagodas ℔ Month, besides an allowance of 15 Pagodas
Monthly for Stationary. making in all 195 Pagodas
but in the enclosed List he has stated the actual
expense to be since the 13th December 1798 in the Pay—
Department 199 Pagodas ℔ Month and in the Provision
Department 84 besides Stationary at 20 Pagodas ℔ Month
for both Departments, and a Cart and 6 Bullocks for the
Carriage of his accounts Vouchers and Office Furniture, or
a difference on the whole amounting to Pagodas 122 ℔ Month —

3. It will be seen by the Paymasters —
Letter that he admits the former Establishment while
at Hyderabad to have been sufficient. but adds that an
increase both of their Number and Wages became unavoi-
dable upon the March of the Detachment to the Southward.
as I have not the means of forming any judgement of
the

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5. the Establishment that may be absolutely necessary during the time the Detachment is in the Field. I can only suggest that Mr. Cherry be required to declare upon Honor to the extra expense which he may have incurred each Month on that account since the Detachment left Hydrabad, stating that the Sum charged was actually and bonâ fide disbursed for the purpose expressed, and indispensibly Necessary for carrying on the public Service, — that such Declaration be continued to his Monthly Bill for Extra Charges over and above the Establishment first allowed, which Bills should also have the approving Signature of the Officer Commanding the Detachment, but that when the — Detachment shall return to Hydrabad, his Establishment in both Departments be reduced to the Sum originally fixed unless the Number of Troops composing the Detachment should be encreased, when he will of course be allowed such an addition as Circumstances may appear to warrant —

4. With respect to the charge for a Cart and Bullocks, I can only observe that such a charge has not been customary it having been the practice for Paymasters to appropriate a Space in the Money —

Tumbrils

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Tumbrils for the purpose of containing and transporting their accounts, and Vouchers, but as it would appear that Mr. Cherry had not this means of Conveyance for all his papers and Office Furniture I can only Submit whether he may not be allowed the charge for Cart hire upon the same affirmation as before Mentioned, until he may have the power of securing and carrying his vouchers in the usual Manner, without subjecting the Company to additional expense —

I have the honor to be

Military auditor Generals Office
Fort St. George 1st April 1799

&c &c

(Signed) W. Sydenham
M.A.G

To Benjamin Roebuck Esqr.
Military Paymaster

Sir,

Fort St. George

Nothing but the difficulty Experience from a want of Public Servants and Carriage for my accounts Records and Furniture of my Office would have induced me to address this Letter to you My Office Establishment was scarcely adequate to the

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the duties of the Station when at Hydrabad but now that the Detachment is continually marching as it has been since the 13th December. I find it impossible to avoid falling in arrears. It has frequently happened since our March from Hyderabad, that the Detachment have not reached their new Ground till late in the day, and that my Baggage, with which from a want of Public Conveyance I have been obliged to have my Public Records Furniture &c brought on, did not arrive till Night. My Public Servants require a few hours Rest after comming off a long March and many days thus have been lost —

I beg leave also to point out to you, that the Writers &c in both Departments under my charge, who were Satisfied with the allowance fixed by Government while at Hydrabad which they supposed would be the Head Quarters of the Detachment and that we should in some respects be fixed there, expect an Encrease under the Circumstances of Continual Move= ments with an Army in the Field, when their — expenses Risk and Fatigue are considerably encreased and I assure you as an Encouragement to them to follow me to the Field I have been at the Expense Detailed in

the

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1st the accompanying List since the 13th December last —

In the Month of September last which was some time after I had joined the Detachment at Guntoor I found it absolutely necessary to employ a Cart with two Bullocks for the conveyance of the Public Furniture &c &c at 7 Pag.s ℔ month and in entro-ducing the charge in my accounts for September it was Retrenched by the Office of Audit till Sanctioned by Government, and rather than it should appear to them that I impeded the Public Service I carried them on at my own Expense till I reached Hydrabad where I discharged them on the 31st October as there was a prospect that the Detachment would remain at that place. But on the 6th December receiving orders to hold myself in readiness to March at the — shortest Notice I hired a Cart and 6 Carriage — Bullocks to convey my accounts. Records of office. Tables Stools &c &c and as I do not think that Government can expect that in the Discharge of my Public Duty I should be so Considerable a Loser. I beg you will Submit the present address to them in order that I may be Reimbursed the expense —

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1st I have already incurred and that they may make such further addition to My Office Establishment as may enable me to discharge my duty with Satisfaction to them and credit to myself —

I have the honor to be

&c &c

(Signed) E. Cherry

Pay Master Nizams Det.

A true Copy

(Signed) B. Roebuck

M. S. G.

A true Copy

(Signed) E. Bruce

Asst. to M. A. G.

Camp

8th March 1799

List of Servants paid by me in the Pay and Victualling Departments —

Pay Department

1 Head Writer ₹ month	45	" "
1 Writer do	30	" "
2 do at 20 Pags each ₹ do	40	" "
2 do at 15 do do	30	" "
1 Conicoply do	15	" "
Carried Over	160	" "

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Brought Over — 160 — —

1 Cash Keeper ℔ Month — — — 10 — — —

1 Moochie — — Do — — — — — — 7 — — —

1 Shroff — — — Do — — — — — — 8 — — —

2 Golah Peons at 4 Pags. each Do — 8 — — —

2 Peons Do 3 Do — — Do — — 6 — — — 199 — — —

Victualling Department

1 Writer ℔ Month — — — — — — — — — 20 — — —

1 Head Conicopoly Do — — — — — — 15 — — —

2 Assistants Do at 7½ each Do — — 15 — — —

2 Measuring Men at 6 Do Do — 12 — — —

2 Peons at 3d. each Do — — — 6 — — —

Butchers Shepperds & Cooper Do 16 — — —

For Stationary paid by Me Monthly 20 — — —

2 Cart & 6 Carriage Bullocks — 14 — — — 118 — — —

Total Pags. — 317 — — —

(Signed) Peter Cherry

Pay. Nizams Detach.

True Copy

(Signed) B. Roebuck

M. C. G.

A true Copy

(Signed) C. Bruce

Asst. M. A. G

Received

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Substance of a Letter from the Vencatagherry Rajah —

Received Letter from the Vencatagherry Rajah entered in C. C. N.o 43 Stating different particulars regarding the Sowzdar dues on the Hurnum Circar.

Published the following Government Advertisement —

Government Advertisement.

Fort S.t George 1.st April 1799

Government Advertisement containing the terms of Contract for Clothing the Madras Army for 1799/1800.

Notice is hereby given that Sealed proposals of Contract will be received by Government on or before the 15.th Day of May next. for providing the Clothing of the Honorable Company's European Troops under this Presidency for the Year 1800 and of the Native Troops of every discription including the Store and Tent Lascars. for the Year 1799. under the following Stipulations —

First — That the Contractor shall under take to complete the European clothing he engages to furnish. so as to be prepared to dispatch it from or deliver it. at this Presidency on the 1.st of January 1800. and that of the Sepoys. Tent and Store Lascars. on the 1.st of December next. or as soon after as he may be required ——

Second — That he shall be regulated. as to

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1st to the quantity of Clothing he is to provide for each — description of Troops, by the returns and Indents with which he will be furnished by the Adjutant General for the Troops, and by the Secretary to the Military Board for the Lascars, by the 15th of July, or as much earlier as may be possible after the execution of the Contract —

Third — The Clothing of Europeans, and of — Drummers and Fifers both of European and Native Corps is to Consist of one Jacket and one hat (or Cap) with Cockade Band and Looping agreeable to Musters; and that of the Native Troops, the Store and Tent Lascars of one Jacket only —

Fourth — The Contractor is to Indent on the Superintendent of the Import Warehouse for such a number of hats as he shall occasionally require, and is to allow for them on Settlement of his accounts at the undermentioned rates being the average prime Cost —

	Fal.	C
Serjeants Hats — each	2	8. 51
Privates &c — each	1	8. 45

Fifth — The Proposer shall also engage to make up long Coats, in lieu of Jackets should it

G. A.

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1st it be deemed necessary for any of the European Corps for which purpose he will be furnished with a Muster Coat by the Military Board or the Officer Commanding the regiment to enable him to form an Estimate of the — additional expence that will be incurred thereby which rates he must first submit to Government and obtain their Sanction for Carrying into effect —

Sixth — As it is probable that there may — remain a Surplus of clothing on the hands of the former Contractor, the proposer shall engage to receive from him at his Contract prices such part of the clothing as may be required, as well as any other clothing of the Troops in general for the preceeding Year which shall have been provided by authority —

Seventh — The Musters of each article of — clothing are to be seen at the office of the Secretary to the Military Board having his office Seal affixed to them and the Contractor is particularly to attend to the three distinct Sizes in which the Muster Coats are — prepared and to furnish each Corps with an equal — proportion of Coats of the different Sizes and such of the European Corps as shall be at or near the Presidency are to be allowed to send any Men they may have

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of an extraordinary Size and whom the largest master Coats could not be made to fit to the Contractors — Taylor to be measured for their clothing and if at not Garisons or Stations there should be required Coats that cannot be furnished from the three Sizes abovementioned the Size of such men must be particularized in the Indent of clothing to be furnished to the Contractor, to which he must accordingly attend —

Eighth. — The qualities of the cloths of which the Coats of the different ranks are to be made shall be — agreeably to musters which may be seen as abovementioned

Ninth — Whatever quantity of cloths may be required for preparing the clothing shall be delivered to the Contractor upon Indent on the Honorable Company's Warehouse such Indents being previously checked with respect to the quantity of cloth necessary by the Secretary to the Military Board, and Countersigned by the Secretary to Government, The Cloth to be charged at the latest Invoice prices received from England, and to be accounted for by the Contractor on the final — adjustment of his accounts, which are to be inspected and settled by the Committee of Officers annually — assembled at Fort St. George for the distribution and —

adjustment

1st adjustment of the off reckoning fund, when the Balance of the Contractors accounts (the same having passed the audit of the Military Auditor General) will be paid him — and the Contractor Shall not be at Liberty to purchase any cloth otherwise than from the Company's Warehouse, which can be supplied from thence —

Tenth — The Proposals are to Specify the rate in Star Pagodas at which the Complete Clothing of the Several ranks (including the Hats &c. of Europeans — and classing under distinct Heads those of the artellery European and Native Infantry Native Cavalry and Store and Sent Lascars) is to be prepared and delivered in Fort St. George after having undergone a previous inspection in the Contractors Warehouses or Godowns, at the Presidency by a Committee of Officers to be appointed for this — purpose by the Commander in Chief, whose Certificate of the quality and due Correspondence of the Clothing — with the Musters must Accompany the delivery of it and in case the Clothing should be rejected by this — Committee the Contractor may require the inspection of three Members of the Military Board whose — decision of it will be final, and Subject him to the Penalties of a breach of Contract —

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Twelfth — that any Individual proposer — may offer his terms either for Supplying the whole Army or the following proportion thereof separately Viz.t —

Thirteenth — The one portion to Consist of the Effectives and Invalids of —

The European Artillery
The European Infantry

and the other portion of the Effectives and Invalids of the

Native Cavalry
Native Infantry
Artillery, Store, and Sent Lascars.

Fourteenth — Advances will be made in Cash to the Contractor or Contractors in the following — proportions,

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1st proportions to enable them to prepare the Clothing Viz.t —

For the European Clothing —

Twenty ℔ Cent upon the Computed number of Suits of — clothing engaged to be furnished to be advanced in Cash ten days after the execution of the Contract. ten ℔ Cent on the 31st August and ten ℔ Cent more on the 15th of October — following —

For the Native Clothing

Twenty ℔ Cent to be advanced ten days after the execution of the Contract —

Fifteen ℔ Cent on the 31st August and fifteen ℔ Cent more on the 1st October following —

Fifteenth. The calculations of the advances to be made by the Military Auditor General from the Musters compared with the last returns in the Adjutant General's Office and the exchange to be fixed at forty five fanams ℔ Star Pagoda —

Sixteenth — Each Proposal to be given in, must specify the names of two good and Sufficient Securities who shall be bound jointly and severally with the Contractor for the advances made by the Company and for the due performance of the Contract in a penalty of Twenty five ℔ Cent upon the computed Amount of such part of the Contract engaged for as shall not be performed agreeably to the terms thereof and the Proposal to — be

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be superscribed upon the out cover "Proposals for clothing the "Honorable Company's European Troops on the Madras "Establishment for the Year 1800 and Native Troops for 1799

Seventeenth — The Invoice price the breadth and length, of the several Kinds of Cloths required for the Clothing may be learnt on enquiry of the Superintendent of the Import Warehouse —

By Order of the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council

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

Sent the following Letters.

To Lieutenant Colonel Read

Commanding in the

Baramahl.

Sir,

To the officer Commanding in the Ceded Districts acknowledging the receipt of his letter of the 22d Inst. & in order to obviate the inconvenience arising from the inferiority of the value of the rupees issued among the Nizams troops. he is directed either to make them be received

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter dated 22d Instant —

Although no arrangement has been made with the Minister of his Highness the Nizam by which the Company can be

Charged

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1st Charged with any loss upon the exchange of the Money which has been provided for the — payment of his Highness's contingent yet the Governor General in Council is desirous that imme- diate means may be taken for receiving any — cause of dissatisfaction on this account His Lordship therefore desires that you will either cause the Hyderabad Currency to be received throughout the Baramahl at par or that you will receive it in exchange for an equal quantity of the current Coin leaving — the difference in value to be — adjusted hereafter with Meer Allum Bahadur

received at par or to receive them in — exchange for the — current coin and to allow the difference to be adjusted with Meer Allum Baha: dur hereafter —

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Bahadur —

Sam

Sir,

Fort St. George
31st March 1799

Your Most Obedient
Servant
(Signed) J. Webbe
Secretary to Govert.

To Benjamin Torin Esqr.
Resident
at
Tanjour

Sir,

The Right Honorable the Governor —
General in Council being anxious that a Considerable
Number of Bullocks should be provided with all
practicable dispatch for the eventual Service of the

To the Resident at Tanjore directing him to take immediate measures for entertaining 4000 draft

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draft and Good carriage bullocks - desiring him to being forward every source of assistance to enable him to attain this object - the Collectors and Paymasters in the Southern Division have been directed to comply with any requisition he may make them - different particulars mentioned to him as a guidance for his Conduct —

1st — The Army and relying upon the experience obtained by you in the Course of the last war for the most expeditious accomplishment of his Lordships wishes, directs me to desire that you will immediately take the speediest and most effectual Measures for entertaining four thousand draft and Six thousand Carriage Cattle —

The Cattle are to be assembled in the first instance on the Northern bank of Cavary on the neighbourhood of Trichinopoly from whence they may join the Grand Army by the Straitest and safest route —

To assist you in effecting this object the Paymasters of Trichinopoly and Madura and the Collectors of Ramnad and Dindigul have been directed to afford you all the aid and information in their power: and you are authorized to appropriate the whole of the Rajah's peishwah and as much of the balance in the hands of the Collector as may be necessary for this purpose —

To facilitate your own exertions His Highness the Nabob has also been requested to write special orders to his aumildars and in short the Governor General in Council authorizes you to draw fourth the whole resources in Cattle of the Southern provinces —

For

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For your information I inclose a Copy of the Regulations established for the department of the principal Agent for draft and Carriage Cattle: but as inferior Considerations must yeild to the principal object of collecting the bullocks with the utmost degree of expedition his Lordship impowers you to dispense with any of the established forms and Regulations — which may be found to obstruct your progress —

His Lordship however is desirous that you should adhere as much as may be practicable to the established Regulations and directs that you report any deviations You may judge indispensibly necessary —

You will of course make the usual advance of three Pagodas for draft Cattle to be recovered hereafter by regulated Stoppages but as an increase in the first advance was found to expedite very eventually the provision of Bullocks during the late equipment of the Army the Governor General in Council authorizes you to advance four Pagodas for each draft and three Pagodas for each Carriage Bullock —

Although his Lordship annexes the greatest importance to the degree of expedition with

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I with which the Bullocks may be provided, he —
is yet desirous that the necessary attention may be
paid to the qualities of the Bullocks in Size age and
Condition as well as to the full equipment of —
drivers for he is fearfull that a ~~dis~~regard of these
precautions may tend to retard the main object
of this equipment —

The cattle are accordingly to be
mustered marked and registered according to the —
established forms and when dispatched to the Army
attention is to be paid to the forms for transmitting
to the agent in Camp the account of advances to each
owner with his receipt acknowledging those advances

For your information I inclose a
Copy of the Circular order which has been sent to the
pay masters and Collectors in the Southern Division
and am directed to acquaint you that a Supply of
Money will be forwarded to You with all practicable
dispatch from the Presidency —

As a Speedy and efficient —
accomplishment of his Lordships Orders may even=
tually be attended with the most important Conse=
=quence to the Grand Army the Governor General —
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in Council directs me to recommend them to your most zealous diligent and earnest attention —

I have the honor to be

Fort St. George
31st March 1799

&c &c
(Signed) J. Webbe
Secy to Govt.

To Mr. James Brodie
Garrison Storekeeper

Sir,

To the Garrison Storekeeper at the Presidency and at Vellore directing them to report what number of draft and carriage Cattle they may be able to provide in the course of four weeks In order however that no time may be lost they are directed to take the necessary measures for engaging Cattle immediately

The Right Honorable the Governor General in Council being desirous of collecting a considerable number of draft and Carriage Cattle for the eventual Service of the Army directs me to desire that you will report what number it may be possible for you to provide in the course of four Weeks particular attention being paid to the quality of the bullocks and to the full Compliment of drivers —

That no time however may be lost his Lordship desires that you will immediately take the necessary Measures for engaging the Bullocks according to the forms of the established Regulations and authorizes you to indent for such sums of Money as may be requisite for the first advances to the Bullock Owners

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Owners—

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31st March 1799

Jam
&c &c
(Signed) J. Webbe
Secy to Govt.

The same to Mr. J. H. Skardon
Garrison Storekeeper at Vellore

To. Mr. Francis Alexander Grant
Collector at
Mayaveram

Sir,

The Governor General in Council—having empowered and directed the Resident at Tanjour to provide a considerable number of draft and Carriage Cattle for the eventual Service of the Army desires that you will give every degree of facility to this object by affording Mr. Torin all the assistance and information in your power—

As the whole Superintendance of this equipment has been entirely entrusted to Mr. Torin, he has been authorized to make such applications to You as may be necessary to the accomplishment of the object, and I am directed to desire

To the Collectors at Mayaveram, Manargoody, Ramnad and Dindigul and Paymasters at Madura, and Trichinopoly—Informing them that the Resident at Tanjore has been directed to provide a considerable number of Cattle for the eventual Service of the Army and directing them to assist by every means in facilitating this object—

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desire that the most Cordial and Zealous attention —
may be paid to such Communications as you may
in Consequence receive from that Gentleman —

I am

Fort S.t George
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&c &c
(Signed) J. Webbe
Secy to Gov.t

The Same to Mr. George Balmain
Collector at Manargoody
Mr. S.R. Luskington
Collector at Ramnad
Mr. P.B. Hurdis
Collector at Dindigul
Mr. Robert Hughes
Pay master at Madura.
Mr. Wm. Hawkins
Pay master at Trichinopoly

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

Gentlemen,

I am directed to acknowledge the
receipt of your Letter dated the 26th Instant —

To the Military Board One thousand bags

In

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bags of rice and one thousand bags of provision Stores to be shipped on the active for the use of the troops at the Molaccas no further supplies to be at present sent there the annual stock of arrack to be Completed by the agent for spirituous liquors from his own Supply — The decision of Government passed on the register of Bills forwarded by them —

In compliance with your recommendation the Governor General in Council desires that you will immediately order the Garrison Storekeeper to ship on the active one Thousand bags of rice and one Thousand bags of provision Stores for the use of the Troops at the Molacca Islands and to direct from the farther provision of Stores required for a twelve Months stock —

For the reasons you have stated his Lordship consents that the Agent for Spiritious Liquors may be directed to complete the annual Stock of 1,10,565 gallons of arrack from his own Supply —

The decision of his Lordship in Council upon the register of Bills submitted to your Board by the Military Auditor General is herewith returned —

I have the honor to be

Fort St. George
31st March 1799

&c &c
(Signed) J. Webbe
Secy to Govt

Sent the undermentioned Letters entered in MB. Nos 1-2-3-4-

To W. Farquhar - enclosing to him Bill

To the Comm.ercial Resident at Amboyna and Bands —

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1st Bill of lading for 2000 bags of rice shipped on the — Eliza for the Moluccas —

To Major General Sydenham — referring to his examination the Paymaster Gen.ls additional estimate of the 29th Instant —

To the Military Auditor General —

To Lieutenant Colonel Du Pont. the Commander of the Ship which had run ashore at Cuddalore and the Spaniard on board of her as passenger to be detained until a stricter examination has taken place. he is therefore to proceed to examine them more strictly or to send them under a guard to the Presidency —

To the Commandant at Cuddalore —

To the Board of Revenue informing them that the order to the Collectors in the Southern Division directing them to report to Government the balance of Cash remaining with them to the Comm:manding Officer was not intended to interfere with their usual compliance with the Indents of the Paymasters. the Collector at Ramnad has misinterpreted this order, agreeably to the enclosed copy of a Letter from him to the Paymaster at Madura —

To the Board of Revenue —

2d Received the following Letters —

Josiah

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To
Josiah Webbe Esqr.
Secretary to Government

Sir.

From the Officer Commanding the Northern Division mentions the measures he has adopted to add a further reinforcement to Colonel Fotheringham's Detachment —

I request you will inform the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council that as the Interior tranquility of the Districts South of the Godavery is perfectly established and as they are also by their Situation secure from all attempts from abroad, as the Disturbances in the Vizagapatam District are so serious and as the Forces under Lieutenant Colonel Fotheringham appear still inadequate to their speedy and effectual suppression I have thought it necessary to reinforce him further with the two Flank Companies of the 1st Battalion 10th Regiment of Native Infantry —

It will be of Consequence that these Companies join Lieutenant Colonel Fotheringhams in time to act with him in his first operations against the Insurgents. — In order to accelerate their arrival at Vizagapatam I have taken measures to transport them thither by Sea. — The expences incurred by this Conveyance will scarcely exceed the amount of Batta to the Companies for the period

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period which they would have taken in proceeding by Land to Vizagapatam. —

These Companies occupied the Fort of Innacondah. I have replaced them at that Station by a Detail of 140 Supernumerary Invalids from Masulipatam and 150 Sepoys from Captain Dightons Revenue Battalion at Guntoor. — These Troops in particular the Invalids Although unfit for the active Services of the Field are Capable of performing all the duties of Garrison. —

I hope this reinforcement to — Lieutenant Colonel Fotheringham will receive the approbation of the Right Honorable the Governor General. —

I have the honor to be

&c &c

(Signed) Mr. Vigors

Masulipatam

March 28th 1799

To Josiah Webbe Esqr.

Secretary to the Government

at

Fort S.t George

Sir,

I am directed by the Honorable the Vice President in Council to transmit to you the enclosed

From the Sub Secy. at Bengal encloses an

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an account of provisions &c shipped by Captain Bullock for the use of H. M. 76 Regimt which are requested to be received in Store at Madras and paid for accordingly

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enclosed Statement of Rum and provisions shipped on board of the Thetis by Captain H. Bullock Commander for the use of His Majesty's 76 Regiment, and to request, as the Articles cannot now be relanded here, that you will express his recommendation to the Right Honble the Governor General in Council that Captain Bullock's bill for the articles may be discharged at Fort St. George on his delivering the articles into Store there —

I have the honor to be

&c &c

(Signed) L. Hook

Sub Secy

Fort William
the 15th March 1799

To S. Dyer Esqr.

Quarter Master General

Sir.

I beg leave to state the expences — incurred in providing Provisions and Water for His — Majesty's Troops leaving to the Honorable Board to make such allowances as they may think proper — Viz.t

15 Casks Beef and Pork at 64/	--	960 --
15 Maunds Flour at 5/75	-	
3 Casks at 6/	18	93 -
300 Gallons Rum — at 14/	262 8 -	
3 Casks at 16/	48	310 -- 8 -

Hook

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Sloop hire: Cooley hire &c: with the above to Sangur } 200 —

40 Butts from Ship.- filling & Bheer here to Sangur — } 250 —

40 Mound Yams 42-8-

Rup.s 1,856 —

Captain Bullock has also been at a great expence in providing for His Majesty's Officers

I have the honor to be &c &c

(Signed) R. Bain Purser

Calcutta
8th March 1799.

Calcutta 11th March 1799.

I do hereby Certify that the articles mentioned in the Letter to the Quarter Master General on the other Side were purchased in Calcutta for the use of His Majesty's Troops and for no other purpose whatever and the expences of filling Water Bheer hire &c solely for said purpose —

(Signed) Henry Bullock

(A true Copy)

(Signed) Isaac Humphrys
Secy Military Board

(A true Copy)

(Signed) L. Hook Sub Secy.

Received the undermentioned Letters entered in MB No. 5A & 5B.

From the Military Paymaster General —

From Mr. Roebuck enclosing an additional Estimate of Cash amounting to Rup.s 3,433-38-14-

From Lieut.t Nuthall stating various particulars respecting the horses which he has been employed to select at Hydrabad & enclosing a Report, together with Copy of a Letter from him to the Resident at

From Lieutenant Nuthall —

G. M.

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At a Consultation

Present

The Right Honorable

The Earl of Mornington K.P.

Governor General

The Righ Honorable Lord Clive

William Petrie

Tuesday 2d. April and Ernst William Fallofield } Esqrs.

Lieutenant General Harris absent

on Service -

Minutes of last Consultation read and

approved -

Read the following letter from the

Military Board -

To the Right Honorable

The Earl of Mornington K.P.

Governor General in Council

&c. &c. &c.

My Lord

We have the honor to transmit -

Copy

1907

Fort St. George 2d. April 1799.

From the Military Board enclose Copy of a letter from the Officer in charge of the Company's Stud in the Ganjam District and recommend, that he may be authorized to purchase the horse he mentions, but decline giving any opinion regarding the enclosures he speaks of — Enclose a Bill of the first Contractor amounting to Pagodas 4438. 33. 60. of which payment is recommended Enclose the Reports of the Garrison Rocket sent at Vellore up to the 25 Instant recommend the appointment of a new Committee for the purpose of completing the survey on the arsenal of Fort St. George — recommend that two additional Conicopoles may be allowed to the Commissary of Stores at the rate of five Pags. Das each per Month

Copy of a Letter from the Superintendent of the Honorable Company's Stud in the Ganjam District — Being satisfied from our experience of Captain Evans's Zeal in the Conduct of his charge that the purchase of the Horse in question will be attended with advantage to the Stud, We recommend that it may be authorized, but not deeming ourselves competent to offer any opinion with respect to the Enclosures which Captain Evans is desirous of making, we request to be honoured with your Lordship's commands on that Subject —

2 We enclose a Bill of the Contractor, for Tents delivered at the Arsenal and approved upon Survey by a Committee of our Board, and beg leave to recommend that Payment of the Bill, which amounts to Pagodas 4438.. 33.. 60.. may be authorized —

3d We also enclose for your Lordships information Copies of Reports of Paddy issued and remaining, and of Rice received, at Vellore and Arnee, as also of Grain in Store at the former Station, on the 25th Instant.

4th The Proceedings of the Committee appointed to take an account Remains of Ordnance and Military Stores —

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Stores in the Arsenal of Fort St. George on the 30th April
1798 having been suspended in consequence of the whole
of the Officers composing that Committee being ordered
to join the Army in the Field, and it being of
consequence that the Survey commenced by them
should be completed as soon as possible, to facilitate
the formation of an accurate Statement of the
Valuation of the Ordnance and Military Stores
at the Presidency, We beg leave to propose that
another Committee of Officers may be forthwith
appointed to complete the Survey already commenced,
to be attended by the Deputy Commissary of Stores
at the Arsenal, for the purpose of pointing out
to them the different Descriptions of Ordnance
English and Foreign which have not yet been
examined, and which require to be particularly
distinguished in their report and that such
Committee may be directed to receive their instructions
from our Board -

5 The Commissary of Stores at the
Presidency having represented to us that he finds
our Comissary altogether inadequate to keeping the
Accounts of the Lascars, we have given particular
consideration

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consideration to the Nature and extent of the existing business which the fixed as well as the Field Establishment of Lascars attached to and Dependent on the Arsenal must unavoidably occasion, and in consequence have the honour to recommend, that two assistant Comicopolies at 5 Pagodas each per month may be allowed to the Commissary of Stores, while the army shall be in the Field, and one at all other times for the above purpose.

We have the honor to be

Fort St. George
29th March 1799.

Sir &c.
Signed/ John Brathwaite
" Patrick Ross.
" W. Sydenham

To Major General Brathwaite
President and Members of the
Military Board

Gentlemen

I have an offer of a very fine stout Horse of great Size and Strength. his figure good, and

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and only six years old, in all respects well calculated for a Stallion the Gentleman to whom he belongs quitting the Turf makes me the offer knowing the high opinion I have of the Horse, his price is only four hundred Pagodas –

I beg leave Gentlemen to recommend the Horse as likely to prove a valuable Stallion and request your Sanction to making the purchase for the Honorable Companys Stud –

In preparing for the Stud on the Grounds at Chatterpore it would be necessary to make from time to time such enclosures, and I should wish to do so at such seasons as would not interfere with the Cultivation by the employment of Labourers: the next two Months will be favourable on that account as no cultivation or Country business can be carried on; I therefore beg leave Gentlemen with due deference, to recommend

the

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the inclosures being made as essential to the welfare of the Stud. the expence must certainly be very trifling as I shall oversee every thing done myself. I can however — offer no estimate but should it meet the approbation of the Board, I would include the work done in the month as an Extra charge in my Abstract for the Stud where the most solemn asseveration is given upon honor of the actual expence incurred, and nothing shall be undertaken but what is absolutely necessary —

I have the honor to be

Sir and Honble Gentlemen

10th March 1799 — Your most Obedient Servant

[Signd] H. Evans. Lieutenant

Sup.t of the Stud —

A true Copy

[Signd] John Macleans

Depy. Secy. Mil Board —

Report

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Report of Paddy Rice and Store Grain received issued and remaining at Vellore - 25th March 1799 -

	Paddy in Store	Rice in Store	Bengal Horse Gram in Store	Store
Remaining on the 18th March last				
Last Report	90	158	9½	57
Received from 18th to this day	"	"	"	"
	90	158	9¼	57
Issued from 18th to this day	28	66	8	5
Remaining	62	92	1¼	52

	302	4	60	66	"	26	122	"
	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
	302	4	60	66	"	26	122	"
	7	6	"	"	"	"	"	"
	294	10	60	66	"	26	122	"

Particulars of Issues of Rice from 18th to 25th March 1799 -

	G.	Ow.	L.
Delivered to Nagapah Chitty as per order from the Commander in Chief	2	"	200
Delivered to Ejent Row Gomasta of Appaujee Row Colonel Read's Agent as per Order from the Commander in Chief	2	20	7 6
Total	5	7	6

Military Board Office
Fort St. George
29th March 1799 -

(Signed) J. H. Skardon
G. Storekr

True Copy
(Signed) John Macleane
Dy. Sy. Mil Board.

Report

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Fort St. George 29th March 1799.

Report of Paddy issued and Remaining and Rice received at Store 25th March 1799.

	Paddy in Store	Rice in Store
	Gn. M S.	Gn. M S.
Remaining on the 18th March 1799. as per last Report	501. 135. 6. 77.	— — —
Issued from 18th to this Day	5. 133. 4.	— — —
Received from — Do. — to — Do.	— — —	8. — —
Remaining	484. 1. 9. 35.	— — —

Military Board Office
Fort St. George
29th March 1799

A True Copy
(Signd) John Macleane
Depy. Secy. to Mil. Board

(Signd) J. H. Shardon
Garrison Storekr.

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Resolutions thereon

Resolved that Captain Evans be authorised to purchase the Stallions and to make the inclosures recommended to him as conducive to the advantage of the Stud under his superintendence -

Resolved that Lieutenant Colonel Macleane Captain J. Hill and Captain Jacob Herring be appointed a Committee to finish the survey of the Ordnance and Military Stores in the Arsenal of Fort St. George, and that the Deputy Commissary of Stores be directed to attend them and to furnish them with such information as they may require -

Resolved that the Committee of Survey be directed to record their instructions from the Military Board -

Ordered that the Tent Contractors Bill be passed for payment -

The Board proceed to read and pass their resolutions on the following proceedings of the Medical Board -

Medical

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From the Medical Board Containing Recommendations regarding the Mode of Supplying the Southern Detachment with Medicines and regarding Mr. Assistant Surgeon Ingledew.

Resolutions of Government in Council. 2d April 1799.

Approved.

Medical Board 5th April 1799.

Major General Braithwaite having transmitted a Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Brown enclosing a Representation and List of Country Medicines from the Staff Surgeon of the Southern Detachment we have the honor to lay Copies of the same before Government. As Mr. Millers proposition is of a similar nature to what has already obtained with the Grand Army We recommend that he be allowed to provide and carry at the public expence a two months supply of Country Medicines for 50. Sick according to the accompanying List and in conformity to the suggestion of Colonel Brown that Mr. Miller

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Miller be also authorized
to Indent for a further two
months supply on the
Medical Storekeeper at
the Presidency –

For these advances –
Mr. Miller must be held
responsible to the Paymaster
on the Company's account
in the same manner as
the Field Apothecary with
the Grand Army, according
to General Orders under date
19th January 1799 –

We recommend that
Mr. Ingledew Assistant Sur-
geon at Ambore be appointed
to take charge of the Sick
of a Detachment of the
1st Battalion 9th Regiment
Native Infantry doing
Duty

Approved –

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Duly in that Garrison

[Signed] Jas. Anderson

Physician General -

" W Raine

Chief Surgeon -

By Order of the Right Honorable

the Governor General in Council -

[Signed] J Webbe

Secy. to Government

Major General Brathwaite

Commanding the Army in the

Sir Carnatic

I have the honor to transmit a Letter

from Mr. Miller Staff-Surgeon of the Detachment

under my direction with a List of Country Medicines

required for the use of a Field Hospital for 50 Sick

men for two month, which I request you may

have the goodness to lay before the Right

Hon.ble

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Fort St. George 2d. April 1799.

Honorable the Governor General in Council to-
wards obtaining his Lordships Sanction for the
Expence to be incurred, and that you may have
the further goodness to acquaint his Lordship,
that as the late appointment of Mr. Miller
to the Detachment did not admit of his joining
before the 24th. Instant, subsequently to which
time did not permit his being supplied with
these Articles from the Medical Stores at the
Presidency conformably to Regulations, I have
directed Mr. Miller immediately to provide
the Articles mentioned in the List and to
indent upon the Medical Stores, at the Presidency
for a similar quantity, in order to place with
his Department the means of supplying
/50/ patients in a Field Hospital for four months
which I hope may meet with your approbation
and the approbation of the Right Honorable the Governor
General in Council —

I have the honor to be
Sir &c.
/Signd/ J. Brown
Lt Col. Commanding
South. field Detachment

Tricheinopoly
26th March 1799.

A true Copy
/Signd/ Alexr. Boswell
Acty Surgn Mad. Establ.

To

1919 Fort St. George 2d. April 1799

To Lieutenant Colonel Brown

Comg a Detachmt. of the Army

Sir Having in pursuance to Government orders
of the 12th. Instant the honor of joining the Detachment now
under your Command as Staff Surgeon. I deem it incumbent
on me Sir respectfully to address you on a point which has
suggested itself to me respecting the probability of the
future necessity there may be of Establishing
a Field Hospital, In the event of which I judge it my duty
to represent to you previous to our departure from hence
that the means afforded in my present situation cannot
possibly enable me to comply with those requisitions such
an establishment would occasion in respect of Wine and
other articles necessary to be supplied on such an occasion
for the use of the Sick -

I do myself the honor of addressing you
on this subject whilst here on the spot. In order
to provide against any difficulties which might
arise in respect of the necessary supplies, should a
Field Hospital be established, when at a considerable
distance from hence - at which time most probably
it may be impossible to provide them, My being
sanctioned therefore to lay in the necessary supplies
upon the supposition of such an event taking place
might prevent any supposed evil of the kind occurring
and fully enable me in that situation to fulfil the
Duties required therein, with the fullest satisfaction
to my own feelings and I humbly conceive would
tend to the preservation of many and to the benefit

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of the Service I beg leave to submit the Circumstance with the greatest deference to your consideration

In the event of a field Hospital being established I think it would be absolutely necessary to provide Country Medicines for 40 or 50 men for one or two Months - But as the rates of Wine is much higher here than at Madras I take the liberty to state them to you - and have the honor to be

Sir, Your &c.

(Signed) H. Miller

Tuchinopoly
24th. March 1799 -

a true Copy
(Signed) Alexr. Boswell
at. Sec.y Mil. Board

A List of Country Medicines Required for the use of (50) Fifty Patients in a Field Hospital for the space of (2) two Months Tuchinopaly
26th. March 99 -

Madara	15 Dozens at 6½ Pag.s	97	22	40
Port	4 Do - at 8 - "	32	"	"
Brandy	2 Do - at 9 - "	18	"	"
Aloes	4 ℔	"	9	"
Opium	1 - "	1	31	40
Gingerly Oil	2½ Dozens	2	22	40
Lamp Oil	1 Dub	2	36	"
Vinegar	3 Dozens at 5 Pag.s	15	"	"
Castor Oil	2½ Do	1	30	"
Brown Sugar	40 ℔	1	"	"
Rhubarb	3 - "	1	3	60
Camphar	2 - "	"	14	"
Cardamon Seeds	1 - "	"	7	40
Sponges Do.	3 - "	"	22	40
Senna	4 - "	"	3	"
Nitre	4 - "	"	3	40
Ginger	2 - "	"	4	"
Gum Arabick	5 - "	1	22	40
Bandage Cloth	5 Pieces	"	22	40
Country Lint	5 ℔	"	30	"
Shop paper Quires	10 -	"	9	"
Liquors root	4 ℔	178.	26.	60.
The above will require (35) Coolies at 2 Pagodas ℔ Month	Pagodas -	70	"	"
	Total Star Pagodas -	248.	26	60

The foregoing prices are charged at the cheapest Rates for which the Europe and other articles can be procured at Tuchinopoly -

(Signed) A. Brown
Lt. Comdt.

(Signed) Henry Miller
Staff Surgeon

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To Josiah Webbe Esqr

Secretary to Government

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit to you, to be laid before the Right Honble the Governor in Council, the Copies of two letters I have received from Lieutenant Colonel Brown accompanied by a List of Appointments which he solicits me to recommend to his Lordship as necessary to enable him the more effectually to carry on the duties of the detachment which he commands and a letter from Captain Vincent commanding the five Companies of His Majestys 19th Regiment of Foot and also a Letter from Lieutenant Montgomery Copies of all which as hereunto enclosed.

From Major General Brathwaite a List of appointments recommended by that officer as being necessary for the conduct of the duties of his Detachment-Gives his opinion on Colonel Browns different Recommendations.-

In regard to the appointments as this detachment has I believe been formed in communication with the Commander in Chief who may have approved the formation of two Grenadier Battalions from the flank Companies drawn from different Stations I see nothing to object to Among them or the contrary I think they appear to be such as well led to regularity and consequent efficacy.-

Of Captain Gellum I can from much knowledge of that Officer say that should it be deemed necessary to relieve Mr. Hawkins from that part of the Multiplied duty which now falls to his lot, that I know not an Officer better qualified to do justice to the recreation for which Lieutenant Colonel Brown recommend him than he is with

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With regard to the appointment of Wm.
Johnstow to the charge of the Ordnance Department,
I think it however my duty to observe, that it includes
a promotion which I do not at this period feel myself
authorized to recommend; Lieutenant Colonel Brown
brought forward this recommendation to me first,
through the medium of the Secretary of the Military
board, and had he received my Sentiments on the
subject, which were conveyed to him, in a letter
from the acting Adjutant General, under date
the 28th. Instant, I am convinced he would have
suppressed his present recommendation of Wm. Con-
ductor Johnston for promotion: That the Right
Honorable the Governor General may see the ground
of my objection to this promotion, I have the honor
to enclose a copy of the above cited letter from the
acting Adjutant General to Lieutenant Colonel
Brown, and I will add, that although I do not
feel myself warranted in recommending the present
promotion of Wm. Johnston for the reasons I have
assigned, I am well convenced he merits the character
given of him by the Lieutenant Colonel, and have
title

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little doubt, but that his conduct will be such in the course of the Service, as to merit the attention of Government hereafter.-

The application of Captain Vincent of His Majesty's 19th. Regiment of Foot, is authorized by the usage of the Service, which I believe entitles him, so long as he shall command the five Companies of that Regiment, as a separate Corps, to the Batta of Major - and I think, that - while so situated, he requires the assistance of a temporary Adjutant and Qr. Master -

I think also, that the assistance applied for by Lieutenant Montgomery is such as becomes necessary under present circumstances, and as it is not practicable to give him the aid of a Cavalry Officer, I cannot but recommend the acquiescence of Government to his request, in which case, it will be necessary to remove Lieutenant Simpson from the Infantry to the Southern Troops of Cavalry, to do duty with them until further Orders - Still continued on

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on the Returns of the Corps to which he belongs as absent on Command –

I have the honor to be

March 31st 1799. &c.a &c.a

(Signd) John Brathwaite

Major General Brathwaite

Commanding in the Carnatic

Sir I have the honor to transmit a List of Appointments necessary towards execution of the Field Duties of the Detachment under my Direction, which I request you may have the goodness to lay before the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council with such support as the necessity of the appointments, and propriety of the Recommendations may appear to you to merit –

In support of the Recommendations, the nomination whereof I would, in Deference have left to my Superiors, but for Circumstances in Connection with the War reducing the Number of Officers at their immediate Disposal, I beg permission

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pennesion to State, that Captain Gellund is a very
Zealous and Meritorious Officer, under whose manage-
ment the Grain Department will be correctly
Conducted, and Mr. Hawkins thereby relieved from
from a Weighty Office, will be enabled to give
the requisite attention to the other Depart-
ments under his Charge -

Lieutenant De Haviland is an
Officer of Superior ability in the line of his pro-
fession, with an uncommon Share of Zeal and
Activity, which give reasonable expectation of
important Service from his Exertions as a
Surveyor -

To the Ordnance and Store Department
much Responsibility and importance, with
Constant labor, attaches to the person in Charge
and from the Opportunity which two years
Connection with Mr. Conductor Johnson in
Charge of the Ordnance and Stores at Dindigul
affords me to judge of his Conduct and Character,
I can Recommend him as an able, Zealous, and
honest Man, who will ably and Conscientiously
discharge

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discharge the Duties of the Office, and who will not from Articles placed under his Charge, draw towards himself the Value of a Fanam, or of any larger Sum, that may be turned to the Public Account -

The Sub Conductor and Park Serjeant, in the Ordnance Department, are indispensably necessary, and the persons named from the Invalid Artillery having bodily Strength and Constitution, sufficient to enable them to discharge the Duties are recommended because of their Knowledge from former practice in these Stations -

To the 1st. and 2d. Grenadier Battalions,

The appointment of Officers to act as Adjutants, is indispensably necessary, to conduct and regulate the Details for Duty, immediately to Superintend the Discipline, to make out Reports, Returns and other official papers of the Corps, and as this involves considerable responsibility and labor, I would consider myself favored by their being permitted to draw the established Allowances annexed to the Office -

As

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As the Duties of a Baggage Master appear to me, in some respects but suited to the Rank of a Serjeant, than of an Officer, and in this way likely to be executed with more advantage to the Service, I made application to the Officers Commanding the 1st Division of the 1st and 2d Division of the 2d European Regiments, for a Serjeant of perfect Sobriety good temper, robust Constitution, Activity, and Ability to ride, which they were given to understand was an indispensable requisite and Serjeant Anthony Daly having been recommended to me by the Commanding Officer of the 2d Division 2d Regiment, as possessing all these qualifications I have to request that I may be authorized by Government to appoint him with an allowance of f/20/ Twenty Pagodas Pr month which will effect a Considerable Saving in that Department which is Commonly held by a Commissioned Officer having a Baggage Master Serjeant attached to him, and that I may be further authorized to mount the Baggage Master,

upon

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upon one of the Supernumerary Horses under charge of Lieutenant Montgomery, with whose Troop it may be fix'd –

An Adjutant being very much wanted, for the Detachments of the Bengal and Coast Artillery now united, I beg to recommend for the appointment, with the established allowances Lieutenant Welzlar of the Bengal artillary, who has been regularly bred at Woolwich, and has served 16 years in India, with Credit as I have been assured, to himself –

The appointments of Engineer Serjeant, Quarter Master Serjeant, and Serjeant Major to the Detachment are very requisite, and Mend the most likely to discharge the Duties have been recommended –

It had almost escaped me to request your favorable support, to the recommendation of Lieutenant Bagshaw to Command the Corps of Pioners with the additional Pay usually annexed to the appointment, the Duties whereof, I think he will discharge with

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with advantage to the Service - The Scarcity of Officers in the Southern Division has occasioned me to look to him and although it removes him from a Staff appointment, it has been reconciled by consideration of the uncommon Readiness and responsibility of the Serjeant Major of Dindigul/young/ who is very Capable, and may be depended on for performance of all Duties, during the Absence of the Fort Adjutant.-

As the Fort Adjutancy of Vichenspoly becomes vacant by the late promotion of Captain Harry Smith, who moves as Secretary with me to the Field, I have found it necessary to appoint Lieutenant James, of the 2d. Division of the 2d. Regiment European Infantry to act as Fort Adjutant until the pleasure of Government is known, and in which he has with perfect deference and propriety acquiesced though much against his inclination as it draws him from a Corps which is under Orders for the Field - By the application and Ability he possesses it may be expected, that in discharge of the Duties of the Office he will give Satisfaction

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Satisfaction to his Superiors and as by the charge he has of Invalids Pensioners and numerous Families of those in the Field the Duties of his Office are additionally arduous in time of War, I beg you may have the goodness to recommend him to the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council, towards his being Confirmed in the appointment, with the established allowances annexed to the Office from the time of his Commencing upon the Duties of it -

I have the honor to transmit a Letter addressed to me by Captain Vincent, Commanding a Detachment consisting of Five Companies of His Majestys 19th Foot, which I request you may lay before the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council, towards enabling me to give him the information he requires, on the Subject of Superior Batta, to which I believe he is intitled by the Usage of the Service - And as an Adjutant and Quarter Master is indispensably necessary to the Detachment of His Majestys 19th Foot I beg to recommend that the Officers / Lieutenants Velant and Vincent / who have been Acting Since the Detachment landed at

Negapatam

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Negapatam may be permitted to draw the established allowances annexed to those Offices -

I have the honor to acquaint you that the 5th Company of His Majesty's 19th Foot, landed at Negapatam four days ago, and is now on its March hither -

I have the honor to be

Tricinopoly. Go.e &c.a

25th March 1799. (Signd) A.o Brown

Lieutenant Colonel

Coming Southern Division -

I have the honor to transmit a letter from Lieutenant Montgomery, recmd after this had been closed, and to recommend Lieutenant Simpson, as the fittest subaltern in the Division and whose superior Capacity, Zeal, and application, to his present readiness in Matters of detail promise soon to add the other qualifications, required to discharge the Duties of the appointment therein mentioned, and for which I have the honor to request, you may have the Goodness to recommend him to the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council -

(Signd) A.o Brown

A true Copy. (Signd) Wm Shaw

a/s.t Adj.t Genrl List -

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List of Appointments necessary towards execution of the Field duties of the Detachment under the Direction of Lieutenant Colonel Brown Fiche no 1 of 22d. March 99

Appointments	Why Recommended -	Persons Recommended -
Commissy. of Grain	To lighten the duty of Mr. Willi. and Hawkins who now has the Departments of Pay Master of Grain of Provisions and of Bullock agent to manage -	Capt. Gillum 1st. Dv. 1st. Eurs. Regt.
Surveyor -	To survey and lay down Country - ascertain distances &c. &c.	Lieutenant de Havilland Asst. Engineer
Deputy Comy. of Ordnance and Stores -	To be responsible for the arrangement regular movement, and preservation of the Ordnance & Stores for the application of the Cattle & for the conduct of the public followers in the Department -	Mr. Johnson Conductor of Stores
Sub conductor —	To assist the Deputy Commy. of Stores -	Sergt. Mackr. Babbedge from Invd. Artg.
Adjutant to the Detachments of the Bengal and Coast artillery united -	To communicate Orders to the various details which these Detachments must compose collect Reports and make out Returns and official papers of the Detachment -	Lieutenant Wetzler Bengal Artillery.
Adjt. to the 1st. Eu. Batn. -	To discharge the known duties of the office -	Lieut. Hampton 1st. Battn. 2d. Regiment
Adjt. to the 2d. Eu. Batn. -	Ditto - Ditto -	Lieut. Charles Mc. Leod 1st. Bn. 14th. Regt.
Pioneer Corps -	To Command it -	Lieut Bagshaw, Fort Adjt. of Dindigul -
Baggage Master -	To regulate the movement of the Baggage -	Sergt. Anthy Daly 2d. Dvn. 2d. Eurs. Regt.
Line or Bt. Mr. Sergt. -	To assist the Brigade Quarter Masters in various and indispensible duties	Sergt. Peter Evans 2d. Dvn. 2d. Eurs. Regt.
Park Serjeant	To Mark out the Ground for the Park and for the several Brigades of Artz with the Guns attached to Corps -	Thomas Card from Invalid Artz. -
Engineer Serjeant -	To be in immediate charge of the Tools and to superintend the artificers in the Department -	Sergt. Thos. Cusham 1st. Dvn. 1st. Eurs Regt.
Serjeant Major -	To assist the Brigade Major in circulating Orders making out Returns official papers &c. &c.	James Wyse from Invalid artillery.
Pioneer Serjeant	To have a charge of tools and to detail and superintend parties at work	Joseph Ricketts from Invd. Artillery
Serjeant major to the Detach. of Artz. -	To assist the Adjutant in keeping Report Books Orderly Book in writing Orders to the several details &c. &c.	

A true Copy

/Signd/ A. Brown
Lt. Col.

/Signd/ Wm. Shaw
Asst. Adjt. General

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Major General Brathwaite

Sir

In addition to the Appointments in the Field Detachment under my direction, which I had the honor to recommend in my letter of the 25th. curt. I have to request you may have the goodness to make an application to the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council towards my being permitted to appoint a Serjeant Major to the 1st. and to the 2d. Grenadier Battalions in order to the regular and expeditious Circulating of Orders in those Corps making out Reports Returns &c. &c. and to perfecting their Efficiency.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
/Signd/ J. Brown
Lieut. Col. Comm.g.
Southern Division

Truchinopoly
27th. March 1799.

A true copy.
/Signd/ Wm. Shaw
Asst. Adjt. General

To Lieutenant Colonel Brown
Commanding the Southern
Division
Sir

In consequence of Lieutenant Colonel
Dalrymple

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Dalrymple being ordered by the Government of Madras, to return to Columbo, and to make that Station the Head Quarters of His Majestys 19th Foot the Command of this Detachment devolves upon me being the next Senior Officer I therefore beg leave to request you will be pleased to inform me, whether I am entitled to draw the Superior Batta of my Rank -

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
[Signd] W. Vincent
Capt. Comdg. Detachment
76th & 19th Foot -

Camp
Trichinopoly
19th March 1799.

A true Copy
[Signd] W. Shaw
A.D.C. Adjt. General

Lieutenant Colonel Brown
Commanding the Southern Division
of the Army

Sir

The establishment of the Corps under my Command having been considerably augmented as well by the formation of a second Troop, as the junction of the Supernumerary Native Commissioned and Non

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non Commissioned Officers of the Regular Regiments in all 270. however much my Command may be more important than when it was first formed, and without making any allowance for the chance of any being at any time sick the Duties will be more on actual Service than any one person however willing is capable of -

No Officer of Cavalry being at Present at hand I have been looking out for a fit person to fill the Office of Adjutant among the young men here Lieutenant Simpson of the 1st. Battalion 2d. Regiment has been pointed out to me however his qualifications and of all the Officers here are so well known to you, that I shall be very well pleased with any one of your selection - you know the Sort of person that can be useful, and I will be much obliged by your recommending one to the Commanding Officer of the army in the Carnatic -

I have the honor to be
Dr. Sr.
Yr. Most Obt. Hble Servt.
/Signd/ Hew. Montgomery

Camp near
Trichinopoly
24th March 1799.

A true Copy
/Signd/ W. Shaw
Asst. Adjt. General

To.

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To Lieutenant Colonel Brown

Commanding the Southern Division

Sir

I am directed by Major General Brath.
secretary of the
waite to Signify to you, that he has been furnished, by the
Military Board, with an Extract of your letter to him
of the 17th Instant -

And to say, that will as he is disposed -
to pay attention to every Recommendation of yours,
he does not feel himself authorized in recommending
Wm Johnston Conductor for promotion, at the -
outset of your Campaign. - The Honorable the Court
of Directors have been very pointed in their ins-
tructions, in regard to the promotion of Ordnance -
Officers, and require that it shall be the result of
Service performed; under these Circumstances -
the General cannot now bring forward your recom-
mendation of Mr Johnston, but thinks you would
do well to renew it when the Service is over, if he
shall have acquitted himself to your Satisfaction,
unless some particular Circumstance should occur
in

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in the course of it, which may afford to Mr. Johnstone an opportunity to distinguish himself particularly and so authorized your doing it at an earlier period—

I have the honor to be
Gen. Gen.
[Signed] W. Shaw
Ast. A.G.—

Fort St. George
28th March 1799.

A true copy
[Signed] W. Shaw
Ast. A.G.—

A Minute on the foregoing Letter—

The Board are of opinion that it is more expedient that Mr. Hawkins should continue to superintend the several department at present under his charge, but in consideration of the extent of his duties it is Resolved that he be permitted to employ a Deputy to be chosen by himself and confirmed by Lieutenant Colonel Brown and that the person so employed be authorized to draw a monthly allowance equal to Captain's pay—

The Board are of opinion that the appointment of a Surveyor to Lieutenant Colonel Brown

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Brown Detachment is at present superfluous -

The Board entirely approve the reasons stated by Major General Braithwaite in his letter to Lieutenant Colonel Brown for postponing the promotion of Mr. Conductor Johnston, but will be ready to attend to this recommendation should the Conductor continue to merit in the course of the present service the approbation of his superior Officers -

The Board approve the several other appointments recommended by Lieutenant Colonel Brown and it is Ordered that they be authorized accordingly -

To Josiah Webbe Esqr.
Secretary to Government
&c &c &c

From Major General Braithwaite Enclosing an application from Lieutenant Colonel Evans for permission to proceed to the Cape or eventually to Europe for the Recovery of his Health -

I request you will lay before the Right Honble the Governor General in Council the enclosed address to his Lordship from Lieutenant Colonel Evans to proceed to the Cape and eventually to Europe for the recovery of his health -

as

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As Lieutenant Colonel Evans has evidently deserved making this application as long as he had any prospect of struggling with his disorders and doing his Duty in this Country, I am induced to recommend a compliance with his request -

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

Madras
April 2d. 1799.

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

My Lord

When I had the honor of addressing myself to your Lordship in December last Requesting permission to resign my command for the purpose of pursuing my Cure in the Field, I entertained great hopes from the amended State of my health I would be able to continue and serve with the Army during the present War, but unhappily some time after my arrival in Camp I suffered so very severe a relapse of my complaint as to render me incapable

of

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of performing my Duty, was therefore recapitated, at the Recommendation of the faculty to proceed to the Presidency by the permission of the Commander in Chief, as Signified in the accompanying Letters of the purpose of proceeding to Sea for the Recovery of my health and being now so exceedingly debilitated and my constitution so very much Impaird from the length and pressure of my very severe Indisposition and Reluctantly under the necessity of forwarding herewith a Certificate from two Surgeons attested upon Oath Discribing the present State of my health to be such as to Render it absolutely necessary for me to proceed to the Cape and eventually to Europe, I therefore hope your Lordship will be pleased to grant me permission to proceed to the Cape and eventually to Europe for the Reestablishment and Recovery of my health by the earliest opportunity that Offers —

I have the honor to be with the highest respect

Yr. Obt. Hble.

/Signd/ Fredk. J. Evans

Lieut. Colonel

2 Brig. Regt —

To —

Madras

March 29th. 1799 —

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To Lieutenant Colonel Evans

Sir

The Commander in Chief has perused your Letter to me just received, and desired me to express his regret that the Anxiety which you have Shewn to serve with the Army in the Field, must now yield to the very impaired State of your Health - your Certificate of ill Health is returned with this, and the General desires me to intimate that you have his permission to proceed to the Coast in order to making a Sea Voyage agreeably to the recommendation which it contains -

I have the Honor to be
Yr. &c.
[Signd] B.J. Close
Adjt. General of the Army -

Head Quarters
Camp near Vellore
9th February 1799 -

We George Ogelvy and Thomas Thackeray of the Madras establishment do hereby declare on Oath that we are of Opinion it is absolutely necessary that Lieutenant Colonel John J Evans should leave this Country and go to the Cape and eventually to Europe for the Recovery of his health much Impaired from a very severe complaint in his chest and which he has labored under for upwards of fourteen Months past -

[Signd] George Ogelvy
Head Surgeon
Thos. Thackeray
Surgeon -

Sworn before me at the Public Office in Fort St. George this 29th day of March 1799 -
[Signd] Walter Balfour
Justice of Peace -

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Resolution - thereon -

Resolved that Lieutenant Colonel Evans be permitted to proceed to the Cape or eventually to Europe for the recovery of his health -

Read the following Letter from Major - General Gels -

To The Right Honorable Richard Earl Mornington K.P.
President Governor General in Council &c. &c. &c.

My Lord

From Major - General Gels - mentions reasons for relinquishing for the present his intention of proceeding to Europe States objections against Mr Clarke being appointed a member of the Madras artillery

From the receipt of Mr. Secretary Webbs Letter of the 24th January last, I had determined to visit England by the first favorable opportunity that might offer, or to have observed a profound silence, on the subject of my situation until the pleasure of the Honble the Court of Directors should be known -

I have been deterred from following the former resolution, upon learning that accounts of the Meeting and of my suspension, had reached the India House on the Wednesday previous to the 27th of August, and that the Meeting in particular, had given so much disgust to all ranks of People at home, that there was an Idea which I sincerly hope may be true of immediately sending a Body of Artillery to this Country from

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from Woolwich. The latter determination I have also been compelled to relinquish upon seeing it announced in the Gazette, of Wednesday last - Mr. William Clarke against whom I have given in Charges, that go to his life "to do duty as Conductor with the Madras Native Artillery" - I can only presume, My Lord, if the recommendation of this Man has come from Major General Braithwaite, that he has been imposed upon not knowing, and possibly not even suspecting, the circumstance of Clarkes Delinquency, and that he has now given himself up - intirely to drinking - However this may have been, I have to appeal to your Lordship, that bringing Mr. Conductor Clarke, under such circumstances into a Situation of responsibility may be attended with the most serious consequences to me, as I have not the least doubt but that he will shortly get himself into a scrape and be dismissed the Service and thereby avoid being brought to Trial - on the Crimes he stands charged with at this time by me, as stated in my Letter of the 20th of June last - His consequent punishment, and the further discovery of his Commissioned accomplices in the Mutiny

as

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at the Mount -

St. Thomas's Mount
31st March 1799.

I have the honor to be my Lord
&c &c
(Signed) Thomas Gells

Resolution thereon

Resolved that the following reply be
sent to the foregoing letter -

To Major General Gells
Sir

To Major General Gells - Warning him to be in readiness to embark by the first opportunity for Europe

I am directed to acquaint you that the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council has received your letter of the 31st ultimo -

By my letter of the 25th May were informed that the affair of the muting at St. Thomas's mount, while that station and the corps of artillery were under your command having been brought to a regular and most awfull termination the Governor in Council was determined to resist any attempts to move a question which might be attended with the most serious consiquences, and in any subsequent letter of the 15th July you were informed that the Governor in Council being compelled to

observe

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observed the extreme impropriety of your address
to him upon that subject had resolved to put an
end to all further correspondence by declining
to receive any further letters from you,

Since the arrival of the Right Honble
the Governor General at this Presidency his Lordship
in Council has been induced by attention to
the rank which you once held in the Com-
pany's Service to inform you that the whole
subject had been referred to the consideration of
the Honorable the Court of Directors - and
that therefore his Lordship was not at liberty
to agitate the question until their
pleasure should be known -

Notwithstanding this positive
injunctions and these repeated admonitions
you have again not only intended the subject
of the meeting upon the Governor General
in Council but have connected with it
an ambiguious rumor calculated to disturb the
minds of the army, and by pursuing to criminate

Conduct

these

you

criminate

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Conductor Clarke to keep alive those anxieties which it has been the earnest endeavour of the Governor General in Council to compose for ever

His compells the Governor General in Council to provide effectually against those inconveniences and dangers, which are to be apprehended from your countenance and India Law therefore directed to signify to you the order of Governor General in Council that you embark in the first Ship which may sail from this place for Great Britain.

His Lordship in Council has further directed me to enjoin you in the most strict manner during your countenance in India to abstain from any further attempts to revive the agitation of any question relating to the late Mutiny at the Mount or to the discipline and good order of any part of the Army.

The Governor General in Council also

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also commands me to acquaint you that he is under the necessity of declining to receive any further communications from you -

I have the honor to be

Fort St. George
2d April 1799 -

Sir
Your most
Obedt Servt
/Signd/ J Webbe
Secy to Government

Read the following letter from the Military Paymaster General -

Josiah Webbe Esqre
Secretary to Government

Fort St. George

Sir

I have to request that you will be pleased to lay the accompanying copy of a Letter from Mr. Paymaster Lockhart before the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council -

From the Military Paymaster General Encloses Copy of a letter from the Paymaster in the Baramahl who requests to be permitted to decline the appointment of Paymaster &c. to Lieut. Colonel Read's Detachment

Fort St. George
30th March 1799 -

I am
Sir
Your most
Obedt Servt
/Signd/ B Roebuck
M.P.G -

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Benjamin Roebuck Esqr.

Military Paymaster General

Fort St. George

Sir

I have this Instant received your Letter which nominates me to the appointment of Pay-master and Bullock agent to Colonel Reads Detachment, the responsibility I at present hold is more than I find myself equal to, and when at Madras in February last I took the liberty of soliciting Lord Clive to remove me from the Paymastership of the Barramahl - this Solicitation I must beg leave to renew thro your Office, as were I to join Colonel Reads Detachment at this moment from the quantity of Provision &c. &c. &c. and the very strict attention I am obliged to observe to all Forms and Regulations both in receiving and delivering must to a certainty involve me in Ruin; in Short my Several Contracts are not yet completed and the heavy Advances made are by no means adjusted, consequently in arranging these matters my Personal presence is absolutely necessary at Kishn Gurry -

upon

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upon a reconsideration of these Circumstances I trust His Lordship will not be offended at my declining the appointment Tendered –

I have the honor to be
Sir &c &c
/Signd/ Thos. Scott Jackson
Paymaster –

A true Copy
/Signd/ B Roebuck
M.P.G. –

Mr. J.P. Burtlow proposed by the President to succeed Mr. Jackson

Ordered accordingly

Resolved that Mr. T. S. Jackson be permitted to resign his appointment of Paymaster in the Baramahal –

The President proposes that Mr. J.P. Burtlow be appointed to succeed Mr. Jackson –

Approved and Ordered accordingly –

Read the following letter from the Resident at Tanjore –

To Josiah Webbe Esqr.
Secretary to Government

From the Resident at Tanjore the Rajah at Tanjore has at his particular request paid his Visit for a price – as the Season

Sir Fort St. George

Lieutenant Colonel Brown is having

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Reason for repairing the Wales Courses the Mounds in the Tanjore Countries at hand he wishes to be informed on whose account that Expence will be incurred - the Rajah answer - Ging is impatient to have the amount of his monthly allowance fixed - Suggests the propriety of allowing Mr. Blackburne a Salary of 10 Pagodas a month

having acquainted me with his intention to March from Trichinopoly before the latter end of the month - I applied to the Rajah to anticipate if possible his april Payments and have the pleasure to add for the information of the Right Honble the Governor General in Council that I have received and despatched to Mr. Hawkins the sum of 1000 Pagodas on that account reserving the remainder of the april Kist for the Expences of this Garrison.

The Season for the repair of Banks of Rivers mounds and water courses is now at hand and as soon as the cultivators have reaped & and beat out their Crops their labour and attention should be directed to this essential point a thorough repair of these works in the Rajahs two Zoubahs has been estimated at 30000 Chuckrams by his native servants this is probably the utmost possible demand but it is said to include the rebuilding in Brick and Chunam all those mounds which have been allowed to go to decay for many years and to give effectual repair to the Banks of Rivers &c.

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These Disbursements in the Tanjore Country are borne according to the Custom of former years by the Circar exclusively and as the Cultivation for the ensuing Corps must materially depend upon it not only in the Rajahs Soubahs but in those under the Collectors - I wish to know what encouragement I may give the Rajah to set his People at work - The suspense the Rajah remains in with regard to the future Management of his Country gives rise to this Question as the advances are either to be made by him or by the Company on his accounts -

The Rajah Serfoje has at all times suppressed his desire to know the sentiment of the Governor General on his Offer of the Country to the Company and submitted without complaining to the inconveniences of the Delay but answering is less patient and has desired me very urgently of late to request His Lordship to settle the annual amount of his allowances -

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Owing to this matter being unheeded a very considerable number of his Relations and Friends are still living upon him and oblige him at the same time to draw very largely upon the Rajah for supplies - these have been granted with a liberal hand in every respect except in money and that unwarping did not want or did not choose to ask -

When Government were pleased to inform me of Mr. Blackburnes appointment to Tanjore as Mahratta Interpreter the Letter did not specify any Salary to be paid for his Services - The sum stated for the Reverend Mr. Janicke as Malabar Interpreter is but little more than Mr. Blackburne Succeeded Mr. Janicke 5 years ago as Deputy - Mr. Swartz allowances under different Heads exceeded 100 Pagodas per month - and as Mr. Blackburne may be considered as his immediate successor in the Translatorship and not less qualified for the station

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I beg leave to suggest the propriety of a suitable Salary to and appointment of such importance and which is not to be maintained without expence -

Tanjore

27th March 1799.

I have the honor to be
Yo.r Gr.s
/Signed/ Ben Torin
Resident

The Board approves the caution of the Resident to assist Lieutenant Colonel Brown's Detachment with supplies of money

Resolved to inform the Resident that it is the intention of the Governor General in Council to pass his ultimate orders upon the offer of his Excellency the Rajah as soon as circumstances will permit -

Minutes thereon

Mean while as the neglect of the repairs which are required for the water courses and other works would be attended with the most injurious consequences to the Country it is Resolved that the Resident be desired

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to pay the most particular attention to this important object and to assure the Rajah that whatever may be the results of his Lordships determination the Money advanced for the repairs be faithfully accounted for

Resolved that the Mahratta Interpre-
-ter be allowed a salary of One hundred pagodas -
pr. month -

Read the following letter from
Lieutenant Colonel Cooker -

To J Webbe Esqre
Secretary to Government

Sir I have the Honor to transmit you a copy of a letter No. 1 addressed to me from Mr. James Sutherland Attorney at Law in behalf of Mr. Pingel as Owner of the Ship Susanah Amelia to which is annexed a copy of the Secretary of Government letter to the Agents of the Owner of the said Ship which letter appears to have induced the Claim the Owner makes this Mr. Suther-
-land on me Regarding her -

I beg leave to notice here the circum-
-stances which led to the Seizure and detention of
Susanah Amelia Captain Gibson the Master on
attendant of Point de Galle having reported to me
his

Forms Lieutenant Colonel Cooker - encloses copy of a letter which he has received from Mr. Sutherland attorney at Law regarding the detention of the Susannah Amelia together with copies of other papers on that Subject -

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this Suspicion of her being a legal Prize a day or two after her arrival at that Port in consequence Directed certain queries to be put to Captains De Hauze and Muller both belonging to the Ships which queries with answers annexed I forwarded to Brigadier General De Meuron who was vested with civil and Military authority in the Island of Ceylon at that time -

General De Meuron on perusal of the these Queries and answers transmitted me an Order of which N.o 2 is a Copy in Obedience of which Order the Susanah Amelia was Seized and detained at Point De Galle -

As all Documents and Papers relating to this transaction have already been laid before Government, it is unnecessary for me to enlarge upon them here I shall therefore only observe that having by orders of Government of the 23.d May last been Directed to proceed to this Presidency for the Purpose of identifying the Papers found in the Ship and still now waiting the determination of Government Regarding them -

I have the honor to be
Gen.l &c.a
[Signed] Robt. Croker
Lieut Col.

Fort St. George
28th March 1799

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Lieutenant Colonel Croker

Sir

The agents of Mr. Angel owner of the Susannah Amelia Arrested some time since at Point de Galle by your Orders having received a letter from Government disclaiming all share in that Transaction they have — appointed me to demand the liberation of the — Vessel and Cargo free of all Expence and incumbrance with a Competent allowance for the Loss Sustained by her detention - This Loss is Stated at Pagodas 2000 per month from her being arrested until released and I am assured that, at that sum, her Earning are very Moderately rated -

Allow me to request the favour of an Early Communication of this Subject and to — hope that there will be no delay in delivering up the Ship because as Government has thrown the Detention Entirely on you, any further protraction of it would tend greatly to aggravate the Damages in Case the Matter should Ever come before a Court of Justice - This however I trust will —

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will not be the case -

I beg leave to annex a Copy of the Letter from Government for your information.

Fort St. George
19th March 1799.

And have the honor to be
Dr Sirs &c.
(Signd) J Sutherland
Atorny at Law to Mrs Pengel

Messrs. Stephens & Cockell

Gentlemen

I am directed to acquaint you that the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council has taken into consideration your Letter of the 8th Instant -

As Lieutenant Colonel Croker detained the Susannah Armed upon the suspicion of her being a legal Prize without any order for the purpose his Lordship is of Opinion that Lieutenant Colonel Croker must be answerable for the consequences of the detainder in the same manner as in cases when Vessels under suspicious circumstances may have been detained by the Commanders of Ships of War, and that consequently the affair can only be brought to a regular determination before

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before a Court of Law

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20th. February 1799.

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

To Lieutenant Colonel Croker
Commanding Galle

Sir

I have received your letter of the 27th. Instant addressed to Major Agnew the Adjutant General with the enclosed Papers of Questions put to the present and former Captain of the Ship carrying Danish Colours now at Galle On the Contradiction which appear on the face of the few Papers these Persons have been pleased to produce I have no hesitation in Authorising you to Seize and detain the Vessell till further Orders. you will direct the Master Attendant to have her securely anchored in the Harbour and to take every necessary precaution for his safety and the secure preservation of her Cargo (if she has any) her tackling and apparell and this is to be done with all the usual and Regular forms I will write to the Madras Government for further Orders on this Head -

you will cause the present Captain to make out his Papers, which you will also do with 2 Witnesses and affix Seals to them for their verification you will ask the Captains to Sign the Paper Containing their Answers to the Questions put to them on the Subject of their Vessell, and you will demand of them to produce the Papers you judge deficient, and their Books on the

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went of their refusal or declaring they have them not, you will require of them to Sign such Declaration and cause it to be witnessed properly: and you will then search the Ship in their presence for such papers as may throw light on the Subject for which if found you will give a Receipt but you will be particularly Cautious that no irregularity takes place -

Colombo
Nov.r 29.th 1799 -

Sam.l Ch.s Cr.

Signed / G. de Meuron

B.t J.y

Resolved to inform Colonel Cockerell that the Companys Law Officers will be directed to defend any suit on their account which may be instituted in the Court of Recorder on the subject of the Savannah Amelia -

Resolved that the Companies of the Madras Battalion shall be increased to one hundred men each, with an addition of one Havildar and one Naigue to each company -

Resolutions thereon

Resolved that six additional companies of the same strength be formed by Captain Hill from the recruits now raising to be paid by the subscription of the inhabitants of the Black Town

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" Wm Petrie

" E.H. Fallofield

Comp.t
G. Moore

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Diary

Received and Sent the under-
= mentioned letters entered in Mr. Reg. No.s

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From Lieutenant MacNeil —

From the acting Paymaster to the Scotch Brigade

enclosing a bill for the difference between half and full batta for three months as being in charge of the convalescents and recruits of the Kings Regiments at Fort St. George.

From Mr. Roebuck — encloses

From the military Paymaster General

copy of a letter from Mr. Paymaster Hughes giving cover to one from Mr. Collector Hurdis who states, that he has been ordered, to hold his balance of cash at the disposal of the officer commanding the Southern Division.

To the Military Board —

To the Military Board.

enclosing to them copy of a letter from Bengal and informing them that the Bill of Lading therein mentioned had been delivered to the Garrison Storekeeper, with orders to have the rice immediately landed. — From

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From Lieutenant D Campbell,

From Lieutenant D Campbell

encloses an abstract of pay and allowances due to him for the period of his being at Sea for the Recovery of his health which he requests may be sanctioned

From the Commissary of provisions at Trincomalle

From Captain Kingston — encloses copies of correspondence regarding supplies of Rice for the Garrisons of Trincomalle and Batticaloa —

From admiral Rainier

From admiral Rainier, — acknowledges the receipt of the letter to him of 15th February, informing him of the appearance of two French Frigates in the Bay

To the Secretary at Bengal

To Mr Barlow — informing him that the Governor General in Council has engaged the Dragon Schooner for the purpose of conveying his dispatches to Bengal, and that the Commander is to receive 200 Star Pagodas on his arrival. —

Received

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Received the following Letter

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

From the Officer Commanding in the Baramahall encloses a Letter from the Paymaster in the Baramahal stating that it will be out of his power to join Colonel Read's Detachment — represents the necessity of having a Paymaster in the field with him, he has found a corps of Reserve and appointed Lieutenant Lynne, adjutant to it — represents the inadequacy of his allowance to his present situation.

Sir,

Your letter of the 21st Ultimo informing me that the Right Honble the Governor General in Council was of opinion that my Detachment might be paid by Mr. T. L. Jackson and been pleased to direct that he should likewise do the duties of bullock Agent with it. I communicated the same to him through Captain Wilson my Brigade Major and requested he would join the Detachment to carry on the business of those Departments. — at the same time I published his appointments in orders which annulled those of Captain Innes and Lieutenant Cosby. Mr. Jackson's answer to my request being [illegible] that he cannot join my Detachment I have been under the necessity of prevailing on Captain Innes and Cosby to act for him till his Lordship appoint some person else in his room.

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I beg leave to state that
though on a smaller Scale my Detachment
consists of the same number of descriptions
as the Grand Army and that exclusive of
those which properly belong to it there
are men and Cattle with it from every
Corps and department composing the army,
that these last being disappointed in
joining it and without the means of
subsistence it becomes necessary to make
them all advances which Multiplies
the duty of the Paymaster

I have further to state
that from the variety of those descriptions
of people required with Camp equipage in
the Baramahl I was under the necessity
of pressing the rejects most of whom at
last accounts have deserted which
has occasioned such distress for bullock
drivers that not one of the drivers or
bullocks furnished by Mr. Dickson to
draw my guns are now with the
Detachment, and I am obliged to the

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Nizams people for bringing them on. — From these circumstances not only great difficulty will be found in Completing my bullock Department, but constant attention and activity to keep it so.

I have mentioned all these circumstances to shew it is necessary that the Paymaster, and bullock Agent of my Detachment accompany it to the field and that Mr. Jackson can be more easily spared from the Baramahl than from the Detachment.

A detail of 70 European Infantry with a Brigade of Artillery from Trichinopoly, of 50 more recovered men from Amboor and Hingury and four Native Companies from two different Battalions having joined my Detachment, I have found it necessary for the variety duties of the field to form them into one corps & that requiering an adjutant I have appointed Lieutenant Lynne, as in the district order No 2 to act in that Capacity till the pleasure of the Right Honorable the Governor General be known, this intimation

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4 intimation is given, that I may be informed if his Lordship will be pleased to Sanction his drawing the allowances annexed to that appointment.—

My expences being very much considerably more than they were in Garrison and the allowances of a Lieutenant Colonel Commanding a Detachment in the field being no where specified in the Pay Regulations I request it may be submitted to his Lordship's consideration.—

I am &c.
/Signed/ A. Read.
Lt.Col. Comm.g a Detach.t

Amboor
1st April 1799.

Major Wilson

Sir,

Whatever the Secretary to Government may have notified to Colonel Read it is perfectly unknown to me; agreable to the Orders of Government I have delivered over all charge of Bullocks to Mr. Cosbey, and the Responsible situation I at present fill will ever prevent my Joining Colonel Read's Detachment

March 27.th

I have the Honor to be
&c. &c.
/Signed/ Thos. Scott Jackson
Pay.r
Camp.

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4 Camp near Agnaram Wednesday 20th March 1799.

D. O.

The detail of Europeans under Captain Mapother with the Flank Com=
=panies of the 1st of the 4th and 1st of the
5th to form a Corps to be denominated
the Reserve and to be Commanded by
Captain Aitkell.

Lieutenant Lyne to act
as Adjutant and Serjeant Flanigain as
Serjeant Major and Serjeant Barton as
as Quarter Master Serjeant to the
reserve till the pleasure of the
Right Honorable the Governor General
be Known.

A True Extract

/Signed/ J Wilson

Major of Brigade

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To Josias Webbe Esqr.
Secretary to Government

Fort St. George

From the Officer Commanding in the Baramahal, mentions that he has apprehended the Poligar, of Chareul, gives a particular detail of this Origin — recommends the entire destruction of this fort —

Sir,

I have to acquaint you for the information of the Right Honble the Governor General, that Yesterday I apprehended one Pedda Nyk the Poligar of Chareul and took possession of his fort which lies about miles N. W. of Ambour in the range of mountains that devide the two Carnatics Ballagaut and Payengaut —

The ancestors of this man were the poligars of Pedda Nyg Durgum and Venkatgurry which were taken from him by the Marattas about 50 years ago when he retired to Chareul, where he was secure from them and afterwards from Hyder who took Venkatgurry from the Marattas. — The cause of that its security appears to have been the difficulty of access to Chareul from the eastward, the only entrance to it being through a defile opening into the N. Ambour

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amboor valley - It seems probable that
Charcul was not inhabited till he
took up his residence there and that
it consequently never has been determined
to which Carnatic it belonged. —

This situated he has
principally subsisted by plunder - His
fort has been the great resort of
robbers in this part of the Country,
and the enormities they have committed
on both sides of the gaurts are without
Number - You may please to observe
his name in the list of poligars
and robbers of whom Tippoo has
frequently complained of late years
to Government as persons who found
an Asylum in Payenguch; and
having obtained its permission he
sent a Detachment through the
Amboor Valley to take and destroy
it. - It was taken, but not being dest-
=troyed effectually, the poligar returned to it
as soon as his Detachment went away

Having

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Having been thus acknow-
=ledged by Government as a dependant of
Mysore, it appears to have suffered their
depredations on this district last year
and their many robberies on that account,
and thence he has hitherto passed
unpunished.

He has frequently since the
war with Tippoo Sahib been on foot
applied to me with other poligars for
Cowle which for the reasons assigned
I have as often refused. He notwith-
=standing had the boldness to come
to my Camp without obtaining it and
seemed to expect I would permit him
with the other poligars to resume
his ancient possessions. - But having
left myself free in respect to him,
and deeming it of general benefit
to rid the Country of such a mis-
=creant by securing him, I sent a
guard in quest of him, and the
Moment he was seized pushed off a
Detachment to his fort, and the hope

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of seizing his family there but sensible
of the treatment he deserved he had
taken the precaution of removing it the
day before.

I have given this account
that I may be honored with his
Lordships instructions respecting him.

I recommend the entire
destruction of his fort which 40 or 50
Lascars or coolies could do in eight or ten
days and annexing the Valley in which
it stands to Cungoondy, or as more
connects with Amboor to that dist=
=trict. Congoondy is a Companys and
Amboor a Nabobs district. In the
mean time I have left a small
guard in his fort and propose lodging
him on the hill fort of Kistgeery

I should perhaps have
mentioned by way of accounting for
the cognizance I have taken of his
conduct that on the several occasions
alluded to, I was directed by Government

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to check his proceedings, and that till
now I have never had it in my power

Amboor
2. April 1799.

I am &c.
/Signed/ A. Read
Lt. Col. Commg. a Detachmt.
of the Army

To Josiah Webbe Esqr.

Secretary to the Government General
at Fort St. George,

From the Secretary at Bombay - encloses copy of a letter from the Commander of the armed Ship Princess Charlotte relative to the provisioning of troops on board his Ship, requests that his application may be complied with

Sir,

In transmitting the inclosed Copy of a letter from the Commander of the armed Ship Princess Charlotte, of the 16th. Instant, I am directed to accompany it with a request to be informed, whether the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council may be pleased to acquiesce in Captain Prescott's proposal to settle with the Bengal Govt. for the provisioning of such Troops as the Governor in Council may find it necessary to order on board his Ship from this Presidency

Bombay Castle
19th. March 1799.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your &c.
/Signed/ R. Richards
Secy. to Govt.

To

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To Robert Rickards Esq.
Secretary to Government
Bombay.

Sir,

In answer to your letter of the 12th Instant which I did not receive till the 14th Instant I now beg leave to state my agreement with the Marine Board at Bengal.—

When my ship was ordered on the present service I was asked by the Marine Board of Bengal at what rate I would agree to victual my people.— I was fitted out in the most liberal manner in all respects, and it was understood that the Crew should be very well and liberally provisioned; I agreed to do it at the rate of one rupee P Diem for each man; this was immediately accepted of, for it was thought that if I did save any thing from such an agreement it was no more than equivalent for the loss I sustained by being obliged to leave my

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private concerns unsettled and have on
my Voyage protracted

I was ordered on this
Coast by Admiral Rainier to receive on
Board a part of the 84th Regiment; who
during the time they were in my
Ship were supplied from my Stores
in the same manner with my Ships
Company, & therefore beg that, as this
Government cannot pay me at the
rate of my Agreement at Bengal, &
that the matter may be referred
entirely to the Government General,
for I am perswaded that they would
think it a hardship on me to be
obliged to victual men ordered on board
my Ship at a different rate of payment
from what they have allowed me for
my own men.

With respect to settling individually
with the Officers it is what I cannot possibly
do, being ordered on his Majesty's service
The matter is of so little consequence that
I am not very anxious whether I be paid
or not. I should any more troops be
ordered

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5 ordered on board my Ships: I beg that they may be paid for at the rate of my present Contract or that the matter be referred to the decision of the Bengal Government.

Sam Fra. Fra.
/Signed/ C. E. Prescott
a true Copy
/Signed/ P. Le Mesurier
Sub Sec.y to Gov.t

On Board the Honble Company's armed Ship Princess Charlotte Bombay Harbour March 16th 1799.

Sent the following Letter

To Lieutenant Colonel Read Commanding in the Baramahal,

To the Officer commanding in the Baramahal, a person shall be immediately appointed to succeed Mr. Jackson as Paymaster in the Baramahal - in the while Captains Innes and Cosby are to act as Paymaster and Bullock Agent - Lieutenant Lynne's appointment of Adjutant approved - He is to be allowed a Table allowance of 300 Pagodas a month if he desires it - Satisfaction expressed at his having seized the person of the Chargul Polegar, he is to be kept in strict confinement, and his fort is to be demolished, his lands are to be annexed to Longondy - Extract of a Letter from the Military Paymaster enclosed - the dooly bearers therein mentioned to be entertained and regularly paid

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honble the Governor General in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letters dated 1st and 2d Instant -

His Lordship will immediately appoint some person to succeed Mr. J. Jackson as Paymaster of the Baramahal: in the mean while he approves your appointment of Captains Innes and Cosby to act as Paymaster and Bullock Agent to your Detachment; and permits them to draw

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the allowances proposed by you untill they shall be relieved by a Paymaster regularly appointed.—

His Lordship also approves your appointment of Lieutenant Lynne to be adjutant to the broken details lately arrived in Camp.—

The Governor General in Council desires me to assure you that he feels every disposition to attend to the pecuniary circumstances of an Officer entrusted with so extensive a Command as yourself; but considering the very liberal income which you derive from your civil employment in the Baramahal, and which is continued to you during your service in the field, his Lordship trusts that you will be satisfied of the adequacy of your aggregate allowances to the situation which you hold. If however you should still remain of opinion that you are justly entitled to claim

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an additional allowance as Lieutenant Colonel Commandant of a Detachment, the Governor General in consideration of your long and approved services in the former war and of the zeal and ability which you have manifested since the commencement of the present hostilities will sanction a table allowance of three hundred Pagodas ₱ month, the same which has been granted to Lieutenant Colonel Brown.

The Governor General in Council observes with satisfaction that you have been successfull in securing the person of the Circarul Polegar; and desires that he may be kept in strict confinement, his Lordship also approves your suggestion for the entire destruction of the fort, and desires that measures may be accordingly taken for that purpose.

In regard to the disposal of his lands, the Governor General desires

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desires that they may be annexed to his Compoundy, and managed by the Revenue asistant in that Division.—

Inclose for your information copy of a letter from the Military Paymaster at the Presidency; and as the dooly bearers therein mentioned is must be found very usefull to your own detachment and eventually to the Army, his Lordship in Council desires that they may be entertained and regularly paid accordingly

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5th april 1799.

I am &c &c
(Signed) L Webbe
Sec.y to Govt

Received the endorsement mentioned

Letters entered in M: B: Nos 13. 14.—

From Lieutenant Colonel Mc-

From the Commandant at Condapilly

dates that the Garrison of Condapilly has been for a long time without any Medical asistance, and requests that the asistant Surgeon at Guntoor may be directed to do duty likewise at his Condapilly

From

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5 From Mr. Snodgrass - gives an account of a French Privateer Steering to the Southward of Ganjam. —

From the Collector at Ganjam

Received the following

6 letter. —

To J. Webbe Esq.r
Secretary to Government.

From Mr. James Cochrane at Calastry reports different particulars respecting the Benjaras - gives a favorable account of the treatment they receive from the Rajahs of Calastry and Vencatgherry. —

Sir,

I addressed you on the 25th Instant informing you of my arrival at Calastry, and of my having had an Interview with the Zemindar

As there are several Routes by which the Benjaries advance, I thought it best to choose that which was most frequented, and accordingly on the Morning of the 26th proceeded upon the principal Road, leading to Vencatgherry — On the 28th I sent a party of 400 Benjaries, and 7 of the Nizams Horsemen; after seeing them provided with every thing they required, I desired them

them to make the best of their way to the Army, and to report to me immediately, if they met with any molesta=tion, while passing thro' the Calastry Country, as I was sent by Government, for the purpose of protecting them.—

On the 29th I was met by one of my Kirkarrahs, who informed me that 500 of the Nizam's Cavalry, were advancing by the Route I was then following; I accordingly proceeded with all expedition, and joined them a few Miles from the Confines. I accompanied them to their place, where they halted, and saw them provided with forage, and every thing necessary

They this Morning set out on their way to the Army which they said they intended joining, with the last possible delay, I judged it expedient to send one of my people along with them, with orders to see them furnished with what they required, and to report to me, if any obstruction was given them, by the Zemindar or his people.—

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I have not observed the smallest
negligence on the part of the Zemindar, on
the Contrary, forage and every thing necessary,
was furnished with the utmost expedition,
this may however be in some measure
attributed, to my being upon the
Spot. From the enquiries I have
made of the Banjarries, and the per=
=son in Command of the Nizam's
Cavalry, it appears that no molestation
was given them, since entering the
Calastry Country, neither were they under
any apprehensions of advancing, as no
reports prevailed, of this Zemindars
impeding their march thro his
Country. They all speak in the highest
terms of the treatment they met
with from the Rajah of Venkatgherry,
whilst passing thro his Country

As I have people posted
on the Routes by which the Banjarries
advance, I daily expect intelligence of their
approach, and shall not fail to join them,
to see that no obstruction is given.

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I beg you will communicate the above, for the information of the Right Honble the Governor General in Council. — I have the Honor to be

Sir &c. &c. &c.

Pettampettah
31st March 1799.

/Signed/ Jas. Cochrane

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

From Lieutenant Nuthall - encloses a further account of horses stolen by him at Hyderabad - he has received orders from the Resident not to inspect or report on any more of the horses which may be received from the Nizam's Ministers

My Lord,

I have the honor to acquaint your Lordship, that Captain J. A. Kirkpatrick, Resident at Hydrabad dispatched this Morning to Condapilly, one hundred and one horses and Mares, under the entire Charge of Captain Green's people. —

On the 25th Instant — a List of horses /116/ was sent by Azim Ul Omrah the Minister, which I duly Inspected - and Selected Eleven — very

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very capital horses from some are sent as part of the lot to Condapilley, and the overplus Number, being the worst of the Rejected - as was stated in my report, have been detained by the Resident, as altogether unfit to proceed on service, amounting to Twenty two, Colts horses and Mares, of the 109 Lot.

I have further the honor to acquaint your Lordship, that the Resident has been pleased to direct me, not to inspect, or Report on any more Horses, that may be sent by the Minister; but to leave that duty to its former Channel, and await Orders from Government.

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I have the honor to
transmit a Register of the Horses
Selected since my Inspection of the
109 Lots, and am.

Camp at
Hyderabad
27.th March 1799.

My Lord,
With the utmost respect,
Your Lordship's most obedient,
and most humble Servant,
Tho.s Nuthall
Lieutenant of Cavalry
on Service

Register

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Register, and Report of Horses, Selected in the 25th March 1799. for the Service.

By Lieutenant Thomas Nuthall of the Cavalry

Num	age	Size ft	Size in	Color	Particular Marks	Remarks by the Inspector
83	15	14	1	Light Gray	Black Roof fired inside all fours	N.B. Sent to be inspected after being received into Line for 2 years Duty
1	9	15	"	Chesnut or Sorrel	Blaze, both hind Legs white	A most Superior Officers charger, a beautiful animal
2	10	14	"	Grey	Small Snip, near hind foot white	an excellent Charger
3	12	14	1/2	do	Oyeball all fours white	do do
4	12	15	1/2	Grey	white face, off hind foot white fired between leg	do do
5	14	15	"	Light Grey	Mealy Muzzle off fore hoof black	do do
6	3	14	2/2	Nutmeg	white face near hind Coronet and hind foot white	an excellent Horse
7	5	14	3	Dark do	white face near hind foot black the three white	a superior charger for an Officer
8	3	14	2	Very dk. do	Star, all fours legs black	a capital charger for an Officer
9	10	14	1	Iron Grey	Coronets light Colored	an Egellent Charger
10	9	14	2	Bay	Star, near fore, and near hind Coronets white	Rather Lay Pasterns otherwise a good horse
11	16	14	"	Bay	Star. Black muzzle and all four Legs	has a Campaign's Service

Camp at Hydrabad
27th March 1799.

(Signed) Thos. Nuthall
1st of Cavalry on Service
acting Inspector by order of the
Resident at Hydrabad

To the Right Honble
The Earl of Mornington K.P.
Governor General in Council
Fort St. George

To

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Num 83 to be sent to Fort St. George to be inspected after being received into Line for 2 years Duty

Thos. Nuthall

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To the Right Honorable The Earl of Mornington K.P.

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

My Lord,

I have the Honor to inform your Lordship that about 8 days ago a party of his Highness the Nizam's horse consisting of about 800, came into this Neighbourhood on their way to join the Army, the Zemindars came to me and reported their distress for want of money, and assured me that both men and Horses were starving, I lent them 1000 Rupees for which I took a receipt from the Zemindars how I am to get the 1000 Rupees back I really do not know unless your Lordship will do me the Honor to give me an order on Mr. Shardon for the Money

There are another party of 300 of the Nizams horse here now, who complain of poverty but I have not Money to relieve them one of the Merchants at this Station has advanced them 1000 Rupees for which he has got security, in horses which are to be sold to pay the Merchant if not redeemed in ten days, Nabob Mahomed Hussein

From the Commandant at Vellore states that he has advanced the sum of 1000 Rupees to a party of the Nizams horse, and that he is uncertain how he shall be reimbursed — a further sum of 1000 Rupees has been advanced to another party of horse on Security —

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Hafaiez Cawn Behauder, is the person in
Command of these 300 Horse, he tells me
that the Commandants of Parties / of which
there are others coming this way / have
been assured by Meer Alleem, that they
would get Money by applying to the
Commanding Offic of Vellore.

I therefore hope your Lordship
will do me the Honor to inform me, if
I am to advance these parties Money by
Calling in Mr. Sharden for the same required

I have the Honor to be
Hon.ble Sir
Your Most
Obed.t Hum.ble Servt
(Signed) Robert Sale Col.

Vellore
4.th april 1799.

Sent the following Letter

To Major General Sydenham
Military Auditor General

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge
the receipt of your letter dated 5.th Instant
and to inform you that under the
circumstances stated by the Paymaster
with the Nizams Detachment the
Right Honble the Governor General
in

/ to the Military auditor
Genl - the Paymaster
with the Nizams Detach-
ment to be allowed such
extra allowance for Servants,
as he can declare upon
honor to the actual dis-
bursement of copies of
letters from Lieutenant
Colonel Brown to major
General Brathwaite
together with copy of the
Boards resolutions on
the appointments therein
recommended includ-
ing a Table allowance of 300
Pagodas per month
has been granted to Colonel
Brown - Copy of a letter
from the Resident at
Poonah to the Offic
Commanding in the
Northern division en-
closed, the persons
therein mentioned to be
paid according to the
fixed proportion of their
established pay - the offic
of Paymaster to the
Bengal troops in the
Northern Circar has been
abolished and they are in
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future to be mustered and paid, by the proper Officers in the Circars – Lieutenant M.c Neil is to be allowed the difference between half and full batta – Captain Kirkpatrick to be permitted to draw from the 1st of February a Sum equal to Captain's pay-Tables for house rent from the Barrack master of the Southern or Division, together with a bill of the Rent Contractor – amounting to Pagodas 4438.36.60. enclosed – extract of a report, from the Medical Board relative to the Supply of Medicines to Colonel Brown's Detachment, enclosed – Mr. Surgeon Ogilvy has been permitted to draw in Bengal six months pay in advance – The Officer Commanding the Body Guard has been permitted to purchase eight horses, the amount of which has been paid in the Company's Bond – Copy of a letter from the Sub Secretary at Bengal with Copy of the report of the Auditor General at that Presidency on the effects of the late pay regulation enclosed

in Council consents to allow him the difference between the allowances granted him for his Establishment, and the sums which may appear have been disbursed by his Honor to have been disbursed by himself.

I enclose copies of letters from Lieutenant Colonel Brown together with his Lordships resolutions conveyed in a letter to Major General Braithwaite upon the appointments recommended by that Officer.

The Governor General in Council has also been pleased to grant Lieutenant Colonel Brown a table allowance of three hundred Pagodas P Month from the time his Detachment was ordered to assemble until it may be broken up.

I also enclose copy of a letter from the Resident at Hyderabad to the Officer Commanding the northern Division, and am directed to desire that provision may be made for the payment of the French Prisoners according to the proportion of their established pay

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The Honble the Vice President in Council having been pleased to abolish the Office of Paymaster to the Bengal Troops serving with the Northern Circars, I am directed to desire that orders may be issued for their being regularly mustered and paid by the proper Officers in the Circars.—

The Governor General in Council desires that Lieutenant A MacNeil of the Scotch Brigade may be permitted to draw for praying and settling the Accounts of the details of his Majesty's Regiments at the Presidency and that Captain R: M: Grant be permitted to draw upon the Sr Febuary a Sum equal to Captains pay for taking charge of the French Prisoners at Ponamally

I inclose sundry bills for house Rent presented by the Barrack Master for the Southern Division and a bill from the Rent Contractor amounting to four Thousand four Hundred and thirty eight Pagodas thirty six fanams, and sixty Cash /4438.36.60/

which

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which his Lordship desires may be
passed for payment:—

I am further directed to
enclose for your information extract of
part from the Medical Board relative
to the supply of Medicines for the
Detachment under the command of
Lieutenant Colonel Brown, which have
been accordingly approved and authorized

Mr. Surgeon Ogilvy has been
permitted to draw in Bengal six months
pay in advance previous to his
embarkation for Europe

The Officer Commanding the
Body Guard has been permitted to
purchase eight horses at 120 Pagodas
each, for which a bond of this Govern-
=ment will be issued and the amount
debited to the Military Paymaster General

I have the honor to enclose
for your information copy of a letter
from the Sub Secretary at Fort William
with the Report of the Military Auditor
General upon the effects of the Regulations

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which have been adopted at that Presidency in consequence of his Majesty's warrant of the 5th July 1797. — I have the honor to be

Sir Sir

Your most obedient humble Servant

Fort St. George
5th april 1799.

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

Received and Sent the under-
mentioned letters entered in Mr. B. No.s
15. 16. 17. 18. 19. 20. 21. 22. —

From Wm. Roebuck enclosed
from the Military Paymr. General — an additional estimate of Cash amounting to
Pagodas 4560. —

From Captain Shawe — states
— Assistant adjt. General that Major General Braithwaite, has re-
ceived a report that the Provincial
Battalion at Palamcottah is now
completed. —

From Lieutenant Engel — states that
Lieutt. Engel 7th Regt. he was captured by the La Forte in his way to
Bombay and obliged to come to this Presidency,
requests that he may be permitted to
draw four months pay and allowances,
on account. —

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– Commandant at Tanjour — From Major Innes – requests that in consequence of the present heat of the weather at Tanjore, he may be permitted to offer the Customary reward for distroying the dogs there, to prevent the effects of madness. —

– Commandant at Ponamalee — From Captain R. McGrant encloses two letters from M: M: Lacroix and Dela Faye requesting to be either permitted to proceed to Pondicherry or to the Isle of France, or to have a subsistance granted them – suggests thirty rupees a Month as a sufficient sum. —

To the Military Auditor General — To Major General Sydenham – referring to his examination the Paymasters General's additional estimate of this date amounting to Pagodas 4560. —

Do " Do " — To Major General Sydenham referring for his examenation the Paymaster Generals estimate of the 2d Instant Amounting to Pagodas 2433.38

– Officer Comm^g in the Baramahl — 14. — To Lieutenant Colonel Read – enclosing to him a packet containing

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6 a letter from the Nizam to Meer Alleum &c
together with bills of exchange for some &c
Sirdars of his Highness Contingent — the
greatest care to be taken of the Packet
till it can be delivered to Meer Alleum

Sent the following Letters. —

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To Colonel Urban Vigors

Commanding the Northern Division at

Masulipatam,

To the Offic Commanding the Northern Division at Masulipatam — approving his zealous endeavours to reinforce Lieutenant Colonel Fotheringham's Detachment — Provision has been made for the payment of the French Prisoners mentioned in his Letter of the 22d Ultimo

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated 28th Ult.o and to inform you that the Right Honble the Governor General in Council entirely & approves your zealous endeavours to reinforce Lieutenant Colonel Fotheringham, and the measures, which you have taken for that purpose. —

His Lordship has ordered & provision to be made, for the payment of the french prisoners reported in your letter of the 22d Ult.o —

I am &c &c

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

Fort St George
1st April 1799.

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To G. H. Barlow Esqr.
Secretary to the Government at
Fort William.

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Sir,

I am directed to request you will lay before the Vice President in Council the enclosed extract of a letter from the Military Board at this Presidency, and to express to his Excellency the wish of the Right Honble the Governor General in Council that, as the agent for Spirituous liquors has under existing Circumstances been authorized to provide the whole quantity of 110,565 Gallons of Rum at present required for the public Service, no further engagements should be entered into for the provision of that article in Bengal.

I have the honor to be
&c &c &c
(Signed) G. Webbe
Sec. to Govt

Fort St. George
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To the Secretary at Bengal extract of a letter from the Military Board regarding the annual supply of Spirituous liquors, at this Presidency enclosed — no further engagements for Spirits to be entered into at Bengal —

&c

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To Benjamin Torin Esqr.
Resident at Tanjour

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honble the Governor General in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated 27th ult.

His Lordship approves your exertions to assist the Detachment under Lieutenant Colonel Brown with money; and desires that you will continue to afford that assistance every support in your power.

It is the intention of the Governor General in Council to pass such ultimate orders upon the offer of his Excellency the Raja as soon as circumstances will permit. Mean while as the neglect of the repairs which are required for the water courses and other works must be attended with the most injurious consequences to the Country, his Lordship desires that every attention may be paid to

7 To the Resident at Tanjore, approving his exertions to assist Lieutenant Colonel Read with money - the repairs required by the water courses &c. in the Tanjore Country must be executed and all expences shall be hereafter faithfully accounted for - The Maratta Interpreter to be allowed one hundred Pagodas per month - He is to comply with all applications from Lieutenant Colonel Brown for money consistent with the payment of the Troops in Garrison and with the provision for his Cattle which he has been ordered to make

to this important object, and an assurance
given to his Excellency that whatever may
be the result of his Lordships determination
the money advanced for the repairs shall
be faithfully accounted for.

The Governor General in
Council has been pleased to fix the allowances
of the Mharatta Interpreter at one hundred
pagodas ₱ month.

I am directed to acquaint you
that his Lordship has judged it expedient to
authorize Lieutenant Colonel Brown to
appropriate the Revenues of the Southern
provinces to the uses of his detachment, after
providing for payment of the Troops in
garrison: his Lordship therefore desires that
you will comply with any application which
you may receive from Lieutenant Colonel
Brown consistent with the payment of
the troops in Garrison, and the provision
of Bullocks which you have been ordered
to make.

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

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To Captains Henry Hall
Deputy Master Attendant
Robert Galloway
and
Mercer

To Captains Hall, Galloway and Mercer, appointing them a Committee to ascertain the value of the Brewery lately Captured by the la Forte.

Gentlemen,

I am directed to acquaint you that the Right Honble the Governor in General in Council has been pleased to appoint you a Committee for the purpose of Valuing the Block of the Ship Brewery lately Captured by the French Frigate La Forte and now lying in these Roads: His Lordship accordingly desires that you will proceed on board that Ship and lay before him as accurate an estimate of her Block and the cargo on board as it may be in your powers to form; and as the result of your Survey may ultimately be attended with serious consequences to the property of individuals, His Lordship desires that you will be particularly careful in calculating the Value of the Ship.—

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

Received

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Recieved and Sent the under=
=mentioned letters entered in Vol. 13 No.s
23. 24. 25. 26. 27. 28. 29. 30. 31. 32.—

From Major Cuppage mentions
that a part of the Wall of the Water Se=
Reservoir, on the Hill at Sankerydroog has
given way — states what he judges to be the
cause of this, and the Steps he has taken
to rectify it.—

From the commandant at Sankerydroog

From Lieutenant Colonel Didon't=
mentions that he has dispatched the Se=
Spaniard belonging to the Vessel which ran
aground at Cuddalore to the Presidency, and
that the Commander will be sent in the
course of a few days.—

From the commandant at Cuddalore

To Lieutenant Colonel Crosher
informing Him that the Company's Se=
Law Officers will be instructed to defend
Him against any suit that may be
instituted against Him on account of
the Susannah Amelia.—

Volunteer Colonel Crosher

To

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To the Offic. Commanding the Body guard

To Captain a Grant acknowledging the receipt of his letter of the 26th Ult.o and authorizing him to receive into the Body Guard the horses purchased by Lieutenant Callat.

To the Offic. Commanding at Conamallee

To Captain R. M. Grant no allowance to be made to the French prisoners for their travelling expences; none of them to be permitted to come to Madras.

To Mr. Burton

To Mr. Burton, appointing him Paymaster in the Baramahal in the room of Mr. Jackson.

To Mr. Jackson

To Mr. Jackson - informing him of Mr. Burton's appointment to succeed him, as Paymaster in the Baramahal

To the Offic. commanding in the Baramahal

To Lieutenant Colonel Read, - informing him that Mr. Burton has been appointed Paymaster in the Baramahal in the Room of Mr. Jackson.

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To Mr Golting

To Mr Golting – acknowledging the receipt of his petetion of the 28th Febreary and informing him that the vessel therein mentioned is considered as French property and condemned accordingly

To Mr Corbett – acknowledging

To the Commercial Resident at Masulipatam

the receipt of his letters of the 25th and 27th Ultimo and informing him that the vessel therein mentioned is to be considered as prize to his Majesty's Ship La Sybelle –

Received the following letters

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Josiah Webbe Esqr

Secretary to Government

Fort St George

Sir,

From the Offr Commanding at Ongole – mentioning that he had received intimation from the Resident at Hydrabad that a party of horses will be dispatched from thence on the 26th March and that he had agreeably to the Residents requisition provided as much grain

Having received a letter from the Resident at Hydrabad mentioning his intentions of dispatching a Lot of one Hundred horses on the 26th Instino hither, on their way to Nellore and the Presidency; under the Charge of Deo Sing,

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grain &c.a as he could collect for them — states that the Polygars have of late committed dreadfull depredations to the Southward of Ongole, and suggests the expediency of sending a small force from Negle for the protection of the Hyderabad Convoy — encloses part of a letter which he had received regarding the depredations of the Polygars —.

a Lemidar — and requesting to have such provision made, of grain, Straw &c.a as was necessary for them, on their way Southward, for which I have taken every precaution within my power; I think it necessary to have the honor of acquainting you for the information of the Right Honble the Governor General in Council That the Depredations have been constantly committed lately by Polygars, on the Southern Villages, and on the Roads between Ramapatam, Lemedanny, and the Sea Coast where, a few days ago, a party of 100, headed by a Chief, entered, and plundered the wealthy Village of Outacoor, and killed several of the Inhabitants. —

By a letter from Captain Lynch at Hyderabad I am given to expect them near Ongole about the 11.th or 12.th There being a very great Scarcity of Water at that place at present, the plenty within 6 Miles hence; as no convoy or guard is mentioned to be with them, the above circumstance, of this and the Nellore Countries, (which) from the present

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management of the Nabob have no sort of force in them / seem necessary / to be submitted to his Lordship; and whether an escort from this may or not be necessary for those horses, which this garrison at present cant afford.—

Angole
5th april 1799

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
/Signed/ Lt. F. G. Griffin
Capt. Comdt.

Inclosed is part of a letter wrote yesterday Morning from Ramapatam, by a Gentleman on his way to Madras.—

You cannot imagine the terror the people here live in on account of the depredations of the Polygars — your information respecting the Village that was plundered, was correct, — they carried of Valuables to the amount of twelve thousand Pagodas, killed several people, and wounded others — at this place, the Inhabitants have been under the necessity of conveying their property here, and there, and on the most trifling alarm they—

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

From the Military Auditor General — one Copies a List of Servants he conceives requisite for the Department of the Commissary of Grain and provision with Lieutenant Colonel Read's detachment

My Lord,

Having received an application from Lieutenant Robert Munro Commissary of Grain and provisions to the Detachment Commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Read, respecting the Establishment of Servants necessary for his Department, I have the honor to submit to your Lordships consideration the enclosed List, which I conceive to be sufficient for that purpose.—

I have the honor to be

&c &c

(Signed) Wm Sydenham
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Military Auditor
General's Office
Fort St George
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Establishment

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8 Establishment of Servants proposed for the Commissary of Grain and Provisions with Lieutenant Colonel Read's Detachment in the field.—

	per month
	₱ ₹ ₲
Victualling Department	
Including Charges for Conicoplies, Butchers, Shepherds, Wood cutters, measuring men, Maistries of different descriptions and Peons, the Number of Europeans to be Victualled daily being inconsiderable	48 " "
To Keep the Accounts, both of the Grain and Provision Department—	
	₱ ₹ ₲
1 Writer at	10 " "
2 Conicoplies @ 5 each	10 " "
1 Assistant @ 4	4 " "
1 Measuring man @ 3	3 " "
1 Peon @ 2	2 " "
Stationary	5 " "
	34 " — "

Star Pagodas 82 " "

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/Signed/ Wm Sydenham
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To the Right Honorable
Earl of Mornington K P
Governor General &c. &c. &c.

From Messrs Stephen and Cahill requesting that in consideration of the service in which the Experiment chartered by Government is about to be engaged the rate of hire may be increased

My Lord,

It having been intimated to us that it is your Lordships intention to arm the Grab Snow Experiment Chartered by us to Government for the term of six Calander months from the 18th of February to the 18th September at the rate of 1000 Star Pagodas per month if longer Pro rata - we with due deference beg leave to observe to your Lordship that at the time of Chartering the said Vessel - we had not the most distant Idea of her being employed in the mode above mentioned as it would evidently tend to encrease our Expences, - the Commander, Officers and Crew will naturally demand an augmentation of Wages and other allowances the Vessel is 280 Tons measurement which at the Customary rate of Freight given by Government 4 Pagodas P Ton per month is 1120 Pagodas per month - We therefore render all circumstances hope your Lordship

will

8 will not consider an addition of two Hundred Star Pagodas per Month for the Remainder of the term that she may be employed unreasonable - and should the Vessel either in attacking or being attacked by an Enemy sustain any damages, Your Lordship will be pleased to order the same to be repaired and the Stores that might be damaged or lost to be replaced. —

We have the Honor to be
&c &c

Fort St George
8th April 1799

/Signed/ Stephens & Cockell

To
Josiah Webbe Esqr.
Secretary to Government

Fort St George,

Sir,

From the Garrison Storekeeper acknowledges the receipt of the letter to him of the 31st March but is unable to promise to provide any number of draft or carriage bullocks within the time therein Specified, in consequence of this plan having been entirely ruined by the late military equipment. —

I have had the Honor to receive your letter of the 31st Ultimo which I delayed replying to until now - that I might be enabled from enquiries to ascertain the probability of complying with the wishes of the Right Honble the Governor General in Council - the result of these, I am sorry to say precludes the possibility of my promising to provided any number either

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8 either of Draft or Carriage Bullocks, in the
period therein specified - for the principal
Bullock Masters on whom alone I could
depend for the provision of Cattle - proceeded
with the Army in charge of all the Bullocks
they could collect in this neighbourhood and
to which no fresh Supply has since
arrived. -

I have the honor to be
Sir &c. &c.
(Signed) Jas. Brodie
Garrison Storekr.

Fort St. George
8th April 1799.

Order of Council
Military Department
8th April 1799.

Read the following letter from
the Military Auditor General. -

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

My Lord,

In reply to Mr. Secretary
Webbs letter of yesterday's date accompanying
an additional Estimate of the Military
Paymaster General for the current month
amounting to three thousand four hundred
and

From the Military Auditor General reporting on the Paymaster General's estimate of the 2d Instant and authorizing the Same of Pagodas 3433.38.44 to be issued agreeably to it. -

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and thirty three Pagodas thirty Eight 11
fanams and fourteen Cash / Pagodas 11
3,433.. 38.14 / I have the honor to report
that this sum is unobjectionable, and
may be issued from the Treasury,
being required to discharge three Bills
of the Superintending Engineer at the
Presidency, for work executed under his
directions, which Bills were passed
in my office agreeably to the orders
of Government.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
/ Signed / Wm Sydenham
Mily and Gen.

Military auditor
Genel's office
Fort St George
6th April 1799.

Ordered that the Sum of Three
thousand four hundred and thirty three Pagodas
thirty eight fanams and fourteen Cash / Pagodas
3,433.. 38.. 14 / be advanced from the Treasury
to the Military Paymaster General on
account of the additional estimate, &c.
enclosed in his letter of the 2d Instant

Order authorizing the Sum of Pagodas 3433..38:14 to be issued to the Paymaster General

order