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Diary

Received the undermentioned letters entered

in Mil. B. Nos. 1-2

From Lieutenant Hook - enclosing a letter

From the Secretary in the M. D. at Bengal

to the Secretary to the Military Board at this Presidency. —

From Major General Bridges — &

From the officer commanding Southern Division

enclosing different papers respecting repairs at Trichinopoly

which had been by mistake transmitted by Colonel Brown

directly to the Military Board. —

Received the following Letter. —

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To the Right Honorable Edwd Lord Clive

Governor in Council &c. — — &c.

Fort St. George

My Lord.

From the Commandant at Malacca - enclosing copy of the translate of a letter from a person at Rhio on the subject of correspondence between two Dutch Inhabitants of Malacca and the Government of Batavia. —

The Ship Eliza on which my Letter of the 21st Instant was forward. to your Lordship had not sailed from hence many hours before I received a Letter from Inchee Mabro at Rhio in reply to the one I wrote him. This Letter (of which the inclosed is a correct translation) fully corroborates the information sworn to by Messrs Torin and Thomson — The Cousts Government

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sent by Mr. Thomson from hence to Palambang are returning here on a Ship Commanded by Tuan Syed Mahomed and I expect them daily; from these people I have not a doubt but I shall gain every information I require. —

In the hopes of this Letter overtaking Captain Nagle at Pinang I have enclosed it to him and send it from hence by a Vessel just going to sail for that place for I am desirous it should reach your Lordship at the same time with my other Dispatches under that Officers Charge. —

I shall have the honor to lay before your Lordship the original Letter from Sucha Mahor, and two other Letters which I have recently received from Macasar; and shall request of Doctor Harris to be the bearer of them, to this Gentleman I am under great obligations for translating these Letters; two of which are in the Bourguise Language known to very few in this place — I have Letters from Macassar as also Letters and information I have from many

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many other places in these Straits convince me that the Malays and Boogueise people in every quarter are entrusted in the welfare of the English Nation, and most cordially hate and Detest the Dutch —

— Captain Shepherdson who brought me the Letter from Trichee Mabor tells me that the people of Rhio informed him that the Correspondence from hence to the Government of Batavia has been carried on in a secret manner by small boats ever since the English have been in Malacca and so little pains has been taken to keep it a secret that every person at Rhio and Lingin are well acquainted with it and say that all the News of the English Ships is regularly sent from Malacca to Palambang to be forwarded to Batavia from these and other circumstances I really believe that intelligence of an preparations for the Expedition against Manilla was sent from hence by some of the Dutch Inhabitants to that place by the way of Batavia — I beg leave to assure your Lordship I shall continue to keep a vigilent and watchful

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watchful eye on the actions of the Dutch at this place to prevent any future Correspondence between them and the Government of Batavia.—

I have the honor to be with the greatest respect—

Malacca

30th. November 1799.—

Lo. - - - - Lo.

(Signed) Ald: Taylor
Lieut. Col Comd.

The present page, the contents of which are conceived in the genuine language of Truth, Sincerity and Candor, is penned with profound respect and submission by the Governor of Malacca's Faithful Servant Inchy Mahboob of Rion:—

May the Lord of the Universe grant that it reach in safety the August presence of Colonel Taylor, the respected Rajah of Malacca, who fills so worthely the Chair of its Government: and may that Prosperity, the sure foundation of which is laid in Honor and Justice, accrue from his administration; with all health, and every other

ther good, to himself, here and hereafter. God will
decide — Amen — Amen. —

In the first Instance, I pray
the Governor of Malacca to be persuaded, that I am
duly sensible of the importance of his Letter per
Captain Shippardson; and that I feel it not less my
prescribed obligation to acquit myself of the last,
therein imposed upon me, according to the full
measure of my humble Capacity

That is, in the instance of the
Letter from Palambang, which the Governor of
Malacca wishes to be professed of; in order to ascertain
whether the Traitor of Malacca had not actually
dispatched a Letter to Palambang, addressed to the
Commandant of that Fort, with instructions that
the same should be forwarded by him to Batavia.

— While I protest that such a Letter never came
into my hands, I must profess, however, that I
have received an account in the most clear and
unequivocal terms, of the purport of a Letter so

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written and addressed from a Man called Syid Mahomed the Son of Abd-u-Rehmen the Son of Akie, of the family of Sagab, of the Tribe of Ali.— By him the following circumstances were declared to me at Rion, as well as to Rajah of Ungkie-Mooda, who is the Prince of the Country.— Viz.t.— "That he had seen a Prow with twelve "Men in the River of Palambang, the property of "Abd-u-Rehem of Malacca, who had hired it "for 150 Spanish Dollars to the Taitor abovemen-"tioned, to convey a Letter from him to Palambang, "with accounts that the English were about to attack "Batavia."—

Now, Tuan Syd Mahomed having departed from Rion for Malacca, the Governor will have the opportunity presently of putting what questions he pleases to him in person.— This is the substance of all that I have to aver, and this Intelligence I hasten to lay freely before Colonel Taylor for his Information.—

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Let me further observe, that my Uncle, by name Daying-Torne, on his return from Linga, fell in with the said Boat of the Factor of Malacca, near Pülü-Galang: which acquainted him that She was then on her return from Palarnbang, to which place the said Factor had sent her express with a Letter addressed to the Commandant of the Fort of Palarnbang. — Such are the Accounts I have had from Syid Mahomed, and Daying Torne; and the particulars of which also I have thought expedient to set down for the Knowledge of the Governor of Malacca. — Such they precisely are. — Finis. —

Dated Sunday 27th of the Month Jemad-ul-Akhur /1214/ Corresponding to the 24th November 1799. —

A literal and faithful Translate

(Signed) H Norris

Sent

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Sent the following letters.—

To the Honorable Colonel Wellesley

Commanding the Forces in

Sir,

Mysoor

I have had the honor to receive your letter of the 15th ultimo with its enclosures.—

To the Officer Commanding in Mysoor — His Orders for the discharge of the public Departments with the Army conformed — The whole Bullock accounts of the Army have been entirely left to the adjustment of the Military Board — The Board will be happy to attend to his opinion regarding the future mode of conducting the Establishment of Bullocks in Mysoor — Orders will be given hereafter regarding the Company's Cowls — He is authorized to retain such part of his present Staff as he may judge requisite — His several orders regarding medical attendance, Doolies and Arrack for the Europeans approved — His recommendation regarding Barrack Utensils approved — He is requested to give his opinion regarding the Quarters for Troops in the different Forts of Mysoor.—

The Governor in Council has confirmed the Orders issued by you for the discharge of the public departments with the Army.—

The Military Board has been furnished with particular and specific instructions for the thorough investigation and final adjustment of the whole bullock accounts of the Army; and the Accounts of the Masalchies or inferior Servants employed and recently discharged under your orders will be adjusted by the principal Agent under the Superintendance of the Military Board.—

The Governor in Council will be happy to avail himself of your sentiments and information relative to the future mode of conducting the

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2. the establishment of Public Bullocks in Mysoor. —

His Lordship will hereafter trans=
=mit to you his orders respecting the disposal of the
Company's Camels. —

The Governor in Council concludes that, notwithstanding the distribution of the Corps in Mysoor into Garrison, the extent of your Command will render it necessary for you to retain a portion, or the whole of your present Staff: His Lordship therefore authorizes you to retain such part of it, as you shall judge requisite. —

The Governor in Council approves the orders you have issued for the employment of the doolies, for the supply of Arrack to the Europeans and for Medical attendance to the 1st. Battalion 8th. Regi=
=ment. —

The Governor in Council authorizes Captain Grant to charge the expenses of the Camps provided by him for Seringapatam and permits him to provide Camps for the other Garrisons under your orders. —

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It being the earnest desire of the Governor in Council to order the whole of the troops now in Mysoor into permanent Cantonment, His Lordship is desirous of receiving your opinions on the means of accomodating them with quarters in the several forts, which they are destined to occupy.—

I have the honor to be,

Fort St. George
2d. January 1800.—

&c. — — — — &c.

(Signed) J. Webb Secy to Govt.

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

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to inclose for your information extract of a letter from the officer commanding the forces in Mysoor relative to the settlement of the hire of the bullocks employed and recently discharged under his orders.—

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*To the Military Board - extract of a letter from Colonel Wellesley respecting the hired bullocks recently employed and discharged under his orders enclosed - They are directed to prepare an arrangement for the Establishment of the Company's bullocks in Mysoor.

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As soon as the Governor in Council may have received the sentiment of Colonel Wellesley relative to the Establishment of the Company's Cutcherys in Mysoor, his Lordship will refer it to your consideration. In the mean time I am directed to desire that you will be prepared to suggest such an arrangement for that establishment, as you may judge most consistent with it's efficiency and with public economy.

I have the honor to be,

&c. &c. &c.

Fort St. George
2d January 1800.

(Signed) J. Webbe Secy to Govt

To Major General Sydenham
Military Auditor General

Sir,

To the Military Auditor General enclosing a copy of Colonel Wellesley's orders for the discharge of the principal departments attached to the Troops lately in the field.

I have the honor to inclose copy of orders published by the Officer Commanding the Forces in Mysoor for discharging the principal Departments attached to the troops lately in the field under the order of Colonel Wellesley; and am directed to inform you that the Right Honble the Governor in Council has been pleased to confirm

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the orders of Colonel Wellesley.—

I have the honor to be,

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(Signed) J. Webbe Secy to Govt.

Received the undermentioned Letters entered in Mtb. Nos. 3-4.—

From the Commandant at Malacca.

From Lieutenant Colonel Taylor—

Mentions that Mr. Rubdi the Fiscal at Malacca has been embarked on the Eliza for Madras.—

From the Resident at Tanjore.

From Mr. Torin—encloses a letter from the Rajah of Tanjore.—

Order of Council
Military Department
3d January 1800.—

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Received the following letter from the Military Auditor General.—

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

From the Military Auditor General authorizes the Sum of Pagodas 258201.12.70 to be issued from the Treasury on account of the General estimate for January and Pag.s 3000 agreeably to the Paymaster Generals additional estimate of the 21st ultimo.—

My Lord,

Having Examined the Estimate of

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the Military Paymaster General for the Month of January 1800, which accompanied Mr. Sub Secretary Buchan's letter of the 29th ultimo, I have the honor to report, that the sum of Two Lacks, Ninety two thousand, and Fifteen Pagodas, Twenty four Fanams and forty four Cash (Pagodas 2,92,015. 24. 44-) is required for the payment of such Military Charges as become due in the course of the present Month - Viz.t -

	P.	F.	C.
From the General Treasury - - - - -	2,18,201.	12.	70
By Bills on the Military Paymaster General - - - - -	73,814.	11.	54
Total - - -	2,92,015.	24.	44

2 In the Estimate of the Military Paymaster General for Pagodas 77,529. 5. 28 included in the General Estimate, is stated the sum of Pagodas 4511 being the whole amount allowed for the provision of Saddles, and Horse Accoutrements for the 5th and 6th Regiments of Cavalry, lately ordered to be raised, but as Government has only authorized an advance to be made on that Account, I am of opinion that one half of the Cost of the Saddles and Accoutrements should be now advanced to the Commanding Officer.

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Officer of each Regiment, that one fourth more should be advanced on the 1st. of March, and the remaining fourth paid when the whole shall have been completed, mustered, and reported to Head Quarters. I have consequently deducted half the above Sum of Pagodas 4511 from the Amount of the General Estimate. —

3 The Paymasters above the Ghauts having been furnished with Cash from Individuals, for Bills on the Military Paymaster General, in the same manner as in preceding Months, the Amount of their Estimates has not been included. —

4 The Military Paymaster General having been directed by Government to make advances on account of Bengal Presidency to the Corps of Cavalry under Captain Montgomery, I beg leave to recommend that he may be instructed to deduct a sufficient Sum for that purpose, from the Estimate of the Paymaster of Fort St. George, in which the Pay and allowances of that Corps have been, by mistake, included. —

5 Having also Examined the additional

Estimate

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Estimate which accompanied Mr. Secretary Webbe's Letter of the 31st. Ultimo, I have the honor to state, that the amount Viz.t Three thousand Pagodas (P. 3000) is & undoubtionable and issuable, from the General Treasury, being required on account of the Repairs of Officers & Quarters at Vellore, executed by Mr. Goldingham under the Authority of Government.—

I have the honor to be with great respect.—

Military Auditor
General's Office
Fort St. George
3d. January 1800.—

&c. ——— &c.

(Signed) W. Sydenham
Military Auditor General

In consequence of the foregoing report

Ordering the sum of Pag.s 2,18,201-12-70 to be issued on account of the General estimate for January and Pag.s 3000 agreeably to the Paymaster General's additional estimate of 31st December.

ordered that the following sums be issued from the Treasury to the Military Paymaster General.—

	P.	F.	C.
On Account of the General estimate for January ———	2,18,201-	12-	70
On Account of the additional estimate of the 31st. December ———	3000-	-	-

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

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Sent the following Letters

To the Honorable Colonel Wellesley

Commanding the Forces in

Mysoor

Sir,

To the Officer Commanding in Mysoor informing him that as it appears the Sufferers mentioned in the report of the Invaliding Committee assembled by his orders are not attached to the Company's Service the expence of providing for them should be charged to the revenues of Mysoor - Their pensions to such an extent as may be judged necessary to be paid by the Paymaster at Seringapatam until the necessary arrangement can be made with the Dewan of Mysoor. -

In directing a report to be made by an invaliding Committee on the native Sick and wounded in the hospital at Seringapatam, the Right Honorable the Governor in Council judged that the Sufferers were attached to the Company's Service; but as it appears by your return to the Commander in Chief that they are Subjects of the late Tippoo Sultan, His Lordship is of opinion that the expence of providing a Subsistence for them should be charged on the revenues of Mysoor.

In the mean time the Governor in Council directs that until an arrangement for that purpose shall be made by the Resident with the dewan of Mysoor you will order such proportion of those persons, as you may judge necessary to be o- pensioned at the expence of the Company and paid

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by the Paymaster in Seringapatam transmitting to me a List of the persons so pensioned and discharging from the hospital such of the patients as may not require farther assistance from the public.

I have the honor to be,

Fort St. George
1st January 1800.

&c. - - - &c.

(Signed) J. Webbe
Secretary to Govt.

To Robert Ruckards Esqr.
Secretary to the Government at
Bombay

Sir,

I am directed to request that you will communicate to the Governor in Council at Bombay the inclosed copy of a Letter from the Military Board at this Presidency and to express the recommendation of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council that means may be taken for adjusting the Accounts of the provisions embarked at this place for the use of his Majesty's 84th Regiment, according to the suggestion of

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To the Secretary at Bombay - inclosing copy of the Letter from the Military Board and recommending that the Accounts of Articles shipped on the Pilot & Royalist transports may be adjusted in the manner proposed - a Certificate for the Salt Provisions will be granted to the Agent Victualler of the Navy. -

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the Military Board. —

The Certificate recommended by that Board will be granted to the Agent for victualling his Majesty's Navy at this Presidency for the Stores and provisions supplied by him and by his Majesty's Ship Sceptre. —

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1st January 1800. —

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

To Captain James A. Kirkpatrick
Resident at
Hyderabad

Sir,

I have had the honor to receive your Letter of 21st Ultimo, and am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to inform you that his Lordship wishes you to dispose of the Balance of Cash in your hand in any way you may find most convenient. Tho' thinks it unnecessary to

retain

To the Resident at Hydrabad - permitting him to dispose of the balance of Cash in his hands as he may find expedient; but it appears unnecessary to retain so large a Sum for the Payment of the Pensions -

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retain so large a Sum for the pensions which will become payable to those officers of the late Tippoo Sultan, whose pensions are to be paid at Hyderabad.

I have the honor to be,

&c. &c.

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1st. January 1800.

(Signed) J. Webbe
Secretary to Govt.

To Major General Ross

President &c. Committee

Gentlemen.

To Captain Bong's Committee - appointing Lieutenant Colonel Dyce and Lieutenant Castle to ascertain the actual State of the buildings erected by Captain Bong - the Committee not to be dissolved until their report shall have been received.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your report and proceedings in consequence of the orders contained in my letter of the 15th. October last for revising the proceedings relative to the case of Captain Bong.

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council concurs in your opinion that a report on the present actual State of the Buildings erected under the Superintendance of Captain Bong is necessary to a final consideration of his conduct as a public officer and of the

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defence which he has offered in its justification: His Lordship is accordingly pleased to direct that two Members of the Committee, Lieutenant Colonel Dyce, and Lieutenant Castle shall proceed with all convenient expedition to examine and report on the State of the Buildings.

The Governor in Council thinks it inexpedient to dissolve the Committee until the report of Lieutenant Colonel Dyce and Lieutenant Castle shall have been received.

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

To Major General Sydenham
Military Auditor General

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honble the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated 17th Ultimo.

Under the circumstances relative

to

To the Military Auditor General - The retrenchment against the late Paymaster to the Nizam's Detachment on account of Artificers recruited - Major Patterson's case will be submitted to the Court of Directors - The rejection of Major

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to the disbursement made by the late Paymaster to the Nizam's Detachment, of the pay and Batta of Artificers included in the abstract of the Commissary of Stores to that Detachment in the Months of October and November 1798, the Governor in Council is pleased to direct that the sum retrenchment of that Sum shall be remitted. —

Major Blaquiere's claim to horse allowance approved - The retrenchment against the late Mr. Oneil remitted - The Orders of the Board on the doubtful charges of Mr. H. Taylor's accounts enclosed - The Paymaster General authorized to write off a sum of money in his books; and an increase made to the allowances of the Fort Adjutant - an adjustment to be made with the Commander of the Gloucester or of the Elizabeth for the passage of a detachment of Troops sent on one of those Ships from Malacca Capt. A. Grant has been authorized to charge for Lamps provided by him at Seringapatam, and to provide Lamps for the other Garrisons in Mysore - Copy of a letter to the Paymaster Genl. respecting Colonel Read's accounts enclosed An adjustment to be made with the Commander of the Ganjava for the passage of two Cadets from

The Governor in Council has resolved to state to the Honorable Court of Directors the peculiar circumstances of Major Patterson's Case; and directs that until their decision shall be received Major Patterson shall not be required to refund the advanced pay and allowances drawn by him as Major of His Majesty's 25 Dragoons. —

The Governor in Council approves your rejection of Major Blaequiere's claim to horse allowance in his advanced rank for any period previous to the publication of his promotion. —

Although the grounds of the retrenchment against the estate of the late Mr. Oneil are irresistible, yet having reason to believe that to enforce

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From Penang, at the rate of 75 Dol.s each — To authorize payment of a bill of the Gun Carriage Contractors for Pag.s 3225.17—

the retrenchment would be attended with very serious in con-
-venience to his Widow and family the Governor in Council
is induced from motives of humanity to remit the amount,
which his Lordship desires may be communicated to Mr.
Reid and the retrenchment written off to profit and Loss.—

The Orders of the Governor in Council on the reaudit of the Accounts of Mr. Harry Taylor are herewith returned for your information and guidance. —

I have the honor to inclose for your information copies of letters to the Military Paymaster & General and to the Town Major, authorizing the former to write off a sum of Money in his books, and acquainting the latter with increase which the Governor in Council has been pleased to make to the allowances of the Fort Adjutant of Fort St. George. —

I have also the honor to inclose extract of a Letter from the Commandant of Malacca; and am directed to desire that such an adjustment as you may deem liberal and reasonable may be made with the Com-
-mander of the Ship Gloucester or of the Eliza for the passage

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of the Detachment embarked by Lieutenant Colonel Taylor—

I am directed to inclose extract of a

letter from the Officer commanding in Mysoor, and to inform

you that Captain Grant has been authorized to charge the

expence of the Camps provided by him for Seringapatam and

that he has been permitted to provide Camps for the other

garrisons under the orders of Colonel Wellesley.—

I also enclose copy of a Letter to the

Military Paymaster General, and the Governor in Council

desires that Lieutenant Colonel Read's Accounts when—

audited may be accordingly delivered to the Office of the

Paymaster General.—

The Acting Superintendent of Prince

of Wales Island having agreed with the Commander of the

Ganjam for the passage of two Gentlemen Cadets proceeding

to this Presidency at the rate of seventy five Dollars each

I am directed to desire that the Amount may be accordingly

paid to him.—

The Governor in Council desires

that you will authorize payment of the enclosed Bill of

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the Gun Carriage Contractors amounting to three thousand two hundred and twenty five pagodas, seventeen fanams (3225. 17. -). —

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I have the honor to be,
&c. — &c.
(Signed) J. Webbe
Secretary to Govt

Recived and Sent the undermentioned letters entered in MB. Nos 5-6-7-8-9-10-11. —

From the Persian Translr. at Fort William

From Mr. N. B. Edmonstone - Enclosing a Letter to the Nabob from the Governor General. —

From the Agent for purchasing Horses.

From Captain H. C. Montgomery - Requests that he may be permitted to proceed to Malabar and eventually to Bombay for the adjustment of the Accounts of his Agency. —

From Captain Mackrae of H. M. 30th Regt.

From Captain Mackrae - makes application for an advance of six Months pay and allowance on account of Ceylon Government. —

To the Persian Translr. at Fort William.

To Mr. N. B. Edmonstone - Enclosing a Letter from Tultch Hyder to the Governor General with

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copy of a Letter from hence to Lord Clive. —

To the Honorable Colonel Wellesley and

To the Resident and to the Officer commanding in Mysore.

Lieutenant Colonel Close — enclosing copies of General Stuarts instructions to the Officers Commanding in Malabar and &

Canara. —

To Major Alexander Grant — The Fort

To the Town Major.

Adjutant to be permitted to draw 80 Pagodas per Month in addition to his Regimental allowances. — 10

To Mr. B. Roebuck — authorizing the

To the Military Paymaster General.

advances to Major Mandeville and to Lieutenants Barclay and Mandeville, to be written off in the books of his & Department. — 11

Sent the following Letters

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To His Excellency

The Honorable Frederic North

Governor of

Ceylon

To the Governor of Ceylon — Expressing regret that the State of the Stores will not admit of a supply of Salt provisions or of Gun carriages being sent to Ceylon; but gun carriages can be constructed if His Excellency should be desirous of it

Honble Sir,

Having in consequence of your &

Excellency's letter dated 20th November, caused reference to be

made to the State of Salt provisions in Store at this &

Presidency

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Presidency. We are concerned to inform your Excellency that it amounts to twenty seven Casks of pork, and ninety seven casks of Beef. — a quantity so small as to preclude us from affording your Excellency any usefull assistance. —

We are also concerned to acquaint your Excellency that we have not in Store any gun & carriages surplus to the number of guns allotted to the defence of the several forts under this Presidency: But if your Excellency should be desirous of having carriages constructed at this Presidency for the Service of the Island of Ceylon We shall have great pleasure in ordering the provision of them. —

We have the honor to be.

Fort St. George

2d. January 1800. —

Ld. — — Ld.

(Signed) Clive Ld. Council

To Lieutenant General Harris

President &c. Members of the

Military Board

Gentlemen,

We have received your letters of the

24th. and 27th. ultimo. —

To the Military Board - Concurring in their opinion that the state of the Stores will not admit of a supply of Salt Provisions being sent to Ceylon — Mr. North has been

We

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We concur in your opinion of the inexpediency of sending any part of the small supply of Salt provision now in Store to the Island of Ceylon; and we have requested His Excellency the Governor to specify his Excellency's desire whether the gun carriages, which may be required for the Service on the Island, should be constructed at the Presidency. —

We have recommended to the Governor in Council at Bombay that the accounts of the Naval Stores, sent to that Presidency for the use of his Majesty's 84th Regiment should be adjusted in the manner suggested by you. —

As Ships delivering and receiving Cargoes according to the regulations recently established for the Custom House in the Black Town, are in a great measure removed from the protection of the guns of the fort, We are desirous that measures should be taken for a proportion of heavy guns in such a position as will protect the Shipping in the North roads from Insult or Injury. —

We

been requested to state whether it is his wish that Gun Carriages should be constructed here for Ceylon — The Adjustment proposed by them regarding the provisions shipped on the Ships and Loyalist Transports approved, and the necessary recommendation has been made to the Government of Bombay — They are desired to report their opinion regarding the protection of the Ships in the North roads. —

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We accordingly desire that you will state your opinion on this point, and in the mean time direct a heavy gun to be sent complete from the Arsenal to the neighbourhood of the Custom House for the purpose of ascertaining the range. —

We have authorized payment of the Bill recommended by you. —

We are,

Fort St. George
2d. January 1800. —

&c. &c. &c.

(Signed) Clive &c. Council

Received and Sent the undermen=
=tioned Letters entered in Mtb. Nos 12-13-14-15-16-17-18. —

From the Commandant at Pondicherry

From Captain R. M. Grant - From=
=mits a petition from a family in great distress at Pon=
=dicherry for a monthly allowance. —

From the Military Pay=
=master General.

From Mr. Benjamin Roebuck -
Encloses an additional estimate of Cash for Pagodas 24,797. 6. 6 —

To the Military Auditor General.

To Major General Sydenham —

Referring

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— Referring to his examination the Paymaster Generals —
estimate of this date for Pagodas 24,797 - 6 - 6 -

To the Town Major — To Major Grant — Two Rupees per
diem granted to the late Commander of the Susanah Amelia
from the 1st. December last. — No

To the Military Auditor General. — To Major General Sydenham — desiring
him to authorize an allowance of two Rupees per diem to the
late Commander of the Susanah Amelia from the 1st. December
last. — No

To the Board of Revenue — To the Board of Revenue — Enclosing
Copy of a letter to the Military Paymaster General regarding
the Adjustment of the Sum received by Colonel Read from the
Revenues in the Baramahal, for Military purposes. —

To the Military Paymaster General. — To Mr. Benjamin Roebuck — Enclosing
the Auditor General's report on the General Estimate for —
January and on his additional Estimate of the 31st. ultimo — the
Sum of Pagodas 2,18,201 - 12 - 70 — will be issued on account of
the former; and Pagodas 3000 — agreeably to the latter — a
deduction to be made from the Estimate of the Military —
Paymaster on account of advances to Captain Montgomery's
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Corps

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Corps.—

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Received the following letter.—

The Secretary of Government

Sir,

From the officer commanding in Mysoor. Suggests an arrangement for the payment of the troops of the Bombay Presidency serving in Mysoor.—

I have received letters from the Commanding officers in Canara and in Malabar, in which they express a desire that means should be provided for the payment of the troops belonging to the Bombay establishment, who will be stationed in Mysoor. Of these there will be the 1st. Battalion 4th Regiment in Soonda, the 1st. Battalion 5th Regiment in Bednore, and the 77th at Chittledroog.—

It does not appear to be difficult to make an Arrangement for the payment of the Corps which is to be in Soonda. The Paymaster of the Bombay troops in Canara might obtain bills upon the Amildars in Soonda, from the Collector for Cash which he might lodge in his treasury; and that the Troops will receive their pay on the spot.—

The Battalion in Bednore might receive their Money on account from the Paymaster in

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the Mysoor Country; and might send their abstracts to, and settle their accounts with the Paymaster of the Bombay Troops in Canara.—

If the 77th Regiment is still to remain on the Bombay establishment, they might receive their money, and settle their accounts in the manner that I have above pointed out for the 1st of the 5th, which is to be in Bednore: But Government will probably think it desireable that this Corps should be transferred to the Madras Establishment; in which case it will be paid, and the abstracts and Accounts will be settled in the same manner as with the other Corps on this establishment.—

I conclude that it will be deemed desireable that the two Native Corps should continue to settle their Accounts with the Offices at Bombay.—

If however it is intended that this Government should finally defray the Expence of these Corps, an Order to the Collector in Canara will be necessary to supply the Bombay Paymaster with money in

Soonda

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Sonda for the payment of the Corps which will be stationed there. If the expence is to be defrayed by the Bombay Government, the account of issues made by the Paymaster in Mysoor, will be to be settled with that Presidency in the same manner as the Accounts of those which he has hitherto made to the Bombay troops, who have been in the Hospital at Seringapatam. —

I shall be obliged to you if you will let me know whether these arrangements for the payment of the troops meet with the approbation of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council. If they should I shall find no difficulty in carrying them into execution; as having consulted the Resident, I find that the Dewan will be able to supply at Nuggur the Sum which will be wanted there. —

I am now obliged to send Cash to Chittledroog; and there will be no inconvenience in sending as much more as will be necessary to pay the 77th Regiment. —

I have the honor to be,
&c. &c. &c.
(Signed) Arthur Wellesley

Seringapatam
December 30th 1799. —

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Received the undermentioned letters entered in Mlb. Nos 19-20-21 —

From the officer commanding in Mysoor.

From Colonel Wellesley — He has sent two howdahs under charge of Major Munro to the Carnatic, purchased by order of the Governor General. —

From the officer Commanding the Nor. Dn.

From Colonel Vigors — Encloses copy of a letter from the Officer commanding on the Western Frontier of the Masulipatam district regarding different transactions in that quarter. —

From the Accountant General.

From Mr. R. Woolf — Encloses copy of a letter from the Military Paymaster General, explaining the cause of the delay in the adjustment of the advances to Captain Cranford of H. M. 33d. Regiment. —

Dispatched the following Letter. —

7th

To The Right Honorable
The Earl of Mornington K P.
Governor General in Council
Fort William

To Bengal
The Regulations for the government of the Polygar Countries are so intimately connected with the general arrangements proposed for this Presidency, that the Board are indined

May Lord,

We have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Lordship's Letter of the 17th. Ultimo, and shall

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induced to defer for the present a final arrangement for the Southern districts—

not fail to comply with your Lordship's directions for the transmission of the regulations which may ultimately be deemed necessary for the permanent administration of the Government of the Poligar Countries;—but, as these regulations must necessarily be adopted to the general System of internal Government about to be introduced throughout the British possessions under this Presidency, and to the regulations therewith connected; we are restrained from any final arrangement with regard to the former, until we shall have been favored with your Lordship's instructions and orders on the latter Subject.—

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

At a Consultation
Present
The Right Honble Lord Clive
Governor and President
Lieutenant General Harris
Commander in Chief
William Petrie and
Ernst William Tallofield } Esqrs
Members

Tuesday
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1800

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Minutes of last Consultation read and approved.—

Read the following letter from Colonel Brown with the proceedings of the Court of Enquiry appointed to investigate charges preferred by the Rajah of Tanjour against Major Innes.—

Josiah Webbe Esqre
Secretary to Government

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit Proceedings of a Committee of Enquiry assembled in this Garrison to investigate certain Matters of Complaint preferred by his Excellency the Rajah of Tanjour against Major Innes, together with a Summary of the Evidence taken upon the several Charges, which I beg you may lay before the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, with my request that I may be honored by a communication of his Lordship's pleasure respecting an application which has been made to me by Captain Limrick that he may be permitted to draw Fifteen pagodas for a Writer being the monthly

From the officer Commanding the Dn transmits the proceedings of the Court of Enquiry appointed to investigate the charges preferred against Major Innes by the Rajah of Tanjore—requests to know if Captain Limrick may draw the usual monthly allowance of 10 pags for a Writer.

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monthly Sum allowed to him on this account as Judge Advocate during the sitting of a Court Martial. –

I have the honor to be,

Trichenopoly
6th. December 1799. –

&c. &c.

(Signed) A. Brown Colonel
Comm.g 1st. Division

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

The Commander in Chief. –

Minute of The Commander in Chief Records his Sentiments on the result of the enquiry, instituted in the conduct of Major Innes. –

Placed as I am at the Head of the Army, and equally bound to enforce Subordination, when necessary, and to support the Rights of Officers, when injured, I deem it my duty to call the attention of Government to the Subject of the Proceedings of a Court of Enquiry held at Trichinopoly to investigate the Grounds and circumstances of certain charges preferred by His Excellency the Rajah of Tanjour against Major (now Lieutenant Colonel) James Innes. –

From the most attentive Perusal of the Papers in question and the most mature

Consideration

consideration of their Contents, I cannot find a Ground of charge against Lieutenant Colonel Innes on the aggregate of the numberless Complaints which the Rajah of Tanjore has preferred to Government and which the Resident with His Highness has produced against that Officer.—

Lieutenant Colonel Innes, for more than four and twenty years has served the Honorable Company with Zeal and Fidelity and his Military Character stands deservedly high as an able and gallant Officer.—

Military Men when executing the Duties of Command, stand on bare Ground if guided by Military Principles to deviate from them would be a professional Crime, and it would be dangerous to annex criminately to a neglect thereof the Epithet of Disobedience to the Rules of Military Service.—

Similar Considerations appear to have guided the Conduct of Lieutenant Colonel Innes throughout the Course of the present Question, except in the Solitary Instance, where the Insolence of a Native in the Rajahs

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Rajah's Service, brought Prisoner before him, provoked him to repress that Insolence by a Blow — this was among Lieutenant Colonel Innes' temper is known to be irritable but it is worthy of remark that on this Instance only, he suffered himself to be urged beyond the Bounds of Moderation. —

In the course of the Correspondence between the Resident and Lieutenant Colonel Innes "existing Circumstances" are urged as requiring deviations from general Military Rules, and established usage; It is to be regretted that these Circumstances did not prompt to measures of Conciliation, by which, as Lieutenant Colonel Innes has stated in one of his Letters to the Resident, much if not the whole of the Causes of Dissention at Tanjour might have been arranged — without the necessity of official Representation, Remonstrance or Protest, which appear to have invariably followed the most frivolous Complaints. —

No public Ground appears on the face of the "Proceedings" for that implicit Belief, which

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gave, in the mind of the President, the stamp of Truth to every allegation, which might, in the most remote & Degree, implicate Lieutenant Colonel Innes in a charge of Impropriety and which it is so difficult to reconcile with that misbelief he professes, to the most solemn Testimony, when tending to refute such charges — but it must be remarked that positive Perjury stands recorded in the Testimony of one of the Evidences brought forward to sustain the Complaints of His Excellency the Rajah. —

Lieutenant Colonel Innes has in consequence of the charges been called to Trichinopoly with a small Guard sufficient only for the protection of the Colours of his Corps, whilst a Subaltern is left in charge of what should be the Head Quarters of the Battalion. — Such a Circumstance must be felt as a Degradation by every Military Man: If the Board feel as I do, Viz.t that Lieutenant Colonel Innes has been unjustly accused I have no doubt but that Government will do him Justice by the most ample

Exculpation

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Exculpation in Public Orders.—

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This it is my Duty to propose—

(Signed) Geo: Harris

Letters dispatched to the officer commanding the 1st Div. and to the Resident at Tanjour.—

Resolved that the following letters be dispatched to the officer commanding the Southern Division and to the Resident at Tanjour.—

To Major General Bridges
Commanding the Southern Division
at Trichinopoly

To the officer Commanding the 1st Division—Communicating to him the decision of the Board on the Charges preferred by the Rajah of Tanjore against Major Innes, and acquainting him in the fullest manner.—

Sir,

I am directed to acquaint you that the Right Honorable the Governor in Council having maturely considered the proceedings of a Committee appointed by Colonel Brown to enquire into certain complaints exhibited by His Highness the Rajah of Tanjour against Major (now Lieutenant Colonel) Innes does not deem it necessary to enter into detailed observations on the nature and tendency of those complaints or of the defence offered by that Officer.—

His Lordship in Council deems

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I sufficient to declare, and trusts that the declaration will be satisfactory to the feelings of Lieutenant Colonel Innes under the mortifying circumstances, which necessarily attended this investigation, that the result has impressed his Lordship with a full conviction of the insufficiency of the charges, and of that Officer's attention to his Military duties and character. His Lordship in Council therefore acquits Lieutenant Colonel Innes in the most ample and honorable manner of the whole of the said charges.

The impossibility of defining in situations of delicate trust the exact extent of the powers and duties committed to the Civil and Military Servants of the Company renders it extremely important that both should be regulated by a Spirit of conciliation and of Zeal for the public interests: His Lordship in Council is therefore concerned to observe the frequent and frivolous causes of dissention between the Resident and Lieutenant Colonel Innes during his command of the fort and Garrison of Tanjour. And although his

Lordship

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Lordship by no means exempts Mr. Torin from his share of this censure, he thinks it necessary to express his regret that Lieutenant Colonel Innes, who appears by his defence to have felt the advantages of cordiality, did not in every instance postpone the gratification of his personal feelings to the advancement and accommodation of the public Service.—

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council has had great pleasure in appointing Lieutenant Colonel Innes to the Command of the Fort and garrison of Pondigul and has no doubt that he will be guided by his experience of the necessity, and by his sense of the importance, of cordiality and temper in cooperating with the Civil Power for the advancement of the public Interests.

The Governor in Council directs you to communicate these Sentiments to Lieutenant Colonel Innes in the manner, you may deem most satisfactory to his feelings.—

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

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To Benyamin Torin Esqr.

Resident at

Tanjour.

Sir

I am directed to acquaint you that the Right Honorable the Governor in Council having maturely considered the proceedings of a Committee appointed to investigate certain charges exhibited by his Excellency the Rajah of Tanjour against Lieutenant Colonel Innes has acquitted that Officer in the most ample and honorable manner of the whole and every part of the said Charges.

During the period of Lieutenant Colonel Innes's command in the fort of Tanjour, and particularly during the transactions, which have been made the Subject of this enquiry, the Governor in Council has observed with concern a series of querulous and frivolous animosities between the Civil and Military authorities entrusted to you respectively.

The difficulty of defining with precision the exact limits of those authorities points out the expediency of conciliation; and the public interests require

To the Resident at Tanjore, informing him of the decision of the Board on the charges preferred by the Rajah of Tanjore against Major Innes; and expressing the Board's dissatisfaction at the litigious disposition which has subsisted between him and Major Innes.

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require the most cordial cooperation of public Officers for the advancement of general good. His Lordship has however been compelled to observe with concern not only a constant recourse to this irritating Spirit of controversy, but a considerable degree of imprudence in permitting His Excellency the Rajah to become the accuser of an officer of high Rank and Character upon absurd and insufficient grounds. —

The Governor in Council deems it superfluous to go into a detailed consideration of the charges or of the defence; but directs you to communicate to the Rajah that the result of the enquiry has completely and honorably justified the Military character and conduct of Lieutenant Colonel Innes. —

His Lordship in Council deems it necessary to entreat the Rajah to be more considerate of his Excellency's dignity than to prefer charges of a frivolous nature against Gentlemen of rank and trust without sufficient proof of the truth contained in the representation

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of His Excellency's Servants.—

I have the honor to be

&c. — &c.

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9th January 1800.— (Signed) J. Webbe Secy to Govt.

Ordered that the proceedings of

Proceedings of the Court of Enquiry lodged in the office.—

the Court of Enquiry be lodged in the Office.—

The Commander in Chief lays before

the Board the following Memorandums.—

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The Commander in —

Chief lays before the Board the

following Papers.—

Memorandum of the Commander in Chief Lays before the Board.

1 An address from the

General Officers of the Honorable

Company's Forces now at the

Presidency, to the Honorable the

an address from the General Officers of the Company's Service—recommending to this Presidency on the subject of their returning from the Service which he recommends may be forwarded — Lays before the Board a letter from the Commanding officer at Pondicherry enclosing an application from Lt. Col. Smith to be permitted to resign the Company's Service—recommends that Lt. Smith may be ordered home—States an application from the commanding

Resolved that the Memorial Court of Directors stating certain

of the General Officers be circumstances of their situation as

transmitted to the Court of connected with the late Orders of the

Directors by the next dispatch.—

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Commanding officer at Kottiaghurry for permission to visit the Presidency.

the Honorable Court which include General Officers and Colonels in the restriction of Furlough, by which officers are called upon to declare at the expiration of One year after their arrival in England whether or not it is their intention to retire from the Service.—

The Commander in Chief considering the circumstances of this Statement as well worthy of consideration by the Honorable Court recommends to the Board that it be forwarded as a number in the Packet by the first dispatch.—

A Letter from Lieutenant Colonel McMurdo to

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Resolved that the resignation of Lieutenant Smith be accepted, and that the Commander in Chief be requested in conformity to a standing order of the Court of Directors to direct that all Officers or Men who may resign or be dismissed from the Company's or His Majesty's Service, shall be sent to the Presidency and embarked for Europe.—

the Adjutant General, covering a Letter from Lieutenant James Smith of Infantry requesting permission to resign his rank in the Honorable Company's Service.—

The Commander in Chief recommends that Lieutenant Smith's resignation be accepted and notified in public Orders.—and that he be sent to Europe by the first opportunity.— a measure, the adoption of which as a general regulation in all cases where Officers are dismissed, or Men of bad Character resign the Service, the Commander in Chief recommends; to prevent the bad consequences which

result

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result from permitting persons of this description to remain in India. —

Ordered that Lieutenant Colonel Cameron be permitted to proceed to the Presidency. —

Lieutenant Colonel Cameron Commanding Kistna — gherry having requested permis- — sion to visit the Presidency the Commander in Chief recommends that permission be granted to that Officer, to be absent from his Station for one Month. —

To Lieutenant Colonel Close
Adjutant General of the Army
Fort St. George

Sir,

In a Letter which I had the hon.r of addressing to you on the 25th. of June, I mentioned that Lieutenant Smith of the 2d. Regiment E. I. had been ord.d in Arrest on Charges preferred against him by Captain Lieutenant Walker which were of such a nature as

that

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that no future services could be expected of him.

On his arrival here in order to his being brought before a General Court Martial, he sent me his Commission with a Letter requesting leave to resign the Honorable Company's Service. I now enclose both to you that they may be submitted to the decision of the Commander in Chief - Lieutenant Smith proceeds to India on the Eliza (the present Despatch)

I have the honor to be,

&c^a — — &c^a

Dan^l McNeile
Lieut. Colonel

Amboyna
5th October 1799.

(Signed)

To Lieutenant Colonel Dan^l McNeile
Commanding the Troops at the
Molucca Islands

Sir,

Having attentively considered the Nature of the Charges of Un Gentleman like and Unofficer like Conduct; preferred against me by Captain Lieutenant Walker; and dreading a public ignominious dismissal of

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the Service, by the Judgement of a Court Martial, I most humbly solicit you to accept of and forward my Resignation of my Comission in the Honorable Com=pany's Service to Head Quarters, to effect which Indulgence, I cannot but most candidly and un=equivocally subscribe to the Criminality in every particular of the three Charges exhibited and do acknow=ledge them in their fullest extent to be just and well founded. —

I am,

&c^a. &c^a.

Amboina

September 11th. 1799. —

(Signed) James Smith

Lieutenant

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The Commander in Chief reports to the Board that the important Service which called him to the Army early in the last year and has since employed much of his time, and the

removal

Memorandum of the Commander in Chief. Suggests the formation of a new military Committee. Recommends officers for the appointment of Fort Adjutant to Masulipatam, to Chittledroog, and to Poonamallee. Recommends Lt Honard to act in the absence of the Fort Adjutant at Masulipatam. Recommends Captain Martin for the appointment of Major Brigade to the Troops of this Establishment

serving

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commends that
may be authorized
order different
mall detachments
Artillery to join
Corps at Tringa-
otam - Carriage
be provided for
clothing of the
Battalions of Na-
al Volunteers from
Pycottah to ambur.

Resolved in conformity to the Recommendation of the Commander in Chief that Major General Braithwaite Major General Sydenham and Lieutenant Colonel Agnew be ordered to complete the enquiry instituted into the reform of the Military Establishment - The Commander in Chief is accordingly requested to com- =municate this resolution and order the proceedings to be = delivered over to Major General Braithwaite -

removal of Lieutenant Colonel Close who with him was employed under the Orders of Government of the 2d November 1798 in a Committee for &c revising the Military Establish =ments of this Presidency, has prevented the Committee from proceeding further in their duty than has been already reported to Government in their Letter of the 3d December 1798. - The intention of Lieutenant General Harris to return = shortly to Europe, and the removal of Lieutenant Colonel Close requires a new formation of the Committee for this = important object, which the Commander in Chief for this

purpose

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purpose now brings before the notice of the Board.

The appointment of Fort Adjutant to the under-mentioned Garrisons having become vacant by the recent promotion of the Officers who held those offices the Commander in Chief recommends the appointment of the following Officers all of whom from severe wounds received during the late Campaign are at present disabled for the performance of more active duty in the Field.—

To Masulipatam Lt. Edwd. Reynolds

To Chittledroog Lt. K. McIntosh

To Pondamallee Lt. J. Falconar.

Lieutenant Reynolds

being.

The Board approve the recommendation of the Commander in Chief for the appointment of Fort Adjutants, which is accordingly ordered.—

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being at present at Sea for the recovery of his health the Commander in Chief recommends the appointment of Lieutenant Stonard to act as Fort Adjutant of Masulipatam during Lieutenant Reynold's absence—and to draw allowances while so acting.—

The appointment of Major of Brigade to the H. C. Troops of this Establishment serving on Ceylon, being vacant by the Promotion of Captain Rodgers to the Rank of Major. the Commander in Chief recommends the nomination of Captain Martin, an Officer of

Resolved that Captain Martin be appointed Major of Brigade to the Troops serving on the Island of Ceylon vice Rodgers promoted.—

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of great merit and experience to succeed to Major Rodgers as Brigade Major to the Troops on Ceylon. —

The Officer Com-manding in Mysoor having represented the weak State of the Artillery at Seringa-patam, and the change in the relative importance of Garrisons consequent to the late War rendering the dis-tribution of Effective Artillery to Forts in the Baramahal and to Vellore unnecessary, the Commander in Chief requests the authority of Government for directing all the small Detachments of the 1st Battalion of Artillery now

The Commander in Chief is requested to give orders for the details of Artillery at Vellore and in the Bara-Mahal to join the Head Quarters of the Corps. —

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Resolved that the Military Board be directed to provide carriage for the conveyance of the cloathing of the Bengal Volunteers from Ryacottah to Arnoor.

now employed at such Stations to join the Head Quarters of the Corps at Seringapatam.

The Cloathing of the 3d Battalion of Bengal Volunteers having been deposited in Store at Rya-cottah in consequence of its arriving there too late to join the Army before its march, the Commander in Chief recommends that orders be given to supply the carriage for its conveyance to Arnoor to meet the Corps on its arrival at that Station, on its march to the Presi-dency from Chittledroog.

Read

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Read the following letter from His Excellency the Governor of Ceylon.—

To the Right Honorable Lord Clive

President and Governor in Council

&c. &c. &c.

From the Governor of Ceylon - Specifies different offices of this Establishment who he requests may be permitted to remain on Ceylon.

My Lord, Fort St. George

I have been duely honoured with your Lordships letter in Council of 30th November - and have given directions for your Orders to be obeyed, concerning such of your Officers as may be recalled to the Coast in consequence of your new arrangements I beg leave at the same time to request that you will allow me to retain Major Rodgers, Captain David Blair and Lieutenant Thomas Young - The former occupying the post of Military Auditor General, the second my personal Staff, and the third Collector of Baticalao &c.—

I have the honor to be,

&c. &c. &c.

Colombo

the 20th. December 1799.— (Signed) Frederic North

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P.S. I must also take the Liberty of requesting your Lordship in Council to allow Captain Thomas Whittle to remain here, as He is Captain Commandant of my Malay Corps, and as I consider the Continuance of his Services as of the greatest Importance.

(Signed) F. N.

Officers permitted to remain on the Island of Ceylon agreeably to Mr North's request.

Resolved that agreeably to His Excellency's request Major Rodgers, Captains Blair and Whittle, and Lieutenant Young be permitted to remain on the Island of Ceylon.

Read the following Letter from the Prize Agents for the Moluccas.

Jos. Webbe Esqr.
Secretary to the Government of
Fort St. George

Sir,

From the Prize Agents for the Moluccas states that the public property captured at the Moluccas has been condemned and request that a valuation may be offered and payment of the several articles of military Store for the benefit of the Captors.

Condemnation having been obtained, of the Publick Property of every description captured at the Moluccas, by the Squadron of His Majesty's Ships, and detachment of the Honorable Company's Troops, &

under

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under the Command of Vice Admiral Rainier, the Emplifications of which sentences, we beg leave to inclose for your inspection. We have in consequence, to request you will be pleased to solicit his Lordship in Council to order the Customary valuation, to be affixed, and Payment made for the Benefit of the said Captors, for the several Articles of Military Stores, as mentioned in the inclosed Four Returns, of the quantities captured at the Islands of Amboyna, Banda and their depen=dencies.—

We have the honor to be,

Fort St. George
3d January 1800.—

(Signed) &c. &c. &c.
Jn. Brouncker
Chase, Sewell & Chase
Prize Agents for the Moluccas.

Minute thereon.

Resolved to inform the Prize Agents that the Board are not at liberty to order pay=ment of the value of the Military Stores captured at the Moluccas without the sanction of the Court of Dd. Directors, but that the claim of the Captors will be

brought

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brought under their notice by the earliest opportunity.

Read the following letter from the Prize Agent for the Kings troops at Pondicherry.

J. Webbe Esqr.

Secretary to Government

Sir,

From the Prize agent for King's Troops at Pondicherry Requests that a further application may be made to the Court of Directors, respecting the distribution of the prize property captured at Pondicherry.—

Being now the only one remaining in India of the Agents for Pondicherry Prize property of 1793. I feel it a duty to request you will do me the favor to submit to the Right Honorable the President in Council this my earnest solicitation in behalf of the Captors that Government would be pleased in their next communication to the Honorable Court of Directors to recommend the favorable Consideration of the subject of the Pondicherry Prize Money to the Honorable Court and to remind them, that although a period of six years and a half has now elapsed since the fall of Pondicherry. Yet that no instructions have hitherto been received in this Country either authorizing the payment of the valuation taken of the ordnance and Military Stores by

order

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order of Government, or the distribution of the Prize Money on such payment being made.—

I have the Honor to &c.

Fort St. George
1st. January 1800.—

&c. — &c.
(Signed) Keith Young
P. Agent Pondicherry
Kings Troops

Minute thereon.

Resolved to inform Captain Young that the Subject of the Pondicherry prize Money will be again brought under the notice of the Honorable Court of Directors by the Ships about to be dispatched from this Presidency.—

Read the following letter from Captain Dighton.—

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

From the Commandant of Thevanapatnam Requests to be permitted to proceed on furlough to Europe—

Sir,

Fort St. George

Finding my health very fast on the decline I have to beg the favor of you to obtain for permission from the Right Honorable the Governor

in

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in Council for me to proceed to Europe. —

I have the honor to be.

&c. — — &c.

Madras

6th January 1800. —

(Signed) C. Dighton

Comm. at Sheveloporor

Resolution thereon —

Resolved that Captain Dighton

be permitted to resign the Command of Sheveloporor,

and to proceed to Europe. —

Read the following letter from

Captain Borg —

To the Right Honorable Lord Clive

Governor in Council &c. — — &c.

Fort St. George

My Lord,

From Captain Borg — States his pecuniary distress and applies for some allowance

Your Lordship's feelings will I am

sure pardon me for intruding on your time at present,

if your Lordship has perused the affidavit, I had the

honor to lay before the Committee, to whom your Lordship

in Council was pleased to refer my Case. —

The situation of myself and Family

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I have the Honor to be,

Fort St. George
1st January 1800.—

&c^a &c^a

(Signed) Keith Young

P. Agent Pondicherry
Kings Troops

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Madras

6th January 1800. —

(Signed) C. Dighton

Comm. at Shevelapatore

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To the Right Honorable Lord Clive

Governor in Council &c. — &c.

Fort St. George

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The situation of myself and Family

as

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as to pecuniary wants, much against my inclination, compells me to solicit of your Lordships in Council, some temporary assistance at this time, until the final pleasure of your Lordships in Council is made known. —

Your Lordships can better imagine than I describe what my feelings must be after eighteen years faithful Service in the Honorable Company Engineers — being now reduced to this necessity of making this request of your Lordships in Council. —

I have the honor to be,

&c. &c.

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the 7th January 1800. —

(Signed) Geo: Bong
Captain of Engineers

Resolutions thereon. —

Resolved in consideration of Captain Bong's pecuniary embarrasments that he be permitted to draw the subsistence of his rank from the 1st Instant until the pleasure of the Court of Directors shall be known. —

Resolved to inform Captain

Bong

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Being that he is at liberty to attend the Committee ordered to inspect the actual state of the buildings erected under his superintendence. —

Read the following letters from

Captain J. H. Symons. —

To The Right Honorable Lord Clive

Governor in Council of

Fort St. George &c. &c.

My Lord.

From Captain J. H. Symons — Encloses his proceedings in the adjustment of the dispute between the Polygars of Bomrauze pollam and Mogral. States that the person deputed on the part of the Nabob appears to act under considerable restraint.

I have the honor to transmit for your Lordship's information, the proceedings of my deputation, and hope my conduct will meet with your Lordship's approbation. I am sorry to observe to your Lordship that Raie Raja Bhojung, deputy on the part of his Highness the Nabob of Arcott, is not a free Agent, and though he privately acknowledged the propriety and justness of my opinion, he was afraid either to give his consent or subscribe to it. I shall give him a copy of the proceedings in the Persian Language, for the information of his Highness the Nabob. I shall wait for your &

Lordships

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Lordships farther commands about fixing the Boundary and in the mean time employ myself in enquiring into another dispute of the same Kind between these Polygars.—

I have the honor to be,

with respect.—

Bomrauze Pollam
23d December 1799.—

&c.——&c.

(Signed) John H. Symons
Captain

Proceedings of a Deputation, consti-tuted by the Right Honorable Lord Clive, Governor in Council of Fort St. George, &c. and his Highness the Nabob of Arcot, on the part of each Goverment, to investigate certain disputes, between the Polygars of Bomrauze pollam and Moogral, relative to the Boundary of their respective Pollams.—

The abovementioned Deputation,

being

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being arrived upon the disputed Spot of ground, on the 10th of December 1799, proceed to investigate the merits of the pretensions, advanced by the Polygars.—

Encroachment complained of by the Polygar of Bomrauze Pollam.—

On the western side of the village of Upupilly, & dependant on the Cusba or Town of Patagunta, bordering on the Country of the Polygar of Moogral, is a spot of waste ground, mostly jungle, & bounded on the north and South by a range of Hills, between which, a wall is run across, as the Land mark of the boundary of my Pollam on that quarter, and which from

Vindication of the Polygar of Moogral.—

My litigation with the Bomrauze Polygar, is about a Spot of ground, appertaining to my village of Thuckdhona, and lying between it and Bomrauze's Cusba or Town of Patagunta, and within my Land marks, which are Shasanams or figures of the Sun and Moon, cut on the rocks, near the Coppadhona fied, and some Stones, stuck in the ground, dedicated to the

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from time out of mind has been allotted for cattle to graze upon, and for my people in the adjacent villages to cut down the trees, and to use the timber, in erecting their houses, and making their implements of husbandry; and the cattle have grazed on it, and my people have made use of the timber, for a series of years past, and met no impedi-ment. Within these three years,— the Moogral Polygar Sheshapa Nair, in direct op-position, to the conduct of his Ancestors, and in the face of the solemn abjuration of my people in the name of the Honorable Company, entered my the Goddess Gang anne, and which is the eastern boundary of my Pollam. Bommauge's people have burnt and broken the Shasanoms, and have unjustly possessed themselves of the Coppadhona field.— My people were peaceably cultivating the ground west of these Land marks, when his people interfered, advanced a claim to the Premises, and on that account, Bommauge sent a vakeel with a com-plaint to Captain Mealy, commanding Chundragerry; likewise sent a vakeel with a Letter to the same Gentleman, who in the space of ten or fifteen days, sent a Sepoy to the

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my Confines, and cut down part of the trees. This outrage, was represented by me, to Captain Mealy Commandant of Chundragerry, who sent a Sepoy, and directed the Polygar to desist from cutting down the trees, and not to place his foot to the eastward of the wall, and that if he persisted in destroying the trees, he must be answerable for the consequences, to the Honorable Company, this had the desired effect, and for the space of a year and a half, that Captain Mealy continued in the command, no molestation was given. Six months

the spot of contention, who asked, why we quarrelled, and told us, for the present, to let a little ground lie fallow to the east and west of the Shasarom rocks, and that in the course of ten or twenty days, Captain Mealy would come and finally settle the dispute; but he never came, and things continued in this manner, until this year, when considering the ground allotted to us, by the Sepoy to be our own property, my people erected houses and commenced cultivation, and Bommanji's people, revived their claim and objected them, not to go on, and they in, return

months after Captain Healy quitted Chundragerry the Polygar sent a body of Armed Peons, consisting of two or three hundred, to the above mentioned Spot, and notwithstanding my people again abjured him in the name of the Honorable Company to desist, he would not, and went on cutting down the trees, erected five houses and commenced cultivation. I again repre-sented his conduct to Captain Gray Commandant of Chundragerry, who sent orders to the Polygars, to remove the houses, he had erected, and to occupy no more territory, than

return abjured. Some of the inhabitants of the village of Uperpilly, not to till their lands in the vicinity, of the Spot. Thus things were at issue, when Bomrauze dispatched a Vakeel to Captain Gray, com-manding Chundragerry, and at his requisition, I sent one likewise, he heard both sides of the question, and said he would cause it to be settled, in a proper manner, and Bomrauze's vakeel promised to do so, and departed home. Afterwards, by mutual consent, Bomrauze sent a head man, named Papa & Vasoor Rama Vheddy, to the Cusba or Town of Patagunta,

and

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than he had possessed in the time of Captain Mealy, but he paid no attention to this order, until I laid my Case before the Right Honorable Lord Clive Governor of Fort St. George, and then in con- -sequence of another order from Captain Gray, about a month ago, he abandoned the House.

As a retaliation for my having preferred a complaint, he sent twenty Peons to the Village of Uperpilly four miles within my boundary, and prevented the Inhabitants from carrying on cultivation. Et are opulent, respectable and I deputed a person to meet him, and they surveyed the boundary, assembled the publick Officers and principal inhabitants, and made every enquiry in their power, and did all they could to settle the matter, but without effect, and they at last determined, that it could only be finally decided, by the ceremony of Yella-tok or Stumbling in the boundary. -

Yella-tok is an appeal to Heaven, in this manner. -

For these two or three years he has stationed Peons, Family, possessing children to the eastward of the Wall, and cattle, perform his ablutions.

Cultivated

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cultivated four Goontas of ground, in its vicinity, and this year he has cut down more trees round that place.

On my representing all these matters to the Government of Madras, His &c. Highness the Nabob of &c. Arcott sent by a Chobdar a positive order to the Mogral Polygar, directing him to relinquish the encroachments he had made on my territory. But no attention was paid to this mandate, and when the Chobdar was on his return to Madras, he gave me in writing the following account of his mission.

"On the 8th. of the month Jamade

gird his middle with the wet cloth, put a garland of flowers round his neck, drink milk, appeal to God, and walk &c. forward as far as he thinks or knows, the boundary to be, &c. whilst a person on the part of the claimant, follows, and &c. places stones after him, and wherever the sacred person stops must be considered the &c. boundary &c.

None of the inhabitants of the Cusba or Town of &c. Patagunta, would undertake this office, except a worthless man of the Pariar cast, to whom my people would not consent, and offered to supply a creditable person from my

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Jamade al sanie 1214 of the Hegera or 6th. of November 1799. I Shaick Kutub al dien. Chobdar in the Service of Bandagan Ally, his Highness the Nabob of Arcott, give a written declaration to Bommauze to this effect that I had issued to me, by the order of his Highness the Nabob, an Enayet Nama or gracious letter, for the Moogral Polygar, respecting a dispute between him and the Polygar of Bommauze = =pollam, concerning the boundary of their Countries. I according to the order of his Highness Bandagan Ally, came to the Pollam of

Country, to which they would not agree and parted. — Three days after Bommauze's people came to the frontier with an ardha Nara, or person in the habit of half a man, and half a woman, and proposed the ceremony of Yella tok, but my people objected to the person, and said, it was not the custom of my country, for a person of this description to officiate, at so sacred a ceremony, they in reply, urged, that in an affair of the same nature, with the Callistry Raja, they had made use of an ardha Nara, and my people, answered, if on enquiry, they found it to be so, they had no

objections.

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of Bommauze, and having examined the Spot of ground in dispute, and finding the Polygar of Moogral, had — really erected Houses to the eastward of the wall, and — encroached on his territory, I went to Moogral delivered the Enayet Nama or gracious letter, and said to the Polygar "you have unjustly erected Houses, within the territory of Bom- rauze and I have brought an Enayet Nama or gracious letter from the Sirkar, directing you to abandon them. and in future not infringe, upon the rights of Bommauze.

He paid no attention to his Highness order, but replied objections, upon which his Vakeel Papa Vasoor Rheddy took the person away. His and my people ploughed their lands, objuring me another, but he went on, with the cultivation, until Captain Gray lately returned to — Chundragerry, when from some representation Bom- rauze had made to the Government of Madras, he desired me to relinquish the Houses, which being the pleasure of the Honble Company, I instantly did — and Bommauze people — drove in their cattle and destroyed the Crop then on the ground.—

Proofs

replied" I will never relinquish
the houses I have erected &
which is the only Answer,
he returned to his Highness
the Nabob. -

(Signed) Shaick Kutubaldeen
Cholcar

Proofs adduced, by the Bomrauze Polygar, in support of his Claims

First The publick Register of the Cusba or Town of & Patagonta. -

Second. His people having dug two small Guntas or Tanks, on the ground. -

Third. His yerlawars or Foresters having from time out of mind, collected honey and bee's wax on the Mardemunaga hill

Proofs adduced by the Moogral Polygar in support of his claims

First. The testimony of the Curnom or Notary, of the village of Ithuchadhona. -

Second. The testimony of the Conlegar or Watcher of his Pollam. -

Third. Nellapa Rheddy, inhabitant of the village of Ithuchadhona, having before the Mysore War 17000, cul-

tivated

hill, which bounds the ground on the South side.—
Fourth. The Totties of the Cusba or Town of Patagunta, having always collected iron ore, near the Bufsava hillock wall, at the foot of the Edul-conda hill which bounds the ground on the north side.—
Fifth. If any of the cattle, died, whilst grazing on that spot of ground, the carcafses were considered the property of the Totties of the Cusba or Town of Patagunta, and taken by them.—
Sixth. His Peons hunted on this ground without molestation, until the dispute happened.—

cultivated part of the ground in dispute.—
Fourth. The testimony of the yerlavars or Foresters of his Pollam.—
Fifth. The evidence of the Totties of the village of Jhuchadhona.
Sixth. The declaration of a Keeper or dearer of the water courses.—

Evidences

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Evidences produced to Establish the Abovementioned Assertions

Appoopilla, Curnom or Notary of the Cusba or Town of Pata = gunta and its dependancies, being duly sworn, produces his publick Register, which only commences from the year Khody or A.D. 1783, the old records, having been destroyed in Hyder Ally Cawn's war of 1780, and he having vouched for its authenticity, it is found on examination that the limits of the lands, belonging to the aforesaid Cusba or Town, are detailed thus —

"The quarter of the God Cavera or North a Stone

pedlar

Evidences produced to establish the abovementioned Assertions

Venketrama Curnom or Notary of the village of Thuckadhona being duly sworn deposeth, that the records of his village, were destroyed in Hyder Ally Cawn's war of 1780, and that last year, when the inhabitants of his village, begun to cultivate the spot of ground in dispute, he commenced a new Register.

Question. how many years back have you written = recorded, of other lands = belonging to your Village?

Answer. Five or six years

Question. How many years

have

pillar, in front of the Narrain
chinor Tank. —

The quarter of the God
Eshaneya, or North east, the
east end of the Meela Soma-
-drum Tank. —

The quarter of the God
Indra or East, a Nulla to the
west of, and near the village
of Yeddera cuppom. —

The quarter of the God
Agnee or South east, a Stone
pillar, to the South east by
east of, and half a mile distant
from the village of Pugala-
-pilly. —

The quarter of the God
Yama or South the bottom of
the Yaparee-conda hills.

The quarter of the God

Nerutee

have the other lands, been
in a state of cultivation.[2]

Answer. Sixty or Seventy.

Question. In the five or six
years records, which you have
of the other lands are the
boundaries or Land marks
defined.[2] —

Answer. Yes

Question. Why was the eastern
boundary omitted.[2]

Answer. I don't know I
thought the Shasanams or
figures of the Sun and Moon
cut on the rocks, sufficient.

Question. How long have
you been Curnom of the
Village.[2]

Answer. Myself and Ancestors
have been so, for these hundred
years

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Nerotee or South west, a Kuchalee tree Nulla, near the wocada worraam Tank, about a mile west of the village of Macala Sunda. —

The quarter of the God Varuna or West, the Bujsava hillock Stone Wall.

The quarter of the God Vayoo or North west, a Black rock called Nella Sunda, the North side of the Edulconda hills, runneing from North west to North east.

In the same Register, the Boundaries of the Lands belonging to the Village Yper=pilly, dependant on the Cusba or Town of Patagunta, and to which the ground in dispute immediately appertaining, are described

years. —

Question. What did you always consider the eastern boundary of your lands.

Answer. The Coppadhonom fields, in which, is a Banyan tree, and the Shasasoones or figures on the rocks. —

Question. Was cultivation carried on to the east of the village unto the Bujsava wall, since the War of Hyder Ally Cawn, in the year 1780.

Answer. Yes.

Question. As cultivation was carried on to the eastward of your village, it appears odd, that you did not include in your new register, the limits on that quarter.

Answer

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described as follows.-

"The quarter of the God Cavera or North, a Nulla running through the Kotarla Chanie or plantation, north of the Village.

The quarter of the God Ethaneya or North east, the east end of the Yerpilly Tank.

The quarter of the God Indra or East, the Jongatee Ragance Gunta or Square Tank.-

The quarter of the God Agnee or South east, the hill of Yaparee conda.

The quarter of the God Yama or South, a Tank of Black earth, in the plantation of Pothul changary.-

Answer. I did.

The witness having contradicted himself, the former part of his evidence, is read over to him, and he is cautioned.-

Question. Is there no fallow, jongly or waste ground, on the other Sides of the village?

Answer. Yes.

Question. did you see Bom: rayes people destroy the Shasarooms?

Answer. No, but I can produce people who did.-

Question. Do you know any thing about two Gunta's or small Tanks, dug in that ground.-

Answer. Yes my father

The Ragopilly

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The quarter of the God Nerotee or South west, a Huchalee tree Nulla near the wocala wornom Tanks, to the west of, a mile distant from the village of Macala Cunda.—

The quarter of the God Varuna or west, the Bufsawa hillock wall.

The quarter of the God Vayoo or north west, a Bluff rock, called Bhordie gunda, on the top of the Edulconda hills.

Question to the Curnom: As your Records were destroyed in Hyder's War of 1780, from what documents, did you compose your present Register?

Answer. My Uncle did it, from his own knowledge, and Ragopilly, told me that, & Yalla Sidapa Nair, and Pulla ma Nair, two of Bomrauze's people, came to him, and asked leave to dig two Tanks out of charity, and that he took them to his master and obtained permission for them to do so, and that he collected a Wortana or tax from the Tank diggers.

Question. Who was present, when your father told you so?

Answer. Nobody.

It being now discovered, that the aforenamed Curnom, Venketrama, at the time of swearing, did avail himself, of the privilege of his cast, as a Silversmith, entered the

the Pagoda

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the oral testimony of the principal and eldest inhabitants.

Question. Is your Uncle living?

Answer. Yes.-

Cupeya Uncle of Appoo pilla Cunnom, being put upon his Oath, declares that on the emption of Ryder Ally Cawns troops into Bomrauze pollam, the old Records of the Cutcha of Potaguntа were burnt and otherwise destroyed; and that on the return of Peace, he in concert with the principal and eldest inhabitants, then alive compiled the present Register, which to the best of his knowledge and belief, is true in every respect.-

Pagoda or Temple, omitted swallowing the consecrated water, and taking the sacred Tulsi leaves, and thereby evaded the Oath, intended to be administered to him, the whole of his evidence is considered null and void.-

Narapa Conlejar, or watcher of the Pollam being sworn, declares, that it is his duty to prevent trespasses, on his Masters territory, and that he has often fined the Subjects of Bomrauze, for trespassing on the Spot of ground in dispute, by taking away the hatchets of the wood cutters, exacting a Larje from the Shepherds and a Kumaly

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Question. Who are the inhabitants from the Cowherds, and the that assisted you.

Answer. Rama Nair, and Permall Nair, were two of them.

Question. How long have you been a resident, of the Cusba or Town of Patagunta.

Answer. Sixty three years, I was born in it.

Question. What did you always consider, the western boundary of the Lands, belonging to the Cusba or Town of Patagunta.

Answer. The Bussava hillock Wall, between the Hills of Mardinnunagee and Edulonda.

Question. Did you ever hear of, or see certain Shasanoms or Land marks of the figure of the Sun and Moon, cut on rocks,

to

spade from the grass cutters.

Question. Are any of the persons, alive, that you fined.

Answer. Yes Rama Achare Gorapa Nair, inhabitant of the Village of Upersilly, and Manoconigar, Chinnaven Ketrama and Pedda venket ashwardie, Gollars.

Question. How far, had the people been, to cut wood, that day.

Answer. a little within the north end, and to the westward of the Bussava hillock wall, and I came up with them, when they were piercing the trees near one of the Tanks in the disputed ground.

Question

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to the east of the Bussava hillock Wall, said to terminate the Boundary of Moogral Pollam."

Answer. No.

Question. Do you know any thing of the Yerlavars or Foresters of your Pollam, collecting Honey and Bees Wax, on the Mardi-mauagu hill."

Answer. Since I can remember the Yerlavars or Foresters of Bommawge pollam, have taken Honey and Bees Wax from that hill, which they brought, and delivered to the Monigar or Manager, of the Cusba or Town of Patagunta for the Sirkar.

Rama Nair, inhabitant of

Question. How far had the flocks and herds, been to graze, at the time of your exacting fines."

Answer. To the westward of the Shasanoms and Bussava hillock Wall.

Question. Did you ever exact a fine when people or the flocks and herds, had not passed the Bussava hillock Wall, and cut wood and graged on the Spot of ground in dispute."

Answer. Yes.

Question. Do you know any thing of Bommauge's people, breaking or destroying the Shasanoms."

Answer. No.

Question

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of the Cusba or Town of Patagunta, being duly sworn makes declaration, that he assisted at the compiling of the present Register of the Cusba Town, which was done from the recollection of the contents of the old records, then fresh in the memory of every person, and to the best of his belief he thinks it is correct. For these thirty years, he can say from his own knowledge, besides what he has heard from his father, of a much older date, that the Bussawa hillock wall, between the hills of Mardi-=muraga and Edulconda, was the western boundary of the Lands, belonging to the Cusba

Question. Do you know any thing about two Guntas or small Tanks in that ground.

Answer. Venketrarna Curnom of the Village of Jhuchadhona, told me that Gallasidapa Nair and Gallapilla Ma Nair, subjects of Bomrauge, applied to the Curnom of that Village for leave to dig them, and that he obtained permission from our master, for them to do so. -

Nelapa rheddy, inhabitant of the Village of Jhuchadhona, being sworn, deposeth that before Hyder Ally Cawn's War of 1780, he cultivated two fields, to the west of the Shasanoms, and between them, and the Bussawa hillock Wall.

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or Town of Patagunta. — Question. Of what village
Ayapa Nair, inhabitant of was you then an inhabitant,
the Village of Nellavangala- and to whom did you account
-pilly, dependant on the Cusba for the Sirkar share of the
of Patagunta, being sworn, crop?
asserts, that, his grand father Answer. I lived in the
Sidapa Nair, dug the western Village of Thachadhora, and
most Tank, in the disputed paid rent for the land to
spot of ground. the Moogral Polygar, at the
Question. By whose per- following rates. Viz.t first
-mission? year one chuckra fanam
Answer. Of his own accord, per ten goontas — Second
as a charitable Act, and for the year two and a half, and
cattle to drink. the third year the Crop was
Question. What Village, did destroyed by the enemy.
your Grand father live in? Question. Did any person
Answer. Patagunta. else cultivate part of the
Question. How old are you? ground in dispute?
Answer. Sixty five years. Answer. No
Question. Do you know if Question. Did Bommaya's

your people

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your Grand father, asked per= people, object or attempt, to
=mission of the Moogral Polygar, prevent your cultivating the
to dig the Tank." Fields."

Answer. No. Answer. No.

Question. Since the time, Question. How many years
you can remember, what has back, can you remember."
been considered the western Answer. Thirty years.
boundary of the lands of your Question. Do you know if any
Cusba." other person, before or after you,
Answer. I have heard from cultivated the ground in d.
my Ancestors, and myself have dispute"
always considered, the Bufsawa Answer. No, I was the
hillock wall the boundary. only person, who ever attempted,
Pennall Nair, inhabitant to clear the jongle.
of the Cusba or Town of Pata= Question. For these thirty
=gunta, being duly sworn, = years, how far eastward did
deposeth, that his father Mutiyal the cultivation of your Village
Nair, resident in the above extend?
mentioned Cusba or Town, dug Answer. As far as the Raja
the easternmost Tank in the janagunta punta, a little to

disputed the

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disputed ground, Sixty years ago, the west of the Bufsawa ? and from what he has heard, and seen, the Bufsawa hillock wall, has always been considered, the western boundary of the Pataguntu lands.—

Question. Do you know if your father asked permission of the Moogral Polygar, to dig the Tank?

Answer. No.

On referring, to the new Register of the Cusba of Pataguntu, the aforesaid Tanks, are mentioned in this manner?

In the jungle allotted for the grazing of cattle, are two Guntas or Small Tanks, one of them dug by Galla Sidapa Nair, and the other by Galla Pullama Nair

hillock Wall, until these three years.—

Question. What did you consider the eastern boundary of the lands of your village?

Answer. The Coppadhona Cunda field.—

Question. Did you see the Thasanoms near that field?

Answer. No. I have heard, that such Landmarks, were there.—

Ragagarda Yerlanvar or Forester, being sworn, & declares, that he has heard his father say, that the Coppadhona Cunda was the eastern boundary of the & Moogral Pollam.—

Question

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Pullarranair. " —

Question. to Appropilla Currum, who did they ask permission of, to dig these Tanks.

Answer. I have heard, they applied to my fathers, eldest brother the then Currum of Patagunta.

The head Yerlawar or Forester, being sworn, deposeth, that his name is Mutopagara, and that he is one of the Conedgars or watchers of the Kahamas or Passes, leading into the Bowraug epollam, and collector of the Honey and Bees Wax, on the different Hills, and that for thirty five years, he constantly accompanied his father

Question. Did you ever see the Shasanoms said, to have been cut on the rocks there about.

Answer. No

Question. Did you ever collect honey, and bees wax, on the eastern parts of the Mardi-morragu, and Edulconda hills, to the east of the Bufsawa hillock wall.

Answer. When I was a child my father died.

Question. How old are you.

Answer. I was, a boy in the great famine of Nella sannvatser or A. D. 1735.

Question. Did you ever take honey from these hills.

Answer. No.

Question

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father to the Hills of Mardimu= =nagu and Edulconda for Honey and Bees Wax, and never met with any opposition, that his father died five years ago, at the advanced age of Seventy, and that all his own life time, he had collected Honey and Bees Wax, from the same Hills.—

Question. Where, did you consider the boundary of Bom= =rawgepollam.?

Answer. I traversed the Hills and jongle in every direction and considered the Bufawa hillock Wall, the western boundary.—

Question. Did you ever go in search of Honey within the acknowledged

Question. Why did you not take honey from them.?

Answer. I understood that the Moogral Polygar, had given the Honey, to Bom= =rauge, to use as a medicine.

Nellawans, Totie of the Village of Jhinchadhona, being sworn, says, that he considered his property, the carcasses of such cattle, as died between the Coppadhona Cunda field, and his Village.—

Question. Did you ever carry any away.?—

Answer. Yes, the carcasses of the cattle of my own

village.—

Question. If the cattle of the Cusba or Town of Patagunta,

and

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acknowledged boundary of Moogral.[2]

Answer. No.

Question. Did the Yerlawars or Foresters of the Moogral Pollam; ever come within your range on the same land.[1]

Answer. No.

Question. whose property do you consider the honey and Bees wax.[2]

Answer. Of the Lord of the Soil. –

Cundardu and Cundardu, Uncle and Nephew, Sworn Interpreters of the Cusba or Town of Pata-gunta, having been sworn, depose, that within their own time, and they have heard from their fathers, that the Bedsawa and its dependancies did there who took away the carcases.

Answer. I believe the Sworn Interpreters of Patagunta

Question. What did you consider the eastern boundary, of the lands of your village.[1]

Answer. The Coppadhona Cunda field. –

Question. Did you ever see the Thasanams said to have been cut on the rocks, near the Coppadhona Cunda field.[2]

Answer. No.

Question. Have you often traversed the jungle thereabouts

Answer. Yes.

Periyasiluv Keeper of the water courses, being sworn, declares, that himself as well as

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Bussawa hillock Wall, was considered the western boundary of the lands belonging to their Cusba, and that when cattle of their own villages, died on the east side, of that wall, they professed themselves of the carcasses.

Question. If a bullock belonging to the inhabitants of the Moogral Pollam, happened to die, to the eastward of the wall, did you take the carcass or consider it your right.

Answer. If the Tottis of Moogral, and we met where the carcass, was, they took the upper part and we the under, in the position it lay, on the ground as, the Tottis of Patagunta, have collected Stones at the bottom of the Edulconda hill.

Question. What did you consider, the eastern boundary of the Moogral Pollam.

Answer. The Coppa bhanda field.

Question. Did you ever see the Shasanoms said to have been cut on the rocks.

Answer. Yes, when I was a boy.

Question. How old are you now.

Answer. Forty or Fifty years.

Question. Since you arrived at the years of discretion, have you never seen those.

Answer. No.

Question

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ground. —

Question. Did you collect, Iron ore about these hills.?

Answer. Yes. Ourselves and our Ancestors, for ages, have collected Iron ore, at the bottom of the Edulconda hill, to the eastward, and near the Bussawa hillock Wall.

Question. Were you ever opposed in your excursions, for the iron ore.?

Answer. Since the Moogral Polygar's people erected Houses, and cultivated ground, to the eastward of the Wall, they forbid us, but we did not mind them. —

Question. Did you ever enter

Question. What was the form of them.?

Answer. I am not certain, but think it was a round ring

Question. Are any of the people who saw them with you, now alive.?

Answer. No

Question. at what village do you reside.

Answer. at the village of Natchoor near Jhuckadhoria.

Question. Do you know any thing of the Shasanoms, being destroyed.?

Answer. No

Question. Did you hear of their being so.?

Answer. Yes.

Question. When you heard

of

enter the confines of the Moogral Pollam, in search of Iron ore, or did the Moogral people ever come to the east of the wall for it?

Answer. We never did nor do we know that they ever came into Bomrauze's territory, on that account. —

Venketsha Charavagor, or Chief of fourteen Peons, having been sworn, declares, that he has often hunted on the ground in dispute, and considering the Bufsawa hillock wall, the western boundary of Bomrauzepollam, he never followed the Game, beyond it. —

Question. Did the Moogral

of their being destroyed, and you were on your way here, to give evidence, did you not feel an inclination, to go and look at them?

Answer. I came by another road.

Question. On which quarter of the Coppadhona fields were the Thasanorns. —

Answer. The west. —

Peons

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Peons hunt to the east of the
wall.
Answer. Not to my
knowledge.

The Moogral Polygar,
having produced a witness
named Nallapa Rheddy, who
says, that he cultivated a piece
of ground, in the disputed spot,
for three years, prior to Hyder
Ally Cawn's irruption, into the
Pollams, Bomrauze, thinks it
necessary, to call forth the
following additional evidence,
on that point, as well as, to
answer, the assertions, of the
Conligar or watcher of the
Moogral Pollam.

Yerrama Rheddy, inhabitant
of the Cusba of Pataguntа, aged

eighty

eighty five years, being
sworn declares, that in the
beginning of the year, in
which Hyder Ally Cawn's
Troops entered the Pollams,
he applied to Ragava Nair,
Vheddy or principal inhabitant,
of the Village of Uperpilly,
and got a piece of ground, in
the present disputed spot,
and cultivated it, but before
the Crop was ripe, the enemy
destroyed it. —

Question. Do you know if
any other person, before or at
that time, cultivated fields,
in the disputed ground.?

Answer. No.

Question. Do you know
any thing of the Coppadhona

Cunda

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Cunda field, and Shasanoms,
or figures, of the Sun and Moon,
cut on some rocks, in its
vicinity.

Answer. I know the Coppa-
-dhona Cunda field, but not the
Shasanoms.

Question, Do you recollect,
what was considered, the
western Boundary of the lands
of the Cusba or Town of Pata-
-gunta.

Answer. I do not recollect,
I think I have heard, a wall
was.

Question, Was your field
between the Coppadhona Cunda,
and the Wall.

Answer. Yes.

Question. How much ground

did

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did you cultivate?

Answer. Forty Goomtas.

Question. Whose property, did you consider the Land.

Answer. Bommauzes.

Chinga rheddy, being, put upon his Oath, corroborates the above, and adds that he has always considered, the Bufsawa hillock wall, to be the western boundary, of the lands of the Cusba or Town of Patagunta, nor did ever any other person, cultivate the spot of ground in dispute.

Rama Nair, rheddy, or present, head inhabitant of the village of Uperpilly, and brother of the late rheddy, & Rayawa, corroborates the

foregoing

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foregoing evidence, in every
respect.
Rama achari, Carpenter and
inhabitant of Uperpilly, being
sworn, deposeth that Gurupa
Nair inhabitant, of the same
place, on a time, having cut
down and brought sometrees
to the western Gunta or Tank,
in the disputed spot of ground,
he requested him, to go and
pare them, that he went, and
whilst he was so employed,
the Conedigar or watcher of the
Moogral Pollam, came and
took his tools from him.—
Question. Did the Conedigar
or watcher, at any other time,
ever take away your Tools.
Answer. No.

Question

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Question. On what plea did
he take them.'

Answer. He said, I had cut
the trees within his bounds.—

Gurupa Nair being sworn, says
that on a time, he had cut some
trees to the westward of the
Bussawa hillock wall, and on
that pretence, the Cowdigar or
watcher of the Moogral Pollam,
did take away the Tools of the
Carpenter Rama achari, but
it was unjust, as the inha=
=bitants, of both Pollams, were
allowed to cut timber wherever
they found it, without dis=
=tinction of territory.

Venketa ishwardu Shepherd
being put upon his oath, &.
declares, that if he drove his

Flock

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flock, beyond the Bussawa
hillock wall to feed for a month
or two, he generally made the
Cowligar or Watcher of Mogral
Pollam, a present of a Lamb or
Kid, and that at other times he
has made him presents, to
secure his patronage, that since
the dispute commenced about
the boundary, one day his
flock went beyond the wall,
and on his return, the Cowligar,
overtook him in the disputed
ground, and took away four
Sheep, and that he complained
to the Monigar of his village,
but never got them back. —
Venkataishwardu, the second,
being sworn, corroborates the
above. —

Summary

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Summary of the Evidence of the Bommauge Poligar.

In the Register of the Lands of the Cusba or Town of Patagunta, and its dependant village of Uperpilly, to which the Spot of ground in dispute, particularly appertains, the western boundary is specified to be the Bufsawa hillock wall, and the truth of this Register, is supported, by the Oaths of Appoo Pilla Curnom or Publick Notary of the said Cusba or Town, and of his Uncle Cupeya, and of many other creditable and worthy Inhabitants. They all agree, that the old Records were destroyed in Hyder Ally Cawn's War

Summary of the Evidence of the Moogral Polygar

The first witness, is Venketrama Curnom or Notary, of the Village of Ihuckadhoma, to which the Spot of ground in dispute, immediately belongs. On examination, it appears that the records of his village, were also destroyed, in Hyder Ally Cawn's War of 1780, and that five or six years ago, he commenced a new Register, in which the boundaries of the Lands of his village on the other three quarters, are defined; and the eastern Land mark entirely omitted, altho he acknowledges, cultivation has

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war of 1780, and that the present Register, was com=piled, on the return of peace, in the year 1783, by Cupeya, Uncle of the Curnom Appro=pilla, assisted by the inha=bitants, and is a correct copy, indeed the appearance of the Cajan leaves, warrant, its being of so old a date, and there is not the least reason, to doubt its genuineness.

The digging of the two Guntas, or small Tanks, in the ground by Bomrauze's people, is established by the unequivocal testimony of two reputable inhabitants, of &. Patagunta, and Upersilly, the descendants of the persons,

has been carried on for sixty years, eastward of the village, unto the Bufsan a hillock wall, and as an excuse says, the ground east of the Village, was a jongle, not worthy of notice, but on enquiry, it is found, that the Northern quarter, is a jongle, yet the land mark is specified; however this person, from his office, whose evidence ought to have had the &. greatest weight, availed him=self of the privilege of his cast, as a Silver Smith, at the time of swearing entered the Pagoda or Temple, &. swallowing the &. consecrated water and &.

who

taking

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who dug them. — Mutapa Gara, the head Yerlavar or Forester, who is both the Conligar or watcher of the Kanarma's, or Pafses of the Pollams, and the collector of the Honey and Bees wax attests, on Oath, that for thirty five years, he accompanied his father to collect honey on the Madi = =munagu hills, close to the Bufsava hillock wall, without meeting any opposition, and that since his death he has continued to do so, and always considered, that wall, to be the western boundary of his Master's Pollam, and there is no room to call in question

taking the Tulsi leaves, and thereby evaded the oath, which circumstance, renders his testimony very exceptionable, and unworthy of Credit. He likewise allows, that he never saw the Shasanoms, but has heard of them, and can produce witnesses, who saw Bomrauze's people break them. —

In regard to the two Guntas, or small Tanks, this questionable evidence, asserts, that his father told him, he obtained permission of the Moogral Polygar, for Bom= =rauze's people, to dig them, but no person was present, when his father said so. —

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Narapa

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his veracity. —

The Tottis Cundardu, Uncle and Nephew, con= =firm the assertion of them= =selves, and their Ancestors, having for ages past collected iron ore at the bottom of the Edulconda hill, close to the Bussawa hillock wall, and that they have all along understood, that wall, to be the Western boundary of their Pollam, and on that account looked upon as their property, the carcasses of the cattle that died to the eastward of it. —

The testimony of Venkatchan Charavagar or Chief of fourteen Peons, proves that he and his people, &c. Narapa Covedigar or Watcher of the Pollam, declares, he has often seized Bomrauze's people, for cutting timber and grazing their flocks and cattle, on the spot of ground in &c. dispute, but he allows in some instances, the people had felled the trees, and grazed their flocks, and cattle, to the &c. westward of the Bussawa hillocks wall, which is confirmed by Rama achari, Carpenter, Gurupa Nair and the Shepherds on the part of Bomrauze.

This evidence knows, &c. nothing about the breaking of the Shasanoms, nor did he ever, even see them. —

Nellapa Reddy, deposeth, that

esteemed

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esteemed the Bufsawa hillock wall, the western boundary of their Pollam, and therefore never followed the game beyond it.—

The Moogral Polygar having produced a witness, named Nillapa Rheddy, who says, he cultivated a piece of ground, in the disputed Spot, for three years, prior to Hyder Ally Cawn's irruption into the Pollams, Bommauze thinks it, necessary to call forth the following additional evidence on that point, as well as to answer, the assertions of the Cowdigar or watcher of the Moogral Pollam, Versama Rheddy that he cultivated forty Goontas of ground near the Coppa = dhona Chunda field, for those years, that he paid the rent to the Moogral Polygar, and on the third year, the crop was destroyed by Hyder Ally Cawns Troops, he likewise, says, no other person, before or since, ever cultivated any ground, on the disputed Spot, until the commencement of the present litigation; that he has never seen the Shasanams, but has heard of them, and always considered them, the eastern boundary of the Moogral Pollam. This person's evidence is circum = stantial and plausible, and

would

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Rheddy, aged, eighty five, declares upon oath, that he cultivated forty Goontas of ground, that very year, in the disputed Spot, but the crop was destroyed by the enemy, and that to the best of his recollection, no other person before or since carried on cultivation between the Wall and the Coppa = dhona Cunda field, and that he never saw or heard of any Shasanoms being thereabout.

The evidence of this reverend person, is corroborated by the testimony of Chinga Nair and Rama Nair, the present rheddy or Chief inhabitant of the Village of would be worthy of belief, were it not for the sample we have already had of the veracity of the Curnom of his village, and the unexceptionable testimony of three credditable people, on the part of Bomrauze, who swear positively, that one of them named Yerrama rheddy, cultivated that ground in the same year.

Raganardu Yerlanar or Forester, aged seventy five, says, he heard from his father, that the Coppadhona Cunda field, and the Shasanoms, were the boundary of Moogal Pollam, that when a child, he accompanied his father to take honey, on the Mardimmaga hill

Respectfully

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Uperpilly, the brother of the then, head inhabitant, from whom the ground was taken to rent. These witness positively, refute Nella rheddy, and as it can hardly be supposed, a person on the verge of the Grave, whose mind must be estranged from all worldly views, would, take a false oath he and the other two, are entitled to Belief.—

Rama achare, carpenter, and Gurupa Nair, aver, that the Cavedigar or watcher of the Moogral Pollam, did take away the tools from them, but it was because, the timber had been felled to the westward hill, but had never done so during his own life time, afterwards, as he understood, his Master had made it a present, to Bonnaigs. to use, as a Medicine.

Nellavara Totie, of the Village of Thuchadhona, says, he considered his property the carcasses of such cattle, as died on the ground between the Coppa-dhona Gunda field, and the Bussava hillock wall, but never took away any, except the carcasses, of the Cattle of his own village, and believes, the Patagunta Tories, did the same by their cattle, that as a Totie, he has often traversed the Jongle there about but never saw the Shasanams, he has heard of them, and

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westward of the Bussawa hillock wall, and that this circumstance only happened once, and the Conedigar or watcher himself allows, that it did occur in that manner, one time. Venkat Ishwardu, and Venkateshwardu uncle and Nephew, Shepherds, also say, that their flock had gone beyond the wall, to feed, and was on its return, overtaken by the Conedigar in the disputed Spot of ground, when he took four Sheep, from them as a fine, but this was after the commencement of the dispute, about the boundary, that prior to it, they often drove their flocks into the Moogral

that they were considered the eastern boundary of the Pollam. Perriyarder Keeper of the water courses, declares, that he has likewise collected iron ore, at the bottom of the Edelconda hill, which he may have done, he also says, when a boy he saw the Shasanoms, but no one is now alive, who saw them with him, tho he remarks a number of little boys, used to play about them, he knows nothing of their being destroyed nor has he seen them since he was a boy:

This is the only man who ever saw these Shasanoms, and as he is only between thirty and forty years of age, and

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Pollam, and nowand then gave the Watcher, a land or a kid to ensure his countenance. upon the whole the evidence is connected substantial and convincing.

most likely many of his cotemporaries must be now alive, his evidence does not deserve implicit confidence This evidence in general is superficial, equivocal and questionable. —

Remark

Upon bringing the Proceedings to a close, the Moogral Polygar, offers to produce an evidence, who saw Bommauyes people, break the Shasanoms, on which account, they have been kept open, four days, and on the fifth, the aforementioned person named Mallatipegar, having made his appearance, and being duly sworn, deposeth, that he was present when Bommauyes people, destroyed the shasanoms, near the Cuppadhona Cunda field, and two or three more, to the northward, about three or four years ago. —

Question. How did they destroy them.

Answer. Some with fire, and others, that would not yield to that element, were destroyed by Stone cutters. —

Question

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Question. Who were the people that accompanied you?

Answer. The principal person was Chandraraja, Moungar or Commander, of the Patagunta Peons, and Venketpilly Charawagar or officer of fifteen Peons, and several others.

Chandaraja, Moungar, being put upon his oath, declares that he never saw the Coppadhona Gunda field, Shasanoms, that about four or five years ago, he went to destroy some counterfeit Shasanoms, on the frontier of his Master's Pollam, bordering on the Nagapotta pollam, now dependant on Moogral, that these Shasanoms had been declared spurious, by a Court of Arbitration, sanctioned by his Highness the Nabob of Arcott, who ordered them to be destroyed.

Question. Was Mallatopegar with you?

Answer. Yes.—

Venketapetty Charawagar, being sworn, deposeth, that he never heard of, or saw, the Shasanoms in dispute, nor never accompanied Mallatopegar on such an errand.—

Shashaya Monigar, or Manager of the Cusba or Town of Patagunta, being put upon his Oath, declares, that Mallatopegar

last

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Last year absconded from Bomrawgepollam, to evade the payment, of the just dues, of the Sirkar, Vizt five Pagodas.

Question. Was he, a person of a good character, prior to that event.

Answer. I know nothing against him, but that circumstance, and his now bearing false witness.—

Question. Do you know any thing, of Chandaraja, Moongar, of Pions going, with a party, and destroying certain Shasanoms, near the Coppadhoma Sunda field.

Answer. I have been ten years at Patagunta, and know nothing of such a circumstance.—

Little dependance, can be placed on the testimony of a person, who has absconded, in order to evade the payment of a just debt, particularly when he is refuted by three respectable people.—

The Moogral Polygar, finding, the cause in dispute, likely to be given against him, objects to the mode of Investigation, and requires, that it be decided, by the ceremony of Yella Tok or other appeal to Heaven, or by an oath of one of the Parties, swearing positively, to the boundary,

and

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and he being countenanced in this requisition, by Race Raja Bhojung, Deputy on behalf of his Highness the Nabob of Arcott, I the undersigned, think it necessary, to reject this proposal, until the pleasure of my Govern= =ment be known, and to give my reasons for so doing, which are as follows. Viz.t

1st. Because, the ceremony of Yella Tok or stumbling on the boundary, and such like appeals to Heaven, give room for calling in, knavery and artifice.

2d. Because, no confidence, can be placed on the oath of a person, who swears positively to a fact, which he is not personally acquainted with, and concerning which, he posesses no written document.

3d. Because, considering the obscureness of the subject, the present investigation, has been conducted, in a fair and open manner, the evidences, have been properly sworn, according to the custom of their cast, and have conceived the oath binding and efficatious, otherwise the Curnum of the Moogral's Pollam would not have attempted, to evade the Oath, by omitting, to drink the

consecrated

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consecrated water, and taking the Tulsi leaves.-
4th. Because, such modes of decision, are contrary to the Spirit of the Hindu Laws, except in cases, whose satis=factory evidence cannot be obtained, and are entirely re=pugnent to the principles of the British Jurisprudence and the testimony, in this cause, is perfectly satisfactory

(Signed) John Hulley Symons
Deputy on the part of the
Honorable Company.

Opinion

Upon a mature consideration of the evidence, on both sides of the question, it appears, that the Spot of ground in dispute, belongs to the Bommauze Polygar, and that the Bufsawa hillock wall, is the ancient boundary of his Pollam, on the western quarter. This opinion, is founded upon the contents of the Publick Registes of the lands of the Cusba or Town of Patagunta, and the dependant village of Upersilly, and the creditable testimony, by which they are supported.- Great deference is also due, to the evidence of the Yerdawars or Foresters of

both

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both Pollams, who in fact allow, from their own know=
=ledge, that the honey and Bees wax, on the Southern
hill close to the abovementioned wall, has for fifty or
sixty years past, been considered the property of Bomrauze,
and these people, are well acquainted with the limits of
their respective Pollams, and never encroach upon the
range of one another.—

(Signed) John Hilley Symons
Deputy on the part of the
Honorable Company.—

Raie Raja Bhojung, acknowledges the propriety and
justness of the above opinion, but cannot either, give his
consent or signature to it, by reason of his not being em=
empowered to do so.—

(Signed) John H. Symons
Deputy

Patagunta
Bomrauze
Pollam the 23.d of
December 1799.—

To the Right Honorable Lord Clive
Governor in Council
of Fort St.e George &c.a &c.a

My Lord.

Finding, that my colleague, Raie Raja
Bhojung

From Captain J.
H. Symons - Trans=
=mits his proceed=
=ings translated
into Persian —
Requests to know
to whom of the
two Polygars the
crop on the ground
in dispute, should
be adjudged.—

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Bhojung, acts, under a good deal of restraint, and will not admit of my signing the account of the investigation, which he is sending to his Highness the Nabob; and as both the Polygars, express much anxiety, about the fate of the piece of ground in dispute, and also to guard against, a mis=representation, I have brought into Persian, the Proceed=ings, verbatim, and do my self the honor of transmitting to your Lordship, the Translation, that if deemed ne=cessary, your Lordship, may send it, to his Highness the Nabob, for his Highness's information. —

In the event of your Lordship's, adjudging the ground to Bomrauze, to whom, is it your Lordship's pleasure, that the present crop, be given?

It is now the time of harvest, and both parties, have applied to me on the subject, and I have desired, that the grain be cut, and kept in ricks, on the spot, until your Lordship's pleasure be known. The grain was sown by the Mogral people. I have the honor to be,

Patagunta Bomrauze
Pollam the 2d of January
1800. —

&c. . . . — &c.

(Signed) John H. Symons Capt.
Deputy

Ordered

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Ordered to lie on the Table.—

Folio on the Table.—

Read the following Letter from the Town Major and the Barrack Master.—

To J. Webbe Esq.r

Secretary to Government

Sir,

From the Town Major and Barrack Master suggesting an arrangement for the better accommodation of the Sepoys doing duty at the Presidency.—

Having lately inspected the Sepoy Barracks at the Presidency with a view to suggesting some improvement in the very defective accommodation of those Troops we have to request that you will be pleased to submit to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council the following observations.—

It is well known that the variety of casts composing our Native Troops and the impossibility of preparing the food of any two distinct casts in the same apartment, or even of their eating within certain limits of each other must forever prevent a Sepoy Barrack from being the Habitation of the Men: and it has therefore been found most expedient to consider the Barrack principally as a place of Arms, and to allot an adjacent piece of ground on which

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in favorable situations the Sepoys but themselves without any material expence to Government.

The Sepoy Barrack distinguished by the name of Popham's Market at present occupied by a Detachment of the 1st Battalion 9th Regiment and by the 2d Madras Battalion, is in every respect ill adopted to the accommodation of Native Troops, situated in the Center of the Black Town. there is no space on which the Sepoys can but themselves; and the same inconvenience of situation from another habit peculiar to this Country produces the most offensive consequences to the Inhabitants of the adjoining Streets. - We would therefore propose that this Building be restored to its original use, and that the present Market at the S.W. Angle of the Black Town be appropriated as a Sepoy Barrack; there being a sufficient space if properly applied for hutting a Battalion - Two small Bomb Proofs in the adjoining Bastion would contain the Battalion Stores, and the Market House with no material addition and alteration might be converted

into

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into a sufficient Barrack, with an Hospital, and two Quarters for Serjeants.—

The Barrack at Chindadrepet is conveniently situated, but it requires the addition of two Serjeants Quarters, a Hospital and a Store Room, there is sufficient space for these purposes and for hutting the Battalion if properly appropriated.—

The Barrack on Hog Hill occupied by the 1st. Madras Battalion is rented by the Company together with an Hospital, a Store Room and Serjeants Quarters for 43 Pagodas per Month (Serjeants Quarters and Store Rooms being likewise rented for the other Battalions.)

We would propose that in lieu of this incommodious, and expensive Barrack, a new one should be erected on a vacant space reserved for that purpose near the N. E. Angle which is in all respects the proper situation for another Barrack; and affords sufficient room for Hospital, Store Room, Serjeants Quarters and hutting the Battalion.—

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The whole of this plan calculated most essentially to improve the present uncomfortable situation of the Native Troops, would probably not incur an expence much exceeding 3000 Pagodas.

In favorable situations where the Materials may be procured gratis, Sepoys only require to be exempted from duty for a moderate period and built themselves without any expence to the public. — But at the Presidency where every, the most trifling Material for their Huts is expensive, and no considerable exemption from duty can be possibly admitted, Government would probably be disposed to afford them a reasonable assistance in building on a regular and permanent plan, such as should contribute to health cleanliness and comfort.

We have the honor to be,

&c. ---- &c.

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Town Major

M. Wilks

Barrack Master

Ordered

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Order thereon.

Ordered that a copy of the above letter be transmitted to the Military Board and that they be directed if the plan shall appear eligible to cause estimates to be prepared in concert with Major Grant and Captain Wilks, of the probable expence to be incurred.

Lieutenant Colonel Coke permitted to proceed to Europe.

Resolved that Lieutenant Colonel Coke be permitted to proceed to Europe on furlough

Appointments proposed by the President.

The President proposes the following appointments.

Colonel Vigors to command the N. Dn.

Colonel Urban Vigors to command the Northern Division of the Army and Masulipatam.

Lieutenant Colonel David Campbell to command Chandergherry.

Lieutenant Colonel David Campbell to command at Chandergherry.

Lieutenant Colonel Dyce to command at Madurah.

Lieutenant Colonel Alex. Dyce to command at Madurah.

Lieutenant Colonel Innes to command at Dindigul.

Lieutenant Colonel Jas. Innes to command at Dindigul.

Colonel Pater to command at Sera.

Colonel John Pater to command at Sera.

Lieutenant Colonel Dallas to command at Bangalore.

Lieutenant Colonel Thomas Dallas to command at Bangalore.

Approved

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Ordered accordingly

Approved and Ordered.

" Clive

" Geo. Barlow

Wm Petrie

E.W. Pallot Field

A Macleay Sec

Wm Page
Dd 2 Feb
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Diary

Received and sent the undermen=
=tioned Letters entered in Mtb. Nos. 22-23-24-25-26.—

From Lieutenant Colonel Sentleger—

From the Com=
=mandant at Arcot

=States the oppressive duties levied by the Nabob on every article of commerce in the province of Arcot-mentions — particularly the duties exacted on some Sandlewood. 22

To Captain H.C. Montgomery — Per=
=mitting him to proceed to the Malabar Coast and eventually

To the Agent for the purchase of Horses.

to Bombay. — 23

To Captain Murray — directing him

To the Commander of the Ship Preston.

to receive Lieutenant Charles Dallas on board of his Ship as passenger to England. — 24

To Mr. N.B. Edmonstone — Enclosing

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a Kherettah from the Nabob to the Governor General.— 25

To the Military Board — Directing them

To the Military Board.

to give orders for conveying the cloathing of the 3d Battalion of Bengal Volunteers from Ryacottah to Amboor. 26

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From the Commandant at Vellour.

From Lieutenant Colonel Doveton - Requests that he may be authorized to order some repairs to the Quarters of the Commanding Officer and the Paymaster at Vellour. —

From the Officer commanding the Northern Division

From Colonel Vigors - Reports that Peridial Sing and his principal accomplice had effected their escape from the escort ordered to conduct them to the Presidency. —

From the Agent for purchasing horses.

From Captain H. C. Montgomery - States the wish of the Rajah of Cutch to be supplied with two 12 pounder brass guns complete. —

To the Persian Translator at Bengal.

To Mr. N. B. Edmonstone - Enclosing a Kheritah from the Nabob to the Governor General. -

To the Military Auditor General.

To Major General Sydenham - directing him to authorize an advance of six Months Subsistence to Captain Mackrae of the 80th Regiment on account of the "Ceylon Presidency". —

To the Military Auditor General.

To Major General Sydenham - Ordering an advance of 1000 Pagodas to the Officer in Command of the Company of Artillery about to march to

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Sent the following Letters

To Lieutenant General Harris

President &c. Members of the

Military Board

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Right Honble the Governor in Council to enclose for your information copy of a joint Letter from the Town Major and Barrack Master of Fort St. George, and to desire that, if the plan proposed by them for the accommodation of the Native troops at the Presidency, shall appear to be eligible, you will cause estimates to be prepared in concert with those officers of the probable expense to be incurred.

I am further directed to refer for your consideration the enclosed copy of a letter from the officer Commanding the Southern Division with the original papers therein mentioned.

I have the honor to be,

&c. &c.

(Signed) J. Webbe Secy to Govt

To the Military Board - Referring for their consideration the plan proposed by the Town Major and Barrack Master for the accomodation of the Sepoys at the Presidency - Referring also copy of a letter from the officer commanding the Southern Division with the original papers to which it refers.

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present at the inspection of the actual State of his Buildings. —

To the Commandt at Pondicherry.

To Captain Grant - The pension of 25 rupees allowed to the late Madame Rulle to be continued to her family. —

To the Civil Pay-master General.

To Mr. Balfour - directing him to give the necessary orders for continuing the payment of the pension of the late Madame Rulle to her family —

To the Secretary at Columbo.

To Mr. Cleghorn - Informing him of the advance paid to Captain Mackrae of His Majesty's 80th Regiment - Requesting to know if it is the wish of his Excellency that similar advances should be paid to officers arriving at this Presidency without certificates.

To the officer commanding the forces in Mysoor.

To the Honorable Colonel Wellesley - Orders were given previous to the receipt of his letter of the 30th ultimo for the payment of the Bombay troops serving in Mysoor by the Paymaster at Seringapatam - He is however to give such detailed orders as may be necessary. —

To the Military Secretary to the Government at Bengal. -

To Lieutenant Hook - enclosing

copy

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Copy of a letter from the Accountant General in explanation of the delay in adjusting the advances made to Captain Crawford of His Majesty's 33d Regiment

To the Board of Revenue - Enclosing an abstract of Maps and Surveys required by the Governor in General in Council, copies of which are to be prepared as soon as possible. —

To the Board of Revenue.

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Order of Council

Military Department

11th January 1800. —

Received the following Letter from the Military Auditor General. —

The Right Honorable Lord Clive,

President and Governor in Council

Fort St. George

My Lord.

Having Examined the additional Estimate for the Current Month, which accompanied Mr. Sub Secretary Buchan's Letter of the 4th Instant, I have the honor to report, that the Sum of Pagodas Nineteen thousand,

From the Military Auditor General - Reports on the Pay-master General's Estimate of the 4th Instant and authorizes the Sum of Pagodas 19369-33-70 to be issued on account of it

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three Hundred and forty nine, fanams thirty three, and Cash Seventy (Pagodas 19,349.. 33.70) is admissible and issuable from the General Treasury, being required by the Military Paymaster General to answer Bills drawn on his office by the Paymaster at Malacca; to make the advances authorized by Government to the Cadets of the Bengal Establishment; and to discharge the Balance due on four Bills of the Engineer in the Ceded Districts.

2 Altho' the amount of the last mentioned Bills is correctly stated, yet as the Sum of Pagodas Two thousand, Eight hundred and forty seven, fanams fourteen, and Cash Sixteen (Pagodas 2,847.14.16) has been already advanced at different periods to the Engineer, as inserted on the face of the Bills, I presume it is not necessary to issue that Sum from the Treasury, and have therefore deducted it from the Estimate accordingly.

3 I have also deducted the Sum of Two thousand, Six hundred Pagodas, (Pagodas 2,600) Estimated for on account of advances to the Corps of

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Cavalry under Captain Montgomery, as the Paymaster of Fort St. George included the Pay and allowances of that Corps by mistake in his Estimate for the Current Month, the amount of which I recommended in my report of the 3d. Instant, that the Military Paymaster General should be instructed to retain, and apply to that purpose. ⁊

I have the honor to be with great respect--

&c. ----- &c.

(Signed) W. Sydenham
Military Auditor General

Military Auditor
General's Office
Fort St. George
7th January 1800. ⁊

In consequence of the foregoing report,

Ordering the Sum of Pagodas 19349.33.70 to be issued on account of the Paymaster Generals estimate of the 4th Instant.-

Ordered that the Sum of Nineteen thousand, three hundred and forty Nine Pagodas, thirty three fanams, and seventy Cash (Pagodas 19,349.33.70) be issued from the Treary for the Military Paymaster General on account of his additional estimate of the 4th. Instant.

By Order of the Right Honble the Governor in Council.-

(Signed) J. Webbe Secy to Govt.

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Received and Sent the undermentioned Letters entered in Mtb Nos. 44-A. 44-B. 45-46-47-48-

From the Military Paymaster General.

From Mr. Roebuck - applies for permission to the Paymaster at Vellour to visit the Presidency.

From the officer Commanding the Forces in Mysoor -

From the Honorable Colonel Wellesley - States that he has communicated his opinion fully to the Military Boards respecting the Quarters in the different forts in Mysoor. —

From the Commandant at Arcot.

From Lieutenant Colonel Sentleger - States that he apprehends a scarcity of grain for the troops in consequence of the oppressive duties levied by the Nabob; and requests that a Perwannah may be obtained for the Article of grain. —

To the Military Paymaster General.

To Mr. Roebuck - Mr. Mordor to permitted to visit the Presidency. —

To the Military Auditor General

To Major General Sydenham - Captain Bong to draw the Subsistence of his rank from the 1st. Instant. —

To the Military Paymaster General.

To Mr. Roebuck - Enclosing the Military Auditor Generals report on his estimate of the

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4th Instant on account of which Pagodas 19,349. 33. 70 —

will be issued on his application. —

Received the following Letter. —

The Secretary of Government

Sir.

I inclose you copies of Letters which

From the officer commanding the Troops in Mysoor. Enclosing copies of two letters from the officer commanding at Hulliall regarding some disturbances on the Mahratta frontier.

I have received from Captain Mc Farlane. —

The 1st Battalion 4th Bombay regi—

=ment is on its march towards Hulliall. —

I have the honor to be,

&c — — — &c

Seringapatam

January 7th 1800. —

(Signed) Arthur Wellesley

Colonel

Copy of a Letter from Captain Macfarlan to the Honble

Colonel Wellesley &c dated Hulliall 29th December 1799.

Sir.

I have just received information

that a party of the Peshwa's Cavalry and Scindiahs

Infantry were on the point of proceeding from Poonah to

act ostensibly against the Kolapore Rajah. I also had

accounts

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accounts last night from Darwar that Purseram Bows two Sons with their Troops had joined Ghokalah to assist him against the Kolapore Rajah. I am in daily expectation of the return of my Hir= =carrahs from the Kolapore Rajah's Camp when I shall be able to give you a more satisfactory account of every particular.—

I have the Honor to be.

&c. &c. &c.

(Signed) Alex. Macfarlan

Capt. Comm. at Mallode

A true Copy.

Copy of a Letter from Captain Macfarlan to the Honorable Colonel Wellesley &c. dated 30th December 1799.—

Sir,

Some of my Hircarrahs being just arrived from Dhondiahs Camp, I lose no time in forwarding you the Intelligence they bring—That the Kolapore Rajah is at Kolapore with between seven and Eight thousand Troops of all descriptions. &c.

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Dhondiah is at Narsapore six Cos from Jalliall, five marches from Noulgoond and six from this Place, the force he has with him is four thousand Horse & as many Infantry, the Lockapore Yendegerrah and Anvall &c. Rajah's have joined Dhondiah with their Troops. —

Butnaker Pundit is at Baggercottah about four Cos from Dhondiah's Camp with two thousand Horse, Two thousand Infantry, and Two Guns and about three thousand Looties. Shewsah Row Khantkey had been at Kittore with five Hundred Horse and demanded Money and Troops from the Kittoore Rajah, but being refused both he went away with his party in the direction of Noulgoond. — The report in Dondhia's Camp was that they were going against Ghokkah. — I have not been able to ascertain what force Ghokalah has to oppose to Dondiah &c? but I shall soon know as I have now two men at Savanore, where Ghokalah is, the Hircarrahs do not confirm the report of purseram Bows Sons having joined Ghokalah but that they

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are collecting Troops for that purpose.—

I have the honor to &c.

&c ——— &c

(Signed) A. Macfarlan

Capt. Comm.r Mulliale

A true Copy.

From the Resident at Tanjore.—

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Received a Letter from Mr Torin entered in M.B. N.o 49.— Transmits a letter from the Rajah for the Governor General.—

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Received and Sent the undermen=tioned Letters entered in M.B. Nos 50. 51.—

From the Secretary at Bombay.

From Mr. Richards applies for patterns of the improved field and battering gun carriages complete.— 50

To the Military Board.

To the Military Board.— specifying a number of tents to be provided as expeditiously as possible.— 51

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Sent the following Letter.

To Major General Sydenham

Military Auditor General

Sir.

To the Military Auditor General desiring that the payment of the Bombay troops serving in Mysore may be regulated in the same manner as the payment of the

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Honorable the Governor in Council to desire that the Paymaster at Seringapatam may be instructed to regulate his payments to the Bombay troops serving in Mysoor and Soonda in the same manner as the payment of the Bombay troops serving on the Island of Ceylon was provided for in consequence of your letter of the 30th December 1796.—

the Bombay troops formerly serving on Ceylon — His Majesty's 77th Regiment to be considered transferred to this Presidency from their arrival in Mysoor.—

His Majesty's 77th Regiment having been ordered to do duty in Mysoor, is to be considered transferred to this Presidency from their arrival within the territories of his Highness the Rajah of Mysoor.—

I have the honor to be,

&c. . . . &c

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(Signed) J. Webbe Secy to Govt

At a Consultation

Present

The Right Honorable Lord Clive
Governor and President

Lieutenant General Harris Commander in Chief

Tuesday 14th January 1800

William Petrie and
Ernst William Tallofield } Esqrs

Minutes

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Minutes of last Consultation read and approved. —

Read the following letter from the Military Board. —

To the Right Honorable Lord Clive

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

My Lord,

1st. We have the honour to report that the requisite instructions have been given in consequence of the receipt of the Letter from your Lordship in Council under date the 2d. Instant, for ascertaining the range of Shot from the neighbourhood of the new Custom House in the Black Town; and that we shall take the earliest opportunity of submitting to your Lordship in Council our opinion in regard to the measures to be adopted for the protection of the Vessels in the North Roads from Injury or Insult. —

From the Military Board — They will take an early opportunity of reporting their opinion regarding the protection of the North Roads — Transmit a letter from the Commanding Officer at Malacca regarding the defective State of the fortifications of that place — Recommend an advance of Pag. 534. 15. 58 to the Superintending Engineer — State an application from the Garrison Storekeeper in the Paramahal for permission to entertain extra Servants to measure the grain in Store — Recommend that the grain in Store at Ryacottah may be disposed of.

2nd. We transmit a Letter with Enclosure, received from Lieutenant Colonel Taylor Commanding Malacca, which should properly have been in the first instance

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instance addressed to your Lordship in Council, but as the subject thereof is of material consequence, and as the delay which would be occasioned by returning it to Malacca for transmission in the manner prescribed by the Regulations, might be productive of detriment to the public Service, we have deemed the observance of that form to be in the present Case unadvisable, and request that we may be honoured with your Lordships commands upon the subject of the Letter in question. —

3d. An Estimate for the repair of the old Artillery Barracks at St. Thomas's Mount — having been passed by our Board in consequence of Orders from Government under date the 27th November, we recommend that authority may be given for the Payment to Colonel Gent, the Superintending Engineer, of Pagodas 584 " 15 " 58 — being one third of the estimated amount of such repair. —

4th. Having received from the lately appointed Garrison Storekeeper in the Ceded Districts

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an application to be allowed to hire extra measuring Men and Coolies for the purpose of measuring the Honble Company's Grain in the several Storehouses of which he is about to take charge; a proposal which we do not deem ourselves competent to authorize as incurring some Expence without the approbation of Government, and the Storekeeper having stated to us the hardship of his being obliged to become responsible for Grain of which the actual quantity has not been accurately ascertained, we beg leave to submit his request for your Lordships decision. —

5th. Being of opinion that the Qr. quantity of Ghee in Store at Trichinopoly is by no means necessary, and it being an Article of a very perishable nature, we recommend that directions may be given for its being immediately sold on Qr. account of the Company. —

6th. The number of good Granaries at Ryacottah being inadequate to the reception of the very large supply of Grain provided for the con=

=sumption

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consumption of the Army, and the early termination of the Campaign having occasioned the demands from the Army upon the Stores at that Station to be very trifling, the Grain has, as was to be expected, sustained great damage, and as its Condition must from the same causes become every day worse, we recommend that orders may be given for its being sold off as " expeditiously as possible, in such manner as may be found most advantageous to the Company.—

We have the honour to be,

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7th January 1800.— (Signed) &c. &c.

John Brathwaite
Patrick Ross
W. Sydenham
J. Richardson
P. A. Agnew

To Captain Frederick Pierce
Secretary to the
Military Board

Sir,

The Fortifications and many parts

of

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of the Publick works at this place are in such a state of decay that the Engineer Captain Lieutenant Farquhar deemed it necessary to address a Letter on the Subject to me, a Copy of which Letter I have now the honor to request you will lay before the Military Board - I have myself examined the decayed works pointed out by Captain Farquhar and find them to be in the exact State he represents them — The repairs of the Fortifications and Stockades are absolutely and immediately necessary, and I beg leave to recommend it to the serious consi=deration of the Military Board. —

And I must also request of you to represent to the Board, that the Gun Carriages on the works of this Fort are so rotten worm eaten and decayed that scarce one of them will stand the firing of Twenty rounds — The Carriages are all Dutch, made of the very worst materials, and have been exposed for years on the works without Paint, Tar, or any other Composition to preserve them from the weather. — I beg leave to recommend that a few new

Carriages

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Carriages might be made use, that repairs may be afforded to those that are repairable and that the whole of them be either Painted or Tared.—

I have the honor to be,

Malacca
10th. November 1799.—

&c. &c.
(Signed) Ald. Taylor
Lt. Col. Comm.g

Lieutenant Colonel Taylor
Commanding Malacca

Sir,

I should conceive myself wanting in my duty, was I to omit representing to you the present decayed state of several of the Public Works — particularly the different Stockades; That in the Fauße Braie, as well as the one on the Sea face of Malacca Town — are completely rotten — and perfectly useless as they now stand.— The Piles by which the sides of the Ditch in the Fort were supported, are now all falling to pieces and the Ditch itself so filled with mud that a man may with ease, walk across it in any

direction

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direction.- The Rampart of the Sea Line in many places requires considerable Repairs- as well as that part of the Wall immediately over the Carriage Gate on the North Face and the Bastion called Middleburgh at the N.W. Angle- which is cracked down to the very foundation- so that it is not altogether safe to fire the Guns from it- Lastly the Stockade on the side of the River towards the Fort requires to be renewed being almost entirely decayed.

Having now mentioned the principal Works which appear to me to stand in most need of repair- I have nothing further to add, than to recommend them to your serious consideration.

I have the honor to be,

&c. &c. &c.

Malacca
25th October 1799.

(Signed) Wm. Farquhar
Captain Lieutenant of Engineers

A true Copy
(Signed) Ab. Taylor
Lieutenant Colonel Commg.

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To the Right Honourable Lord Clive

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

My Lord,

From the Military Board — State their opinion regarding the most expedient mode of adjusting the Accounts of the Bullocks lately employed and discharged under the orders of Colonel Wellesley.

Having given a full consideration to the Subject of the Extract of Letter from the Officer Commanding the Troops in Mysore, transmitted to us with Mr. Secretary Webbes Letter of the 2d. Instant, and perfectly coinciding in opinion with the Honourable Colonel Wellesley in regard to the mode to be adopted for the adjustment of the Accounts of the Bullocks lately employed and discharged under his orders; We have the honour to recommend to your Lordship in Council that the Principal Owners and Masters of such Bullocks as were hired by Lieutenant Colonel Dallas, may, as suggested by the Honourable Colonel Wellesley, be &c. directed to meet the Principal Agent above the Ghauts, upon a particular Day at some Station to be appointed in the Mysore Country for the adjustment of their &c. accounts, after which period no Claims on account of Bullock hire are to be received. — And that for such

Bullocks

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Bullocks as were hired in the Baramahal, or in the Southern Countries, and of which the requisite Registers and Accounts have not been transmitted to the Principal Agent, an account be sent by the latter to the Persons by whom the Bullocks were hired, of all sums which have been paid on account of such Bullocks since they arrived with the Army;—and that orders be sent to the Persons by whom the Bullocks were engaged, immediately after the receipt from the Principal Agent of the information abovementioned, to proceed to the adjustment of the Bullock Owners Claims and Accounts.—

We have the honour to &c.

&c. ——— &c.

(Signed) John Braithwaite
Patrick Ross
W. Sydenham
J. Richardson
P. A. Agnew

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Resolutions on the above letters

In the present situation of public affairs the Board deem it unnecessary to incur any expense for the repairs of the fortifications of Malacca; Resolved however that the Military Board be authorized to afford the Commanding Officer of that place such assistance of gun Carriages as may be judged absolutely necessary to protect the place from any desultory molestation of the Enemy. —

The Board do not think it necessary to incur the expense of additional measuring Servants in the Baramahal; but Resolve that the Military Board be directed to give the necessary orders for disposing of the grain under charge of the Garrison Storekeeper in the most advantageous terms for the Company and under such directions for the measurement of it as they may think requisite. —

Resolved that the Military Board be directed to dispose immediately of the Ghee in Store at Trichinopoly. —

Resolved that the Military

Board

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Board be directed to issue orders to the late Principal Agent for draft and Carriage Cattle for the adjustment of the Accounts of the Maistries and Owners above the Ghauts conformable to the mode recommended by them.—

Resolved that payment of the advance recommended by the Military Board &c.— authorized.—

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

Medical Board

Resolutions of Government in Council 14th. January 1800.—

13th. January 1800.

The Commander in Chief having intimated to the Medical Board that an Assistant Surgeon is immediately required to accompany a Detachment of Artillery under orders to march from the Mount to Hydrabad—

From the Medical Board—Recommend that Mr. Assistant Surgeon Fallowfield may be appointed to attend the detachment of Artillery ordered to Hydrabad.—

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Approved and Ordered.—

— We recommend that Mr. Assistant Fallowfield who is hourly expected at the Presidency on his way to Hydrabad to join the 3rd. Regiment of Cavalry may be ordered to join this Detach= =ment and to afford it Medical assistance to the place of its destination; when he will deliver over the Medical charge to Mr. Staff Surgeon Kennedy and join his respective Corps. —

(Signed) Jas. Anderson
Physician General

W. Raine
Chief Surgeon

F. Gahagan
M. D. Head Surgeon

By Order of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council
(Signed) J. Webbe Secy to Govt.
Read

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Read the following letter from the Governor General in Council.—

To The Right Honble Edward Lord Clive

Governor in Council
at
Fort St. George

My Lord,

From Bengal— approving the allowances granted to the families of the French party lately in the service of the Nizam— they will for the present postpone giving orders for sending any of the families to Bengal.

1 We have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Lordship's Letter with its inclosures under date the 30th. Ultimo, and have much pleasure in expressing our approbation of the allowances which you have authorized to be paid to such of the Families of the French Officers and Men lately in the Service of his Highness the Nizam, as reside within the limits of your Presidency.—

2 In reply to the last Paragraph of your Lordship's letter, respecting the removal to this Presidency of the Families of those Frenchmen provisionally permitted to remain in Bengal, we beg leave to inform you that intending to take the general subject of the arrangements for the French Prisoners into our early consideration, and it being probable that we may on that occasion determine to send to Europe many of the persons in question, we wish

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the measure to be suspended for the present.—

We have the honor to be,

Fort William

the 28th December 1799.—

&c. . . . . &c.

(Signed) Mornington

P. Speke

Wm Cowper

To lie on the Table.

Ordered to lie on the Table.—

Read the following letters from

the Officer Commanding in Mysoor.—

The Secretary of Government

Sir,

From the officer Commanding in Mysoor — States different suggestions regarding the Stores in different Forts in Mysoore. Recommends that a Laboratory may be established at Seringapatam —

I have by this days Tappal trans=
=mitted to the Military Board Lists of the Stores surveyed
by Committees ordered by me in Paughur, Mudgerry
Mergesie; in Nundydroog; in Nuggur Chundergooty &
Anantpour Coolydroog.—

For the Care of these it will be
necessary that persons should be appointed to assist the
Commanding Officers of the Stations at Paughur, at
Nundydroog, and at Nuggur.— Lieutenant Colonel &

Tolfrey

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Tolfrey in a Letter of which I enclose an extract has recommended Sergeant Leonard of the 2nd. Battalion 12th. Regiment to be appointed Store Sergeant at Penghur, and Major Cuppage has recommended Sergeant ? King to be appointed Store Sergeant at Nundydroog --

As Major Disney who at present Commands at Nuggur belongs to the Bombay establishment, and can have but little knowledge of the forms and Manner of making up Returns required by this Government, and as there are large quantities of Stores at Nuggur, and in the other posts in the province of Bednore, I recommend that a Deputy Commissary or a Conductor may be sent there. —

I have drawn the Attention of the Military Board to the diligence of Major ? Disney in surveying the Stores in the province of Bednore. —

The Troops being still on Field allowances, and having their Peons attached to them,

who

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who have done the duty of Store Lascars in the Forts which they have occupied, it has not been necessary to fix any Establishment of them for these Forts. -

The inclosed extract of a Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Tolfrey will explain the want of them, and the various uses to which they will be put.

I recommend therefore that an Establishment of Artificers and Store Lascars may be given to the Forts of Paughur Nundydroog and Nuggur.

This last on account of its size and the quantities of Stores which it contains will require a larger proportion than the two former. -

I imagine that the Commander in Chief fixed the proportion of Lascars for Chittledroog; but of this post I will write more fully when I shall have received returns from it. -

I recommend that at Seringapatam Chittledroog Nundydroog, Paughur, Nuggur, and Hulliall in Soonda permission may be given to fire a morning and Evening Gun. -

The

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The distance which the posts in this Country are from the presidency, from whence must be drawn at present all Articles of Supply induce me to propose that a Laboratory may be established at Seringapatam.—

I have transmitted to the Military Board an Indent for the Articles which will be required for the Laboratory should Government allow one; and the Military Board will probably be ordered to fix an establishment for it.—

The establishment of Artificers and Lascars at Seringapatam is already very large: But I must observe that the business of the Store department is immense, occasioned by the Arrangement of the Captured Stores and Ordnance, of those belonging to the Army, and by the repairs and additions to the Arsenals and Store Rooms.—

It will not therefore be very con-
-venient to spare from the present Establishment of the Store department any very large Number of persons for

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the Laboratory.—

I have the Honor to inclose a Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Saxon on the Subject of a T. Laboratory.—

I have the honor to be,

&c. &c.

Seringapatam
January 8th. 1800.—

(Signed) Arthur Wellesley Col.

Extract of a Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Tolfrey to Captain Barclay, dated Paughur 3d. January 1800.—

This place as a Frontier Station, and the Head Quarters of a Corps may, perhaps, in point of Importance, be Classed as Parallel to Kistna-gherry, Sankerydroog, and Ryacotta, as they stood before the War, or to Imeiconda on the present Boundary.— hence the Supply of Ordnance with Laboratory Stores, the Establishment of Artificers and Lascars; and all Garrison Allowances as granted to those Stations will I trust be resolved, likewise whether I should fire a T. a Morning an Evening Gun and Salutes as occasion may offer.—

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Mean while, the Tent Lascars lately attached to the 1st of the 12th are retained by me as having been registered at the Military Board till I shall be instructed on the Number allowed to Paughurs and its dependencies, "Mutgheny and Merguasy".-

These must, here, even prove greatly essential to the Service of the Granaries and other Store Houses, in measuring, Airing, or, shifting of provisions, or, other Stores as the Service shall require from time to time, and to the Care and preservation of Camp Equipage. - The Rock, also demands that a proportion of them should be constantly employed in removing the long grass, and bushes with which various passages to the Numerous works and Lines are overgrown. - And, as, whatever be the Establish=ment, the Nature of this post inclines me to hope a Store Serjeant will, at least be allowed me, I here venture to recommend Serjeant Leonard of the 1st Battalion 12th Regiment N. I., to act as such during the Continuance of that Corps in the Garrison, and

districts

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districts dependant on it. - as a Man on whom the arrangement and Care of all Stores has, hitherto, in a great degree depended, and as being a deserving character for his attention and Steadiness in the &c. execution of every duty". -

A True Extract

Copy of a Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Saxon to the Honorable Colonel Wellesley - Commanding &c. &c.

dated Seringapatam 7th. January 1800-

Sir,

A Laboratory being much wanted, not only for this Garrison, but for the different Forts in the Mysore Country. -

I beg leave to recommend one with the Necessary establishment of Workmen, Lascars, &c. Artificers &c. The Number of each description to be determined on by the Military Board. -

I have likewise the Honor to forward you an Indent for Stores, Materials &c. for the use of the Laboratory, to be furnished from the Arsenal of

Fort

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Fort St. George. —

I have the Honor to be,
&c. — &c.

(Signed) G. Saxon
Lieut. Col. Commg. Artly

(A true Copy)

Order thereon.

Ordered that a copy of the above Letter be transmitted to the Military Board, and that they be directed to state their sentiments on the Subject.

The Secretary of Government

Sir,

From the Officer Commanding in Mysore - Encloses a list of additional pensions granted by him, in concert with the Resident

I have had the Honor to receive your letter of the 10th December and its inclosure. —

In consequence of a letter from Colonel Kirkpatrick dated August 24th 1799 I have in concert with Lieutenant Colonel Close granted Pensions as stated in the inclosed paper. —

I have the Honor to be
&c. — &c.

Seringapatam
January 9th 1800. — (Signed) Arthur Wellesley

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A List of Pensions from 4th. May granted—
by Colonel Wellesley in Consequence of a Letter from
Colonel Kirkpatrick dated August 24th. 1799.—

	Annually Rupees Cant. Pay.	Star Pay.	F.	C.
Abrahim Saheb	3600 .	1029 .	..	..
Ameen Saheb's Family	600 .	171 .	18 .	..
Meer Candie Ally	1400 .	400 .	..	..
Ferbeut Ally Khan's Family	1400 .	400 .	..	..
Divided as follows—				
Mahomed Reza — 200				
Bahir Saheb — 100				
Cazim Saheb — 100				
Zeinul ab deen Tahers Widow — 700	240	200 .	..	..
Seid Shah Abbas removed from Class N: 2, to family fund —	1021 .	291 .	30 .	..
	8721 .	2492 .	3 .	..

First

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First Class

Names	Annually Pr. Pay. P. 6	Remarks
Sheick Shah Ally	250 " "	From 1st of July 1799 formerly Killedar of Chittledroog, held out to him by proclamations of Commissioners
Goffar Khan	250 " "	D° D° D°

Second Class

Furkur Uldeen	350 " "	From 4th of May These were the Vaguels to Ponnah
Ahmed Khan	350 " "	
Hussein Ally Khan's family	400 " "	From 1st of May
Abdul Mahomed	150 " "	
Syed Ameen	260 30 "	

Fourth Class or

Nanpurveishean

Syed Gulam Mohy deen	100 "	
Mahomed Yaseen	50 " "	
	2106 30 "	

	C. P.	G. P.	C.
Addition to the Mosques in the Fort in Consequence of Colonel Kirkpatrick's Letter	1093 "	2	9

(Signed) Arthur Wellesley

Ordered

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Order thereon.—

Ordered that a copy of the above List of Pensions be transmitted to the Resident in Mysore, and that he be directed to make provision for the payment of the pensions, agreeably to the instructions of the Governor General.—

Read the following Letter from the Resident at Poonah.—

To G. Buchan Esqr.
Military Secretary
Fort St. George

Sir.

From the Resident at Poonah states that the Paishwa has positively refused to admit the establishment of a Topsal under his dominions.—

I have the Honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 10th. Instant, enclosing Extract of a Letter from the Resident in Mysore, accompanied with two Routes proposed for the establishment of a regular Post, between Seringpatam and this place.—

It is with concern, that I have to acquaint you in answer to the Right Honorable the Governor's desire to know my Sentiments on this Subject.

That the Paishwa has peremptorily refused my application made some time since, by order of the

Right

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Right Honorable the Governor General, for permission to establish a Post in his Territories, for the purpose of ready communication between this Quarter and our new acquired Possessions to the Southward. But no obstruction will be given by this Government, to occasional Correspondence by express Messengers. —

I have the Honour to be,

Poona
27th. December 1799. —

L.S. — — — L.S.

(Signed) Wm. Palmer
Resident

Order thereon. —

Ordered that a copy of the above letter be transmitted to Lieutenant Colonel Close; and that he be informed that the Board are concerned to observe that the plan recommended by him for establishing a Post from Mysoor to Poonah is rendered impracticable by the Paishwa's refusing his Concurrence.

Read the following Letters from the Resident at Tanjore. —

From the Resident at Tanjore stating the objections of Rajah Serfogee to relinquish the palace of Combaconum to Amersing. —

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

Sir.

I beg leave to report to you for the information

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information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, the result of my application to the Rajah, to &c allot the Palace at Condeconum for the future Residence of Amersing.—

The Rajah could not help expressing the great Concern He felt upon this occasion — He declared He was not unwilling to give up to the late &c Rajah one of His Palaces for his accommodation; but He was in a manner compelled to animadvert on the little degree of Delicacy observed by His application for His principal Palace because Amersing very well knew it it was not possible for the Rajah of the &c Country to relinquish Condeconum without divesting &c himself of the most sacred, the most honorable and the most eligible Palace, without the Walls of His Fort—

The Rajah appealed most forcibly to my knowledge of these Circumstances, and to my &c repeated assurances of the Promise of Government, that these places should be left at His entire disposal. —

His Excellency said He felt himself in the most painful

predicament

predicament accustomed as He is to consider the Governs
Wishes as Commands. —

I relieved the Rajah by assuring him the desire of His Lordship appeared by the Letters upon this Subject to go no further than to obtain a suitable Residence for the late Rajah, that Combe=
=conum was mentioned because it was Amersings request, but I was persuaded without knowing how painful it would be to His Excellency to part with it; and if He would have the goodness to assign any other of the Palaces which Amersing had formerly specified, the object of the Governor,, I was confident would be accomplished. — I then recapitulated the Palaces of Trivdore Mayaveram and Vidismaccoil — the latter it seems possesses all the advantages alluded to in the Governs Letter — it is besides a Palace that the late Rajah had resided in for several Days during a religious Procef=
=sion, it is situated in the most productive and beautiful part of the Tanjour Country and surrounded by the sacred Water of the Cavery. — His Excellency desired me to

make

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make an offer of this Palace and Garden to the late Rajah and I waited on Ameersing for that purpose - I was a little surprised to find Vedimaoid not acceptable and that none but the Palace of Combeconum would be now received by him - the late Rajah rested his arguments on the many superior advantages of that place and without adverting to Serfogee's prior claim He went over the same ground for the predilection that the Rajah had done for reserving it to himself - it can profess no one inducement to Ameersing that it does not hold forth and in a much greater degree to the Rajah of the Country whole the occupancy of it by the former would operate as a total preclusion of all that renders it preferable to Serfogee from its superior sanctity - it was in vain that I remarked to Ameersing that the same authority which secured to him His Pension confirmed the Rajah in his right to the Palaces, that the Surrender the Rajah was now making of His Power made him rather more tenacious of the next object of His Happiness - that in granting to him Vedimaoid, Serfogee had given to him the place

He

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He asked for, which afforded him and his Family all possible accommodation and left him not the slightest Plea to apply for the Palace of Condeconum.-

I should offer some Explanations in excuse to His Lordship for this failure to the full Extent of the order I received - if I did not hope that the Governor would believe that I had exerted myself in Amersing's behalf as far as recent Circumstances would admit, and if I had not reason to think that the late Rajah will be suitably established at Vellamacoil.-

I have the honor to be.

&c. - - - - &c.

Tanjour

29th. December 1799. - (Signed) Benj.n Torin

Resident

To Josiah Webbe Esqr.

Secretary to Government

Sir,

From the Resident at Tanjour - States that the Ratified Treaty of Tanjour has been delivered to his Excellency the Rajah - Gives a particular account of his interview with the Rajah regarding the division and future government of the Country.

I have the Honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 17th. December with the Enclosures - You will be pleased to inform the Right Honorable the Governor in Council that I waited on the

Rajah

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Rajah of Tanjour on the 30th. Ultimo the day His Excel-
-lency had appointed to receive the ratified Treaty from
the Right Honorable the Governor General, and had
the honor to present it to him in the presence of the Com-
-pany's Collectors the Mahratta Interpreter and of the Rajahs
principal Servants the whole of His Cutcherry being
assembled for the occasion — The Rajah informed me that
he had made arrangements for giving over charge of the
Country to the Company immediately, that the accounts of
Receipts and Disbursements of the present year had been
completed to the preceding day and might be easily
concluded. —

His Excellency then delivered to me
an abstract of these Accounts which I have handed over
to the Collectors to examine, and as soon as they report its
correctness, I shall have the honor of laying it before
Government — From that Hour the Rajah observed the
Country would be under the Company's Authority and as
he had formerly given to me a Note of some points of
importance to His Comforts He desired to know by what

means

means the Enjoyment of them was to be secured to him--

I remarked to the Rajah that I had been directed by Government to pay the utmost attention to his Accommodation and to meet His Excellency's wishes as far as possible – I therefore proposed that the Rajah should send one of his principal Servants to my House the next Morning when these points as well as the Arrangements for the Payment of His Proportion of the Revenues and for his Supplies from the Country might be settled with the Collector's Subject to the final approbation of Government. The Rajah acquiesced in this proposal and then sent for His Carbary or Principal Manager, informed him the transfer of the Country to the Company's Authority, ordered him to communicate it to all the Departments under His charge both in Town and Country, and enjoin them to pay prompt and perfect obedience to the Collectors – His Excellency then said He should be happy and at all times ready, to answer every Enquiry, promote every Investigation, and give all possible Information to the

Collectors

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Collectors upon all points whatever, both now and during the course of their future Management - He Expressed his perfect satisfaction in the appointment of Messrs. Grant and Harris and informed them that He should not recommend to them any of the Revenue Officers at present employed in the Country - in Justice to them He would observe they had served him with ability and He believed with Integrity but that the Collectors would Exercise their own Judgement in retaining them or dismissing them from their Offices.— I could not help expressing my satisfaction at the manner in which the Rajah conducted himself upon this occasion as well as in the preceding Negociations - I promised to communicate my Sentiments upon this point to Government and have no doubt but they will feel and applaud the Candor and propriety and Wisdom of His Excellency's Conduct--

I then observed to the Rajah that it was very desirable that the Inhabitants of the Country at large should be made to understand fully the

principles

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principles of the Arrangement that they might be con=
=vinced that it originated with His Excellency and the
Company, in an anxious sollicitute for their Wellfare and
Happiness, and be disposed in consequence to meet it with
Gratitude, and repose in its operation the confidence it
deserved - For this purpose Government had prepared a
proclamation which had been translated into the
Mahratta and Malabar Languages to be promulgated by
the Collectors and as the Union of Every Hand and Every
Head was desirable in this great work, I hoped His
Excellency would take some pains to explain these prin=
=ciples to all his People in order to convince them of His
own and the Company's attention to their wellfare to
conciliate their minds to the change that was to take
place, and enable them to understand the difference
between the present and every former Assumption. -
The Rajah assured me from the day on which the
Treaty was Executed that He had endeavoured con=
=tinually to impress His People with a just sense of the
principles on which it was founded, that He would

continue

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continue these Effects with unremitting Zeal, con-
-vinced that the complete success of the System would
be the best means of Establishing the permanent &
Prosperity of the Country and of promoting and con-
-firming His own Happiness - His hearty Cooperation
therefore might be securely relied on in every thing that
would tend to give Effect to the Arrangement. -

The Rajah then received a Copy of
the Proclamation, and two more were delivered to the
Collectors to be published in their respective Divisions.-

The Division of the Country into
two Collectorships has been a Subject of subsequent
consideration, and from the Experience of former &
years as well as recent Circumstances, it is thought
infinitely more convenient to devide the Country into
Northern, and Southern Departments, than to encounter
the Complaints of the Inhabitants, by placing the
Eastern Districts dependant on those to the Westward
for a fair and full distribution of Water - I send by
uniting the Trivady and Puttecota Soubahs with

Manargody

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Manargoody the Conduct and Preservation of the Rivers and Water Courses will be held under one authority; and that as the entire Cultivation of the Country depends on this essential Article, the Collector should be enabled to Exert his Influence to the common good, in the same manner the Water flows from Combecconum thro Mayaveram - the Revenue will besides, be more equally distributed by this allottment and the Inhabitants of each Division will be also in professcion of similar advantages in regard to their Export and Imports - a consideration of no small importance to the future Prosperity of this valuable Country - Messrs Grant and Harris acquiesce in these reasons for the above distribution of the Rajah's Soubahs and they have been delivered over to them accordingly. -

I am requested by the Rajah to enclose a Letter to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, and to inform you, that He proposes sending thro you a similar Letter to the

Governor

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Governor General. —

Before I conclude, I must request you will present my best acknowledgements to my Lord Clive, for the very handsome manner in which His Lordship has been pleased to express his own and the Governor Generals approbation of my services in bringing the projected Arrangements for the Tanjour Country to a happy conclusion. —

I have the honor to be,

&c. . . . &c.

Tanjour
4th. January 1800. — (Signed) Benjn. Torin
Resident

Minute thereon.

The Board are concerned that His Excellency Rajah Serfogee could not be persuaded to assign the palace of Combaconum for the accommodation of the Rajah Amer Sing; but deeming it incumbent on the present Rajah to allot a suitable place for that Prince, Resolved that the Resident be directed to invite Amer Sing to make his choice of the other palaces tendered by His Excellency. —

Resolved

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Resolved farther that the Resident be directed to express to His Excellency the Rajah, the desire of the Board that which ever of the palaces shall be selected by Amer Sing, may be put in a state of repair and convenience at the expence of the Circar, for the accomodation of that Prince.—

Resolved to inform Mr. Torin that the Board are entirely satisfied with the manner in which he has carried into execution the final arrangements connected with the Treaty of Tanjour.

An extract of Mr. Torin's letter sent to the Board of Revenue.—

Ordered that an extract of Mr. Torin's Letter, regarding the future settlement of the Tanjour Country be transmitted to the Board of Revenue, and that they be directed to take into consideration the suggestions of that Gentleman previously to their submitting to His Lordship in Council the final partition of the Country according to His Lordship's orders contained in the letter to them of the 17th December last.—

Read the following Letter from

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His Excellency the Governor of Ceylon. —

To the Right Honorable Lord Clive

Governor and President in Council

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My Lord,

From the Governor of Ceylon - Requests that a Supply of tents may be sent for the use of the Island of Ceylon, and states the number he is in want of - & Requests that the 51st Regiment may be embarked as soon as may be possible for Ceylon. -

The entire want of Camp Equipage here obliges me to address myself to your Lordship in Council, to request that you will have the goodness to furnish me with some supply in that Article from your Stores at Madras, with as little delay as you conveniently can. —

The quantity I am in want of — amounts as follows. —

Field officers Marquees	5
Captains and Subalterns	20
Necessary Tents	10
Private	80

I do not suppose that you can — immediately allow me so large a Supply, but I will request you to let me have as much of it as you can conveniently spare by the very first opportunity, and

at

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at the same time to hasten the departure of H. M.
51st. Regiment or of such other military force as your
Lordship may have destined for this Island. —

I have the honor to be.

Colombo
26th. December 1799. —

&c. &c. &c.
Frederic North

Order thereon.-

Ordered that an extract of the above letter be transmitted to the Military Board, and that they be directed to embark for Columbo as large a proportion of the tents required by His Excellency as the state of the Stores will allow, as soon as may be practicable. —

Read the following letter from the Military Auditor General. —

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

From the Military Auditor General - Refers to the decision of the Board - retrenchments amounting to pagodas 53. 4 - against Captain David Blair together with the balance of a retrenchment against Lieut. Colonel Coke the particular nature of which is fully explained. -

My Lord,

I have the honor to refer to the

Decision of your Lordship in Council, a Retrenchment

confirmed on Reaudit of the allowance of an Acting

Sergeant

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Sergeant Major to the Garrison of Pondicherry in the Months of September, October, and November 1797, and of a charge for Killing Pariah Dogs at that Station, between the Months of September and December in the same year, both amounting to Pagodas 53-4-, which I have not considered myself at liberty to admit without the sanction of Government, as no authority inferior to that of the Commander in Chief can be taken in this office for the appointment of Garrison Staff Serjeants, and as the charge of Killing Pariah Dogs has been usually submitted to Government and when allowed, Certified upon Honor by the Officer making it. - Having received at the same time with the accompanying Letter from Captain Blair, late Town Major of Pondicherry, one addressed to me by Major General Braithwaite, confirming the circumstances stated in the former with respect to the charges Retrenched, I have thought it necessary to enclose a copy of the same, as the most satisfactory explanation that can be given on the Subject. -

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2 I beg leave to submit to your Lord=
=ship's consideration the following circumstances regarding
a Retrenchment charged against Lieutenant Colonel
Coke for the Sum of Pagodas 290. 23.., which he had
drawn in the abstracts of the late 16th. Battalion of Native
Infantry for the Months of November and December
1794, on account of a number of Sepoys who were sent
from that Corps to the Presidency to be brought before
the Invaliding Committee.— It was at that time the
practice for Officers Commanding Corps to draw for
the whole in one Abstract, and to arrange for the
payment of those who were detached, but the Fort
Adjutant, in the absence of Major Allan, the T.
Town Major of Fort St. George, in consequence no
doubt of a representation on the part of the Sepoys that
they had not received their pay, drew it again for
them at Madras for the same Months, which being
discovered on the Audit of the Accounts of the T.
Paymaster at the Presidency, the Fort Adjutant,
acting for the Town Major, was charged with the

Retrenchment

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Retrenchment.- It appears that the latter in the Month of January 1795 communicated the same to Lieutenant Colonel (then Captain) Coke, requiring that he would reimburse him in the Sum of Pagodas 290.23- which he had drawn and paid to the Sepoys in question, for the Months of November and December, but omitted to state the proportion drawn for the succeeding Month.- Captain Coke knowing that the Money had been &. drawn in his abstracts, immediately answered this &. application on the 9th. August 1795. by saying, that he was ready to pay it upon a receipt being sent to him for the Amount. In this situation the matter remained until the Readit of Mr. Cochrane's Accounts had &. confirmed the Retrenchment relieving the Town Major however from his responsibility, and transferring it to Captain Coke in consequence of the written promise of payment made by him to Lieutenant Averell.- He was accordingly applied to by Mr. Cochrane for the &. Amount, but has declined paying it, asserting, that the money when drawn in his abstract had been delivered

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to the Vakeel of the Battalion for the purpose of being paid to the Families of the Sepoys then at Vellore - that althó he had promised Lieutenant Averell to make it good on the supposition that he should have been able to recover it on the return of the Vakeel who was then absent by Sickness, the death of the latter soon after had put it entirely out of his power: - that notwithstanding this dis= =appointment he had without hesitation, rather than have the matter refered to Government, paid the Sum drawn for the first Month, amounting to Pagodas 145-11-10: but that as he solemnly declares upon his honor that no part of the money came into his hands, he trusts to the liberality of your Lordships in Council to relieve him from the remainder and not to hold him to an engagement, which he made under expectations which have never been realized. — This being the actual state of the question on both sides, I request your Lordship's Ins= =tructions whether the whole of the Retrenchment against Lieutenant Colonel Coke Viz.t Pagodas 290-23. shall be enforced, or if under the circumstances above stated

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he shall be exempted from paying more than the sum which he has already made good. –

I have the honor to be with great respect.

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&c.ª ---- &c.ª

(Signed) W. Sydenham
Military Auditor General.

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

My Lord,

Being on reaudit of the Military Paymaster's accounts at Pondicherry by the Military Auditor General of Fort St. George, ordered to pay the undermentioned Sums on retrenchment. –

	Pag.ª	F.
For the pay of Acting Serjeant Major Rice from 16th. to 31st. August 1797 --	2.	–
For the pay of Acting Serjeant Major Robinson for September and October 1797	8.	–
For the allowance of one Pondicherry Sanam each for Killing 1157 Pariah dogs Between 22d. September & 31st. Decr. 1797 ---	43.	4. –

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I accordingly immediately sub-
-mitted, by paying the Sum I was retrenched into Mr.
Edwd. Atkinson Military Paymaster General of this
Island. —

I however having as Town Major
of Pondicherry only been the instrument of the Com-
-manding Officer for the drawing the above allowances,
humbly consider the retrenchment should not fall on
me, for the orders given by my Commandant, I
therefore humbly entreat your Lordship in Council to
take my case into consideration and to afford me
relief by ordering the money I have paid into Mr.
Atkinson Pagodas fifty three and four fanams, to
be repaid to me. —

On my paying the money to
Mr. Atkinson, I wrote to Captain R. M. Grant the
present Commandant of Pondicherry to solicit his
furnishing me with official copies of the Secretary of
Governments letter to Colonel Floyd allowing pay to be
drawn for a Sergeant Major, and the Cantonment

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orders on the arrival of H. M. 72d. Regiment, and its being relieved by H. M. 36th. Regiment wherein the Serjeant Majors of those two Regiments were appointed to act as Cantonment Serjeant Majors, likewise the copy of the order for Killing dogs, in consequence of many dogs having become mad being left without food by three Corps that had embarked at Pondicherry. — Captain Grant not having the publick books of Pondicherry in his posession, I have entreated Mr. &c. Paymaster Skardon to forward to your Lordship in Council with this Letter, the papers I originally &c. forwarded to him, with my replies to the Military Auditor Generals Remarks on the first Audit being communicated to me, and I hope your Lordship in Council will forgive my intrusion, in stating my case at such full length having the honor to be with the greatest respect.-

&c. ---- ---- &c.

Columbo
1st. November 1799. —

(Signed) David Blair
Captain 1st. B.n 12th. R.t N. I.
and formerly Town Major of
Pondicherry. —

To

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To Major General Sydenham

Military Auditor General

Sir,

Captain David Blair formerly Town Major in Pondicherry, having applied to me in consequence of the refund which you have directed him to be called upon for; I can and do Certify as the Com=mandant of the Cantonment of Pondicherry, although I was not personally present there at the time the disburse=ments were made which he has been called upon to refund, that they were actually and necessarily made.-

Government had originally authorized a Serjeant Major for that Cantonment, and it then fell to the Commander in Chief to make the appointment, but it has been the allowed practice there for the Commanding Officer actually present, to appoint in the event of a vacancy a good Serjeant from the European Corps in the Cantonment to do that duty, and to report the same to head Quarters, and the appointment not being objected to was considered as valid and pay

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drawn for the man accordingly – this I believe has been the invariable practice since Pondicherry was captured, while I commanded the Army and since when I was ordered from my Command at Pondi=
=cherry to the Presidency to prepare and embark the Ordnance Stores and Ammunition for the Manilla Expedition, the Command devolved upon Lieutenant Colonel Fraser who had lately arrived there with His Majesty's 72d. Regiment to relieve my Regiment which was to serve on the Expedition and which very shortly after embarked and with it the Serjeant Major of the Cantonment, who was a Serjeant in it, and Lieutenant Colonel Fraser appointed a Serjeant from his Majesty's 72d. in his room – not long after that Regiment was drafted and embarked for Europe, and was succeeded by his Majesty's 36th. Regiment under the Command of Colonel Mc. Donall, on whom the Command of the Cantonment devolved and he ap=
=pointed a Serjeant of his Majesty's 36th. Regiment to succeed the Serjeant Major who had embarked with

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the 72d these appointments were of course reported to head Quarters, and not being objected to, the pay was drawn for the men, and these are precisely the two Men whose pay Captain Blair who was then Town Major at Pondicherry has been ordered to refund.

In regard to the charge for killing mad Dogs, I do not recollect whether it was Lieutenant Colonel Fraser or Colonel McDonall, who then Commanded, but it was one of these Officers and he reported the circumstance to me as a Case of actual emergency; several persons having been bitten before he issued the order. I informed him in reply that it was usual to obtain the sanction of Government previous to making such a charge but as it was a case of emer=-gency, I trusted the now reporting it to Government would be sufficient, and I received an answer to say, that had been done.-

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

Madras
November 19th 1799.-

(Signed) John Brathwaite

A true Copy
(Signed) W. Sydenham
Military Audr. General
Under

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Resolutions thereon. -

Under the circumstances stated regarding the retrenchment against Captain David Blair. Resolved. that the retrenchment be remitted. -

Resolved also that the Balance of the retrenchment against Lieutenant Colonel Coke be remitted. -

Read the following Letter from Mr. Kindersley. -

Josiah Webbe Esqr.
Secretary to Government

Sir.

From Mr. Kindersley attorney to Mr. Digby - forwards an address from Mr. Digby, Paymaster with Colonel Fullarton's Army on the Subject of a retrenchment paid by him which he states himself able to explain in a satisfactory manner. -

By desire of Mr. Hamilton Digby formerly Paymaster of the Southern Army, I have the honor to enclose an address from him to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council on a Subject of a Claim of his, for the return with Interest, of a Sum he was obliged by Audit to repay to the Honorable Company, tho' the Charge proved afterwards to have been sanctioned by the "express desire" of the Commander in Chief. As this precis, and that of the -

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Rates charged, has been cleared up the number only of Bullocks paid for by Mr. Digby remains to be accounted for. On this subject, he has not only referred to the actual Vouchers transmitted by the Auditor himself to the Military Paymaster General (the production of which therefore, rests not with Mr. Digby) but to his own rough Drafts of them (attested on Oath,) which if the Originals are not forthcoming are now in my hands ready to be produced when required. -

I request when Government have satisfied themselves of the Justice of Mr. Digby's claim, that they will be pleased to direct the amount with Interest to be paid to me, or to Messrs. Harington, Watts and Co. -

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

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(Signed) N. E. Kindersley
Attorney for H. Digby

Minute thereon.

Resolved to inform Mr. Kindersley that the Board cannot receive the address of Mr. Digby

other

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who is in England; and that the address be accordingly returned.—

Read the following Letter from

Lieutenant Colonel Doveton.—

To Josiah Webbe Esqr.

Secretary to the Government

Sir,

From Lieutenant Colonel Doveton— Encloses an Account of Sicca rupees received from the Paymaster in the Baramahal agreeably to orders from the Governor General, for sundry disbursements.—

I have the honour to acquaint you that I lately transmitted to Lieutenant Colonel Kirkpatrick for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor General an account of my disbursement of the Cash, which, in consequence of your letter of the 29th of May last, I received from the Paymaster in the Ceded Districts,— and I requested to obtain His Lordship's Orders respecting the disposal of the balance which is still in my hands—

I have now through Colonel Kirkpatrick received His Lordship's orders to transmit the Account &c. to you,— and an intimation that I should thereupon obtain— instructions relative to the disposal of the balance.—

Agreeably to His Lordship's directions the Account is herewith transmitted.—

I have the honour to &c.

&c. — — — — &c.

Vellore
December 26th. 1799.—

(Signed) G. Doveton
Lt. Col.

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Dr. Lieutenant Colonel Doveton In.

1799					
May	10th.	To Cash paid on account of Purdahs. Tails, Repairs &c. of the Houses intended for the Accomodation of the Right Honorable the Governor General and of Lord Clive, Rupees 179. 9. 38 a. 350 Rupt. Ff.			51. 15. 72
	24	To Ditto paid 20 Peons and 1 Duffadar of Tinnavanaich who proceeded with Mr. Wellesley and Colonel Kirkpatrick to Seringapatam R. 32 at D.			9. 6. 34
		To D. paid Mr. Wellesley and Colonel Kirkpatrick Sultaun R. 200 or Arc. 224. 6. 12 at D.			64. 6. 12
	26	To D. paid Sidi Yacob, Rusaldar of the Mahay horse, as Ff. Receipt R. 450 a. D.			128. 26.
June	4	To D. paid Chittambara Moodely Dubash to Mr. Wellesley R. 35 a. d. as Ff. Receipts			10. " "
July	28	To D. paid Kiricarrah Sastria on account of Pallankeen Boys posted for Mr. Wellesley and Col. Kirkpatrick Rupt. 59. 9. 34 at d.			17. 3. "
		To D. paid Kistna Sing Darogah, who attended Mr. Wellesley, and Colonel Kirkpatrick at Seringapatam from 27th. May to 24th. July at 15 Pag. Ff Mo. is R. 105 a. d.			30. " "
		To D. paid Roop Sing Kiricarrah d. - - d. at 5 Pag. Ff Month is Rupt. 35 at d.			10. " "
					320. 12. 38
		To Balance			179. 32. 42
				Pagodas	500. " "

(Signed) G.

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1799			
July 16th	By Cash received from Mr. Burlton Paymaster of the Ceded Districts by order of the Right Honorable the Governor General		500.. ..
		Pagodas	500.. ..

Vellore 31st July 1799.

Doveton
Lt Col.

Resolved

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Resolution thereon.-

Resolved that Lieutenant Colonel Doveton be directed to transfer the Balance of Pagodas 179" 32.42 to the Fund for the payment of the Stipends; and that the Accountant General be directed to make a finial adjustment of the expenses stated in the above account.

Extract from the Minutes of C. Council dated 14th. January 1800.-

Read the following Letter from the Military Auditor General.-

The Right Honorable Lord Clive

President and Governor in Council.

My Lord. Fort St. George

From the Military Auditor General Reports on the claim preferred by the Commissaries for the public property at Malacca for an 8 per Cent bond for the sum of Pag.s 505.9.31.40. and States that the claim is correct.

I In reply to the paragraph of Mr. C. Secretary Webbe's Letter dated 25th. November 1799 referring to my examination and report copy of a Letter from one of the Commissioners of Public Property captured at Malacca with the several Vouchers connected therewith, I have the honor to state, that the whole of the charges contained in the Account of the Prize Agents are supported by corresponding Vouchers.- Of the Total amount (Spanish

Dollars

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Dollars 6531.. 10½) - the Sums of 3736.. 37½ were advances to the Paymaster of Malacca for which Credit has been given in their Accounts. - the remaining Sum of S. Dollars 2794.. 41 - are for payments said to have been made under the authority of His Excellency Vice Admiral Rainier to the Dutch Civil and Military Establishments at that Settlement for the Month of December 1795, and those payments appear to have been sanctioned by a Com= =mittee appointed on the 6th. January 1796 by the Admiral, of which the late Lieutenant Colonel Parr was President, for deciding on the allowances of the Dutch Civil and Military Servants who were before under the Dutch Government, and which allowances after the 1st. of the latter Month were regularly entered in the Accounts Disburse= =ments of the Paymaster. -

2 It is proper also to state, that Interest at 8 ℘ Cent has been charged on the several Sums from the date of payment to the 19th. November 1799 amounting to Spanish Dollars 1058.. 33 - which, if allowed, will be carried, I presume, to the head of General Books, as the

principal

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principal must to that of Expedition against the Dutch Settlements. — The Total Amount of the Bill of the Prize Agent with the above Interest is Spanish Dollars 7589. 43 1/2 or, at the established Exchange, Pagodas 5059. 31. 40. —

I have the honor to be with great respect. —

&c. — — — — &c.

(Signed) W. Sydenham
Military Auditor General

Military Auditor Generals Office
Fort St. George
10th. January 1800. —

Ordered that a bond to the Amount of Pagodas 5059. 31. 40 - bearing eight per Cent interest be issued to the Commissaries for the public property captured at Malacca; the principal Sum being Pagodas 4354. 4. 25 to be debited to "Expedition against the Dutch Settlements", and the remainder being pagodas 705. 27. 47 - to be carried to the head of Interest Account in the books of the treasury. — /

Ordering an 8 per Cent Bond for Pag.: 5059: 31. 40 to be made out in favor of the Commissaries for the public property at Malacca. To be dated 19th. November 1799. —

Ordered that the Bond be dated 19th. November 1799. —

On

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Minute on the Departure of the Commander in Chief for England.-

On the occasion of the departure of the Commander in Chief the Board feel it difficult to restrain the expression of those sentiments of gratitude and admiration to which the brilliant and important successes of the British Arms under his Excellency's auspices must give rise; but Lieutenant General Harris is about to present himself to his Country on a wider sphere, & where the fame of his atchievements will have been proclaimed by the voice of public gratitude, and the consideration of local circumstances cannot increase the glory of the conquest of Mysoor.—

The Board however trust that His Excellency will permit them to convey to the Honorable Court of Directors the sentiments of esteem and friendship for a colleague with whom they have had the satisfaction of preserving the utmost degree of cordiality, and of receiving the most honorable cooperation in those measures which

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have added so much lustre, and such permanent advantages to the British Empire in India.

" Close

" Wm Petrie

" Ch Sudlofield

H Wellesley
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Diary

Received and sent the undermentioned

Letters entered on Mss. Nos 52-53.

From the Officer Commanding in Mysoor.

From the Honorable Colonel Wellesley -

Transmits copies of orders published by him. -

To the Persian Translator at Bengal.

To W. N. B. Edmonstone - Enclosing a ..... Kheeta from the Rajah of Tanjour to the Governor General. -

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Sent the following Letters

To Benjamin Torin Esq.

Resident at Tanjour

Sir.

I have received your letters of the 29th ultimo and 4th Instant, which have been submitted to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council. -

To the Resident at Tanjore - The Board regret that the Rajah cannot be persuaded to assign the palace of Combaconum to Amer Sing, who must be invited to make his choice of the other palaces tendered by his Excellency - the palace elected by Amer Sing to be rendered suitable for his accomodation at the expence of the Circar - The Resident to conduct in carrying into effect the final arrangement of the treaty approved

His Lordship is concerned that His Excellency the Rajah Sherfogee could not be persuaded to assign the palace of Combaconum for the accomodation of the Rajah Amer Sing; but deeming it incumbent on the present Rajah to allot a suitable place for that Prince, -

His Lordship directs you to invite Amer Sing to make his

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choice of the other palaces tendered by His Excellency -

The Governor in Council further directs you, to communicate to His Excellency the Rajah His Lordship's wish that which ever of the palaces, shall be selected by Amer Sing, may be put in a State of repair and convenience at the expense of the Sircar for the accomodation of that Prince. -

The Governor in Council is entirely satisfied with the manner, in which you have carried into execution the final arrangements connected with the treaty of Tanjour. -

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen
Your most obedient
Humble Servant
(Signed) J. Webbe Secy to Govt

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To William Petrie Esqr
President &c. Members of the
Board of Revenue

To the Board of Revenue Enclosing further consideration extract of a letter from the Resident at Tanjore previously to their submitting to the Board the final partition of the Tanjour Country.

Gentlemen,

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

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extract of a Letter from the Resident at Tanjour and to desire, that you will take the suggestions of Mr. Torin into consideration previously to your submitting to his Lordship in Council, the final partition of the Country according to his Lordship's orders contained in my Letter of the 17th. December last. —

I have the honor to be,

&c. &c. &c.

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(Signed) J. Webbe Secy to Govt.

To Major General Sydenham

Military Auditor General

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 14th Instant. —

Under the circumstances stated —

regarding the retrenchment against Captain Blair —

amounting to Pagodas 53. 4 —, His Lordship in Council is pleased to remit the retrenchment, and His Lordship is also pleased to remit the balance of the retrenchment against Lieutenant Colonel Coke. —

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To the Military Auditor General — The retrenchment of Pag.s 53. 4 — against Captain David Blair remitted; together with the balance of a retrenchment against Lieutenant Colonel Coke — Copies of orders published by the Honorable Colonel Wellesley enclosed — To authorize an advance of pagodas 584: 15: 58 to the Superintending Engineer. —

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I have the honor to enclose copies of orders published by the Honorable Colonel Wellesley, which have been confirmed by the Governor in Council.

His Lordship in Council desires, that you will authorize an advance of five hundred, and eighty four pagodas, fifteen fanams, fifty eight cash / 584" 15. 58 / to the Superintending Engineer on account of repairs to the Artillery Barracks at St. Thomas's Mount.

I have the honor to be,

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&c. ---- &c.

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

Sent the undermentioned Letters entered in MSS. Nos. 54-55-56-57-58-59-60-61-62-63-64-

To the Resident at Mysoor.

To Lieutenant Colonel Close - Enclosing copy of a Letter from the Resident at Poonah regarding the refusal of the Paishwa to admit the establishment of a vaqeel in his dominions.

To the Resident in Mysoor.

To Lieutenant Colonel Close - Enclosing a list of additional pensions granted by Colonel Wellesley and directing him to provide for the payment of them.

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To the officer commanding in Mysoor.

To Colonel Wellesley — The President in Mysoor has been furnished with instructions for the payment of the pensions recommended in his Letter of the 9th Instant. —

To Mr. Henderley — Mr. Digby being in

To Mr. N. E. Henderley.

England the Board cannot receive his address. —

To Lieutenant Colonel Doveton —

To the Commandt at Vellore.

authorizing him to order the repairs which may be necessary to the quarters of the Commandant and of the Paymaster at Vellore. — 58

To Lieutenant Colonel Sentleger — directing

To the Commandt at Arcot.

him to apply to the Garrison Storekeeper for grain, for the use of the troops, if necessary — The Board cannot interfere with the duties levied by the Nabob within His Highness's

Dominions. — 59

To Lieutenant Colonel Saxon — His

To Lieutenant Colonel Saxon at Seringapatam.

address to the Court of Directors should have been transmitted to the Board through the Commander in Chief — and it is therefore returned. —

To Mr. John Broumker — an 8 per Cent

To Mr. John Broumker, one of the Commissioners for the public property at Madura.

bond of this Government for Pagodas 5059. 31. 40 — will be

issued

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16th issued agreeably to his application of the 19th. November.

To the Secretary at Bombay — To W. Richards — Referring to the consideration of the Governor in Council at Bombay the expediency of complying with the application of the Rajah of Cutch for two 12 pounder guns. —

To the officer Commanding the Northern Division — To Colonel Vigors — The escort from whom Dundial sing effected his escape, have been ordered to Masulipatam under a guard for the purpose of being brought to trial. —

To the Military Board — To the Military Board — Enclosing Extract of a Letter from the Governor of Ceylon, and directing that as large a proportion of the tents required by His Excellency as may be possible, be forwarded to Ceylon. —

17th Sent the following Letter. —

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

Gentlemen,

To the Military Board — It is at present deemed unnecessary to incur any expence for the repair of the fortifications at Malacca, but

We have received your Letters of the 7th Instant. —

Sir

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In the present situation of public affairs, We deem it unnecessary to incur any expense for the repair of the fortifications of Malacca, but we authorize you to afford the Officer Commanding that place such assistance of gun carriages as may be judged absolutely necessary to protect him from any desultory molestation of the enemy.

We do not think it expedient to incur the expense of additional measuring Servants in the Bara Mahal; but we desire that the whole of the grain now under charge of the Storekeeper, may be disposed of on the most advantageous terms for the Company under such orders as you may think it right to issue for the measurement of the grain.

We desire that the Ghee in Store at Trichinopoly may be immediately disposed of.

We desire that you will issue orders to the late Principal Agent for draft and carriage Cattle for the adjustment of the Accounts of the Maistries and owners above the Ghauts conformable to the mode

you

but such gun carriages as may be judged absolutely necessary to be sent there. No extra expence can be allowed for measuring Servants in the Baramahal. Let the whole of the grain under charge of the garrison Storekeeper to be disposed of. The Ghee in Store at Trichinopoly to be disposed of. They are to give orders for the adjustment of the accounts of the Owners of Bullocks above the Ghauts - Copy of a Letter from Colonel Wellesley regarding the Military Stores in different forts in Mysoor and the establishing a Laboratory at Seringapatam enclosed, for their sentiments on the subject. -

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you have recommended. —

We inclose copy of a Letter from the Officer Commanding in Mysoor relative to the preservation of the Military Stores and to the Esta=blishment of a Laboratory at Seringapatam, on which subjects we are desirous of receiving your Sentiments.—

We are,

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&c.ª &c.ª &c.ª

(Signed) Clive &c.ª Council

Sent the undermentioned Letters entered in MB. Nos 65-66-67. —

To the Secretary at Bombay.

To Mr Richards — Orders were given on application from Lieutenant General Stuart to prepare patterns of garrison and field gun carriages, complete, which will be forwarded to Bombay as soon as may be possible. —

To the Superintendant of the Observatory.

To Mr I Goldingham — directing him to deliver different instruments from the Observatory to Major Wm Lambton. —

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To Captains Cumberledge and White

To the Commanders of the Ships Marquis of Cornwallis and Marquis of Lansdown.

— Referring them to the Town Major for a particular account of the Invalids to be embarked on their Ships for England. —

18th

Sent the undermentioned Letters entered in MB. Nos. 68-69. —

To Major General Sydenham directing him to authorize an allowance of fifteen pagodas to Captain Lemerick for a Writer during the sitting of the Court of Enquiry lately held at Trichinopoly — 68

To the Military Auditor General.

To Lieutenant Colonel Doveton. The Balance of pagodas 179. 32. 42, remaining in his hands agreeably to the Statement enclosed in his Letter of the 26th ultimo to be transferred to the fund, for the payment of the Stipends — The Accountant General has been furnished with instructions to adjust the account — 69

To Lieutenant Colonel Doveton.

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Sent a Letter to Lieutenant Colonel Doveton entered in MB. No. 70 — Informing him that the Sum of Pagodas 17,200 has been dispatched from the Presidency for the payment of the Stipends. — 70

To the Paymaster of the Stipends at Vellour.

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Sent a Letter to Major General Sydenham entered in MB. No. 71 Enclosing a List of Native troops of this Establishment conveyed on the Manships from Calcutta, and directing that their passage may be paid for at a reasonable rate - An advance of four Months Subsistence to be paid to the Invalids of His Majestys Regiments about to be embarked on the Ships under dispatch. —

To the Military Auditor General.

20th

The Draft General Letters in the Military, Political and Secret Departments to go by the Manships having been sent in Circulation for the perusal of the Members of Council and approved and Ordered to be copied fair and the Packets to be closed on the 22d Instant.

The Draft General Letters in the Military Political and Secret Departments, read approved and ordered to be Dispatched --

At a Consultation

Present

The Right Honorable Lord Clive

Governor and President

Lieutenant General Harris

Commander in Chief

William Petrie and Ernst William Tallofield } Esqrs

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Minutes of last Consultation read and approved.—

The President lays before the Board the following letter from His Highness the Nabob (also entered in C.C. N° 1.)—

Translation of a Letter

From His Highness the Nabob of the Carnatic &c &c &c &c

To the Right Honble Lord Clive Governor of Fort St. George

Dated and Received 15th January 1800

From the Nabob— Replies to the letter to him on the subject of the claims of Sir Paul Sodrell and Major General Sydenham against His Highness.

I have received your Lordship's Letter of the 24th ultimo, and am acquainted with the Contents.— On no occasion, in the long Correspondence which I have held with your Lordship, have I begun to write with feelings more agitated, or with a hand so tremulous, I have been told; my Lord, and in an official Paper, that the Conduct of my private affairs has given so great occasion of offence to the Government of Madras; that they have felt themselves obliged to represent it, not only to the Company, but to the Ministers of his Britannic Majesty; and, as your Lordship says, in the manner which it merited. I am not

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aware, my Lord, how my private Demeanour or moral Character could possibly be an object of Investigation or Discussion with the Company, the Government, or any else; except indeed with one, to whom Sovereigns, as well as the lowest Subjects in their Dominions, must render a just account of their Actions - And yet I am accused of the Non observance of my word - and of a general and unqualified Disregard of the Calls of Justice and Humanity - a charge, which has been urged against me in terms the most galling and aggravated; and has been forwarded to a distant World, without any Communication made to me of its Contents, and without any opportunity of Explanation or Excuse, if such indeed had been necessary

I have entered into Engagements, as your Lordship has acquainted me, for the Discharge of the Claims of Sir Paul Joddrell, and General Sydenham; and at the Instance and request of the Government - the validity of these Claims I have never questioned, nor the obligation which they impose - Being sensible that they ought to have been discharged, I am concerned that they

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stand, as at present, without Satisfaction. But Accidents have intervened, and prevented the Performance of what I stipulated – and in all Promises, my Lord, the Ability or inability to perform them is always in the Contemplation of both Parties; and if any thing should occur to weaken or lessen such ability, the Performance cannot fairly or reasonably be expected. –

When I made an Arrangement for the Payment of the Debts of the Individuals, whom I have mentioned, I had a full Conviction that I should realize the usual Product of my Countries and the Ordinary Amount of their Revenues; and I might have indulged, on Grounds not unreasonable, even further Expectations. But from the failure of Rain in the two preceding Seasons, and the loss of the Services of Cattle for the Purposes of Cultivation, owing to the Exigency of the past War; I have been most seriously disappointed; and I might with Justice have added, that besides these accidental Impediments, I have had to encounter other difficulties, arising on the part of the Company's Servants

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with which your Lordship cannot be unacquainted.

These unfortunate Circumstances deprived me of the means of satisfying not only the Claims of the Gentlemen in Question, but those of many others, who might look with equal right to the liquidation of their Demands, I am however obliged, with a Mind not a little anxious and wounded, to delay the Discharge of their Claims, until my Revenues shall be so far productive, as to enable me to provide for them. I did hope that, adverting to these Circumstances, and how large a Part of my Revenues is set aside for the Purposes of the State and the Payment of a large Arrear of Debt, incurred by my Royal Predecessor: my Creditors would have ceased to urge their Demands, until my Affairs should wear a more favorable aspect. And I have some Consolation in knowing, that the greater part of them, have acknowledged the force and weight of these Considerations. I need not apprize your Lordship of the Effect which this generous Conduct has produced on me. I have sufficient before me to deter

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me from the Communication of any new assurances on this Business, or in respect to the Plans which may have been devised and adopted for this desirable Purpose. —

I have made the preceding Statement with the sole view that your Lordship may explain to Sir Paul Joddrell and General Sydenham, in whose behalf your Lordship and the Court of Directors have been pleased to interest yourselves, that I am not unmindful of their demands — and shall take the earliest means in my Power to arrange and settle them. —

To that part of your Lordship's Letter — which conveys to me a recommendation from the Court of Directors, "that I will pay more regard to my "Services and voluntary Engagements, or expect Conse- "=quences which, as an old and firm ally, I cannot but "deem fearful," I must beg through the Medium of your Lordship's good offices to reply — And I am confident that your Lordship, who has faithfully communicated their disposition and Pleasure to me, will also do me the plain act of Justice to signify to them. —

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That, when I made the Government of Madras a Party to my Agrument with Sir Paul Joddrell and General Sydenham, I calculated on the common Revenues of my Countries - And the fulfillment of the Company's Engagements to me. I concluded, that I should never have to lament the defalcation of nearly 3 Lacks of Pagodas, which have gone into the Treasury of the Company, from my Proportion in the Pearl Fishery - That I should not have to complain of the non Receipt of the Overplus, on the Estimated Revenues of the Ramnaud, for which the late Governor, my Lord Hobart, solemnly engaged himself by Treaty to account - That my Claim respecting the Peshcash of Madras would not be disputed - And that the Improvement in the Posessions of the Southern Poligars, as by the Treaty it ought, would go to the advancement of my Revenues, - But in all of these fruitful Sources of Revenue I have been deceived and misled. - And if, from the Deprivation of these advantages, and from the other Causes enumerated,

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I have been compelled to neglect the Claims of Indivi-
duals, the fault, as I apprehend, is not so much in me
as in them. — It is related "That when Joseph, the
"beloved Son of the Patriarch Jacob, was lost, and the
"Parent was offering up his Prayers to the Almighty, the
"remembrance of his favorite Son intruded upon his
"mind; — he heard a voice the voice of the Deity saying,
"Jacob, Jacob, In your devotions to me think not of any
"other." — but Jacob could not refrain a second time from
"the recollection of his Son, when his Ideas were turned
"towards the Deity: thereupon, the Almighty offended, said,
"if you again think of your Son, I shall consider you as
"my Enemy — Jacob, however, could not exclude the idea
"of his Son from his Prayers: The Deity became more
"displeased — Jacob said he was convinced, that the Almighty
"was graciously disposed to him, by reason of his displeasure
"and taking a handful of Earth, he put it in his mouth,
"saying, if I be guilty of this weakness again, let the
"Divine anger fall on me. Yet on his Devotions returning,
"the Memory of his Son recurring to his mind, he
humbled

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"humbled himself to the Ground, and with Tears exclaimed
"ah Lord! I must complain of thy Severity in forbidding
"me to cherish the Remembrance of my Beloved Child!
"a Mild and gentle voice, assured him Jacob, your
"Conduct has moved me to Compassion. - Be comforted!
"if your Son were reduced to ashes, and these were dis-
"persed through the 4 Quarters of the Heavens, I will
"reunite the atoms, reanimate, and restore them to your
"Arms - you shall see your Son again with your own Eyes."
- Needs there any application? - If the Company have
occurred to me at Seasons, when they ought not, if their
claims have interfered with Superior Demands - and if
out of Affection and attachment, they have Sometimes
before the obligations of Justice, Religion, and right,
- They, of all others, should not accuse or denounce my
Partiality. -

From the mind of his Majesty
the King of Great Britain, I would hope that I shall
find no difficulty to remove any ill Impression, enjoying
as I do his Majesty's sincere Friendship and being

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sensible of the Purity and Integrity of his Heart nor will I suffer myself to remain, from the want of an immediate Explanation, under any momentary disesteem. —

If any expressions have escaped me, which may give personal uneasiness to your Lordship, I shall be much concerned; having an unfeigned regard for the public and private character of your Lordship: you will therefore overlook any hasty Impression or the Effect of it, in considering - That my Rank and Station have unfitted me for Remonstrance - and my years have generally saved me from the bitterness of Reproach. —

What should I write more. -

a true translation

(Signed) A. Falconar
Pr. Fr. to Govt.

Order thereon

Resolved that a copy of His Highness's letter be transmitted to the Honble Court of Directors by the present dispatch. —

His Lordship also lays before the Board the following letter from Sir Paul Jodrell. -

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To Josh. Webbe Esqr.

Secretary to Government &c &c &c

Sir,

From Sir Paul Jodrell - States that he has reason to be well assured that the Nabob will not comply with the application recently made to His Highness in his behalf, and expresses a hope that measures may be taken to enforce the payment of his demand - Requests that he may be allowed an additional allowance of 100 pagodas per month. -

I request that you will do me the &c Honor to inform the Right Honorable Governor in Council, that his Highness the Nabob having neglected, in the &c payment of his last Kist, to shew due attention to the Letter addressed to Him by Government containing the late Instructions of the Honorable Court of Directors in my behalf; and as I have reason to be well assured that his Highness will continue to disregard every application of this nature, either from the Honorable Court of Directors or from Government; I take the Liberty to request that the Right Honorable Governor in Council would be &c pleased to adopt such Measures as he thinks would be agreeable to the Honorable Court of Directors and his Majesty's Ministers, in order to enforce the payment of my demand with the ensuing Kists: And I am the more emboldened to make this request, as there is a Precedent of such Measures in the Case of Mr. Sullivan.

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If however the Right Honorable Governor in Council should be of opinion that He is not authorized from the Instructions which He has already received from the Honorable Court of Directors to adopt compulsatory Measures, I request the Right Honorable the Governor in Council will be pleased to signify the same to the Honorable Court by the first Dispatch, in order that the Honorable Court may send out as soon as possible such further Instructions, as the Right Honorable Governor in Council may deem necessary.—

And as the Honorable Court of Directors have been pleased to express their approbation of the Sum, which the late Right Honorable Governor in Council thought proper to allow me to draw monthly from the Treasury of Fort St. George as a Mortgage on my Bond; and as that Sum does not enable me to remit any part of it to my Family in England, who, in consequence of the Nabob's neglect to comply with the Order of the Court of Directors, will stand in need of pecuniary assistance, I humbly beg leave to request that the Right Honorable Governor in

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Council will be pleased to do me the favor to allow me to draw two Hundred Star Pagodas per Month, to be repaid as by my written Agreement dated the twelfth (12th) Day of December 1797. —

I have the Honor to be,

&c. — — — — &c.

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(Signed) Paul Jodrell

Order thereon.

Ordered that a copy of Sir Paul Jodrell's letter be likewise transmitted a number in the packet by the present dispatch. —

The Commander in Chief records the following Minute. —

The Commander in Chief.

21st January 1800. —

Minute of the Commander in Chief - Returning his thanks to the Board for the terms in which they have expressed themselves regarding him in the letter to the Court of Directors. -

I cannot but feel the highest satis= =faction at the very flattering manner in which the R. Right Honorable the President has proposed to announce my departure from India to our Honorable Masters. -

The liberal support I have received from His Lordship and the other Members of this &

Government

Dl.d

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Government has in every instance facilitated my labours for the Public Service, and I acknowledge with much gratitude that uniform cordiality and kindness which has rendered it equally my pleasure as my duty to forward the views of Government, by every exertion within the limits of my ability. —

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

The Commander in Chief lays before the Board a Memorial from Mr. Bishop Deputy Commissary of Stores requesting advancement in that Line of the Military Service, in which he has so long served with distinguished Zeal and Ability; and recommends the request to the favorable attention of Government; and also submits to the Consideration of the Right Honorable the President in Council the propriety of recommending Mr. Bishop to the Honorable Court of Directors as a person well qualified to hold a Commission in their Artillery Corps. —

Memorandum of the Commander in Chief. Lays before the Board a Memorial from Mr. Benjamin Bishop. stating his long services in the Arsenal, and praying to be advanced in that Line. Lays before the Board extracts of letters from General Dearon on the subject of the late change in the formation of his Regiment. Recommends the case of Captain Thomas Wilson to the favorable notice of the Board. —

The Commander in Chief also lays before the Board Extracts of Letters from Brigadier General

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de Meuron, addressed to him in consequence of the late
change in the Establishment and formation of that Regiment
— he recommends every attention to the requests they con-
=tain which a liberal constructions of the rules of the Service
will admit. —

Captain Thomas Wilson the only
remaining Major of Brigade Commissioned as such, of
those reduced by the General Orders of the Honorable
the Court of Directors under which the Army was new
modelled in 1786 not employed in Staff or superior
situation, has stated this circumstance to the Com-
=mander in Chief — Major General Floyd's departure to
whom as Brigade Major he was attached, leaving him
without any staff situation the Commander in Chief
recommends him to the consideration of Government.

To His Excellency Lieutenant General
George Harris Commander in Chief of His Majesty's
and the Honourable Company's Forces on the Coast of
Choromandel &c. &c. &c.

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The humble Memorial of
Benjamin Bishop, Deputy Commis=
=sary of Stores, in the Military Service of
the Honourable United Company of
Merchants of England, trading to the
East Indies.—

Humbly Sheweth.

That your Memorialist presumes to approach your Excellency, under the impression that your Excellency will pardon the liberty; and afford him such assistance and support; as his conduct, and services, may in your Excellency's judgment appear to merit.—

Your Memorialist has served the Honourable Company near Twenty years, Sixteen of which he has been in the Arsenal at this Presidency. He first came there when the whole of the Ordnance department was under the general Superintendance of the Committee of Stores: but under the actual direction of Colonel Joseph Moorhouse (of honourable Memory) as Commissary General of Stores: at which time great

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exertions were made to reduce it to a System of regularity and order; your Memorialist was employed by Colonel Moorhouse in arranging the Returns of Ordnance and Military Stores, from twenty one out Garrisons; which at that period were sent to the Arsenal, in such a form and State, as totally to exclude the idea of a general account being made therefrom; which had at that juncture been demanded by the honourable the Court of Directors. —

These your Memorialist with no small degree of labour, put respectively into alphabetical order, and thence into one general alphabetical account comprehending the Sum Total of all the Ordnance and Military Stores, then in possession of the Company on this Coast. The first if your Memorialist has not been misinformed they were ever in possesione of. —

This account being completed, first suggested the idea of a general Statement, of the Ordnance and Military Stores, to be allowed to each Garrison; allotting thereto a sufficiency of all Kinds for defence proportionate to its Strength, taking a determinate

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number of Troops, and Guns, as data to regulate the quantity that would be required: this the Gentleman in direction, conceived would be a Standard for ye regulating Supplies, and reducing the annual ye expenditure, and consequent demand; from a matter of change, which it had hitherto been; to a regular system of provision, and expense; which in nearly all cases, would be similar; the resulting good, from such an arrangement, is too obvious to notice to your Excellency. This account your Memorialist, with much pains, and without even the assistance of a Writer: there being at that time none allowed in the Arsenal, completed; and although it was not so perfect as it might have been made; it has been a guide for regulating Supplies and expenditures since that period, and remains so to this Day. It is well known to your Excellency; and there can be no doubt, but it has in a considerable degree, been found to ye answer the purpose intended; and also a source of considerable advantage to the honourable Company.—

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Your Memorialist was also entrusted with draving up a Statement of ammunition and Stores in the year 1790, and again in 1791 in all its branches, and no one can be better able to judge of their propriety than your Excellency, whose personal afsistance in that War contributed in a certain degree to its successful issue. The allowances of Ammunition and Stores, to every part of that equipment were so sufficient that from that period, they have been a standard for regulating all Field equipment: and the last glorious Service performed by your Excellency, has not, (that your Memorialist has understood) proved a necessity for any material deviation. Colonel Moorhouse in 1787 was so well satisfied of the exertions of your Memorialist, that unsolicited He and Mr. Petrie the Military Storekeeper, were pleased to mention him to Sir Archibald Campbell at that time Governor of Madras, in such terms of approbation, as induced him to offer your Memorialist a Commission; either in the Artillery, or the Corps of

Engineers

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Engineers: but it being generally believed that such of appointments would infallibly be done away by the Honourable the Court of Directors, your Memorialist by the advice of the Colonel; who promised him a certain appointment from England, declined an acceptance of either, Mr. Petrie being well acquainted with the matter herein stated, your Memorialist can have no doubt, that on a reference being made to that Gentleman, who is now on the Spot, a confirmation of the whole may be obtained. —

It would be encroaching on your Excellency's patience, to proceed further with details of a similar nature, suffice it to observe, that your Memorialist with the same assiduity has continued to do his duty in the same line to the present time; and the assistance he afforded to Major Clarke, in the last equipment of the Army which under the auspices of your Excellency has been conducted to such unexampled and glorious success, your Memorialist has no doubt will be acknowledged, on a reference being made to him. —

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The principal of the existing regulations, allow an Assistant Commissary in the Arsenal; the appointment has never yet been filled up; but your Memorialist has been doing the duty since the regulations have been established; and for a long period before, he had moreover the honor of carrying them into effect, in the Arsenal, by opening a new set of Books conformably thereto. — From the circumstances before detailed and the well known justice of your Excellency's Character; your Memorialist has well grounded hopes, that your Excellency will not think him presumptuous in this application. Your Memorialist therefore throwing himself on your Excellency's liberality and justice, humbly craves —

That your Excellency will take your Memorialist's case, into your Excellency's consideration; and recommend him to the Right Honble the Governor in Council, to fill the appointment of Assistant or Second Commissary in the Arsenal. And your Memorialist as in duty bound, shall ever

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Pray. —

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Extracts of a Letter, dated Arnee 18th January 1800 from Brigadier General de Meuron to Captain Keith Young Acting Deputy Adjutant General of His Majesty's Forces.—

Ex. 1. . . . . "I have the honor to report for the informa-
="tion of the Commander in Chief that I received on the 10th
"Current in the Evening, the General Order of the 1st of
"January 1800; and that the next day, being the 11th. The
"Formation of the Regiment was effected in Conformity to the
said Order".—

Ex. 2 . . . . . "I have suspended the Appointment of
"a Clerk until such time as I shall be acquainted with
"the Pay and Emoluments that are attached to that situation;
"but I beg to be informed on this Subject".—

Ex. 3 . . . . . "The Pensioned officers have stated to
"me their request, that their grateful thanks might be
"offered to His Majesty for his great Goodness in admitting
"them to the benefit of retiring upon a Pension.—

"Captain Renaud most respectfully begs
"that he may be included in the number of those officers to
"whom His Majesty may be pleased to grant Brevet Rank
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"in His Army, in Consideration of 19 years standing as
a Captain. —

"Captain Lieutenant des Bordes has
"addressed me the enclosed letter N°1. and I take the liberty
"to recommend his Case to the Commander in Chief, that
"Government may be pleased to grant his request. — Captain
"Lieutenant Filsjean is too much indisposed at present to
"address me in writing, but he solicits the same favor
"with Captain Lieutenant des Bordes. — From what
"I have been able to remark, I believe Negapatam or some
"other place to the Southward, would be the spot they wish
"to retire to, as being the most convenient for them to
"reside at under the Protection of, and with a small
"assistance from Government. —

"I do not think that, to obtain this
"favour from Government, it is necessary to observe that
"the Expence of a passage home will not be incurred." —

"I have farther to beg that the Com-
="mander in Chief may be pleased to countenance my
"Request to Government, in soliciting, that the Officers who

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"are pensioned may continue to receive the pay and
"allowances of their Ranks respectively - Viz.t

"1 Capt.n Pierre Renaud
"2 Capt. Lieut. C. Groenor
"3 Capt.n Lieut. A. Tuaz
"4 Lieutenant H. Droz
} Until they are provided with a passage to Europe.—

"5 Capt.n Lieut. L. Rides Bordes
"6 Capt. Lieut. P. T. Filsjean
} Until their Request to Government is decided upon.—

"The Seventh is Brevet Captain Lieut.t Boyerwho is
"gone with permission to the Cape of Good Hope for the
"benefit of his health."—

"If the whole should not be directed to
"embark at once, I wish much that Captain Lieutenant Tuaz
"may be among the last to proceed home — As He has acted
"as Judge Advocate to the Regiment for these nine years
"past, it would be very desireable that he should take with
"him Copies of all the papers concerning his office; as they
"would be very useful to bring about a Settlement of several
"Estates of deceased persons of the Regiment, with the
"Families of which they were Members — And that Captain

Lieutenant

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"Lieutenant Twaz might likewise take with him all
"the papers of the Regiment until the period of its &
"entering into His Brittannick Majestys Service, to &
"deliver them to my Brother." —

True Extracts
(Signed) Keith Young
A. D. A. Genl.

To Brigadier General P. F. De Meuron

Sir,

By the Capitulation which has
been recently published to us - I see with gratitude that it
has pleased his Majesty to permit me to retire on a
Pension - but as the Infirmities which have been &
brought on by my Services in the Regiment, will not,
according to the advice of the Surgeon Major, permit me
to return to Europe - I entreat you, Sir, to forward to &
Government thro' the Commander in Chief this my &
respectful representation - and by that means obtain &
permission for me to remain in India; but as the
Pension is very trifling to live respectably on in India -

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and my age and Infirmities increase daily—I flatter myself I shall from these causes and from my twenty years' Service in your Regiment—obtain the favor of being put upon the same Footing as the Officers of the Honble Company in similar situations—I doubt not that Government will be equitable and just enough to take my Request—into their favorable consideration.—

I have the honor to be with profound Respect—

&c.ª — — — &c.ª

(Signed) L. A. DeBordes
Capt. Lieutenant

A true Translation
(Signed) G. G. Keble
French Translator

Arnee
13th January 1800.—

Minute and Order thereon.—

The Board having every reason from the united testimony of the Officers under whom Mr. Bishop has served to be entirely satisfied with his meritorious conduct, Resolve to comply with the prayer of his Memorial by promoting him to be a Commissary of Stores, a situation which he is well qualified to fill by his scientific knowledge and superior talents.—

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The situation of Commissary of Stores having hitherto been confined to Officers holding Commissions in the Army, and the Board being still of opinion that it should not be open to persons under that rank, Resolved to recommend to the Honorable Court of Directors that Mr. Bishop may be appointed an Officer in the Corps of Artillery. —

Ordered that the different subjects stated in the letters from Brigadier General De Meuron do remain for farther consideration. —

Memorandum

Memorandum of the Commander in Chief - Lays before the Board a letter from Colonel Sherbrooke regarding a sick Certificate granted to Lieutenant Gray of His Majesty's 73d Regiment, and recommends that the usual passage Money to England may be paid to Lieutenant Gray.

Lieutenant Alexander Gray of His Majesty's 73d. Regiment requests the Commander in Chief will be pleased to submit the enclosed Letter to Government, and trusts the Right Honorable President in Council will in consequence of it, have the goodness to grant him the usual allowance of Passage Money given to sick Officers — The Certificate upon the Oath of two Surgeons, as stated in the enclosed Letter, whereof the Copy has been mislaid, was forwarded to the Commander

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in Chief in India along with the application for Lieutenant Gray's leave to Europe, which has been granted accordingly.—

To Captain K. Young
A. D. C. Adjutant General
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to be

&c. — — — &c.

J. C. Sherbrooke
Colonel

St. Thomé
20th January 1800.—

(Signed)

There being no Civil Magistrate at Seringapatam, at the time Lieutenant Gray's Certificate of the 73d. Regiment was sent off, I can assure you that Mr. Trevor Surgeon of the 33d. Regiment, and Mr. Flemming a Surgeon the Honorable Company's Service came before me as Officer Commanding and made Oath "That it was in their opinion absolutely necessary for Lieutenant Gray to return to Europe for the recovery of his Health".—

Resolved

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Resolution thereon.

Resolved under the circum-
-stances stated by the Commander in Chief regarding
Lieutenant Gray's Certificate that he be permitted to draw
the usual passage Money.

Read the following Letter from
the Adjutant General to the Army.

To Jos. Webbe Esqr.

Secretary to Government

Sir,

I am directed by the Commander in
Chief to request you will lay before the Right Honble
the Governor in Council the accompanying Letters with
his Recommendation that the Requests they contain
may be complied with by Government.

From the Adjutant General to the Army - Forwards a request from Captain Nagle for permission to proceed to Europe; with a similar request from Captain Fergusson of the Corps of Engineers - An application from Lieutenants Wordsworth and Douglass to be permitted to exchange the Regiments to which they have been appointed - Submits the recommendation of the Commander in Chief that Captain Kelland may be appointed to command the Pioneer Corps - and that a Fire Serjeant may be allowed to the Department of the Deputy Quarter Master General of the Subsidiary force at Hydrabad - Forwards the resignation of Lieutenant Charles Pallas of his appointment of Gram Agent to the 3d Regiment of Native Cavalry, and by

N.1. — A request from Captain Nagle to
be permitted to proceed to Europe on Furlough.

N.2. — A similar request from Captain
Farquhar of Engineers, now at Malacca, who desires to
return to the Coast and ultimately to Europe for the
reestablishment of his Health.

N.3. — A request from two young Men

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By desire of the Commander in Chief suggests the appointment of Captain Dunn to that situation

lately arrived, to exchange their Situations in the &
Regiments to which they are respectively appointed, as
their connexions are in those to which they desire &
removal. -

I am further directed by the Com-
-mander in Chief to request you will submit to Govern-
-ment this recommendation that Captain Heatland
lately returned from Foreign Service, be appointed to &
Command the Pioneer Corps in which he has long served
with distinguished ability, in room of Captain Dowse
now on the Staff of the Subsidiary Force serving with the
Nizam; - and that a Line Sergeant be allowed in addition
to the Establishment lately fixed for the Deputy Quarter
Master Generals Department with the Subsidiary Force.

I have the Honor to enclose the &
Resignation of Lieutenant Dallas of the situation to &
which he stands appointed as Gram Agent to the 3d &
Regiment of Native Cavalry, and to inform you, by &
desire of the Commander in Chief, that Captain Dunn
has long performed the duties of this Station during &

Lieutenant

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Lieutenant Dallas's absence from the Regiment, and is now in charge of his department with it.—

I have the honor to be,

Adjutant
General's Office
Fort St. George
20th January 1800.—

&c. &c. &c.

(Signed) P. A. Agnew
Adjutant General of the Army

Lieutenant General Harris
Commander in Chief &c. &c. &c.

Sir,

I request you will do me the Honor of applying to Government for permission to proceed to Europe on Furlough, to settle my affairs in Ireland, which appears by late accounts I have received; to be required my presence.—

I have the Honor to be,

Madras
17th January 1800.—

&c. &c. &c.

(Signed) Jam. Nagle
Captain

To Lieutenant General Harris
Commander in Chief &c. &c. &c.

Sir,

Captain Lieutenant Farquhar to
having

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having requested I would obtain your permission for his returning to the Coast, and ultimately to Europe for the reestablishment of his Health; I hope you will be pleased to recommend him favourably for that Indul=

=gence.—

I have the honor to be,

&c. — — — &c.

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(Signed) Patrick Ross

Chief Engineer M. G.

To Lieutenant Colonel Agnew

Adjutant General of the Army—

Sir,

We request that you will make the necessary application to the Commander in Chief to obtain us permission to Exchange our Situations in the Regiments to which we stand appointed — Which we are desirous to effect, under the prescribed condition of coming into the Regiments to which we respectively exchange as the Junior officers of our Rank.—

We are, &c. — — &c.

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(Signed) W. Woodhouse

Lt. 1st. B.n 5th Regt. Nat. Inf.y

J. Douglas

Lt. 2d B.n 7th Regt. N. Inf.y

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To Lieutenant General Harris

Commander in Chief of the Army &c. &c. &c.

Sir,

Being about to embark for Europe,

I have to beg you will accept my resignation of the Gram Agency of 3d. Regiment Native Cavalry.—

I have the honor to be, with the utmost respect, &c. &c. &c.

(signed) C. Dallas
Lieut. & Gram Agent 3d. Reg.t N. C.t

Madras
28th December 1799.—

Resolved that Captain James Nagle be permitted to proceed to Europe on Surlough.—

Resolutions thereon.—

Resolved that Captain Lieutenant William Farquhar be permitted to proceed to the Coast and eventually to Europe for the recovery of his health.—

Resolved that Lieutenants William Woodhouse, and J. Douglas be permitted to exchange situations in the Regiments to which they stand appointed under the prescribed conditions.—

Resolved that Captain William Kirkland

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Heitland be appointed to command the Corps of Pioneers.—

Resolved that Captain James Dunn be appointed Gram Agent to the 3d Regiment of Native Cavalry.—

Resolved that a Line Sergeant be allowed in addition to the establishment lately fixed for the Deputy Quarter Master Generals department with the Nizam's detachment.—

Read the following letters from the Military Auditor General.—

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

My Lord,

From the Military Auditor General— Encloses agreeably to his instructions for that purpose, Statements of the quantities of provisions remaining in Camp on the 1st of May.—

Agreeably to the Directions contained in Mr Secretary Webbs Letter of the 30th ultimo, I have the honor to enclose an abstract Statement shewing the actual Quantity of Provisions, and of provision Stores remaining in the Custody of the Commissaries of Grain and Provisions with the Army before Seringapatam on

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the 4th May 1799, adding thereto the Quantity which by a Letter from the late Military Secretary to the Com=mander in Chief dated the 15th Instant (and of which a Copy is enclosed) appears to have remained on that Day in Charge of the Superintendant of Bullocks, with a Calculation of the period for which the whole of such Quantities were sufficient to serve the Troops then em=ployed at the Seige of that Place —

2 This Statement has been formed from the Accounts of the late Commissaries of Grain and Provisions, confirmed by Abstracts lately fur=nished by them in Consequence of my application; Copies of which I have thought it proper to enclose for your Lordship's information. From those Accounts it appears, that no Grain was received by either of the Commissaries from Captain Macleod between the 21st April and the 4th May, consequently the Quantity stated by Lieutenant Colonel Agnew to have been in the Custody of that Officer at the former remained in his hands at the latter Period — The aggregate of the whole

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Quantity of Rice was equal to 28 Days Consumption
for the European Troops, and 23 Days for the Native
Troops, at the usual rate of half a Measure or 3/4 of a Seer
per Day to each of the former, and half a Seer per Day
to each of the latter, not including His Highness the
Nizam's Corps, which appear to have been supplied
from a different source.—

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

(Signed) W. Sydenham
Military Auditor General

Military Auditor
General's Office
Fort St. George
18th. January 1800.—

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Abstract, shewing the Actual quantity of Grain and Provision Stores, remaining with the Several Officers of Custody before Seringapatam on the 4th of May 1799 with a Calculation of the period for which that quantity was Sufficient to serve the troops then employed in the Seige of that place.

	Number of days for which Grain and Provisions was sufficient to serve the troops subsequent to the 4th of May 1799.
In the Custody of the Commissary of Provisions.	
Arrack at 1 dram ℔ day sufficient to serve the European troops for	50
Biscuit at 1 lb for 3 Men ℔ day	10
Salt at 1/16 Measure ℔ man ℔ day	41
Sheep and Slaughter Cattle	5
Rice at 1/2 a measure ℔ Man ℔ day	5
In the Custody of the Commissary of Grain	
Rice at 1/2 a Measure for the Europeans and 1/2 a Seer ℔ day for the Natives was sufficient to serve both descriptions for	14
In the Custody of the Superintendant of Bazars.	
Rice remaining on the 1st of May 1799 sufficient for the European and Native troops before Seringapatam	for 9

Vide Copy of a Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Agnew late Military Secretary to the Commander in Chief to the Military Auditor General dated 15th Jan.y 1800 accompanying.

	Days.
N.B. Total Rice for the European troops for	28
Ditto do. for the Native ditto for	23

The above Calculation does not include the detachment under Major General Floyd which left the Army for Condhally on the 19th April, or the Corps of His Highness the Nizam.

Truly extracted from Original Statements Copies of which accompany.

(Signed) J. Brunton
pr M.A.G.

(Signed) W. Sydenham
Military Audr General

Military Auditor Generals office
Fort St. George 18th January 1800.

Report

Report of Graine in the Department of the Commissary of Grain to the Army on the 1st of May 1799

1799		Rice				1799		Rice			
		Garces	Mercalls	Seers	Total of Seers			Garces	Mercalls	Seers	Total of Seers
May 1st	To Ballance in Store agreable to the Report made to the Commander in Chief this Day	50	189	11	242,279	May 3d	By Issues made from 1st to this Day as follows Issued to Commissary of Provisions on Indent	3			14,400
							Issued to Corps on Indent	10	265		51,180
								13	265		65,580
							By Ballance remaining in Store	36	324	11	176,699
	Total	50	189	11	242,279		Total	50	189	11	242,279

Total remaining in Camps brought down Garces 36324 - 11 or Seers 176699 -

Average rate of Issue to the Troops now in Camps 4640 Europeans at 3/4 Seers P day 3480
17,634 Natives at 1/2 Seers P day 8817
Total Daily Issue 12297
Number of days 14
Total quantity of Rice to last 14 days 172158
Remaining after 14 days Issues 4541
Total 176699

A True Copy
(Signed) Tho Hart
Cat Commissary of Grain to the Army

A true Copy
(Signed) J. Brunton
Dy M.A.G.

Conservatory
2d January 1799

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Statement of Sundry Articles of Provision in charge of the Commissary of Provisions, on the 4th. May 1799 Seringapatam.

		Arrack Gallons	Biscuit Pounds	Rice Pounds	Salt Pounds	Sheep Number	Slaughter Cattle Number	Horses Number	Grain Pounds	Forage Pounds
1799										
May 4th	Stock Remaining	5,251	9	28	3	10¾	2	380 5/8	3	152 1/2	1,277¾	239 7/16

As 4,200 Men were actually drawn for on the 4th of May 1799 for Arrack and Provisions, the Calculation for the Daily issue of the Stock remaining is made upon that Number

Europeans 4200 Men — Arrack — at 1/6 Drams ⅌ each — 50 Days

Ditto — Biscuit — at 1 Pound ⅌ 3 Men — 10 ditto

Ditto — Rice — at 1/2 Measure ⅌ each — 5 ditto

Ditto — Salt — at 1/16 Ditto ⅌ d° — 141 ditto

Ditto — Sheep — at 1/8 ⅌ each — } 5 ditto

Ditto — Slaughter Cattle — at 1/2 Pound ⅌ ea. — }

6th January 1800

Seringapatam

(Signed) C. Corner
late Commissary of Provisions to the Army

A true Copy

(Signed) J. Brunton
D.A.G.

Major