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Ordered that the following letter be dispatched to Major General Brathwaite.

To Major General Brathwaite.

Sir,

To Major General Brathwaite. It is deemed unnecessary and inexpedient to forward to the Court of Directors the Memorial of Captain Lieutenants Crosdill and Dalrymple relative to their rank.

Para. 1st I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated 8th Instant.

2. The claim of Captain Lieutenants Crosdill and Dalrymple having been already considered, and rejected, the Governor in Council concurs with you in regretting that it should have been again renewed.

3. The serious inconvenience of disturbing the order of rank established for the Officers of the Army has rendered it necessary and expedient to guard against it by a specific regulation for limitting the period of application, and the Governor in Council is satisfied that his Lordship could not in the present instance deviate from that Regulation without producing the utmost degree of confusion in the established rank of the Army. In communicating therefore to Captain Lieutenants Crosdill and Dalrymple. His Lordship's determination

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determination against a renewal of their claim, —"
His Lordship desires that you will apprize them of
his earnest wish of attending to the pretensions of
themselves as well as of every individual Officer of
the Army, but that his Lordship in Council is bound
by public and general considerations to prevent the
evils which I have stated.

4. I have the honor to return the Memorial
of Captain Lieutenants Crosdill and Dalrymple, which
the Governor in Council thinks it unnecessary to transmit
to the Honble Court of Directors.

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I have the honor to be &c.
(signed) J Webbe
Sy to Govt.

The President lays before the Board
the following letter from His Highness the Nabob —
/also entered in C.C. No 23./

Translation of a letter from His Highness the
Nabob of the Carnatic To the Right Honble
Lord Mac. &c. &c. &c. Dated 21st Shawall 1214 Hegery.

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From the Nabob Expresses his wish that the accounts between His Highness and Mr. Latour may be adjusted by the Arbitration of Sir Thomas Strange.

Or 18th March 1800

Received Do Do.

Being extremely anxious that the matters in difference between myself and Mr. Latour should be speedily and equitably settled, I take the earliest opportunity to reply to that part of your Lordship's letter, which purposes as a primary and preparatory measure, that a Committee be appointed for the — investigation of the transactions in Question.

I am sensible from the disposition of — Mr. Latour, as well as from the importance of the affairs to be adjusted, that it would be very difficult, if not impracticable, that a settlement of our — concerns should take place, without a reference to some disinterested Medium: — And therefore have great satisfaction in being able to assent to the — main object and principle recommended in your — Lordship's letter, though I can not, for various reasons, accede to the particulars of the arrangement proposed.

Your Lordship has submitted, that the —

matters

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Matters in dispute be referred to the determination of a Committee, to consist of a certain number of persons, described by your Lordship; it is easy to — conclude that, in certain cases, and between peculiar Persons, such a kind of Arbitration might be eligible. But, in the present instance, it would, in my mind, be extremely objectionable.

Your Lordship can not but contemplate the different relation in which I should stand with Mr. Lalour to the Parties nominated as a Committee. He is a man of business, having daily transactions with the Merchants of the place, and has had frequent opportunities of knowing their fitness for the decision of Controversies, like the present; and in the course of his dealings, must have had many occasions to — oblige particular Merchants, whom he might wish to retain as his Arbitrators; while, on the other hand, I am wholly unacquainted with the most ordinary concerns of Commerce or Mercantile Dealings; have little acquaintance with Europeans, have confined

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knowledge of their Tongue, and no means of knowing their personal abilities, their private characters or their particular connections; so as to avail myself of suitable assistance; and I need not observe to one of your Lordships' penetration, that it is impossible to rely on the services of Persons, of whose minds and integrity I am entirely and utterly ignorant.

In naming a Committee, to be formed after the manner suggested by your Lordship, I should be obliged to look amongst my immediate Servants — for where could I be take myself else? for persons to act on my behalf, and this would naturally have a greater interest in my affairs, than fair arbitrators ought to have, a circumstance which might protract, and throw difficulties into the way of an adjustment, and leave it perhaps, at last, at the entire disposal of an umpire; who might neither have leisure, — Information, nor other necessary Qualities to judge as he ought. There are other obvious Dessuasives from the letter of the proposal made by your Lordship, which

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I am sure I need not recapitulate, since I agree with spirit of it, and have to offer, what I can not but — conceive, all circumstances considered, an improvement of your Lordship's suggestion.

I have before stated, that I am greatly desirous of a fair and speedy decision in the matters alluded to, and to evince that my acts are in conformity with my professions; I have to propose that the matter in difference, with all collateral Considerations may be left to the Judgement of one, impartial discreet, and honorable Man one as remote from all reproach, as he is free from all suspicion, and exception, and I have heard of none more qualified for such an — Office, / if fortunately, he would accept the trust / than Sir Thomas Strange. To his pure and able — hands, entrusted by his Majesty the King of Great Britain, to administer the general Justice of the — Country / not less to his Majesty's honor, than his own credit / I will most willingly and cheerfully confide the matters in Dispute; and be his decision

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what it may, I will finally and absolutely abide by it.

Your Lordship will not understand that I am appealing to the Court; or that I am inclined to acknowledge it's Jurisdiction / I speak not in disparagement of either, but in respect to my own dignity and Station / It is not to the Recorder of Madras, that I could wish to submit myself and mine; but to a just, upright, and honorable Individual, such as I have been taught, by common consent and report, to regard Sir Thomas Strange.

I am a Stranger, except from what I hear of his character and Demeanour, and have scarcely, the knowledge of his person, but am inclined, from the high Reputation which he bears, to trust him without Reserve and I have to entreat your Lordship, that seeing how desirable it is to bring the matter to a Speedy Issue, and the reasonable objections which oppose themselves to the precise mode of arrangement recommended by your Lordship, you will be so good as most

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particularly to interest yourself in obtaining the consent of Sir Thomas Strange to decide in so nice and difficult a case; and represent to him how great an act of kindness and Justice he will render by undertaking so arduous a Task; which might not otherwise, than by his means, be capable of being performed, without much uneasiness to myself, and perhaps not without less anxiety to your Lordship.

When your Lordship reflects, how much I have had to combat with, in order to meet your Lordship's wishes in this regard, I am persuaded I need not add more, to induce your Lordship to further and promote a measure, which may be the happy means of preventing every future misunderstanding.

I shall not at this moment reply to the other parts of your Lordship's letter, but await a nother opportunity, and in the interim I request your Lordship's favorable answer to the foregoing

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Foregoing Proposition.

What should I write now?

A true Translate.

/Signed/ A Falconar
Dr. Tr. to Govt.

The draft of a letter to the Nabob proposed by the President.

His Lordship proposes that the following letter be dispatched to the Nabob /also entered in — C.C. N° 24/.

To His Highness the Nabob Omdat ul Omrah &c. &c. &c.

May it please your Highness!

To the Nabob. The President can not acquiesce in His Highness's wish for referring the accounts between this Highness and Mr. Latour to the arbitration of Sir Thomas Strange. If no previous adjustment shall take place. Means will be used to put Mr. Latour in possession of the Amur Body on the 24th of this Month.

I have had the honor to receive your Highness's letter of the 18th ultimo in which your Highness is pleased to profess your desire of effecting an early adjustment of the accounts between your Highness and Mr. Latour; and for this purpose your Highness proposes a — reference of the whole matter to the investigation — and arbitration of Sir Thomas Strange.

I am concerned at the difficulties, which prevent your Highness from acquiescing in my — proposal for the appointment of Commissioners for adjusting

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adjusting the accounts existing between your Highness and Mr. Laulour; and I regret exceedingly that it is not in my power to meet your Highness's wishes with respect to the proposed reference of the accounts to the examination of Sir Thomas Strange.

I beg leave to acquaint your Highness, — that the situation held by Sir Thomas Strange is — totally unconnected with the political administration of the affairs of this Government; and that the relative which he bears to the Government, as well as the rank which he holds from His Majesty, precludes me from proposing to Sir Thomas, the consideration of any — question of the nature of that suggested by your — Highness.

The examination of your Highness's — accounts his intimately connected with private — property of Mr. Laulour, and is therefore liable to be brought under the determination of the Court of Recorder; and your Highness will therefore be — sensible of the indelicacy of soliciting the previous

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opinion of Sir Thomas, on points, which may hereafter be brought under his official determination at a future period.

I think it necessary however to remind your Highness that the mode of adjusting your accounts is by no means connected with the Grounds of my interference, or obtaining to Mr. Lautour the possession of his Rights, and reparation of the injury which he had sustained at your Highness's hands. I have already stated to your Highness, that Mr. Lautour has a legal right to be put in possession of the Ameer Baug, and your Highness will do me the justice of believing, that I have not urged this point upon your Highness with unnecessary precipitation; but as your Highness has not acceded to my recommendation for allowing Mr. Lautour to be put in quiet possession of that house, I beg leave to acquaint your Highness, that I shall take the measures necessary for that purpose, on the twenty fourth day of this month unless your

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From the Officer Commanding the Northern Division - Encloses — copies of correspondence with the Collector of Rajamundry, relative to the intended attack on the Zemindar of Palaveram -

Sir.

I have the honor of enclosing herewith Copies of Letters respecting the Zemindar of Palaveram your Highness shall have finally settled with Mr. — Lanlour his claims on the Amer Baugh.

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

/Signed/ Clive.

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Approved and ordered to be dispatched.

Read the following letter from the Officer Commanding the Northern Division.

Josiah Webbe Esqr.
Secretary to Government.

I have the honor of enclosing herewith Copies of Letters respecting the Zemindar of Palaveram

Some days ago Mr. Bransill Collector at Rajahmundry came to Masulipatam inorder to — communicate with me respecting the best manner of reducing the Palaveram County, and seizing its' — refractary and rebellious Zemindar. Mr. Bransill represented the probable inefficacy of open attacks, as Mungapetty Doo would fly to the Mountainous Countries in his Rear; and elude our pursuit; and informed me that the Zemindar, unapprehensive of

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any enterprize from Rajamundry where he knew there were only few troops, remained secure and unguarded on that Quarter. It was therefore proposed that, as Mungapiddy Doo persisted in his contumacy, an attempt should be made by two Companies at Rajamundry to surprize him by a forced march at night and to secure his person. Considering this attempt as the most likely method to apprehend the Zemindar, and thereby prevent any disturbances from arising, I approved of it, and directed Captain English who commanded the Detachment at Rajamundry to undertake it, upon the requisition of Mr. Branfill. That Gentleman returned to Rajahmundry, and on the 29th. ultimo wrote me a private Letter wherein he informed me, that the attempt would take place on the next night; requested that the Bengal troops might proceed without any delay towards the Palaveram Country in order to protect the Company's Districts from the depredations which would be committed if the expedition failed; and promised to transmit to me next day an official letter with all the intelligence

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Volunteer Detachment to March with the —
utmost expedition towards Rajamundry to —
cover the Country; but expecting to receive Mr.
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I have the honor to remain

&c &c

Masulipatam
3d April 1800.

(Signed) H Vigors
A.C.

To Colonel Urban Vigors
Commanding the Northern Division of the
Army
Masulipatam

Sir,

I did myself the pleasure of — informing you in a private letter dispatched — express the day before yesterday, that an attempt would be made by the Detachment under the Command of Captain English, to seize by surprize the Zemindar of Palaveram, but as that Officer has deemed the plan impracticable, all idea of a surprize is for the present given up; the — reasons he has assigned, are stated at large in his letter to me of yesterdays date; Copy of which is herewith enclosed for your perusal. You are

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of course the best judge of the propriety of the arguments advanced by Captain English, and how far he is justified in relinquishing the project, I do not see the necessity of sending an express to the Officer in Command of the Bengal troops, ordered to advance from Ellore, as it is very improbable if the Zemindar is so much on his Guard as to prevent a surprize from this quarter, that he would quietly wait the arrival of a body of Troops whose motions he has been ever since their arrival at Ellore vigilantly watching, I am indeed persuaded that the instant they leave that place, whether with the intent of acting against him, or merely to proceed on their route to Bengal that he will fly to the Hills, and perhaps commence depredations; he is well convinced of the impossibility on the part of Government to overlook his late unprecedented and

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contumacious behaviour -

I have the honor to be
Rajahmundry &c &c
31st March 1800. /signed/ Benj.n Branfill
Col.o 3d Division

A true Copy.
/signed/ W.m Vigors
N.o 2.

To Benjamin Branfill Esq.r
Collector 3d Division of the Masulipatam
District.

Sir.

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt
of your letter of this date wherein you apprize me
of the Feasability of surprising and seizing the
Persons of Mungapetty Doo of his Brother Vizia
Gopaul Doo with some other Head Men at
Palaveram, distant from hence at least 20 miles
on the opposite Bank of the Godavery and requiring
the Detachment under my Command to proceed
thither by a forced March this night and endea-
-vour to effectuate this Service - With a view to
facilitate the success of this Enterprize, you have
had the goodness to furnish me with the fullest
and most recent information you have obtained,

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of which the following are the Heads.

That the Rajah Mungapetty Doo always sleeps in the Fort of Palaveram, with a Guard only of 50 Peons, That his Brother Vizia Gopaul Doo stays in his House in the Pettah at some distance from the Fort, with only a few Men, and that there are about 500 Peons in the Pettah, who sleep with their Families, that the Pettah is surrounded on three sides with Bamboo Pals, with as many Gates, there being no Ford immediately opposite the fourth or River side, and that the Fort is within this Enclosure. That to approach either, there are only two Roads; the first by advancing all the way long this Bank to a Ford above the Enclosure, and there crossing it and on each Bank of this Fort You are informed there is a check Ray or Guard of 30 or 40 Peons, stationed night and Day, obviously to prevent surprize, and give the alarm on a body of Troops advancing. This being the case, before the Detachment could possibly

possibly ford so broad a River, the Rajah and his
Peons would have full time to set fire to the Village,
and make their escape to the adjacent hills, if so —"—
circlenid, or to prepare for an obstinate Resistance if
determined to stand the Event, and which must —"—
render the Idea of a Surprize totally impracticable.
This morning's Intelligence induced you to —"—
recommend my crossing the River by a Ford situ-
-ated in the neighbourhood of the Village of —"—
Sillanagarum and Fort of Gotallah on the opposite
side, and distant between 6 and 7 Miles from —"—
Palaveram. In Gotallah is a ——"——"—
Garrison of the Rajah's Peons, a Detour must
consequently be made to avoid this Post, and
here again your information states, that there are
four or five Chockeys at Intervals on the only
Road by which we could approach between —"—
Gotallah and Palaveram for the same purpose —"—
as the others, so that here a quick discovery of our
movement must inevitably take place, and

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the alarm spread even before we could come within some Miles of the place, and render the idea of a surprise on that side abortive - and in the event of the Rajah's determining to evacuate the place, and burn the Village previous to going, it would be out of our Power to be up in time to prevent it; and our approach would only accelerate its destruction. Having weighed all the Circumstances of the above information &c. I am of opinion that the plan of effecting a surprise is impracticable and am further corroborated in it by the Intelligence you have since favoured me with, that an Express had actually been sent off to Mungapelly Doo by his Gomastah here this Morning, and that the same Man had offered a Bribe of 25 Pagodas to one of your Writers to inform him where my Detachment was going, &c., and of these my Sentiments, I think it my duty to

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acquaint you, but should you still be of opinion that the attempt is feasible, I can only assure you of the Zeal and every exertion of myself and the Detachment under my Command to render the attempt successful, but on the other hand should you approve of my opinion, I request you will permit me to suggest a more probable way of attaining the wished for success. — You inform me you had written an Express to Colonel Vigors to direct some hundred Men to be sent off from the Bengal Volunteers, and proceed expeditiously towards Palaveram from Ellore. I would recommend that the Officer Commanding the party should be written to, express, to ascertain the Morning and time he could come before Palaveram, and — that my Detachment might at the same time Proceed up this Bank of the River and meet the other at the given time and the Common Center Palaveram from the —

opposite

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opposite Quarters, whereby the Rajah's escape might be intercepted, and a tedious and desultory warfare obviated.

I have the honor to be.
&c &c

Rajamundry
March 30th 1800.

/Signed/ J. English
Captain
Commanding Rajahmundy.

A true Copy
/Signed/ A. Savage
Assistant.

a true Copy.
/Signed/ W. Vigors
Nº 3.

Benyamin Branfill Esqr.
Collector of the 3d Division of the
Masulipatam District.

Sir.

I am directed by Colonel Vigors to inform you that on the receipt of your — private letter of the 29th ultimo, he — dispatched by Express an order to Lieutenant Colonel Gardiner to proceed with the utmost expedition to Cocoor, in order to cover the Company's County from depredations and

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to be ready to act against the Polaveram —
Zemindary, Colonel Vigors expecting that the official
letter which you promised to forward to him on
the 30th ultimo would contain a Public requisi-
tion for troops, to attack the Polaveram —
Zemindar, transmitted no particular instruc-
tions to Lieutenant Colonel Gardiner. Colonel
Vigors has been just now favored with your
Official Letter, but he himself almost —
entirely at a loss respecting the Measures to
be adopted, and the instructions to be sent to
Lieutenant Colonel Gardiner, as you have made
no application for troops to act against the
Polaveram Zemindar, have not pointed out
the services to be performed, nor informed
Colonel Vigors, whether it is necessary to
proceed to extremities against Mungapetty
Doo, Colonel Vigors can not until authorised
by your requisition, put the troops in
Motion, or direct them to attack any
refractary

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refractory Zemindar in your Division: as it is of the utmost importance that the operations against Mungapetty Doo should commence immediately, if it is determined that he is to be reduced; the Colonel therefore requests that you would inform him without delay, whether you have resolved to proceed to hostilities, and act offensively against the Zemindar. Colonel Vigors has transmitted a Copy of your letter to Lieutenant Colonel Gardiner; and has desired that Officer to direct his attention to the protection of the Company's Country, and to be prepared to enter the Palavaram Zemindary on the receipt of further Orders.

The Colonel Considers the attempt to seize Mungapetty Doo by surprize as impracticable at present. All thoughts of that enterprise must be now relinquished, as the approach of the Bengal troops will have put the Zemindar on his guard. The Colonel trusts that a great deal may be accomplished by open attacks; and he

desires

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desires me to assure you, that he will feel the greatest pleasure in cooperating with you, and supporting your measures.

I have the honor to be
&c &c
J. Munro
Major Brigade.

Masulipatam
April 2d 1800. A true Copy.
/Signed/ W. Vigors.

Resolution thereon

Resolved to express the Board's approbation of the prudence of Colonel Vigors' communication to the Collector of Rajahmundry on the necessity of distinctly defining the object of the intended attack on the Zemindar of Polaveram.

Read the following letter from Lieutenant Colonel Read.

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

Sir,

Having delivered to you a letter from General Brathwaite to day containing an application from me for the Right Honble the Governor's

Lieutenant Colonel Alexander Read. Encloses the copy of a letter from the Board of Revenue to him in recommendation his conduct requests that his application for leave on furlough may be decided as soon as possible.

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Governor's permission to proceed to Europe on furlough,
and being anxious on such an occasion to —
satisfy his Lordship in Council with regard to
my having answered fully all the demands or —
expulsations of different departments with —
which I have been concerned. I am happy in
transmitting you the enclosed Copy of a letter
I have just received from the Revenue Board —
leaving testimony to its approbation of my —
conduct while employed in the Revenue line and —
request it may be submitted for his Lordship's
information. The Captain of the Asia having
advised me of the probability that he will sail
before there may be another Military Council
day, I beg leave to repeat my wish that my
application may be determined on to day. The
particular circumstance I have mentioned will
I hope be admitted as sufficient excuse for
this importunity.

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I have the honor to be
&c &c

8th. April 1800. (signed) A Read

To Lieutenant Colonel Read.

Sir.

We have had the honor to receive your letter of the 4th. Instant, with the first part of your final report on the affairs of the Ceded District lately under your Superintendence, which we have submitted to Government with an address of which the enclosed is a Copy

We have nothing to add but our entire satisfaction with your conduct while employed under this Board, and to express our earnest wishes, that you may soon be restored to health and to your Country, in whose service it has suffered.

We are
&c &c

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7th. April 1800

(Signed) Wm. Petrie
Thos. Cockburn
Alex. Falconar.

A true Copy
(signed) A Read.

Read

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Read the following letter from the Adjutant General to the Army.

To Josiah Webbe Esqr.
Secretary to Government

Sir,

I am directed by Major General Brathwaite to request you will submit to the Right Honble the Governor in Council the accompanying application from Captain Holford requesting to be transferred to the Invalid List, with his recommendation that Captain Holford's request may be complied with.

In this event Major General Brathwaite recommends that the following Promotion take place.

7th Regiment of Native Infantry.

Captain Alexander Marshall to be Captain of a Company vice Holford, Invalided, date of Rank, April 7th 1800, Lieutenant Joshua Ahier to be Captain Lieutenant, vice A. Marshall promoted, date of rank April 7th 1800.

From the Adjutant General of the Army. Encloses an application from Captain D. M. Holford to be admitted on the Invalid Establishment.

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Adjutant Genl.
Office Fort St. George
7th. April 1800.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) P. A. Agnew
Adjt. Genl. of the Army.

Major General Brathwaite
Commanding the Army in Chief.

Sir,

It is with extreme regret and pain that I find myself obliged by disorders and infirmities contracted during a course of Nineteen Years Service to solicit that Government would be pleased to place me on the Invalid List. A Hill Fever which I caught some years ago in the Vizagapatam District continual relapses, and particularly a violent one, which nearly proved fatal to me at Amboyna; and which compelled me to proceed to Europe for the recovery of my health, together with a severe Liver complaint, that has afflicted me since my return to India, have so weakened and impaired my Constitution; that I feel myself incapable of performing the Duties, and undergoing

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the fatigues of Field Service. In submitting this
application to you, with the request of your
laying it before Government, I hope it will
not be considered as improper to mention, that
I entered the Naval Service of the Company as a
Midshipman at the commencement of the last
war with France, was taken in the Asterley
Indiaman in February 1779. Imprisoned two
years at the Isle of France, returned to Europe
at my own expence, and was soon after appoint-
=ed a Cadet on this Establishment.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your
Most obedient
Humble Servant
(Signed) Dennis Mont Holford
Capn 2d Batn 7th Regt Native
Infantry.

Vizagapatam
March 28th 1800.

Resolution thereon.

Resolved that Captain Holford be
admitted on the Non-effective list, and that the
promotions recommended by Major General
Brathwaite in consequence be ordered to take
place.

Read

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Read the following letter from the Acting Deputy adjutant General to the Kings Troops.

Josiah Webbe Esqr.
Secretary to Government.

Sir,

By direction of Major General Brathwaite I have to request that the necessary authority may be given for an issue of four Months Kings subsistence in advance, from the 24th Instant to Lieutenants Carrington and Gray of His Majesty's 74th Regiment, and three months to the Invalids of His Majesty's Regiments thirty two in number who are to embark for Europe in the Honble Company's Ships Charlton and Asia.

I have the honor to be
&c &c
(signed) Keith Young
ag Dy Ajt Genl.

Ordered

From the acting Deputy adjutant General to the Kings Troops. Recommends an advance of four months subsistence to two Officers of His Majesty's 74th Regiment with an advance of three months subsistence to the Invalids proceeding to England on the Ships under dispatch.

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order thereon

Ordered that an advance of four months subsistence be authorized to Lieutenants Carrington and Gray of His Majesty's 74.th Regiment, with an advance of three Months subsistence to the Invalids of His Majesty's Regiments proceeding to Europe.

Read the following letter from Messrs. Chase &c.

To

Josiah Webbe Esqr.

Secretary to Government

Sir,

From Messrs. Chase, Sewell and Chenney - Enclose different Balla bills on behalf of the Estate of the late Lieutenant Colonel Parr, of which they request that payment may be ordered.

We Messrs. Chase &c. Attorneys to Mr. Richard Chase one of the Executors to the Estate and effects of the late Colonel Parr, have enclosed, twenty three /23/ Memoranda amounting to Sx. Pag.s 1339. 28. 7d. which we are to request may be laid before the Governor in Council, for His Lordships' approval, and order, that the claim may be disbursed.

We

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We have the honor to be

Madras &c &c

7th April 1800 (Signed) Chase Sewell & Chinnery

Order thereon.

Ordered that the Military —
Auditor General be directed to report on the
above claim, in behalf of the Estate of the —
late Lieutenant Colonel Parr..

Read the following letter from
the Commanding Officer at Arcot.

Josiah Webbe Esqr.
Secretary to Government.

Sir.

From the Commandant at Arcot. He has sent this Presidency Person detected at Arcot in circulating base coin.

I send Gannoo a native of the
Nizam Country a prisoner to you, he was
taken this Morning in the Bazar of the —
Cantonments attempting to pass false —
Money. I likewise send 18 Rupees he —
attempted to exchange for Fanams, I
observe there is one, good one, the rest appear

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all to be lead cased with silver, the —"
Counterpart Rupees are so extraordinary well
done, that it may be attended with the worst
of consequences, as I should suppose few —"
people would find it out, he says himself
that he took them in Tripliane, near
Madras from a Mussulman, and that he
can point out the person, as I suppose the
Coinage may be carried on at that place, —"
and that the Prisoner must be concerned
in it, I have thought it my duty to put
the man in Irons and send him you
for the information of Government, which
I hope will meet with their —"
approbation.

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

Carly Cantonments
Arcot
3d April 1800.

/signed/ A Sentleger,
Lieutenant Colonel Commanding
near Arcot

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The examination of Gunno Sing

of the Rajahpoot Cast.

This Examinant saith that he and his Brother Tharah Sing sett off from his Country Thateyasam in the District of Marward with some attos to sell, and after they arrived at Hydrabad his said Brother left him there and took the Attos with him and went away to Madras to sell the same, and this Examinant saith that he afterwards went to Tiroopaty to pray God where his said Brother returned thither from Madras, who told him to go to Arcot and from thence to Seringapatam, to know whether their other Brother Ameath Sing that Gone to Seringapatam long before was alive or dead, and gave him thirteen Rupees for his Road Expences, which this Examinant saith he received and kept with five Rupees he had before, and left the said place and went to Arcot where he took the said Eighteen

Rupees

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Rupees, and gave to a Shroff to change them into Arcot Rupees, who accordingly gave to this Examinant seventeen Arcot Rupees and four Double Fanams, and two and a half Doodies as a full exchange for the whole Sum of 18 Rupees given to him, for the said purpose — and this Examinant saith he received them and tied in his Cloth, and got up to leave the place, in the mean time another Shroff called the Shroff that gave him the Exchange, to produce the said Eighteen Rupees to him, which was done accordingly and soon after they called this — " Examinant and said to him, that except four or five Rupees the rest were bad Rupees and made of Lead and carried him before the Cutwall in the Choultry, who confined this Examinant and asked him to declare how he came by the said — " lead Rupees, he immediately communicated — " all the circumstances as above related, but this Examinant said, that his said Brother who — "

gave

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gave him the Rupees in the manner aforesaid is Gone to his said Country and that he does not Know who was the Person that purchased the allow, and gave his Brother the money, and this Examinant denies having said that he knew the person at Triplicane, who gave the said Rupees and that he could point him out.

The mark of
/Signed/ Gunno Sing.

Taken and Acknowledged at the Public Office in Fort St. George this 8th day of April 1800.

Before me
/Signed/ J. Taswell
Justice of Peace.

Minute and Resolution thereon.

As the above offence was committed within the Jurisdiction of the Nabob's Government, by a person not attached to the Military Station at Arcot, the President is requested to inform His Highness, that the Person of Gunnoo Sing will be delivered to the Custody of such Officer, as His Highness shall appoint to receive him.

Resolved to inform Lieutenant Colonel Sentleger that the Board entirely approve his vigilance and conduct in apprehending the above

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above person.

Read the following letter from Captain John Malcolm Envoy to the Court of Persia.

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

My Lord,

From Captain John Malcolm Envoy to Persia. He has drawn bills on this Government for the Sum of 16000 Rupees which he requests may be paid at Masulipatam.

I have the honor to acquaint your Lordship, that in consequence of my not being able to negotiate Bills on Bengal at this period I have this day taken the liberty of drawing on your Lordship in Council, for the Sum of Arcot — Rupees sixteen thousand / A R 16,000 / in two — Bills of 8000 each, the one in favor of Mirza — Hussein Say, and the other of Mirza Hussein — Mahommed Sadick.

As I apprehend that I shall again have occasion to draw upon your Lordship in — Council, I have apprized the Right Honble the Governor General of the circumstance, and trust it will occasion no inconvenience.

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I have to request that if it can be done — without impropriety or loss, that your Lordship will be pleased to order the amount of these Bills to be paid at Masulipatam, as the Persons in whose — favor they are drawn are Residents of that Place, and their agents here have solicited me to make this request.

Abu Sheher
26th February 1800.

I have the honor to be
&c &c
(signed) John Malcolm
Envoy.

Ordering the payment of two bills drawn on this Government by Captain John Malcolm. The amount of all bills drawn by Captain Malcolm to be debited to the Presidency Bengal.

Ordered that the above bills for the — some of sixteen thousand Rupees be accepted, and — defrayed by Bills on the Collector at Masulipatam, in conformity to Captain Malcolm's request.

Ordered that the amount be debited to the Presidency of Bengal, and that the amount of all bills which may be in future drawn by Captain Malcolm on this Government be paid and debited in like manner to the Presidency of Fort William.

Read the following letter from the Secretary to the Medical Board.

To

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To Josiah Webbe Esq.
Secretary to Government

Sir.

From the Secretary to the Medical Board. forwards a duplicate of the Annual Indent for Medicines for transmission to England for the year 1801.

By desire of the Medical Board I have the honor to enclose for transmission to Europe, by the Ships now under dispatch, a — Duplicate Copy of the Annual Medical Indent which was forwarded last January.

I have the honor to be
&c &c

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8th April 1800

/signed/ Alexr. Boswell
Secy Medl Board.

order thereon

Ordered that the Duplicate copy of the annual Medical Indent for the 1801 be transmitted by the present dispatch to — "
England.

" Cline

" Wm Petrie

" Chs Tallofield

Compd Gowan

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Copied by Lutchmana. S. S.

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No. 8.

Diary

Received the following Letters

To the Right Honorable Lord Clive President in Council, and Governor of Fort St. George &c. &c. &c.

My Lord,

It is with the most heart felt and deep regret that I presume to address your Lordship in Council regarding a circumstance that has brought your displeasure upon me, which has affected my feelings more heavily than any event that has ever happened to me, and I shall trust to your Lordship's indulgence for any inaccuracy that my expression may betray in the present instance, situated as I am at this Moment depressed with the most painful load of concern that a feeling mind can suffer—and I feel it the more poignantly because it has always been my most anxious Study to merit the approbation of Government in every situation I have been placed, by a Zealous and active discharge of my duty and a

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11 Strict and Scrupulous adherence to their orders under every direction through which they have reached me, in which I have happily succeeded by gaining the support of every Officer under whom I have acted—Permit me, my Lord to assure you that the infringement which I have Committed by a visit to the Dunbar without your Lordships particular permission, was unintentional and from ignorance on my part, for I am ready to make the most public and Solemn asseveration, that I have not seen those orders issued from your Lordship in November last, so strictly prohibitory of visiting the Dunbar, nor have I heard them particularized from authentic information till within these few days—I am at likewise ready to declare, that I have never had any transaction with the Nabob nor with any person about him of a political, Communial, or pecuniary tendency, and that my conversation with His Highness has been always dictated and governed on my part, by the purest principles of honor—I have upon

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upon former occasions when at this Presidency I
obtained permission to visit the present Nabob,
without repeating my application, and professional
man that had formerly attended him at Otr
Trichinopoly and in Camp, with many of his
Officers and Troops, it being well known that I
never have had any other concerns in that quarter,
and this former privilege My Lord has led me to
construe Major Grant's last note to me into a
similar meaning by having unfortunately mis-
-conceived its literal tenor and limitation; and under
this Idea I went there Thinking it perfectly harmless,
for if I had thought otherwise, I hope your Lordship
will be induced to suppose that I could not have
had the effrontery to mention it from myself in
the earliest instance.-

Thus circumstanced I hope it will
appear to your Lordship in Council that I never
had the least intention of committing a breach
of your Lordships' orders— I have served in this
Country

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Country for near Thirty three years, with an unreproachable character and approved conduct, and while guided by principles of emulation and Zeal, to plunge myself into any disobedience of your Lordships' orders would subject me to the imputation of having suddenly fallen into a State of Wild Insanity, especially situated as I am with a numerous and helpless family whose prospects and support depend upon my existence in this Service — and therefore beg leave to submit my situation with the Circumstances I have stated to your benevolent reconsideration, and beg leave to assure your Lordship that I will make the most ample and public acknowledgement that your Lordship may be pleased to dictate —

I have the honor to be with the most perfect respect.

Madras
April the 8th 1800. —

(Signed) J. Gahagan M. D.
and Head Surgeon

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I beg leave to add my Lord which I hope is not too late, that I was on board the Asia Indiaman on the 16th of November 1799 on which day your Lordship's orders were so particularly expressed respecting visiting the Durbar which I have never seen to this moment —

(Signed) T Gahagan —

Lord Clive thinks it necessary to observe on Mr Gahagan's letter that he applied for a general leave to attend at the Durbar which was refused; and Mr G. was in consequence informed that a particular permission was necessary under his Lordship's authority, which particular permission was once granted for a specific purpose —

Josiah Webbe Esqre

Secretary to Government

Sir,

I have the honor of transmitting to you two Letters which have been forwarded to me with the request that I would submit them to the Government — I have no comment to make on Colonel Wahab's &c representation

From the officer commanding the Northern Division forwards a letter from Lieutenant Colonel Durand containing a proposal to purchase a condemned guard at Chicacole the price offered by Colonel Durand appears inferior to the value of the building — Encloses also a letter from the officer

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officer commanding at Guntoor regarding the barracks at that place. Has provided a passage to Bengal for a party of Invalids of the Bengal Artillery. Returns as provided the Barrack Master at Masulipatam to take temporary charge of the Civil Department.

representation. — With respect to Lieutenant Colonel Durand's proposal, the condemned quarter which he is desirous of purchasing, appeared to me when I was last year at Chicacole, to be worth upwards of three times the sum which he offers to pay for it. — The quarter is far from being in a ruinous condition. — To repair it would not cost more than four or five hundred Rupees; and as there are very few Quarters at Chicacole, it would be extremely convenient to the Garrison were it put into an habitable state. —

Having received instructions from Head Quarters to send to Calcutta by the first Sea conveyance a party of sick Artillery Men who were unable to march with their Company from Hyderabad, I have procured a passage for them on board the brig William which will sail to-morrow for Bengal. — I have paid two Pagodas for the passage of each man, and have put provisions for fifteen days on board the Brig. —

I have directed Major Taylor

Barrack

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Barrack Master of this Division to take charge of the Engineer's Department in this Garrison, until the appointment and arrival of an Engineer —

I have the Honor to remain with the greatest respect.

Masulipatam
April 2d 1800 —

&c &c &c

(Signed) W. Vigors

To Colonel Fothringham
Commanding the Troops in the Vizagapatam District

Sir,

Lieutenant Colonel Durand having requested of me to forward the accompanying Letter to Government, I have the Honour to transmit it to your for that purpose — as you are well acquainted with the State of the old Commanding officer's House, and the scarcity of quarters in this Garrison, I beg your support to his application —

I have the Honour to be,

&c &c &c

Chicacole
24th March 1800 —

(Signed) C. Lalande
Lt Col.

A true Copy
(Signed) Geo: Fothringham
Col.

To

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To Lieutenant Colonel Lalande
Commanding Chicacole

Sir,

The very great inconveniencies to which a total want of quarters for the accommodation of myself and Family at this Station subjects us - induces me to tender an offer which accepted would enable me to provide a place for my Family, adequate to their convenience, consistently with my resources, which are not the most brillant

If Government would be pleased to permit me to purchase the Ruins of the old Commanding officers quarter, situated on the Bank of the River - long Time condemned in consequence of the devastation it sustained during the inundation of 1795 - since which it hath lain in that state, and thus became more injured, it would be an inducement for laying out what might be found necessary to render it once more habitable - and thus procure a situation to my numerous Family -

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For the Ruins as they lay - considering all things - I think, that from four to five hundred Rupees, would be doing justice to all parties whereas, in the state it now lays, it cannot fail to become ultimately a total loss to the Honorable Company -

Therefore, I request you will be so obliging as to forward this my application to Government - trusting you will not deny me your testimony to the state of the fact, and its circumstances -

I have the honor to be

&c^a — — &c^a

Chicacole

the 25th March 1800 -

(signed) J. G Durand Lieut Col.
Comm^g 2^d B^n 17^th Reg^t N. I.

The Right Honorable Lord Clive

Governor in Council

Fort St. George

My Lord;

I have the honor to represent to you, for your information, that the Sepoy Barracks in the Fort of Ganjam are in very bad Repair, - one part is thatched, and the small part tiled, - that thatched part will from

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all appearance only want to be thatched - the tiled part will want tiles, some Bamboos and Timbers. —

As there is no Engineer, I will undertake to see it done, - and hope your Lordship will have the goodness to order an advance of one hundred Pagodas for these Repairs. - this I will assure your Lordship, that not a Cash shall be laid out that can be prevented. — The best time is just now to get the Connalloo Straw as thatch, and I believe the cheapest and best, - and as the Garrison of Bellumconda is not in great want of the Lascars, the greatest part might be brought here, for the purpose of assisting in the repairs of the Barracks. -

I have the honor to be, with great respect.

Guntoor
30th March 1800. — (Signed) G. Wahab Colond
Comm. Guntoor District

Recived and sent the undermen = tioned Letters entered in MB. Nos 45-46-47-48. -

From Captain Montgomery -

Reports

From the Presidency Commandant by the Governor Council Body Guard.

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Reports his arrival at Calcutta with the horses under his charge. —

From the Acting Secretary at Columbo.

From W. Boyd — Encloses papers relative to a demand made by the Commander of the Boddam for additional freight for conveying His Majesty's 51st Regiment from Trincomalle to Columbo —

— The stores destined for Palamottah will be sent by His Excellency to Tutacoryn. Encloses a copy of the terms of agreement for conveying the Saltpetre landed from the Earl Howe at Trincomalle, to Madras. —

To the Commandt at Arcot.

To Lieutenant Colonel Sent Leger approving his vigilance and conduct in apprehending the person detected in circulating base coin at Arcot. —

To the Military Auditor General.

To Major General Sydenham — To authorize an advance of four Months subsistence to two officers of His Majesty's 74th Regiment, with an advance of three Months subsistence to the Invalids of His Majesty's Regiments proceeding to England — Copy of a Letter from Messrs Chase and Co with the several pay abstracts to which it refers enclosed for his

report

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report - To authorize payment of seven Subs of Lieut-
-nant Colonel Bowser for Pagodas 813. 18 -

Substance of a letter from the Nabob.

Received a Letter from the Nabob
entered in C.C. No. 25 - States his claims to share in the
Tuticorin pearl fishery -

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Received the following Letter -

To Jos. Webbe Esqr.

Secretary to Government

Sir,

From the Adjutant General of the Army - Recommends appointments affecting Lieutenant P. Mc Gill, Lieutenant Dandridge and Captain Lieutenant Ahier -

I am directed by Major General Braithwaite to request you will submit to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council his recommendation that the following appointments may take place.

3d Regiment of Native Cavalry

Lieutenant P. Mc Gill to be Quarter Master vice Dunn.

Lieutenant Dandridge to be Adjutant vice Rowles, on furlough to Europe. -

7th Regiment of Native Infantry

Captain Lieutenant Joshua Ahier to be Adjutant and Quarter Master, vice Alexander Marshall promoted -

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I am also directed by Major G.
General Brathwaite to transmit to you the inclosed letter
from Lieutenant Colonel Doveton. —
I have the Honor to be,
&c. — — — &c.
Signed P. A. Agnew
Adjt Genl of the Army

Adjutant Generals
Office
Fort St. George
April 9th 1800. —

Sent the following Letters

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

Gentlemen,

The Governor in Council having
considered the paragraphs of your letters of the 1st and 4th
Instant relative to the unadjusted Accounts of the late
Commissary of Grain, deems it impossible to permit
Major Thomas Hart to proceed to Europe unless he
shall give sufficient Security for the settlement of his
accounts, as well as for the liquidation of whatever Balance
may be ultimately adjudged against him according to

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To the Military Board directing them to adjust the Security which they may judge it necessary to require from Major Hart previously to his being permitted to proceed to Europe.

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the usage of the Company's Service: His Lordship has therefore communicated this resolution to Major Hart; and as the State of the Accounts as well as the extent of the Security to be required is familier to your Board, the Governor in Council authorizes and directs you to make such an arrangement as may admit of Major Hart's proceeding to England if he should still be desirous of doing so under the restrictions now prescribed. —

I have the honor to be,

&c — — &c

(Signed) J. Webbe Secy to Govt

Fort St. George
8th April 1800. —

To Major Tho's Hart

Sir,

To Major Thomas Hart. The Military Board have been furnished with instructions for the adjustment of the Security to be required from him previously to his being permitted to proceed to Europe.

In answer to your Letter of the 25th Ultimo — I am directed to inform you that the Military Board have been directed to revise the whole of your accounts as Commissary of Grain, and to require from you such security as the nature of your unadjusted accounts may render necessary, and that when sufficient security shall have been given

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for the settlement of the Accounts of your late depart-
-ments as well as for the liquidation of any balance
which may be adjudged against you according to the
usage of the Company's Service, the Right Honorable the
Governor in Council will permit you to proceed to
Europe. —

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Jam. &c. — &c.
(Signed) J. Webbe Jy to Govt

Received and Sent the undermen-
-tioned Letters entered in MB. Nos 49-50-51-52-

From the Military Board — Trans-
-mit a Bill of the Barrack Master in Mysoor for pagodas
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From the Military Board.

To Captain Kirkpatrick — Payment
has been authorized of Lieutenant Colonel Bowser's Bills
enclosed in his letter of the 26th ultimo —

To the President at Hydrabad.

To Major General Sydenham — To
authorize payment of two Bills of the Superintendant of the
Stud at Ganjam for pagodas 7736. of a Bill of the
Assistant Engineer in the Southern Division for
pagodas

To the Military Auditor General.

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pagodas 30. 31. 40, with a bill of the Engineer in the Southern Division for pagodas 184. 22. 66.

To the Commander of the Ship Britannia.

To Captain Palmer - Permitting him to receive Captain C. D. Bruce, and his Servant Thomas Macarthy on board of his Ship as passengers to England.

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Received the following Letter

The Right Honorable Lord Clive

President and Governor in Council

of Fort St. George -

From the Military Auditor General - Forwards a duplicate of the annual Statement and Analysis for the year 1798/9 for transmission to England, with Statements of advances to French and Dutch prisoners.

My Lord.

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In consequence of the loss of the Annual Military Statement and Analysis for the year 1796/7 by the capture of the Zephyr Packet, and with a view to prevent a similar inconvenience to that which may have been experienced from such circumstance, I have the honor to lay before your Lordship in Council, for transmission to the Honorable Court of Directors by the present Dispatch, Duplicate of the Annual Military statement and Analysis for the year 1798/9, and shall continue the same

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practice every year in future, which I hope will meet with your Lordship's approbation. -

I have likewise the honor to enclose

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Statements in Duplicate of Sums paid on account of French and Dutch Prisoners of War, from the 1st August to the 31st October 1799 inclusive, for the purpose of being forwarded as usual to the Honorable Court of Directors -

I have the honor to be with

great respect.

&c. - - - &c

Military Auditor
Generals Office
Fort St. George
10th April 1800. -

(Signed) W. Sydenham
Military Audr. Genl

Josiah Webbe Esqr

Secretary to Government

Sir,

I have the Honor of forwarding to

From the officer commanding the Northern Division Encloses copies of correspondence relative to the intended attack on the Zemindar of Polaveram -

you Copies of Letters relative to the Polaveram Zemindar. -

No. 1 is a Letter from Mr. Collector Bransfill wherein he requests that I would take measures to reduce the Zemindar to obedience. No. 2 is a copy of my reply to Mr. Bransfill: and No. 3 is copy of a Letter to Lieutenant

Colonel

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Colonel Gardiner communicating my instructions respecting the general Management of the Warfare in which he will be engaged.

I hope that the Contents of these Letters will receive the approbation of Government; and I respectfully request that I may be favored with their orders concerning the treatment of the Polaveram inhabitants or Peons, who shall be taken in Arms against the Company's Authority.

I have the Honor to remain with the greatest respect

Masulipatam
April 6th 1800.

&c. &c. &c.

(Signed) U. Vigors

To Colonel Urban Vigors
Commanding the Northern Division of the Army
Sir,
Masulipatam

I have the honor to inform you that I have duly received Captain Munro's letter of the 2d Instant, to which I shall reply more fully in the course of this day or Tomorrow, this Letter

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is sent by Express to apprize you, that I am unable to bring the Zemindar of Polaveram to any terms, and consequently to request that you will be pleased to give the necessary instructions to Colonel Gardiner to take the most effectual means of reducing him to obedience; I shall afford that Officer every information that may appear to me necessary, or that he may require for his guidance, which I trust will enable him to bring the Business to a speedy issue. — A Battalion of Bengal Volunteers under the Command of Captain Malcolm arrived at Covoor yesterday Morning, and I requested that Officer to proceed to this place that a sufficient body of Troops may be in readiness to march by the route of Settinagrum to Polaveram, and to protect the Country on this side of the Godavery from the depre=
=dations that are threatened by the Peons lately =
stationed by the Zemindar in the vicinity of Poorsho=
=lapatam a Village nearly opposite to the Fort of Polaveram. although I shall not of course request the Commanding Officer of the Bengal Troops

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to act on the offensive until I hear from you in answer to this letter, which I hope will be with as little delay as possible, yet in case the Zemindar should commence depredations, I trust you will coincide with me in opinion that it will be proper to detach Troops to prevent his extending those depredations, and to protect the Country as far as lies in their power. —

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

(Signed) B. Branfill

Collector 3d Division

Rajahmundry
4th April 1800. —

A true Copy

(Signed) U. Vigors

Benjamin Branfill Esqr.

Collector of the 3d Division of the Masulipatam District

Sir

Colonel Vigors directs me to inform you that he has been honored with the receipt of your Letter of the 4th Instant — The Colonel thinks that the disobedience and contumacy of Munga-petty Doo, the refractory disposition, and averseness

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to submission which he has so long manifested, oblige us to adopt the most decisive and vigorous measures in order to bring him to a proper sense of his dependence and duty.— To settle the Polaveram Zemindary, to apprehend the Zemindar, or oblige him to submit to proper terms, can, the Colonel is of opinion, be most effectually accomplished by offensive and active operations.— The season is so far advanced that the hostilities should commence immediately.— On these Accounts Colonel Vigors has, in consequence of your requisition, sent instructions to Colonel Gardiner to act against the Zemindar, to enter his Country by various Detachments; to incessantly attack and closely pursue himself and his adherents, and to leave proper parties in the Pass to protect the Company's Districts.— The success of these expeditions will entirely depend upon the goodness of the intelligence which the troops receive.— Indeed, if furnished with proper information of the haunts and retreats of Mungapetty Doo.

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they ought certainly to take him. — They should follow him wherever he retires and never abandon the pursuit of him. — Colonel Vigors therefore begs that you would endeavour to procure, and afford to Colonel Gardiner the most accurate information of the situations where the Zemindar resides and retires. —

The Colonel requests that you would communicate with Colonel Gardiner respecting the proceedings of the Detachment; and furnish him with Hircarahs and guides. —

I have the Honor to remain with respect. —

&c — — — &c

Masulipatam
April 5th 1800. —

(Signed) John. Munro
Major Brigade

A true Copy
(Signed) U. Vigors
Lieutenant Colonel Gardiner
Commanding the Bengal Volunteer Detachment

Sir

I am directed by Colonel Vigors.

to

2112 Fort St. George. April 1800.—

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to transmit to you the accompanying Copy of a Letter which he has received from Mr Collector Branfill— It contains a requisition that the Colonel would take measures to reduce the refractory, and disobedient Zemindar of Polaveram—

Colonel Vigors, being authorized by Government to avail himself of the Services of the Volunteer Corps while they remain in the Circars, desires that they should be employed, agreeably to the application of Mr Branfill, in attacking and subjecting to the Company's Authority the Polaveram Zemindary, in endeavouring to apprehend the person of its Rajah Mungapitty Doo, or in compelling him to submit to such conditions as the Government may think proper to impose on him

As the Company's troops have not acted for many years in the Polaveram Country, and never penetrated to any distance within it, Colonel Vigors is in great measure ignorant of its situation, and of the most favorable, and accessible

accessible approaches to it. — Unable therefore to afford you any satisfactory information on these points, or to communicate any particular instructions re=garding the peculiar dispositions and movements which it may be necessary to make, the Colonel can give his opinion of the general System only, which he thinks it would be most advantageous to adopt. — The particular operations must depend upon the situation of the Country, the intelligence which you receive, and on your own Judgement. —

To seize the person of the Zemin=dar Mungapitty Doo, to disperse his Adherents, and secure the Company's Districts from their incur=sions are your chief objects. These objects, the Colonel conceives, can be most speedily and effectually accomplished by entering the Polaveram Country by various Detachments; by incessantly attacking, and closely pursuing the Zemindar and his Peons, and by leaving troops in the rear to sustain the advanced parties, to forward supplies to these, and

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to cover the Company's Country. — The season of action amongst the Hills lasts until the middle of June only. After that period the extreme unhealthiness of the climate in the mountainous Countries will oblige the troops to abandon them and retire to the plains; and will allow the Poons to return and renew their ravages. — It is therefore of the greatest importance that the Polaverum Country should be reduced and settled before the Commencement of the unfavorable season. — This consideration induces Colonel Vigors to request that the operations of the Detachment may be conducted with the utmost activity; and that you will leave no method unattempted to seize Mungapully Doo, as the tranquillity of the District cannot be secured, nor the renewal of disturbances prevented, until he is apprehended. —

As Mr Branfill's intercourse with the People, and his situation and influence in the Country, have enabled him to obtain the most

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accurate knowledge of the State of the Polaveram Zemendary, and of its neighbouring Districts, & Colonel Vigors requests that you would communi= =cate with him concerning the proceedings of the Troops.— Colonel Vigors also requests that you would consult with Mr Branfill respecting the propriety of granting terms to the adherents of Mungapatty Do. and the conduct to be observed to the persons and Vil= =lages of the Hill people.— Mr Branfill will fur= =nish you with Hircarrahs and guides, and with all the intelligence in his possession.—

It will be necessary to trans= =mit to Colonel Vigors, for the information of Govern= =ment, and the Commander in Chief, circumstantial reports of the proceedings of the Detachment.—

The Officer Commanding Rajah= =mundry has been directed to supply you with mus= =quet Ammunition.— But as there are only fifteen Barrels at that post, Colonel Vigors requests that you would inform him of the quantity which

you

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you may require. —

I have the honor to remain

with respect —

Masulipatam

April 5th 1800. —

&c. — — &c.

(Signed) John Munro
Major Brigade

A true Copy

(Signed) U. Vigors

Received and Sent the undermen-
-tioned Letters entered in Mss Nos 53-54-55-56-57-
58-59. —

From Lieutenant Colonel Campbell.

From the Com-
-mandant at Chan-
-dernagherry -

-communicates intelligence of the death of Meer Hussein ner
Ud dun Khan. —

From Mr Alexander - Requests to

From Mr. Richard
Alexander -

be furnished with a letter of Marque for the Ship
Shrewsbury. —

From Lieutenant Colonel Close -

From the Resident
in Mysoor -

acknowledges the receipt of the letters to him of the
31st ultimo and 1st Instant with the cypher No. 11. —

From Captain Evans. Requests

From the Super-
-intendant of the
Stud.

that a proportion of the cattle the property of the late
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Tippoo Sultaun may be put under his charge, with a view to the general improvement of the breed of cattle. —

From the Pay-master at Masulipatam.

From Mr. Ram - Encloses a bill for the passage money of five Men of the Bengal Artillery to Bengal. —

To the officer commanding the Northern Division.

To Colonel Vigors - His communication with the Collector of Rajahmundry reported in his letter of the 3d Instant relative to the intended attack on the Zemindar of Pulaveram, approved. —

To the Commander of the Ship Asia.

To Captain Wardlaw - Directing him to receive Lieutenant Colonel Alexander Read on board of his Ship as Passenger to England. —

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Received the following Letters —

Josiah Webbe Esqr.

Secretary to Government.

Sir,

From Major Thomas Hart - Requests to be furnished with extracts of the correspondence of the Commander in chief -

I request that you will order me to be furnished with extracts of such parts of Lieutenant General Harris's letters of the 19th of June

and

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and 3d of July last, which relate to my Conduct as Commissary of Grain to the Army during the late War in Mysore.

I have the honor to be,

Madras
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(Signed) Tho. Hart

J. Webbe Esqr.

Sir,

From the Military Paymaster General. Reports that there are certain unadjusted balances in the books of this office against Lieutenant Colonel Read.

Colonel Alexander Read having applied to me for a Certificate that there were no demands against him in my Office - I informed him that there were certain Sums standing to his debit as follows -

April 1792 - Amount advanced him by the Southern Army Paymr.	P. 1000. - -
April 1792 - Advanced him by Cornet Kippen - - - - -	438. 16 -
August 1791 Amount advanced by Mr Toriano - - - - -	293. 6. 70
March 1792 Advanced by d. for the fortification and Stores for Coochbundy - - - - -	1294. 9. 16 -

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After the Communication with Colonel Read and an examination with the Revenue and Commissary Departments, I found he had given Credit in the Revenue Books for the Thousand Pagodas, this Credit had not been given to my department and Colonel Read declared that his Accounts were given in upon his Oath relative to the Expences of the repairs of Cocchbundy for which I suppose all the other Sums were advanced but no adjustment of the Account was ever sent to my depart=ment. It would appear these Sums should be car=ried to the Head of War with Tippoo Sultaun and I request you will be pleased to obtain the Commands of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council on this Subject.—

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

(Signed) B. Roebuck
Mil.y P. Genl.

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Received and Sent the under=mentioned Letters entered on M/S. Nos 60-61-62-63-

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From the Acting Secretary at Colombo.

From Mr Boyd — Requests that Mr Lovrido a prisoner of War at Pondicherry may be permitted to proceed to Ceylon. —

From the Adjutant General of the Army. —

From Lieutenant Colonel Agnew — Encloses a letter from Lieutenant Francis Thomson claiming house rent and an allowance for a piechally while he commanded at Coringa. —

To the Secretary at Fort William.

To Lieutenant Colonel Kirkpatrick — Enclosing copy of a letter announcing the death of Meer Kummer Ud deen Khan —

To the Commanders of the Ships Asia and Charlton. —

To Captains Wardlaw and Welladvice — Directing them to receive the charter party Passengers for England, specified in enclosed lists. —

Substance of a letter to the Nabob.

Sent a letter to the Nabob entered in C.C. N 26 — Informing His Highness that the person or detected in circulating false coin at Arcot will be delivered to the custody of such person as His Highness may appoint to receive him. —

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Received the following Letters. —

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To the Right Honorable Lord Clive

Governor in Council &c &c &c

My Lord,

From the Military Board - Request the decision of the Board relative to the personal responsibility to be attached to Major Hart, for the wastage in his department as late Commissary of Grain -

Having given particular consideration to the directions contained in Mr. Secretary Webbe's Letter of the 8th Instant, as connected with Major Harts accounts in the Grain Department, as well as to the circumstances stated in a Letter which we have received from that Officer, and having also referred to the Proceedings of the several Committees held by order of the Commander in Chief, to ascertain the average wastage of Grain conformably to the 6th Article of the Regulations for the Grain Department, and to the 7th Article of the Regulations for the Bullock Department, by which it appears that the deficiency stated at such periods respectively was uniformly ascribed to the insufficiency of the Bags in which the Grain was carried, and especially in the Proceedings of the Committee of which the Honorable Colonel Wellesley was President in Camp near

Vellore

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Vellore on the 8th February 1799, which stated it to be the opinion of that Committee that the Wastage then reported was to be attributed to the Condition of the Bags delivered to the Commissary and not to any want of attention in his Department, We are of opinion that although the wastage on the Rice carried with the Army between Madras and Seringapatam was very great, amounting to 23 5/8 per Cent on the whole quantity, exclusive of that stated to have been taken by the Enemy, and lost in the Jungle on different days during the march, and for which the Bullock Masters have been made accountable at the Price laid down in the Regulations; and although it is probable that the Bullock people availing themselves of the defective State of the Bags may have pilfered a part of the quantity charged to the head of "Wastage" yet that under all these circumstances it will be very difficult, if not impossible, to determine what proportion, if any, of the Rice in question should be discharged to them. And as it also appears to us that the

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Commissary of Grain cannot be held personally res-
-ponsible for the Amount of such deficiency, Since none
of the Committees which were assembled for the purpose
of ascertaining the average Wastage and of enquiring into
the Cause, have imputed any neglect to that officer in the
execution of his duty, We request that we may be honoured
by the communication of the final decision of your
Lordship in Council upon this subject.

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

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

To Josiah Webbe Esqrs
Secretary to Government

Sir,

I have the Honour to forward here-
-with for transmission to the Honourable the Court
of Directors a Register of the European Effective
Troops on this Establishment. The numerous Errors

From the Adjutant General of the Army - Forwards a Re-
-gister of the Com-
-pany's European Effective troops for transmission to England, with a General Return of the troops on this Establishment on the 31st of Janry last. -

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in the Old Register of the Non Effective Europeans, has obliged me to call for Returns of that part of the Establishment to correct the List, which till these are received cannot be transmitted with sufficient accuracy to answer any useful purpose.—

I have also the Honor to forward by Order of Major General Braithwaite a General Return of the Troops serving under this Presidency on the 31st January 1800 for transmission to Europe.—

I have the Honour to be,

&c. &c.

(Signed) P. A. Agnew
Adjt Genl of the Army

Adjutant Generals Office
Fort St. George
April 12th 1800.—

To Jos. Webbe Esqr.
Secretary to Government

From the Secretary to the Medical Board forwards proceedings of the Medical Board for transmission to England.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward for transmission to Europe Copies of the Proceedings of the Medical Board from the 17th of June 1799 to the present date.—

I have the honor to be,

&c. &c.

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April 8th 1800.—

(Signed) Alex. Boisrell
Secy Med. Board

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I Webbe Esqr.

Secretary to Government

Sir,

From Lieutenant Colonal E. Tilney - Gives a detailed account of his expedition against the Polygar of Billum, and of his repulse at the attack of Arrachevoy.

I am instructed by the Honorable Colonel Wellesley with the Conduct of an Expedition against the Polygar of Biliam, I have the honor to prefer a Copy of my Instructions with Each material communication incident thereon: —

Leaving our Ground near Seringapatam on the Morning of the 23d ultimo, I proceeded by the Route marked for me, and about 12 A. M. of the Forenoon of the 29th; Encamped on the Heights nearly in a Coss W. S. W. of Kinsuma Oscota where, I immediately caused the accompanying Proclamation in the Canary Language to be distributed throughout the Talook of Biliam. Joined towards the Evening of this Day by the Rajahs Troops, my Force consisted of Eight Companys of the 1st Battalion 12th N. Regiment and 5 Companys of the 2d of the 3d N. Infantry, the whole yeilding about 800 Effective Sepoys with a

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Brigade of Guns. One thousand of the Rajahs Horse, under Veshtheo Pundet, with 600 of his Sepoys and a thousand Peons commanded by Chenboo Pundet. - Unable, either by means of the Rajahs Officers, or, the Scouts I employed to obtain such Intelligence as could be depended on, I, the Morning of the 30th, marched to Eyyoor - The Rajah's Foot moving in three Divi=sions to occupy such positions as I conceived might prevent the Escape of all, who should be destined for the Defence, attended by 500 Horse, while I took the only Road over which Guns could pass, the Tumbrils, with all the Camp Equipage, Stores &c., having been left at Oscotta, under charge of my 2d. Master Serjeant, with 2 N. Officers and 150 Non Commissioned Rank and File - What remained of the Horse were posted on the Road to Arrakerry to afford Information of any movement that should be made from that Quarter, it would seem, however, that, on this oc=casion, the Poligar had no disposition to obstruct us and his People so effectually eluded all search,

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that I would not boast of having seen a single man.
— We entered Eygoor about 11 A. M. — It holds from
Nature almost every advantage that would be es=
=sential to the Security of this description of People —
— The only Passage by which a Gun, of no larger size
than a six Pounder can be drawn, and that not
without Labour, is cut in a winding direction to
the Extent of 3/4 of a Mile thro' one of those Eminences
that give to this Country an appearance so uncommon,
the Road, rugged and difficult to ascend and from
the Banks on either side of from 15 to 18 Feet per=
=pendicular height a jungle rises that seems well
calculated to secure from danger such as might fire
into it — East of this, are Paddy Fields, to the Extent
of from one to two hundred yards, bounded by a
River, and toward the Center of the Passage, on the
left, is a large Tank, by no means necessary as a
Reservoir for the Supply of Water when the Post is
invested, but which if cut, would render this Entrance
wholly impassible from the Nature of the Soil, this

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being a strong red clay. —

From the Interieour of the Post are various Pathways that lead to the Woods, the Prin-cipal of which, is from the N.E. and W.S.W. the former leading by a steep descent through a Narrow slip of Sugar Cane, bounded on Each side by a thick Jungle, and the latter, by a Causeway of three, or four Feet in breadth to a Hill difficult of Access by means of a surrounding Jungle and which equally Commands the Post and Neighbouring Country. —

Having witnessed the destruction of all that could be burnt, I returned to the Ground we had left —

The computed distance from thence to the Byfsdu Ghaut, was Eight Sultanny Cofs and the Position occupied by Kishtnapah Naick, in that direction, being described to me as a Forest of Great Extent, highly difficult to penetrate and defended by Succesive Barriers for three Cofs in Continuance on a Road Way too Narrow for Guns, yet the only

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one by which this Detachment could advance, but through the natural Vises of the Earth, commencing at the distance of about One Cos from Woochunga; which Village is said to be 4 from Oscotta, all the intermediate Country being likewise represented as of the Forest kind, with short yet dependous swellings of the Earth, uncommonly steep on either side and presenting Sheets of Paddy Field along the Bottoms, with Banks of from 4 to 6 Feet perpendicular height, I readily felt the Expediency of an attempt to dislodge the Poli= =gar's Son from the Conbay of Arrakerry before I ad= =vanced to the Ghaut, as by leaving him in my rear our Intercourse would probably be intercepted and as, actually, it was from this Position he interrupted the communication betwen Munserabad and the C. Rajahs Post at Oscotta - being further urged to it, also by Vishtnoo Pundit, Chenbas Pundit and the Nawab of Bilaun, I, on the 1st; conducted my detachment to Munserabad as the most central Position, and as affording the best security to my Tumbrils, Carriage,

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Stores, Camp Equipage, &c. unacquainted with the Exact situation of the Barrier we had to pass, on this occasion, it happened that, when rather in Front of my advanced Party with Veshnoo Pundit and Chinto Pundit (Com-mandant of the Rajah's Infantry) we got close upon the Fort without being aware of it and had a general discharge from a party of Hostanapah Naick's People posted there as a Guard, luckily one Shot only took place, & received by Chintoo Pundit through the Flesh of his Thigh; This, and the wound of a Pioneer in the Rear were the only accidents we experienced that Day —

— Still unable to ascertain the Force I might find to oppose me, or any correct Information of the Works I should have to carry, my hopes of Success were principally founded on a Retrospect, which after the Fall of Seringapatam, offered no obstacle that had not been carried by the Troops under the Honorable Colonel Wellesley, and, on the 2d. Instant, I advanced to the attack in the order given by the Inclosed Copy of Instructions and, had it been any way possible to penetrate

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the Forest so as to Flank and take the Baries in reverse all might have Ben well, notwithstanding the Number of our opponents, which must have been considerable from the Fire sustained and given — The Roads, however, from every Account are Extre= =mely Narrow and difficult, defended by different Baries, well Stockaded, having Each a very deep En= =trenchment over which Trees are loosely thrown, as a Means of Communication for the defendants — revis= =eable at pleasure. —

By the Favor of my order on the occasion, The Right Honorable the President in Council, will perceive how much reason I have to be satisfied with the Conduct and Exertions of Each European, Commissioned and Non Commissioned Offic= Employed on the Assault and, herewith, I have the honor to forward a Return of our Killed and wounded —

From among the Volunteers who composed the Forlorn hope, under Serjeant Major Bateman, I have to recommend Candee Cann &

Havildar

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Havildar of the 2d Battalion 3d Regiment of N. Infantry as being greatly deserving of Notice, in having sprung upon the Barier from which we were so unhappily checked and for having throughout shewn an Example of Courage well calculated to Excite Emulation in all who were near him – I, also, beg leave to present the List I have received from Lieutenant Noble of the Men from his Detail of Artillery who volunteered and led on our third and last Effort – –

The Loss of the Rajahs People is 7 Killed and 4th wounded, and their behaviour throughout answered my utmost wish and far exceeded my Expectation – –

Arrakerry, is a Forest Encompas-sing a large Hill on which the Combay is about six miles in Length and three in depth – –

The Ways by which alone it is deemed accessible are four, all Extremely difficult to pass, equally from their being rugged and Narrow, as from the uncommon thickness of the Forest and

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nature of the Country, it is, therefore, no way surprising
that the People we had opposed to us should have denoted
a thorough Confidence in their Position and the Barriers
Established to obstruct our way.—

Kishtnapah Nayc exclusive of this
and his situation at the Byfselee Ghaut has another
strong hold at a place named Raoshanarrow, about ten
Cofs, W. S. W. of Eyyore which is described as being yet
more difficult to access than either and nothing can more
strongly mark the attachment of his People, than that
of my not having seen or heard of any well inclined
to the Rajah's Officers, and of my finding it utterly im-
-possible to obtain Intelligence. The Scouts from among
my own People and Captain Colebrookes Guides, whom
I advanced for this purpose, with every promise of
Reward, having crossed the Gamudatty River, were
soon discovered as strangers and being pursued deemed
it a service of too much danger to make another attempt.—
Kistnapah Nayc, as far as I can learn, held, in
former times a very extensive Dominion.— Ryder.

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after employing a considerable Force against him reduced his Revenue to 20,000 Pagodas and Tippoo by means of 50,000 Men employed against him at different Periods, reduced it to 5,000 at which it is now rated, but I am told that neither the Father, or Son could ever dispossess him of his strong hold at Arrakerry. The Byfsdee Ghaut and Rawcarra.- From this consideration and the distance of the Byfsdee Ghaut, I after the check we received lost all hope of being able to establish an Intercourse" with the Post of the Bombay Army at the Seobramony Pagoda at the Bottom of the Pass towards the Malabar Coast- and, as we already experienced a scarcity of Supplies for the Bazar, particularly in the articles of Rice and Grain, as the quantity of Rice with us would not at 3 rabers per Diem yield 18 Days Provisions, as the Rains we daily experienced inclined me to apprehend the River might rise, and as we had already expended one third of our Grape and one month of our Round Shot for the Guns— I resolved to take up the Position I now hold near Saglee-pore 1/2 M. N.E. and by E. from the Fort of Munsenabad,

having

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having the River Vernawerdty on my Rear and the Roads to Bellore and Seringapatam on either Flank, there to wait further Instructions.

I in the hope that my Conduct may meet the approbation of Government, I have only to add, that the Order of Government directing all Officers employed on Field Service to correspond directly with Government did not immediately occur to me, and, on this Score, to entreat Forgiveness as well as for any Error I may unintentionally have committed in the Duties of my Charge, and have the honor to &c.

Camp near Saglepore April 6th 1800. — (Signed) &c &c E. Tolfrey Lieut. Colonel

Instructions for Lieutenant Colonel Tolfrey March 22d 1800. —

You are to march tomorrow morning with the Troops, which have been put under your Orders, and the Rajahs Cavalry under Bish to Pundit towards Kensarna Ouscotta on the Hyavetty River by the

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the Route of Chanroyputam Gram &c. by which the Army marched hither from thence — Kistnapah Naig, the Poligar of Billoom has a Polygar Station at a Place cal=led Eyghore, which is about six Miles from the River — abovementioned and is described in the Enclosed Paper from Captain Campbell, who went there in the months of September last. — From this Station, where he has col=lected about three or four thousand of the People of the Country he attacks the Convoys of Provisions &c. which are going to the Rajahs Troops at the Neighbouring Fort of Munserabad, where there is likewise a Body of the Rajahs Troops encamped) and interrupts the communication between that Fort and the Post of the Rajahs Troops at Ouscotta — You will be joined at Ouscotta by the In=fantry abovementioned to be encamped at Munserabad, and you will immediately attack the People at Eyghore; you will burn that place; and you will hang all the People that you may find in Arms, or that you may have reason to know have been so. —

It was the Rainy Season when

Captain

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when Captain Campbell went to Eyghore, but I have reason to believe, that you will find more roads to that place in this dry season than that one which he discribes.—

When you will attack it you will of course take care to leave your Provisions, Camp, and Bag=gage behind you in safety, and to keep your Flanks strong and clear.— after you will have performed this Service at Eyghore, you will move by Woochinga to the Bufalee Ghaut, where the Polygar likewise has a force, with which he has inter=rupted the communication between that Place and Mar=galore.— You will drive him from thence, and com=municate with a Post of the Bombay Army, which is at the Bottom of the Pass in the Subramany Pagoda.—

On arriving at Puscotta you will issue a Proclamation which will be dispersed for you by the Rajahs Servants inviting all the Peaceable Inhabitants to remain in their Villages, and stating it to be your Intention to burn all Villages, which you may find Deserted and to hang all People that may be taken in Arms.— On your March to the Bisolee

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Ghaut you will put this Proclamation in Execution.

It is very desirable that Captain Colebrooke should visit all the Passes in the lower Country, to the Northward of the Rajah of Coorg's Territories, and I request you will enable him to do so.

After having performed these Services abovementioned, and after some of the Rajah's Troops under Seyed. Mahommed will arrive in the Country, should you see no further reason for remaining there, you will move with your Battalion to Phaughur, where you will put it in Garrison, you will send the 2d of the 3d to Chittledroog, where they are to be in Garrison, and you will send Captain Colebrooke and his Guides, the Artillery and Guns and the Pioneers to Seringapatam, you will have with you a supply of Rice, which is sent to be used only in case of Necessity and is to be returned to Seringapatam if it should not be wanted.

If you should find it possible by means of the Rajah's Cavalry or Infantry, to attack

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the Post at Bissolee Ghaut at the same time when you will attack Eyghore, you will do so. And Captain Colebrooke will afterwards visit it, and any passes to the Canara Country that may be in the Neighbourhood.

(Signed) Arthur Wellesley
Colonel

A true Copy

(Signed) E. Tolfrey
Lieut Col.

Proclamation

The Dewan Purnia and the Honorable Colonel Wellesley Commanding Seringapatam and all the Troops employed throughout Mysore Canary and Malabar, taking into Consideration various Calamities to which many harmless well inclined Inhabitants of the Taloote of Bidlum may be exposed in the Progress of a Force calculated to crush the Ill advised and refractory, thus announce to all Ryotts and others, That I, Edward Tolfrey, Lieutenant Colonel Commanding the Troops in Camp near Oscotta am Instructed to overtake, attack and Punish all and every Enemy to the Rajahs Government, to burn the Villages they may have Deserted and to hang

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such as may be taken in Arms, whilst, to all who manifest their good will towards their Government & a Due Regard to each arrangement, The Peswa Purnia may, in his wisdom, have established through his Officers, I am directed to present all possible encouragement and protection; Be it therefore Known to all Peaceable Inhabitants of Billum That they are hereby exhorted to remain in their Villages and to hoist the Coul Flag, when they may rely on my best care of them and of all that may belong to them, And whereas the undue Influence of a Vagabond by the name of Kistnapa Naig has tended to disturb that Tranquility in the Talook of Billum which continues to be enjoyed — Throughout all the Talooks of the Rajahs Dominions by seeking to promote insurrection and thus drawing on him and his unfortunate adherents, that Chastisement which now awaits them from the Force, under my Command,

If any Person, or People, will seize on and secure the said Kistnapa Naig, his Son and Family and convey him or the whole of them to me, He, or They

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shall be rewarded with a Sum of 400 Rupees and strongly recommended by me towards some further attention. —

Given and Published at my Camp near Oscotta this 29th day of March 1800. —

(Signed) E. Tolfrey
Lieutenant Col.

A true Copy

(Signed) E. Tolfrey
Lieutenant Colo.

Order of March and Instructions for the Attack of Arakery

The Detachment will move off in three Columns — The 2d of the 3d the 1st of the 12th Regiments with the Brigade of Artillery advancing in succession, from the Centre of Companies, constitutes the Centre column, to be preceded by a Detail of Volunteers from either Corps of one Jemidar, Two Havildars, Two Naigues, and 20 Privates, under Serjeant Major Bateman, and the 2d Grenadiers of the 1st Battalion 12th Regiment, commanded by Captain Lieutenant Spence flanked at the distance of 80 paces on either side by Two details of a Jemidar two Havildars, two Naigues and 30 Privates each.

Serjeant

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Serjeant Major Bateman under the orders of Captain Spence will gain and reconnoitre each successive eminence, waiting there to be Joined by the Grenadier - and Captain Spence on each summit, as he attains it, in regular &. order, will form his Party, giving a Front till the &. Pioneers shall have cleared a Road for the Column and Guns - These being preceded by a Company of the 2d of the 3d under Lieutenant Lyster that Officer will be in readiness to support the Grenadiers as occasion may offer, and the Details on either Flanks of the advance moving in Indian files will penetrate the Forest so as to gain the Flank of each Barrier, or Party in the Forest that may have been formed to oppose our progress, taking them in reverse wherever it may be practicable, and, & where the Numbers of the Enemy in Front shall seem considerable, Captain Spence will see that the Grena= =diers and the Company sent to support him, are so formed as to leave the Road way clear for the Guns to be drawn up between them. His Highness the &. Rajah's Infantry consisting of 600 Sepoys and 1000 Peons,

being

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being equally divided, will constitute the Right and
Left Columns and marching at the distance of 150
yards on either side from the Centre, preserving an
exact Line with the Head of that column will pene-
-trate the Forests in Indian files, so as to occupy the
Heights that may appear on the Flanks and all com-
-manding situations, halting, as often as the Centre
column may be impeded and being guided throughout
by its movements — Lieutenant Colonel Tolfrey builds
much on their services in keeping the Flanks clear till
every object shall have been attained. —

Officers in charge of Companys in the
2d of the 3d and 1st of the 12th will give every possible
attention to their forming distances, so that the Detach-
-ment may give a full Front to either Flank as shall
seem expedient. —

— Whatever may be Lieutenant Colonel Tolfrey's Feelings
for the ill success of the Day, He is impressed with
a Just Sense of obligation towards those whose situation
rendered them most conspicuous in forwarding the

attack

attack on the Combee of Arakerry — He begs Captain Spence will be assured of his grateful acknowledgments for the manner in which he led on the Grenadiers to each successive eminence as well for his spirited en-deavours throughout — He assures Lieutenant Leyster that he is duly sensible of the manner in which he exerted himself with the Company ordered to support the Grenadiers nor can he be unmindful of the readiness with which Lieutenant Grand led on the Light Company — — The Zeal of Lieutenant Noble with his Brigade of Guns in covering the advanced parties, must have insured success had it been less difficult to surmount the obstacles in our way, and Lieutenant Colonel Tolfrey in tendering him his best thanks has a peculiar satisfaction in pro-fessing the high sense of the Behaviour of the Serjeant and six Europeans Artr, who so Gallantly volunteered and led on the third assault of the Barrier, He deems it — deserving of the most favourable mention, and they may rely on his making it a part of his official report in just Terms of approbation, nor shall he pass unnoticed the very

meritorious

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meritorious Conduct of Sergeant Major Bateman on leading on the Volunteers of the Detail under his charge as a forlorn hope — Lieutenant Colonel Tolfrey hopes some opportunity will soon offer for avenging the loss we have so unhappily sustained, and, in Justice to Captain Colebrooke, he cannot conclude this order, without conveying to him his particular thanks for the offer made by him to conduct any vacant Comp.ys as well for the assistance he has received from him on every opportunity that offered since the first movement of the Detachment. —

The Commendable Services rendered by the Rajah's Troops is equally deserving of consideration, Lieutenant Colonel Tolfrey professes himself highly indebted to Vistna Pundet on the occasion, and will not fail to notice his Zeal in suitable Terms when he prefers his report. —

A true Copy.
(Signed) E. Tolfrey
Lieutenant Colonel

Return

Return of the Killed and Wounded of a Detachment under the Command of Lieutenant Colonel E Tolfrey at the Attack of Arakerry 2nd April 1800.

	Artelery			2d B.n 3d Regt			1st Battn 12th Regt									Pioneers		
	Lieutenant	Serjeant	Corporals	Gunners	Matrosses	1st Troopers	2d Troopers	Lieutenants	Subedars	Jemadars	Havildars	Naigues	Drummers	Troopers	Pecksallies	Serjeant	Lieutenant Colonel	Major
Killed																		
Wounded																		
Total																		

	Captains	Lieutenants	Ensigns	Qr Mr & Adjt	Surgeon	Serjt Maj & Qr Mr Serjeant	Drum Maj & Fife Maj	Sergeants	Corporals	Drummers	Fifers	Privates	Serjeant	Lieutenant	Havildars	Naigues	Drummers	Fifers	Privates
Killed																			
Wounded																			
Total																			

Camp near Munserabad
3rd April 1800.

(Signed) E Tolfrey
Lieutenant Col.

List

Abstract of Killed & Wounded in the Attack of Arakerry 2nd April 1800.

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List of Europeans who composed the Forlorn Hope on the Combic of Arakerry on the 2d April 1800.

John Deane — Sergeant
Jam.s Cross — Corporal
Tho.s Farrell — Gun.r
Chris.t Lawiston — Madras
Robert Walker
J. Stumbles
John Knowles

(Signed) J. Noble Lieut.
1st Bn. Arty

Received and Sent the undermentioned Letters entered in MIS. Nos 64-65-66.

From the Adjutant General of the Army.

From Lieutenant Colonel Agnew — Encloses a Certificate permitting Lieutenant Robert Gregson to return to his duty, from England

From the Resident at Hydrabad.

From Captain Kirkpatrick — Encloses the copy of letters from and to the officers commanding the Subsidiary force relative to defects in the equipment of the Provision and Ordnance departments.

From

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From the Commandant at Arcot.

From Lieutenant Colonel St. Leger.—

States that an hospital is much wanted for the 6th Regiment of Cavalry cantoned near Arcot.—

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Received the following Letters.—

To the Right Honourable Lord Clive

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

My Lord,

1st We have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of Letter from Government under date the 3d Instant

2nd We enclose and recommend Payment of the following Bills Viz.t

From the Military Board. Recommend for payment a bill of the Garrison Storekeeper of Arnoor for Pagodas 757.35.48. a bill of the Garrison Storekeeper at Vellore for pagodas 298.31.40 a bill of the Garrison Storekeeper at Cuddalore for pag.s 2831.40.50 a bill of the Garrison Storekeeper at Arnoor for pag.s 585.27.— with a bill of the Garrison Storekeeper at Vellore for pag.s 4530.12.32— Recommend an advance to the Engineer on the Southern Division of pag.s 267.3.76— an advance to d.o d.o. of Pagodas 39.37.36— an advance to d.o of Pag.s 62.23.43— and an advance to the Superintending Engineer at the Presidency of Pag.s 167.11.19 3/4—

No 1 Bill of the Garrison Storekeeper of Arnoor for Firewood stored at that Station agreably to orders from the Military Board, amounting to Pagodas 757.35.48.—

No 2 Bill of the Garrison Storekeeper at Vellore for Tobacco stored at that Station by order of the Military Board amounting to Pagodas 298.31.40.—

No 3. Bill of the Garrison Storekeeper of Cuddalore for Grain and Provisions purchased by him

under

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under authority of the Military Board, amounting to Pagodas 2881.40.50.—

№ 4 - Bill of the Garrison Storekeeper of Arnaoor for Ghee and Betle Nut purchased by order of the Military Board and Stored at that Station &c amounting to Pagodas 585.27.—

№ 5 - Bill of the Garrison Storekeeper at Vellore for Rice purchased by him under authority of the Military Board, dated the 9th. November 1798, and 3d. May 1799, amounting to Pagodas 4550.12.32—

3d.

We also recommend that the following advances may be made on account of the execution of repairs for which Estimates have been passed by the Engineer in the Southern Division. The Sum of Pagodas 267.8.75 for repairs to the Commanding officers Quarters at Palamcotah—

For repairs to the Tent Godown at Trichinopoly Pagodas 39.37.36 - and

For repairs to the Hospital of the 19th Light Dragoons at Warriore Pagodas 62.23.43—

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To the Superintending Engineer

at the Presidency — the Sum of Pagodas 167.11.19 2/3

on account of repairs to the Kings Barracks &

and Officers Quarters in Fort St. George. —

We have the honour to be,

My Lord,

Your Lordship's

very obedient humble Servants,

Patrick Ross

W. Sydenham

J. Richardson

P. A. Agnew

(Signed)

Fort St. George

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Josiah Webbe Esqr.

Sir,

From Major Thos. Hart — Having given the Security Bonds required from him by the Military Board, he requests to be permitted to embark for England on the Asia. —

The Military Board having

demanded

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demanded of me Security for Star Pagodas o"
1,11,000 in a Bond from myself and of a respectable
House of Madras, to secure the Company against
any future demands that might come against
them, in consequence of the unliquidated Accounts
of the Bullock Owners of my late Department;
and having accordingly tendered these Bonds to
the Military Board, I am desirous to know
whether I am to be permitted to proceed to Europe
on the Asia, as the time for the dispatch draws near.—

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
(Signed) Tho: Hart

Madras
13th April.—

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

From the Acting Secretary at Columbo—Encloses a list of Medicines which the Governor of Ceylon requests may be dispatched to Columbo by land.—

Sir,
I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to forward to you the enclosed short List of
European

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European Medicines, which Mr. Reider the Senior Surgeon has represented as immediately wanted here.

A List of Medicines made out by the late Doctor Evart, was sent by His Excellency, to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council on the 20th of February last, with a request that His Lordship would be pleased to order them to be sent if practicable before the setting in of the S. W. Monsoon. —

As such an opportunity may not however occur, and as Dr. Reider is very urgent, about being supplied with the few Articles mentioned in the List now enclosed, His Excellency has desired me to request that in case a Sea Conveyance should not very soon present it self His Lordship would have the goodness to order these few Articles of Medicine to be sent here by Land Carriage. —

I have the honour to be,

&c. — &c.

Colombo
5th April 1800. —

(Signed) Will. Boyd
A. D. Surg. to Govt.

List

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List of Europe Medicines that are immediately want-
-ing for the Garrison of Colombo and its dependencies 5th
April 1800.

Hydrargyrus Purificatus		2b.	3
Argenturen Nitratum		-30.	0
Pulvis Jacobus		1..	-0
—— Antimonalis - Lond		C.	-6
Sp.t Athens Nitrose		-3.	-0
Europe Lint		-6..	-0
		-20..	0

(Signed) J. A. Reeder
Surgeon 51st and Senr. Surgn. Colombo

A true Copy
(Signed) G. Buchan
Subscp.

To the Military Board - Under the circumstances of the enormous deficiencies of the grain Department in Camp, the Board do think it expedient that Major Hart should be furnished with any formal acquittal. -

Sent the following Letters. -

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

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Right Hon-
-rable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt
of

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of your Letter dated 12th Instant.

His Lordship is aware that the forms of the Service have been apparently observed with respect to the deficiencies which have occurred in the department of the late Commissary of Grain in Camp; but his Lordship considers the enormous wastage of upwards of twenty three per Cent, to have been utterly unwarranted by the Circumstances of the late Campaign.

A Committee appointed by the Commander in Chief at Seringapatam for the deliberate investigation of this subject, at a period, when those circumstances were recent, has formally stated its opinion "that the loss of by much the greater part of "the rice, which is asserted to have occurred from "various causes during the March of the Army to "Seringapatam, as well as of the deficiency ascribed to "wastage during that period, has neither arisen from "want of care, nor from unavoidable accidents; but "from embezzlement".

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This opinion of the Committee at Seringapatam has been corroborated in the strongest manner by the subsequent enquiries into the conduct of Major Hart, which has been found and pronounced to be incompatible with a faithfull and honorable discharge of his duties.—

The Governor in Council therefore deems it to be inconsistent with these facts, and with the Justice due to the public Service that the sanction of any formal acquittance or public certificate should be granted to Major Hart, and I am accordingly directed to desire that his application for that purpose may be rejected by your Board.—

As the investigation hitherto made into the Custody of the Grain, has not however yet substantiated against Major Hart personally any specific portion of the embezzlement which has occurred in his department, the Governor in Council will not on that account object to his proceeding to Europe; but will rely on his general

responsibility

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responsibility as an Officer of trust for the recovery of any defalcations, which may hereafter be established against him. —

I have the honor to be,

Fort St. George
13th April 1800. — (Signed) &c. &c.
J. Webbe Secy to Govt.

To James Anderson Esqr.
President of the
Medical Board

To the President of the Medical Board — Directing him to submit his recommendation of the person most proper to succeed to the Seat at the Medical Board which becomes vacant by the departure of Mr. Raine, and of Mr. Gahagan. —

Sir,

In consequence of the temporary vacancy occasioned at the Medical Board by the leave granted by the Governor in Council to Mr. Raine to proceed to Europe on Furlough; and by His Lordship's orders for the departure of Mr. Gahagan from India for disrespect to the authority of this Government, I am directed to desire that you will submit to the Governor in Council your recommendation of the proper person to succeed to the vacant Seat at the Medical Board. —

I have the honor to be,

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13th April 1800. — (Signed) &c. &c.
J. Webbe Secy to Govt.

To

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To Mr. Terence Gahagan

Sir,

To Mr Terence Gahagan - The Board cannot relax from their resolution for his departure from India.

I am directed to acquaint you that the Right Honorable the Governor in Council cannot relax from his Lordship's resolution, already communicated to you for your departure from India, in consequence of the disrespect shewn by you to his Lordship's authority and by your disobedience of his positive orders formally promulgated: I therefore enclose an order to the Commander of the Honorable Company's Ship Asia to receive you with your baggage on board that Ship.

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

To Major Tho. Hart

Sir,

To Major Thomas Hart - He will be permitted to proceed to Europe, when the Military Board shall have reported the final adjustment of the Security to be required from him, and when he shall have procured the necessary certificates from the Military Auditor General and Military Paymaster General.

In answer to your Letter of this date I am directed to inform you that the Right Honorable the Governor in Council will permit you to proceed to Europe as soon as the Military Board shall

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shall have reported the final adjustment of the Security to be required from you, and as soon as you shall have produced the necessary certificates from the Military Paymaster General, and Military Auditor General there being no demands against you in their respective offices.

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

To Major Thomas Hart

Sir,

To Br. Q. He cannot be furnished with any part of the correspondence of the late Commander in Chief.

In answer to your letter of the 11th Instant, I am directed to acquaint you that the Right Honorable the Governor in Council deems it inexpedient to furnish you with any part of the late Commander in Chief's correspondence.

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

To Mr. Benjamin Roebuck
Military Paymaster General

To the Military Paymaster General Desiring him to require from Lieut Colonel Read Security for the amount of the balances appearing against Colonel Read in the books of this office.

Sir,

It being impracticable at this late

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Late proceed to adjust the amount of the Sums outstand-
-ing against Lieutenant Colonel Read, the Governor in
Council directs you to require from that Officer Security
for the Sums stated in your Letter of the 11th to be stand-
-ing to his debit. —

Fort St. George
13th April 1800. —

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

Received and sent the undermentioned
Letters entered in M.B. Nos. 67-68-69-70. —

From the Governor of Ceylon.

From Mr. North — Transmits a copy
of the Parole given to His Excellency by M. Dubree

From the Physician General.

From Doctor Anderson — He will
lose no time in preparing an arrangement for sup-
-plying the temporary vacancy in the Medical Board.

To Mr. Alexander Macleod.

To Mr. Macleod — He will be per-
-mitted to proceed to Europe on his giving his personal
Security for the amount of the claim of Rajah Serfoge
which may be ultimately adjudged against him. —

To the Commander of the Ship Asia.

To Captain Wardlaw — Directing
him

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you, I am directed to inform you that the Right Honorable the Governor in Council permits you to proceed to Europe on the Honorable Company's Ship Asia.—

I am,

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14th April 1800.—

&c. — &c.

(Signed) J. Webbe Secy to Govt.

Sent a letter to Captain Wardlaw entered

To the Commander of the Ship Asia.

in MB. No. 71 — Permitting him to receive Major Thomas Hart on Board of his Ship as passenger to England.—

15th

Received a Letter from Colonel Vigors

From the officer Commanding the Northern Division.—

entered in MB. No. 72 — Enclosing copies of letters, from which it appears that the report of Jaggernaut Doss surrender is without foundation.—

16th

Sent the following Letter.—

To Major General Brathwaite

President &c. Members of the

Military Board

To the Military Board — The Military Stores intended for Masulipatam to be shipped immediately on the Morrington — A Detachment will be embarked for the protection of the Stores.—

Gentlemen,

I am directed to acquaint you that the Right Honorable the Governor in Council judges it ex=

=pedient

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expedient to embark the whole of the Military Stores des=
=tined for the Subsidiary Force at Hydrabad on the
Ship Mornington freighted by the Company — His Lord=
=ship accordingly directs that orders may be issued for
completing the embarkation of the Stores with all practi=
=cable expedition. —

The Governor in Council desires
that the Mornington may not be permitted to sail
after the embarkation of the Stores, without his Lord=
=ship's orders for that purpose. —

It is the intention of the Governor
in Council that Sixty Europeans should be embarked on
the Mornington for the protection of the Stores and
the Governor in Council directs that a sufficient quantity
of provisions may be embarked for their use during the
voyage to and from Masulipatam. —

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

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16th April 1800. —

(Signed) J. Webb Secy to Govt.

Received

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Received the undermentioned letters entered in MB. Nos. 73-74.

From the acting Secretary at Colombo.

From Mr. Boyd - Encloses the copy of a letter from the Military Board at Columbo relative to the Stores shipped on the Mary for that Presidency

From the Military Paymaster at Fort St. George.

From Mr Rowley - Reports the amount received for a cast horse.

17th

Received and sent the undermentioned letters entered in MB. Nos. 75-76-77.

From the Military Board.

From the Military Board - Request authority to transfer some Articles of Medical Store received by the Charlton to the Medical Department - Enclose a Bill of the Gun Carriage Contractors for Pagodas 1118..4..25

From the Town Major.

From Major Grant - States that he has put in confinement some Malay Lascars landed from the Ship Anna.

From the Resident at Travancore.

To Major Macaulay - Enclosing a copy of the treaty concluded with His Excellency the Rajah of Travancore.

18th

Sent the undermentioned Letters entered

in

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in MB. Nos 78-79-80.

To the Commander of the Ship Mornington.

To Captain Arrow - Directing him to receive on Board of his Ship a detail of Europeans for the protection of the Stores embarked on the Mornington, he will receive the usual passage money for the officers.

To the officer commanding the Governor's Body Guard.

To Major Grant - Directing him to take charge of sixteen horses intended for the Governor Generals Body Guard, and to send them to Calcutta by the first opportunity - The Mules which were ordered to be disposed of on the 31st. Ultimo to be reserved for the use of the Governor.

To the Military Auditor General.

To Major General Sydenham - The French officers lately arrived from Bombay to receive the allowances of their rank - To authorize payment of the usual passage Money to the officers proceeding on the Ship Mornington to Masulipatam - To authorize payment of the expence of sixteen horses intended for the Governor Generals Body Guard, and to debit the amount to the Presidency of Bengal -

19th

Sent the following Letter -

To

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To Benjamin Sulivan Esqr.

Sir.

Attorney General

I am directed by the Right Hono-

To the Attorney General - Directing him to use the necessary means for adjutting two disputed claims to certain grounds in the Black Town, and to a Hog Hill Certificate

-rable the Governor in Council to transmit to you the en-

-closed papers relative to disputed claims to the property of certain grounds in the Black Town and to a Hog Hill certificate amounting to pagodas 184. 12. 53., and His Lordship in Council desires that you will use the necf-

-sary means for obtaining a decision of those claims in the Court of Recorder, if the nature of the disputes of should appear to you to render it necessary to have re-

recourse to that source of authority to prevent a revival of them. -

I have the honor to be,

&c. ---- &c.

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19th April 1800. -

(Signed) J. Webbe Jey to Govt.

Received and sent the undermen-

-tioned letters entered in Mfs. Nos. 81-82-83-84-85. -

From the Secretary at Fort William -

From Lieutenant Hook - Expresses the desire of the Governor General in Council that Lieutenant

Colonel

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Colonel Hamilton of the Marine Battalion may be permitted to return to Bengal, if this indulgence shall not be inconsistent with the public service. —

From Bombay.

From Bombay - Explain the circumstances of the advance of 160 Rupees paid to Ensign Morris of His Majesty's 73d Regiment, at Bombay —

To the Town Major

To Major Grant - The two Dutch men sent from Malacca on account of a traitorous correspondence with the Government of Batavia to be sent to Poonamally - They are to receive an allowance of Pagodas 17. 40. 10. —

To the Physician General.

To Doctor Anderson - Enclosing a list of Medicines which are to be dispatched immediately by land to Columbo. —

To the Town Major -

To Major Grant - Directing him to receive charge of some French prisoners who have arrived from Bombay; the officers to be allowed the subsistence of their Rank - The Malays landed from the Ship Anna to be kept in confinement. —

Received the following Letter —

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J. Webbe Esqr.

Secretary to Government &c.a - &c.a - &c.a

Sir,

From the officer Commanding in Tinnevelly - Reports the place he has fixed on for the trial and punishment of Poojarry Naig - Permission shall be granted to M.M. Vanspalls to reside at Tutacorin during their good behaviour - Reports the arrangement which he has made for guarding the prisoners at that Station in consequence of the removal of Captain Davison

In obedience to the orders of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council contained in your letter of the 25th. Ultimo, authorizing and directing me to bring to Poojarry Naig to trial, and to punishment if the facts of criminality and depredation imputed to him shall be proven — I have now the honour to acquaint you for his Lordship's Information that I have fixed on Toonchia Naig Pollam on the Western range for the place of trial, and I have directed the field detachment under my Command to proceed thither by the route of Shevalapatore. —

The vicinity of Toonchia Naig Pollam to the scene of the Polygar's robberies facilitating the attendance of the evidence, I resied to the good effects that are likely to result from this position of the Detachment on that troublesome and unquiet border, have induced me to give it the preference. I have communicated my intention to Mr. Collector Hurdis, and have

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the honor to transmit copy of my letter to him on the subject under date the 8th Instant. —

The Detachment marched from Tinnevelly on the 10th and tho' greatly impeded by heavy and daily falls of rain will probably reach it's destination by the 20th, on which day I shall Join it and proceed to the immediate trial of the Prisoner. —

In compliance with his Lordship's orders I have communicated with the Collector relative to the M. M. Vanpalls permitted to return to Tutacoryn, and as there appears no inconvenience in granting them permission to reside there, during their good behaviour, permission shall be granted them accordingly. —

Owing to the removal of Captain Davison from that Station, who has hitherto drawn and paid the allowances of certain Dutch and Cyngalese Prisoners, a new arrangement is necessary — the charge of these persons will devolve upon the Commandant of Palamcottah, and until his

Lordship's

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Lordship's pleasure be known I shall direct the Fort Ad-
-jutant to make out the abstracts for their allowances
in the usual mode under his signature, which when
countersigned by me shall be authority for the Pay-
-master to discharge the amount until further Orders—

On the departure of Captain &
Dawson proper persons will be appointed to receive
charge of the publick Buildings and Stores of Tuta-
-corym.—

I have the honor to be,
&c. — — — &c.

Palamcottah
15th April 1800.—

(Signed) C. Macaulay
Major Commanding the
Forces in Timevelly

To
J. B. Hurdis Esqr.
Collector &c. — — &c.
Dindigul

Sir,

The Right Honorable the Governor
in Council having directed me to institute an enquiry into
the Conduct of Poojarry Naig — it is my Intention to
proceed for that purpose to Toomcha Naig Pollam with

all

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all convenient Expedition. — I shall take care to keep you Informed of my approach, and I request that you will hold in readiness to attend me there, all such as Persons as from your Informations are likely to adduce evidence of the Prisoners alledged guilt. —

It will be further desirable that you furnish me with authenticated extracts of the most essential matters recorded on your proceedings and reports relative to the Robberies, and murders imputed to Poojarry Naig, to enable me to fulfill satisfactorily the orders of his Lordship in Council with respect to this Delinquent. —

I have the honor to be,

&c. . . . . &c.

(Signed) C. Macaulay
Major Commanding the
Troops in the District of
Tinnevelly

Camp near Tinnevelly
8th April 1800. —

True Copy
(Signed) C. Macaulay
Major Commanding

Sent

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Sent the following Letter. —

To Major General Brathwaite

President &c. Members of the

Military Board

Gentlemen.

To the Military Board — Orders issued for supplying certain Corps with Camp equipage — —

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to desire that means may be immediately taken for supplying the following Corps with Camp equipage and Carriage. —

His Majesty's 12th Regiment at Walajahbad.

Detachment of His Majesty's 74th Regiment at Pondichery

His Majesty's 25th Regiment Light Dragoons at Arcot.

Honorable Company's 6th Regiment Native Cavalry at Arcot.

Honorable Company's 1st Battalion 10th Regiment Native Infantry at the Presidency. —

I have the honor to &c.

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&c. — — — — &c.

(Signed) J. Webbe Secy to Govt.

Sent a letter to Captain Arrow entered

To the Commander of the Ship Mornington — in Mb. No 86 — Directing him to receive on board of his

Ship

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Ship Lieutenant James Duncan as passenger to Masulipatam.

At a Consultation

Present

The Right Honorable Lord Clive

Governor and President

Tuesday 22d. April 1800. William Petrie and Ernst William Fallofield } Esqrs

Minutes of last Consultation read and approved.

Read the following letters from the Military Board.

To the Right Honorable Lord Clive

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

From the Military Board-Enclose plans for the repair and reform of the fortifications of Seringapatam, but suggest the expediency of appointing a Committee to report more particularly on the Subject previously to the final adoption of any plan of reform.

My Lord,

1.

We have the honour to submit to your Lordship, two Plans which have been offered for the repair and reform of the fortifications of Seringapatam, with the several explanations and observations thereon, which have been suggested by Captain Norris, the Engr

Honble

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Honorable Colonel Wellesley, and the Chief Engineer Major General Ross. —

2nd. Having attentively considered the several Plans and Papers accompanying them, We are of opinion as far as we can judge from the information, which they convey, that the reform suggested by Major General Ross is very judicious, as it combines economy with security, and continues every advantage which the Place derives from its peculiar situation. But as no Sections have been forwarded exhibiting the levels of the ground, which surrounds that fortress within the range of Cannon, and as a complete judgement of the proposed reform in all its parts, can only be formed by a Committee to be composed of Men of Science, and experience on the Spot, (which Committee may be also of much utility in suggesting an opinion relative to the other fortifications in Mysore) We do not feel ourselves competent to recommend to your Lordship the adoption of this, or any other Plan for the reform of that important fortress, until such an examination has taken place. —

We

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Fort St. George
26th. February 1800. — (Signed) We have the honor to be,
&c. — — — — — &c.
John Brathwaite
Patrick Ross
W. Sydenham
J. Richardson
P. A. Agnew

Report of what is necessary to be done in the present State of the unfinished works in Seringapatam, and what appears to be requisite for putting the Fort into a respectable State of defence. —

The improvements required to the unfinished parts of the Fortifications are as follows.

1st. To make communications a cross the Inner ditch to the Rampart, and upon the Works for the convenience of the Artillery and the troops which will be required to have raised the lower part of the Rampart; To carry the Sewers into the Outer ditch and to have strong Barrier gates at the communications a cross the inner ditch.

2nd. The unfinished interior Works on the

sides

sides next the river where there are several heaps of earth,
and several deep places dug for foundations, requires, to
have the Stones that are laid for a new Wall to be taken
up again and appropriated to other purposes, the deep places
to be filled up with earth, and to form the ground into a
Rampart such as the earth near will admit of; with a
Parapet, having a small berme outward and the Slopes suf-
-ficient to prevent the mudd falling into the Ditch and to
have a wide communication round the interior of the
Fort the work finished nearly after the manner of those
that were destroyed at Pondicherry, and in case there is
a deficiency of Earth in making a wide Rampart which
is recommended, the work can be so low as not to be seen
from without, and there will be a very complete Parapet
and Trench with Water in it, to enable the Troops to repulse
an assault made on the Sides next the River; Where the
interior Works are built up with Masonry, very little
more than a Parapet appears necessary - except in places
where the Rampart is not formed; I cannot recom =
-mend the filling up the inner ditch, as there is no want

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for Space within the works, and the Ditch being dug very deep in order to be supplied from the River, and in places more than 10 feet out of Rock it will cost a great expence to fill it up, It is in itself a good defence particularly as water can easily be thrown into it from the Aqueduct upon the Bridge which is 20 feet above the bed of the River, it requires therefore some consideration before it should be filled up. —

3d. The Stone Glacis and covered way that have been begun on the sides next the River, require to be finished, and are necessary to be done, as they may assist to preserve the Works and prevent the lower part of the Wall from being discovered from without the covered way and Glacis requires to be completed in several other parts round the Fort, The Work within the covered way at the S. E. Angle of the Fort which is continued to the Bangalore Gateway on the East face, and to the Mysore Gateway on the South, and consists of a deep ditch and Parapet I recommend a removal of the Parapet and filling up the deep part so as to prevent any cover by

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means of the ditch, and that it may be commanded from the Works, and to have Palisades planted in the two Covertways. —

4th. On the Sluices, those that have been made at the N. W. Angle to let water into the Ditches, must be filled up again entirely and no communication with the River but by the Sluice at the N. E. Angle which is required to be so constructed as to keep the Water in the ditches at any height, a Sluice is required from the water course leading from the Aqueduct on the Bridge to the Ditch in front of the lines that extend from the great ⊖ Bridge to Doulet Bug, and as that Ditch or trench is very irregular and not near finished there should be a commu=nication tho' ever so narrow made to the deep parts of it that the water may be thrown into it and a flood gate, or Sluice at the lower end to keep the water in it, by this means the defects in the Trench may be hid, and it will appear more respectable than it really is.

5th. The Sewers in the Fort, to be put in repair as soon as possible. —

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6th The Water for supplying the Garrison is conveyed by means of an artificial Stone Channel to a great part of the Fort, and it is necessary to keep the Channel in good repair, It has been completed by the late Sultan to a great extent, as is shewn in the plan by a strong dotted black line from the great Bridge into the Fort and continued round the Fort as far as the great Mosque, this channel is the only good water in the Fort, there are several Wells but they have different degrees of saltwater which I understand is not made use of to drink. —

7th On the lines without the Fort I do not recommend any expence to be incurred, either in the preservation or destruction of them, the only precaution necessary, is to prevent any part of the Mudd falling into the Ditch, as it may be not only considered a defence, but the water being conveyed over a considerable tract of ground, affords supply to the Gardens &c — There is a very deep trench begun from the ditch of the Fort at the S. W. Angle and cut almost as far as the Aqueduct on the Bridge, this trench or ditch, and the intended reservoir it

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leads into, I have lately discovered to be of no use and
may be filled up, as the water can be supplied much
more easy by making an opening in the Walls near the
ditches, which can be stopped at discretion, and as the place
the water is let out again, is at the N. E. Angle of the
Fort. —

On the Public Buildings, The public Buildings
are in their present State, for the most part very indif=
=ferent; many of them require new roofs and supporters
and some are so old as to be dangerous to live in, the
buildings within the boundary of the Sultans Palace are
in better repair than any of the others. —

The New Works recommended,
are to enlarge the Cavaliers on the high part of the Fort
which I have surrounded by a line of Works, enclosing
the S. E. Angle of the Fort; The Cavalier at the N. W.
Angle of the Works to be enlarged so as to take in the
Magazine and enclosed by a thin Wall in the Year, to
be able to make a good defence against Musquetry —
— At the N. E. Angle of the Fort, to have a large square

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work, to act as a flank, to the Work that is detached on a spot of Ground surrounded with a deep ditch, which spot of Ground I recommend also to occupy, as it is necessary to have a very strong post at the N.E. Angle of the Works, as well for the protection of the Sluices that communicate the ditches with the River and for the Security of the supply of Water to the Garrison independant of the water channel made by the late Sultan.— A drawbridge is pro-posed as described in the plan to join it with the new for-tifications.— The other parts of the old Works I recommend to be kept in repair but to be commanded as much as pos-sible by the new Works and are to be considered as a pro-tection to the Inhabitants after the manner of the Fortifi-cations round the Black Town of Madras.— On the East Face, the new plan is to remove the inner Rampart as it is very narrow and in a State of ruin in places, the 2d. or Outer Wall is in a better condition and can have a broad Rampart by raising the inner part of it.— To supply water to the new works independant of the present mode which is subject to be cut off, I propose sinking Shafts or Wells in

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the dry ditch near the river at the N.E. Angle, and to have more Wells dug in the Ditch, toward the high ground while the water is found to be good for use; The Redout on the Glacis at S.E. Angle to be enlarged inside, I hope these Memorandums accompanied by the Plans and 5 Sections I have the honor to forward will give the necessary information required.—

(Signed) J. Norris
Captain Engineers

Seringapatam
October 19th. 1799.—

A true Copy
(Signed) John Macleane
Secy to Board

The Secretary of the Military Board

Sir.

The Military Board by your Letter of the 21st August having desired me to transmit to them a plan of Seringapatam which I should receive from Captain Norris "with such alterations and improvements as he should deem necessary" and that I should offer any observations or Remarks that I may have thereon"— in obedience to their Commands I now transmit some papers received from Captain Norris,

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and trouble you upon the subject.—

From its situation Seringapatam is naturally a strong place, what it wants principally is the means of giving a flanking fire and that it is not in our power to give it, We must therefore be satisfied with such improvements as the Nature of the place will allow, and probably the Board will consider it necessary to begin by some of its most glaring imperfections.—of these the principal one is the difficulty of Communication between the Main Body of the place, and the Outer Rampart.— If the plan upon which the Sultan appears to have acted is to be proceeded upon, and the Board should decide that there shall be two Ramparts and ditches on the North and South West faces, it is absolutely necessary that [many] Communications should be made as recommended by Captain Norris in the first paragraph of his report.—

I conceive however that on the faces abovementioned it will be better to destroy the inner wall or Rampart, which is in no part finished and to fill up the inner ditch.—

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This will remedy one of the imper-
-fections abovementioned for which Captain Norris provides by
making Communications across the inner ditch.—

But there is another glaring imperfection
in Seringapatam for which no remedy is provided. This is the
Narrowness of the outer Rampart on these faces.—

By a reference to the Sections which
I conclude are correct, the Board will perceive that neither
the Ramparts or the defences are of the requisite thickness;
and it will be allowed that in works to which it is found
impossible to add the means of giving a flanking fire, it is
desireable that in all parts they should have the means of
giving a direct fire.—

But in Seringapatam the outer Rampart
is in no part so broad as that a Gun can be fired upon it,
and the Board will perceive that it is impossible to give
to it and the defences the requisite thickness and a Slope
to the Rampart unless the inner ditch is filled.—

Now as no benefit is proposed to be
derived from the inner Rampart and ditch excepting —

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after the first or outer Rampart is breached, I take the liberty of suggesting that it would be proper first to con=
=sider of the means of rendering that as strong and com=
=pleat as possible, and that the second Rampart and ditch which can be only a secondary Consideration =
should be sacrificed to that object should it be necessary.

I should propose then that the 2 Rampart should be thrown into its ditch in order to make Room for Widening the Outer Rampart, and for giving it the proper Slope. —

There will be this additional =
advantage in destroying it, that the place will be kept clean, and there will be a fine Space between the Houses and its Works on the two faces abovementioned.

If the Board should determine to preserve the 2 Rampart and ditch, it will be necess=
=sary to build a strong Retaining Wall to the Outer Ram=
=part, the foundation of which must be laid in the ditch in many places, otherwise the Rampart will fall into the ditch. —

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It is very desireable that the Covert way and Stone Glacis should be compleated on the faces above noticed. —

I agree with Captain Norris in thinking that the parapet in front of the Eastern and Southern faces of the fort ought to be destroyed and thrown into the ditch, that a palisade should be fixed in the Covert way, which it is proposed to make instead of that ditch, and that the whole should form an outer Covert way and Glacis in front of the inner. —

It would be better however if that ditch were filled entirely, and the Glacis and Esplanade were compleated. —

It would then be proper to join with the Main ditch of the place, the ditch of the Redoute at the S. E. Angle and the ditches of the out Works covering the Bangalore and Mysore Gates, and of the inferior out Works. —

There are chanels as I understand at present at each side of the Western Angle of the Fort in

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order to let Water into the ditch. — This having been taken off from the River is of the same level with its bed, and therefore by means of the Sluices at the N. E. and S. W. angles the ditch has water in it, in proportion to the fall of the River. — That on the Northern side in proportion to the fall of the Northern branch from W. to E. that on the S. W. side in proportion to the fall from W. to S. E. —

If either of the Chanels at the W. Angle is closed, the supply of water of Course will be dimi= =nished; and as there may be a convenience in being able to dry the ditch either for the purposes of repairs &c. by means of the Sluices at the N. E. and S. W. Angles / the former of which I must observe is admirably constructed, and if the Stone Glacis is finished is well defended / I do not recommend that any of these Channels or Sluices should be destroyed. —

The fall of the Rivers as it affects the ditches is a subject worthy of the Consideration of the Board, It appears to be about 5 feet on the Northern face between the W. and N. E. Angle — It is therefore clear

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that a Sluice which will contain 5 feet Water at that Angle will give a detch of 5 feet deep provided that it is excavated from the W. Angle to the E. as much as is necessary to give it that depth in an inverse proportion to the fall of the River. — But as the Cavery during the Monsoon rises consi-derably, a Sluice which would contain two feet more than the Natural level of the River would give a detch of 7 feet during the whole year upon an excavation of 5 feet. —

The expence however of deepening the detches is to be considered although it might improve the place, and will probably prevent the Board from adopting that plan. — In Order that the Board may be enabled to judge whether it is better to preserve the Channels and Sluices as they are at present and to excavate the detches, or whether it is better to adopt the plan proposed by Captain Norris Vz.t to close the channel on the N. W. Side, and to open a passage for the Water into the detch from the Aqueduct on the Mysore Bridge, it will be necessary to explain the grounds upon which each plan stands. —

It would be best to have both of

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methods of supplying Water; but from what I shall state hereafter, the Board will probably be of opinion that that would be impossible, and that if Captain Norris's plan is adopted not only the Channel at the N. side of the W. Angle ought to be closed but that that at the S. side ought to be closed likewise. —

The Water in the Aqueduct on the Mysore Bridge is dammed off from the River at about a Mile above the fort; the Height of the Bridge is about 20 feet, therefore from that aqueduct there would be a fall into the ditch at the S. W. Angle of the Fort of 20 feet: That would give at the Western Angle a depth of 15 feet. But as the aqueduct is 15 higher than the bed of the River at that Angle, either the channels for letting in the Water at present must be closed or the Water coming from the aqueduct will run out. —

The benefit then resulting from this plan is to put Water into the ditch to the amount of 15 feet in any part if necessary without deepening it, and at a small expence. — It is necessary however that

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the Board should be informed first that the Water coming to the Fort by the Aqueduct is liable to be cut off, and that it was cut off during the last Seige 2dly That by applying that Water in this manner it is diverted from the supply of the Fort and Island. —

It is besides to be observed that there must be great Strength in the Works at the Western Angle of the Fort which are to Contain Water to the Amount of seven Feet above the Level of the River

If the Stone Glacis were to give way or the Water was to filter through in any considerable degree the ditches would be dry or only of the same depth as the bed of the River, on the other hand the decay of the Aque-duct or of the Nullah by which it comes would be equally fatal. —

It may therefore be thought a dan-gerous experiment to close the present Supplies of Water to open view, and the other plan Viz.t to deepen the ditch from the Eastern Angle may probably be deemed the best. —

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It is to be observed of this that nothing can derange it excepting an alteration in the course of the River. As long as that lasts as it is the ditch must have water in it.—

It is impossible for any place to be better supplied with Water than Seringapatam is and I am therefore anxious that although the sewers and Channels may be repaired, nothing may be done to alter their Course There is scarcely a large House unprovided with a good Well in which there is Water from the River, there are many in the Streets and public Buildings, and I must observe that we cannot improve them.—

I agree with Captain Norris in thinking that it would be very desireable to enlarge the Cavaliers / particularly that at the Western Angle which ought to be faced with Brick / as they are now so small that it is scarcely possible to fire a Gun upon them: But I differ with him in opinion upon his project of the new Works surrounding the Cavaliers

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and inclosing the S. E. Angle. First. because they are not necessary for the defence of the place. — 2dly Because I conceive the great strength of Seringapatam to consist in its Situation upon the Cavery, and by Captain Norris's plan it appears to be intended to remove the line of defence from that River in case it should be attacked from thence to the heights on the S. E. side of the Fort. I am afraid the position will not be so good for the defendants as it is at present although the line will be shorter. —

As the Eastern and Southern faces of the Fort are the weakest from the want of the Cavery I should not propose to destroy the inner Rampart there, or to fill the inner ditch particularly as they are finished although they may want some repairs, and as it will be possible to thicken the outer Rampart and its defences without requiring the Space occupied by the inner Ditch.

If the inner Rampart is allowed to stand it will be necessary to have a strong Work on each flank of it, at the N. E. and S. W. Angles of the Fort to command the outer Rampart on the North and S. W. faces.

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To conclude there I recommend that the inside Rampart may be thrown into the inside ditch on the N. and S. W. faces. That the outside Rampart on all faces and it's defences may be made of the proper thickness with the usual Slope. That the Stone Glacis on the N. and S. W. faces should be completed and that a Work of the nature of a Redoute should be constructed at each flank of the inner Rampart which I propose should remain on the S. and E. Faces.—

That the ditch in front of the S. and E. faces should be formed into a Covert way and palisaded and that a second Glacis should be formed on those faces.—

In this I have considered the Subject only as the Military Board are desirous that it should be considered But if every thing is to be done to the place which in my opinion would render it Complete, I should recommend that the ditch on the N. Northern and S. W. faces may be deepened so as that it may in all parts contain the quantity and depth of

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Water which there will be at the Sluices at the N.E. and S.W. Angles; that the ditch on the esplanade in front of the E. and S. faces may be filled, the Glacis and Esplanade compleated and the ditches of the out Works at the E. Angle in front of the Bangalore and Mysore Gateways and others should be joined to the Main Ditch of the place.—

I am fully aware of the disadvantage under which I labour in delivering an opinion upon this Subject when I differ in some points with the Engineer, but I have obeyed the orders of the Military Board, and I hope that the opinion which I have delivered will at least prove to them that I have given some attention to the Subject.—

I have the honor to be,

&c. &c.

Seringapatam
November 25th. 1799.—

(Signed) Arthur Wellesley

True Copy

(Signed) John Macleane
Sec. Mil. Board

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Report of the Chief Engineer on Plans and Papers relative to the Defence of Seringapatam referred in Meeting 16th. December 1799.—

Having attentively considered Captain Norris's Report, Plan and Sections for the Reform of Seringapatam; together with the Honorable Colonel Wellesley's letter on that Subject.— I beg leave to offer the following observations to the Consideration of the Board.—

Captain Norris's Report

Para 1st & 2d.

Captain Norris recommends as a primary object, the establishing Communications across the inner Ditch to the outer Rampart, for the convenience of transporting Artillery and Troops. And that the Sewers be carried into the outer Ditch.— This he does, with an intention of preserving the inner Rampart, which he thinks should be so low as not to be seen from without; and details the manner in which he imagines it should be made, proposing likewise, a wide communication round the interior of the Fort.— Offering in objection to the filling up of the inner Ditch, the Expence it will

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occasion: there being no want of Space within the works. That Water can be thrown into it from the Aqueduct upon the Bridge, and that the Ditch being already dug very deep to receive Water from the River is, in itself, a good Defence. —

Colonel Wellesley represents as one of the most glaring imperfections of the Place, the difficulty of communicating between the inner and outer Ramparts, and proposes to destroy the inner Rampart, which he states to be no where finished, and with the materials to fill in the inner Ditch, that the outer Rampart and its defences may be enlarged. — Urging in favor of this opinion, the Outer Rampart in its present state not being in any part sufficiently broad to admit of a Gun being fired from thence: That what he recommends will render the Communications proposed by Captain Norris unnecessary. And as no benefit is proposed to be derived from the inner Rampart and Ditch until the outer Rampart is breached, imagines, it would be proper, first to render that as

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strong and complete as possible, and that the second Rampart and Ditch, which can be only a secondary consideration, should be sacrificed to that object, should it be necessary.—

Para 3rd.

The propriety of completing the Covertway and Stone Glacis on the faces next the River is, every where, admitted, the Expediency of which is self evident.—

Captain Norris recommends the removal of the Parapet of the Work within the Covt way, which is continued from the South East Angle of the Fort to the Bangalore gateway, and to the Mysore gateway on the South, and that the deep part of the ditch be filled in, to prevent Cover, when the whole will be commanded from the collateral Works: And proposes the two Covertways to be pali=saded.—

Colonel Wellesley agrees with Captain Norris in thinking, the Parapet in front of the Eastern and Southern Faces of the Fort ought to

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be destroyed and thrown into the Ditch, that a Palisade should be fixt in the Covert way, which it is proposed to make instead of that ditch, and that the whole should form an outer Covert way and Glacis in front of the inner, and that it would be better to fill the ditch entirely, and have the Glacis and Esplanade com=
=pleted. When it would be proper to join with the main Ditch of the place, the Ditch of the Redoubt at the North East angle, and the Ditches of the outer Works covering the Bangalore and Mysore Gates and of the inferior outworks. —

Para 4th Captain Norris proposes to close entirely the Sluices made at the North West Angle of the fort to let the water into the Ditch, and that there should not be any communication with the River left but by the Sluice at the North East Angle, which should be so constructed as to keep the Water in the Ditch at any height. —

Colonel Wellesley does not recom=
=mend that any of these channels, or Sluices be

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destroyed, urging many forcible reasons in support of that opinion, but seems doubtful if deepening the ditch be an object adequate to the Expence it will occasion; at any rate, his reasons for not shutting up or destroying the Sluices at the West point, are sufficiently forcible for their being continued as they are, till a more minute knowledge of the place may point out the means of supplying water without endangering the defences, especially as Captain Norris has not assigned his Motives for wishing to have them closed. —

Para: 5th. The expediency of putting the Sewers in repair is admitted, and already ordered by the Military Board. —

Para: 6th. Good Water being abundantly supplied to the Fort by the Stone Channel, particular care should be taken, in the performance of all Repairs, that nothing may be done to injure it. —

Para: 7th. Captain Norris does not propose to incur any Expence on the lines without the fort, and states, that the only precaution necessary to be taken is to

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prevent the Earth from falling into the Ditch: He recommends filling in the deep Trench extending from the Ditch of the Fort at the South West Angle to nearly the aqueduct on the Periapatam Bridge, having dis=covered that the Reservoir to which it was to have led is not of any use.—

Colonel Wellesley does not remark on this suggestion, which appears not to be very immediately con=nected with Defence of the place; and may become a matter of secondary Consideration.—

Public Buildings. All the Public Buildings require=

Repair.—

I have invariably recommended per=manent Buildings for Granaries and Quarters for Troops, from a conviction of their being both the cheapest and best for the Honorable Company to adopt, and by far the most cleanly and comfortable both for Officers and Men—and as Building Timber is more or less liable to decay, and may have concealed Defects that do not meet the Eye; I have uniformly preferred arched Roofs. And I have the=

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satisfaction to know from Experience, the success of the measure wherever Justice has been done in the Execution.

New Works.

Captain Norris proposes to enlarge the Cavaliers on the high part of the Fort, to surround them by a line of works enclosing the South East Angle. To have at the North East Angle a large Square Work to act as a Flank to the detached Work. And also to have a very strong post at the North East Angle for the protection of the Sluices that communicate with the River — and to insure a supply of water to the Garrison independant of the Water Channel made by the late Sultan, he proposes to sink Wells in the dry Ditch near the River at this Angle. — A Draw Bridge is proposed on this Face to communicate with the intended Fortifi=cation. The remaining part of the old Works are to be kept in Repair, but to be commanded by the New Works which are to be considered as a protection to the Inhabitants after the manner of the Fortifications of the Black Town of Madras. —

Captain Norris's project goes to remove

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the inner Rampart on the East face, which he represents, as very narrow and in a bad state of repair, and to enlarge the outer Rampart, it being in better Condition.—

Colonel Wellesley agrees with Captain Norris, that, it would be very desirable to enlarge the Cavaliers, they being so small that a Gun can scarcely be fired from them.—But he differs with him in opinion upon his project of the new Works for surrounding the Cavaliers and inclosing the South East Angle, because, he imagines they are not necessary for the Defence of the place. And because, he conceives the great Strength of Seringapatam to consist in its situation upon the Cauvery, from whence Captain Norris intends to remove the line of Defence to the heights on the South East side of the Fort, where, the Colonel fears, the position will not be so good as it is at present, although the line will be shorter.—

As the Eastern and Southern faces of the Fort are the weakest from the want of the Cauvery, the Colonel does not propose to destroy the inner Rampart there, or to fill up the inner Ditch, this Work being

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finished, although in want of some repair, and it being poss-
-sible to thicken the outer Rampart without requiring the
space occupied by that Ditch.— He therefore proposes, that
the inner Rampart may be thrown into the inner Ditch on
the North and South West faces only; that the outer Ram-
-part may be made of a proper thickness; that a Work of the
nature of a Redoubt should be constructed at each Flank of the
inner Rampart which it is proposed shall remain on the
East and South faces.— And to render the face complete re-
-commends, that the Ditch on the North and South West
faces may be deepened, so as to contain in all parts the Quantity
and depth of water which there will be at the Sluices at the
North East and South West Angles.—

Observations.

Should the double Rampart be re-
-solved on, two Revetments become indispensible.—
The one for retaining the Earth of the interior of the outer
Rampart that to admit of Guns must be considerably
set back into the Ditch, which will thereby require much
more Excavation to perfect it.— The other, to prevent the
Earth of the interior Rampart from falling into the Ditch-

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— And a third, if it be intended to sustain the interior of the inner Rampart by that means. — If the mode recommended by Captain Norris, and practised at Pondicherry, be adopted, only two Revetments will be requisite, and a large proportion of Earth necessary for forming the interior Slope. But as in the course of my Experience in this Country, I have never found Earthen Works to stand well, I therefore prefer a Revet=ment, and in case of there being a want of Earth near, would recommend the constructing of Casemates which although they may not be sufficiently airy to serve as Quarters for Troops, may, nevertheless, be rendered very commodious for the Re=ception of Stores. —

Such of the Cavaliers as may require to be new revetted should be enlarged, perhaps least at the Expence of part of their superfluous height, preserving to them always their Command of the Country. —

Captain Norris's Idea of a Citadel is correct so far as occupying the strong ground to advantage, but is not applicable in other Respects. — The parallel drawn by Captain Norris between his design and the Black

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Town of Madras will not hold, for, were his project to be adopted, half the Inhabitants of Seringapatam must be driven from the place to make room for an Esplanade; whereas the Works round the Black Town of Madras, are calculated to maintain the Inhabitants in the undisturbed possession of their property.—The inner Rampart on the East and South faces should therefore stand.—

On Considering the Subject, I was led to examine how far the place was capable of being reduced to any regular form, and if such form could be rendered applicable to our present purpose.—

The Plan No. 1. has been the result and will shew the situation would have admitted of a most respectful fortification, at probably a less Expence than the present Works have occasioned.—And will point out the obstacles that may be opposed to any attack by an Intelligent Governor, capable of judging of the advantages of his position. Great part of which might be adopted to the present Works.—

But when I came to reflect on the

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natural Strength of the Situation; the Structure of the present Works; together with the difficulties we had to encounter in transporting our Army thither, with all the advantages of our experience in Campaigning, and the little probability there is of our ever being attacked by an European Enemy: Added, to the conviction that Famine alone could subject us to the controul of any Combination of the Country powers. I have been induced to forego, all idea of extensive New Works, and to endeavour to obtain a good flanking fire to the existing fortifications, by merely setting back some of the Parapets, and by giving a respectable thickness to the Rampart as in Plan No. 2 where the Red Colour and dotted Lines denote the present works, the Yellow the works proposed to be executed, the dark such as will give additional strength to the place should they be judged requisite, and the black dotted Lines such others as may be thrown out in case of an attack being carried on against the fronts for whose defence they are intended in which case only they can be required.—

Although, I hope, the late Improvements on Gun Carriages will render the use of embrasures

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little necessary any where, I have shewn them in the Design, in order to ascertain the Quantity of fire gained, which together with the increased flanking fire to be obtained from the widest parts of the Fausebraye, and the direct fire that may every where prevail from the Rampart, will present so formidable an opposition to any Enemy who has to make his way across the River, that very few will be disposed to engage in so hazardous an undertaking. — And if they do attempt it, will no doubt sorely feel the Effects of their Temerity, if opposed by British Troops. —

Should the Expence of deepening the whole of the Ditch between the Stone Glacis and Fausselbraye Wall, be objected to, it may be excavated in the middle only to the extent required; it is of Importance to the Defence that a Quantity of Water be always retained there. —

It is not necessary to confine the Rampart of the body of the place to any particular Breadth, care being taken to have it every where sufficiently wide to receive a good Parapet; and to permit

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the free ase of Cannon behind it, together with an easy communication for the movement of guns round the reentering Angles set in.—

Several Ramps are expressed in the Plan, without intending to limit those in charge of the Works in the choice of the Number to be made, but that it may be understood that a ready communication every where is considered to be of great Importance. If they be revetted, Expence Magazines for the service of the Batteries may be practised under them.— And should the interior Revetment be dispensed with, Captain Norris's Sections N°. 2, 3, and 4 will then be represented by N°. 1, 2 and 3 of those annexed, which the Materials of the inner Rampart O will be employed to render perfect.—

The Sally Ports to communicate into the Fausebraye should be ascertained on the same principle, and of which, I understand, there are now several, as no inconvenience can arise from their number, if properly secured with Locks, Bolts and sliding Bars, of all which very perfect Models may be obtained from Madras.

Should

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— Should ever apprehension be entertained for the security of any of them, during a Siege, such may then be alto=gether built upon. —

Could I suppose that the Garrison can be deprived of the use of Water from the Cauvery, I should here recommend some additional communications with the River from the Faufsebraye by means of the Sally Ports; but unless the course of it be entirely changed, I scar=cely think it possible to happen. —

The Plans №1. and 2 shew the man=ner in which works of a regular form may be adopted to the angles on the East, and South faces, should they be found necessary, although I have continued them as they appear to have been before the inner Ditch was excavated

The Draw Bridge and Work pro=posed by Captain Norris to cover it, will greatly facili=tate the Communication on the East face. — The Southern Flank he has added, I have not availed myself of, be=cause of the general Strength of the Front and the ex=pence it will occasion. —

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The intended counterguards before the Gateways may either be raised to cover the exis-ting faces, or be kept low and open to their pluing-ing fire, which is preferable, being less expensive, less exposed, and affording a grazing and better Defence than higher works can yield. — I would re-commend Guns being placed on the Barbets in the Saliant Angels, as their command in the early part of a Seige is of importance and the Parapets to be placed before them when the Enemy's fire is esta-blished will serve to traverse the Faces of the works themselves. —

The proposed Caponier and Work before it on the South face, if they become necessary, will add considerably to the Strength of that Front. Were the South East angle attacked it would be advisable to raise their Parapet on that side that from the falling of the Ground, they may not be seen in reverse. ——

I differ in opinion from the Honble

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Colonel Wellesley and Captain Norris, respect-
-ing the Parapet and Ditch on the Eastern and
Southern faces Because, should the advanced
Ditch be filled up, the Earth required for that
purpose would enable the assistants readily
to form a Lodgement and maintain themselves
there to great advantage In its present state,
it forms a considerable impediment to any
Enemy. — and a redoubted place of arms ad-
-vanced in the Center of the Coverteay with the
Glacis thrown out, as dotted black would yield
considerable protection to the faces of the Colla-
-teral Works if attacked, and may be well defend-
-ed across this Ditch of which should the Enemy
gain possession, they would find themselves but
little advanced, and uncomfortably situated on
its Bottom with only Rock to work in, whom Mis-
-siles of every kind may in great security be thrown
on them from behind the Parapet, Joining the
ditches before these works to that of the body of the

place

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place will, no doubt give them additional Security.—

The Cavalier that was breached may become a part of the Rampart, or be rebuilt a distinct Work; in either case, it should be enlarged.—

On conversing with Colonel Agent on the Subject of this Report, he recommended to me one Alexander Cumming, serving in the Scotch Brigade, a regular bred stone Mason, who conducted himself very much to his satisfaction in the charge of the artificers of the Engineers Department in the Field, and who, he imagined might become very useful, as an overseer on the Works of Seringapatam.—

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7th February 1800

(Signed) Patrick Ross
Chief Engineer Ar. G.

A true Copy
(Signed) John Macleane
Sec. to Mil. Bd.

Resolved

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Resolved that previously to forming a decision on any plan for reforming the fortress of Seringapatam the Chief Engineer be directed to proceed to that place in order that he may be enabled to furnish the information required for the formation of a final Judgement on that important Subject. —

Resolution thereon

Resolved accordingly that the following letters be dispatched. —

To Major General Brathwaite

President &c. Members of the

Military Board

Gentlemen,

Para 1st.

I am directed by the Right Honble the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter dated the 26th February together with the Plans which had been offered to your consideration for the repair and reform of the fortifications of Seringapatam. —

To the Military Board — Previously to a decision on the plan of reform for the fortifications of Seringapatam, the Chief Engineer will report on the subject, and he has accordingly been directed to proceed to Seringapatam for that purpose — any repairs that may be judged immediately necessary are to be authorized. —

2d

In conformity to the opinion deliv-

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-vered by your Board of the necessity of further in-
formation previously to a decision on any Plan
for the reform of that important fortress. His Lord-
-ship in Council will direct the Chief Engineer
to proceed thither for the purpose of examining the
Works, and of reporting to your Board for the in-
formation of Government the result of his Exami-
-nation.—

3d In the mean time if it should
appear that any thing is essentially required for
the immediate Security of the fort in those parts
of the works which had been injured by the Seige
you will take measure for repairing them to the
extent that immediate Security may demand.—

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

To Major General Ross
Chief Engineer

Sir.

To the Chief Engineer - Directing him

Para 1st In consequence of the opinion deliver-
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him to proceed to Seringapatam for the purpose of reporting on the fortifications of that place, and furnishing him with instructions for his guidance in the execution of this duty.—

-ed by the Military Board of the necessity of a further information previous to deciding on the reform proper to be adopted for the Works of Seringapatam. The Right Honble the Governor in Council is pleased to direct that you shall proceed to that place without delay for the purpose of examining and reporting to the Military Board for the information of Government the whole reform necessary to be made in that important Fortress.—

2d I am in consequence directed to communicate to you the general principles which are to regulate your Investigations and Reports with regard to the extent and intention of the reforms to be introduced.—

3d His Lordship in Council considers the local position of Seringapatam to preclude in a very great degree the supposition of the attack of an European enemy, which is an event too far removed from probability to influence the

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plans for the reform of that fortress farther than as more perfect lines of defence may be obtained without any material addition of expence.—

4th The present exterior Rampart works however unskilfully constructed preserve in a considerable degree the natural advantages of the situation; and it built of durable materials which you will ascertain ought not to be disturbed excepting where the line of defence is radically defective.—

5th It is therefore the intention of Government neither to undertake any new works nor to make any addition to the present, farther than may be consistent with the above principle.

6th The preservation of the exterior rampart under the foregoing limitations being established as a first principle, all superfluous interior works particularly those which remains unfinished on the sides where the river forms an additional defence ought to be destroyed.—

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1st His Lordship considers it unnecessary to enter into farther detail on this subject as he has the satisfaction to observe that the plan recommended by you to the Military Board appears to be founded on principles nearly similar to those above stated, and that the details of that plan as far as his Lordship can judge from the information before him appear to be judicious and aconomicalls.—

2d The Office commanding in Mysoor will be directed to furnish you with every assistance and facility in his power for the execution of these instructions.—

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23d April 1800

I have the honor to be &c &c
(Signed) I Webbe
Sec.y to Government

To the Honble Colonel Wellesley
Commanding in Mysoor

Sir

To the Officer commanding in Mysoor—Informing him

Para 1st

The Military Board having re-
-presented

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him that Major General Rose has been ordered to proceed to Seringapatam for the purpose of reporting on the fortifications.—

= presented the necessity of farther information previous to offering a final opinion for the reform of the works of Seringapatam.— The Right Honble the Governor in Council has accordingly directed the Chief Engineer to proceed thither for the purpose of examining and reporting professionally on the subject.—

2d You will therefore be pleased to afford the Chief Engineer on his arrival every assistance and facility in your power, in the execution of those instructions.—

3d The rank of the Chief Engineer considered in relative to your own might have been productive of embarrassment of his Lordship had not specially confined the duty of that officer, to a professional enquiry as an Engineer, but under that explanation His Lordship has no doubt that the duties will be conducted with every degree of cordiality & delicacy.—

I have the honor to be &c &c

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23d April 1800

S Webbe
Sect to Government

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To the Right Honble Lord Clive

Governor in Council

&c &c &c

My Lord.

From the Military Board - Report on Lieutenant Colonel Reads Bullock accounts and suggest the mode of adjustment which appears most expedient -

1st

We have the honour in conformity to your Lordships commands under date the 22d November last, to submit the following Plan for the adjustment of the accounts of the various descriptions of Bullock Owners employed under Lieutenant Colonel Read during the late Campaign in Mysore, which we are of opinion may be adopted as the most equitable mode of settlement with the several Classes of people hereunder detailed -

Benjarries

2d

Having given particular attention to the Petition of the Benjarries, together with the observations of Lieutenant Colonel Read, and Captain Macleod thereon, it appears to us, that as they were clearly on the footing of

Merchants

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Merchants who undertook to carry Rice with the Army on their own account with views of advantage to themselves arising out of the high price to which that article, in particular situations is known to arrive, and that as their gains must have been considerable from this speculation, for which a Capital was advanced to them in the first instance at the Company's risque, — They cannot under these circumstances have any particular claim to remuneration from Government, but as it must at the same time be obvious that their having engaged in this undertaking contributed greatly to supply the general wants of the Army, and that although but a small part of their Stock was delivered for the use of the Troops, yet that the public followers must have been supplied from the public Store, had not the Bazar been materially assisted by their means, and further, as it must be ever considered good poli-

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-cy to encourage a class of men, whose services may possibly be of consequence to our future Military operations.— We are led to suggest that should your Lordship in Council be inclined from this view of the subject to bestow some mark of public liberality on those people, it may be granted in proportion to the quantity of Rice which each Naik or Chief of Benjarries delivered before Seringapatam, which by the enclosed Copy of a Statement transmitted by Captain Macleod will amount on 13,562½ Mercals of Rice at the rate of ½ Rupee per Mercal delivered to Rupees 6,781 3/16, in addition to a balance of 5040 Rupees which is stated to be due to them on the former settlement of their accounts; and which should be paid as suggested by Captain Macleod, not through the Agency of Latah Setcheram the Chief Benjarry, but to the inferior Naiks or Chiefs as detailed in the Statement above mentioned.

Hired Bullocks

3d. On full consideration of the sub-

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-ject of the claims of the Owners of the hired Bul-
-locks,—— We are of opinion, that their account
should be arranged on the following general
principles.—

1st That full hire for the total num-
-ber which marched with the Army from Pillar-
-mungalum should be allowed to the 20th May
1799.—

2d That no Gratuity (as claimed)
nor indemnifity for Cattle or Grain asserted to
have been lost or plundered by the Enemy shall
be granted,— payment of full hire to the 20th
of May providing for all such losses.—

3d That 7 Rupees per load for each
Bullock load of Shot, for the delivery of which
at Seringapatam receipts or other sufficient
vouchers are produced, shall be allowed to them

4th That 10 per Cent be allowed in
lieu of all Wastage of Grain, difference of mea
-surement, loss &c prior to the 20th of May,

and

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and that they be held accountable for all deficiencies exceeding that amount at the rate of 5 Seers per Rupee, to be charged to their account.—

5th That if (as they state) they carried 1:00 Bullock load of Tents with Lieutenant Colonel Read's Detachment, the proof that such number of Bullocks were so employed and not deducted from those which were understood to have carried Grain, shall entitle them to hire for this Service.—

6th That the settlement of the pay due to them after the 20th of May, must be regularly made conformably to the existing agreements, paying only for the Cattle mustered, making no allowance but what is stated in the Contract for wastage 6% and charging at the regulated price for all deficiency of Grain in their charge.—

Claim of Penagur Kistnapah

1st Kistnapah's Bullocks appearing clearly to have been hired Bullocks, although accounted with as Job Cattle, it seems but just that

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that he should be paid on the same principle.— We are therefore of opinion.—

1st That he should receive hire for carrying Rice from Kistnagerry to Ryacottah Pagodas L. 36: ".—

2d That he should receive the hire of the full number of his Bullocks originally mustered in the Service from the 10th March to 20th May.—

3d That 10 per Cent should be allowed him as Wastage, difference of measurement 6% and that he should be charged for all deficiency of Grain beyond that amount, at the rate of 5 Seer per Rupee.—

Job Bullocks

5th On full consideration of the Petition of the Owners of Job Bullocks, and of the statements of Lieutenant Colonel Read and Captain Macleod regarding them, We consider the following as the general principles on which in fairness, their accounts should be adjusted.—

1st That they should be paid the

full

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full hire for the number of loads originally carried for the distance marched with the Army and with Major General Floyd's Detachment; calculated on the number of Gorr from Kistnaghery to Camp near Seringapatam, by the route of the Army, and from thence to Caveripooram.—

2d— That 16 day's Batta according to agreement for that number of Extra halts shall be allowed.—

3d— That payment for Tents and 115 extra loads of Rice, asserted by them to have been carried, shall be made on proof of the fact and distance, being produced.—

4th— That 10 per Cent shall be allowed in lieu of all claims for wastage, loss, difference of measurement, &c &c and that all deficiencies exceeding that amount shall be made good by them, at the rate of 5 Seers of Grain per Rupee.—

5th— That no further indemnification

for

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for asserted loss of battle shall be made, as no such losses were officially reported, and as the allowances proposed appear to provide amply for all casualties which may have occurred.—

6th Conceiving that the account of the various descriptions of Bullock men employed under the authority of Lieutenant Colonel Read may be equitably arranged on these general principles, we beg leave to recommend, that Captain Symons may receive instructions to proceed to the final adjustment of the accounts conformably to the mode above detailed.—

7th The claims of Lalah Letcheram the head Banyarry, as stated by Lieutenant Colonel Read, and his demands as enumerated in the observations of Captain Macleod have not failed to attract our particular attention, and we feel considerable difficulty in forming a decision on the claim, his conduct, thus contrasted, may have to the attention of Government.—

His

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8th His merits, as the ostensible collec-
-tor of the Benjarries and other Carriers pre-
-vious to the War, are acknowledged as deserv-
-ing praise; his misconduct in the manage-
-ment of those people during the campaign, his
disregard of orders, and more particularly his
erroneous reports of the quantity of Grain in
Camp cannot be denied to merit the severest
censure. — It appears however, by the asserti-
-on of Lieutenant Colonel Read, whose knowledge
of the customs of these people should have con-
-siderable weight, that though he, Salah Letch-
-ram, might posses influence sufficient in
general to lead the Benjarries, he had not
authority to command their obedience when
opposed to the temptation of self-interest;
more especially, as they considered themselves
as accompanying the Army rather as free
Merchants than as Servants of the publick.
The promise of reward was held out to encou-
-rage

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rage his collection of Benyarries for the better supply of the Camp in general, his accompanying them to the Field forming no part of that agreement.—

9th It also appears that Captain Macleod was mistaken in supposing the Benyarries bound by agreement to sell their Rice at a certain fixed price; and consequently, that he acted under an erroneous supposition when he interferred to prevent the sale at the price they chose to fix for themselves.—

10th Letcheram therefore performed the agreement he had made, in collecting the Cattle, and in accompanying the Army at his personal risque, (however little his conduct while in Camp may deserve reward) he more than fulfilled all he engaged to perform.—

11th On this ground therefore we are induced to recommend a donation from Government to be made to the following extent.—

To

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As rewards for Service performed. —

To Dalah Setcheram	500 Pags.
To Mokund Dalah on Captain Macleods statement of his active Service —	500 Rs.
To Appajee Row, on a similar testimony from Lieutenant Colonel Read	500 Rs.

12th This we recommend on the principles of general policy as an encouragement to a useful & necessary description of people, and this, when the circumstances of their behaviour are considered we deem fully sufficient. —

We have the honor to be,

Fort S. George
20th April 1800

My Lord,

Your Lordship's

Very obedient humble Servants

(Signed) John Brathwaite.
" Patrick Ross.
" W. Sydenham.
" John Richardson.
" P. A. Agnew.

Statement

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Statement of the Grain sold to the Public by the Banjarries before Seringapatam between the 10th and 17th of April 1799

The Chief Naigues	Mercals of Rice and of Grain delivered before Seringapatam.	amount in Rupees if paid 4 Rupees per mercall delivered.	Balances due to the Banjarries	Cash due by the Banjarries on settling their accounts
1 Shootia Naigue	1973 4/16		198 ... 12	
2 Burra Ramjie	989 7/16		" ... 2	
3 Soma moondel	202		... 9	
4 Bhodja Naigue	1961 1/16		1 ... 5	
5 Narrain Naigue	263		... 3	
6 Kima Naigue	73			
7 Megha Naigue	375		" ... 10	
8 Topha Naigue	173 9/16		" ... 1	
9 Anunda Naigue	667 1/16		" ... "	
10 Ramjie Rathore	250 1/16			7 ... 9
11 Bheeka Naigue	576 1/16			55 ... 6
12 Natha Naigue	312 1/16		... 6	
13 Roopa Naigue	160 7/16		2 ... 8	
14 Bhana Naigue	150 7/16		1 ... 2	
15 Muttoo	889 7/16		1969 ... 12	
16 Jarra Naigue	188			
17 Seena Naigue	290 9/16		26 " ... "	
18 Bhotha Naigue	636		1537 ... 8	
19 /Bhotta/ Bhootia	316 9/16			9 ... 8
20 Gopaul Naigue	257			
21 /Bhotta/ Anunda Naigue	102 9/16			
22 Nunda Naigue	658		1 ... 8	
23 Rashapah	414 9/16		994 ... 12	
24 Bhana Jhura	691 7/16		95 ... 6	
25 Anunda	91 7/16		1 ... 5	
26 Patt Dewry	220 7/16			
27 /Chinn Goorva, for Sale			2 ... 3	
28 Muttoo Narrain	32		63 ... 2	
29 Kima	31		37 ... 3	
30 Jeta	27		32 ... 6	
31 Guttoo			6 ... 13	
32 Coopa	22		33 ... 3	
33 Bonara	3 7/16		5 ... 10	
	13652 1/2	3413 3/16	5112. 7. 72 ... 7	
			Deduct for Cash over paid	72 ... 7
			Final Balance due to the Banjarries	5040 Rupees

Nos 23 and 26 - were Contractors for Job Cattle and it is very probable the grain they brought to be sold to the Public, was Part of the Public grain, they had in charge - because they were warned all to march with General Floyd and they had not therefore time to sell it by retail.

(Signed) William Macleod late Superintt of Supplies.

A true copy
John Macleane
Secr Mil Board

The

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Resolutions thereon

The Board entirely approve the principles on which the Military Board have recommended the adjustment to be made of Lieut.t Colonel Reads accounts.—

Resolved accordingly that the Military Board be directed to issue instructions to Captain Symons for the settlement of the accounts in conformity to their recommendation.—

The Board also concur in the reasons on which the Military Board recommend a reward of five hundred pagodas to be granted to Lallah Secheram, Mohund Lalah & to Apjogee Ron for services performed, and desire that Captain Symons may be authorized to make that disbursement and to explain the principles on which the indulgence is granted.—

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

Medical

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From the Medical Board — requesting an arrangement for supplying the temporary vacancy in the Medical Board, occasioned by Mr. Nicol Mein, Mr. George Pilvie and Mr. Patrick Bowie — Enclosing the copy of a letter from the Head Surgeon at Seringapatam recommending such an establishment of servants as appears to be necessary for the duties of the stores at that place — Requesting that the Medical Storekeeper may be included in the privilege of franking — Reporting the death of Mr. assistant Surgeon Fawcett —

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Medical Board April 14th 1800.

In consequence of the orders of Government communicated in Mr. Secretary Webbe's letter to the Physician General of the 13th instant to supply the Temporary vacancy at the Medical Board occasioned by the Furlough granted to Mr. Raine, and the removal of Mr. Gahagan to Europe —

The Physician General having taken into consideration the constitution of the Medical Department under this Presidency recommends that Mr. Nicol Mein the next Head Surgeon in Succession be called from the General Hospital of Masulipatam to a Temporary seat as second member of this Board

Approved & Ordered

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Board Vice Raine — That

Mr. George Ogilvie the Senior

Surgeon be appointed an acting

Head Surgeon and to Superin-

-tend the Presidency General

Hospital vice Gahagan and

that Mr. Patrick Bowie the

next Surgeon in Succession be

also appointed an acting Head

Surgeon and removed from

the Factories of Ingeram &

Madepollam to Superintend

the General Hospital of Madu

-lipatam vice Mein.—

The Physician Gene-

-ral has the honor to forward

Copy of a Letter addressed to

the Medical Board by the

Head Surgeon of Seringapa

-tam in reply to their order

that

No. 22 34

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that he would submit
his opinion regarding
an Establishment for
which the Medical Store-
keeper at that Station had
applied on account of his
Office.—

The several descrip-
tions of Servants stated
by Mr. Anderson appear
to be necessary and al-
though we must agree
with him in opinion
that the wages are high,
yet from his own testimo-
ny the Board is induced
to recommend the esta-
blishment which he had
suggested.—

The Medical &
Storekeeper at the Presi-
dency

Ordered that the esta-
blishment recommend-
ed by the Head Surgeon at
Seringapatam for the
Medical Store depart-
ment be sanctioned.—

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=dency has represented =
that no provision has been
made for his department
in the new regulations for
the Post Office.-

And that he and the
Surgeons will on that ac
-count be subjected to conse
-derable expence in trans-
-mitting Indents, receipts
and small packages of
Medicine, which in cases
of emergency are frequent
ly required to be conveyed
by Tappal— The Board
therefore recommends tha
the Medical Storekeeper
may be included in the
Priveleges granted in this
respect to those on Official
Stations.—

The Medical Storekeep-
-er is directed to charge the
expense of postage in his
department, in a contin-
-gent bill, under the re-
-strictions prescribed on
that head.—

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The Board is sorry
to report that Mr. Fancourt
Assistant Surgeon to the 1st
1st Regiment of Native Ca-
-valry Died at Ryacottah
on the 5th Instant—

Ja.s Anderson
Physician General

To Dr. James Anderson
Physician General &c.a and Members of the
Medical Board

Gentlemen,

I have received Mr. Sec.y Boswells
Letter of the 21st Instant, requiring my opinion on
the number, description and wages of such Servants
as may appear to me necessary for the duties of the
Medical Stores here— In reply to which I beg
leave to state that a writer at 15 Pagodas monthly
two Compounders at 4 Pagodas each and a Cooly
for cleaning Bottles, sweeping the Store-Room &c.a
appear

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appear to me perfectly sufficient for the duties of this department.—

The wages of the Servants may be considered high, but I can with truth affirm, that men qualified for these Stations cannot be got for less hire at Seringapatam, and I actually paid while in charge of the Stores at my private expence, higher rates of wages to the compounder and Writer.——

A small allowance for Stationary appears to me necessary at 5 Pagodas a Month will be sufficient on that account.—

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

(Signed) A Anderson

Head Surgeon

A true Copy

(Signed) Alexander Boswell

Sec.y to Med.l Board

From Dr Dr Recommend that Mr. assistant Surgeon Shuttleworth may be reward as attend a

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Medical Board April 18th 1800.

The adjutant General having communicated

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a detachment of artillery proceeding to Seringapatam.—

communicated Major General Brathwaite's desire that an Assistant Surgeon should accompany a Detachment of Artillery which is about to march from the mount to Seringapatam.— The Physician General recommends that Mr. Assistant Surgeon Shuttleworth whose leave at the Presidency is expired should be nomenated for this duty, and on his arrival at the above Station, that he put himself under the orders of the Head Surgeon of Mysore.—

Approved and Ordered.

Jas. Anderson
Physician General

By order of the Right Honble. the Governor in Council
Josiah Webbe
Sec.y to Government

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Resolutions of Govern- Medical Board
-ment in Council 24th April 1800.
Dated 22d April 1800.

From Dr D.
Transmit an application from Mr Surgeon Harris for certain allowances stated to be due to him.—

The Physician Gene-
-ral has the honor to forward
a letter addressed by Mr Sur-
-geon Harris to the Right
Honble the Governor in Council
The circumstance of
this claim having been so
long delayed renders it invalid— but it is hoped the ex-
planation which Mr Harris has offered will over rule this
objection.—

Ordered that the Mi-
-litary auditor Genl be directed to report on Mr Harris's claim.

The usage of the Service in cases similar to that of the present, directs that the Surgeon should include in one General Abstract persons of every description belonging

to

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belonging to the Station,
to be drawn for in agree-
-gable at the established
rates—

But as this mode
has not been observed and
as Mr. Harris was not
specially appointed Gar-
-rison Surgeon of Malac-
-ca, but accidentally there
with his Regiment we are
of opinion that the best
way of adjusting this
claim would be, by hav-
-ing recourse to the Month-
-ly Returns to collect the
number of those on the
Strength of the Garrison
not drawn for, at the
time, and to allow Mr.
Harris to make a charge
for

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for them for the respective
months at the same rate, as
if they had been included
in his General abstract on
the spot —

But so much time
having elapsed, should this
mode appear difficult or im-
practicable, the monthly al-
-lowance of 15 Pagodas lately
granted to the Garrison Sur-
-geon of Malacca in consid-
-eration of attendance on
Staff &c may be allowed
to Mr Harris for the time
specified in his letter —

approved & ordered

The Physician Gene
-ral recommends that Mr
Assistant Surgeon Thomas
Evans lately appointed, be
stationed

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Stationed at the Presidency

General Hospital. ——

Jas. Anderson

Physician General

To The Right Honble Lord Clive

Governor &c.a in Council

Fort S. George

My Lord.

Permit me to trespass on the time of your Honble Board for a few minutes, in addressing its notice and bespeaking its favora-ble attention to the subject of an unadjusted claim, resulting from the new & peculiar circumstance in which I found myself placed at the Garri-son of Malacca, from October 1797 to Decr 1799—

I am aware, my Lord, that, + under the existing & pointed Regulation of along established G. O. by Government, so late an ap-plication as the present for the exercise of the + judgement of your Honble Board, on any ques-

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-tion however reasonable in other respects, comes under every disadvantage, But, I am not less aware that your Lordships candor will be disposed to find apology for this appearance of neglect, in the explanation I have here to offer; and that it will not discountenance whatever, I trust, will occur to be my rightful pre-tension, by objecting to it a disqualification arising from the accident of my immediate & relative situation, on a remote & foreign service.

It was already understood, before Colonel Campbell left Malacca in 1798, that the majority of the European Troops were to be recalled to the Coast; with that Majority it appeared most probable, that the Surgeon in charge (myself) would be also actually of the number.— This, however, not proving the case, & a relief being constantly in prospect to take charge of that Garrison,— which relief I had urged my own superior Board to recommend on this

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in this way, a long term elapsed before it was in my power to bring my claim forward. — Thus have I been unfortunately unavoidably obliged to postpone it to the period of my actual arrival at the Presidency.

In consequence of the new regulations, which in 1797 rendered it expedient that the Paymasters of Garrisons should have a separate Abstract, for every Corps in Garrison, delivered in by the Surgeon in Charge, signed by the officer commanding such Corps, and countersigned by the commanding Officer of the Garrison, / it so happened that no provision whatever was made for the Staff of that Garrison, nor for any other European Individual there present besides, who could not be returned on the Strength of Corps; — a description of the Honble Company's Servants that had been / till the late G. O. superseded the former method / uniformly drawn for, by the Surgeon,

in one

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in one General Abstract, aggregately with the strength of all the Corps.——

Here, if I might be allowed, my Lord, to use the liberty of a reference to Mr. Buch-an, at that time paymaster of the Garrison of Malacca, his testimony would readily esta-blish, that, in the first instance of the defal-cation made by him on my Abstracts, for this class of the Company's Servants (of whom there was usually Twelve or more) he will recollect my expressing myself assured, that your Honble Board would ultimately, in its usual justice, make up to me for such a deduction; by granting me the same Gar-rison & Allowances as are usually given to Surgeons of Garrisons in circumstances: & that, on my return to the Coast, I should have to re-quote these Retrenchments as my immediate argument with your Honble Board, for ask-ing the above equivalent allowances for the

Term

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Term of the consecutive Months that I might
remain in charge of the Garrison of Malacca
Viz. from October 1797 to Decr 1799 inclusive.—

I feel myself much embarassed,
my Lord, to find the necessity of setting forth these
particulars, in a way more circuitous & prolix
than I could have earnestly wished to your —
Honble Board; under the alarm, that, as this
very remuneration has been so recently accorded
as a Monthly charge to my Successor at that
Station, it might strike your Lordship that
I had been led to construe his Example as, at all,
a precedent for me; — an idea I beg leave en-
tirely to depricate, & to be allowed to hope that
I have preferred my humble Claim on a prin-
ciple more becoming myself, and more worthy
of the favorable decision of your Lordships authority —

I have the honor to remain with all
respect &c. &c.

Madras
April 1st 1800.

Henry Harris
M. D. & late Surgeon to the
Garrison of Malacca —

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Read the following letters from the Resident at Tanjore. —

To Josiah Webbe Esqr.

Secretary to Government

Fort S. George.

Sir,

From the Resident at Tanjore gives a farther detailed account of the disputes between the two Rajahs relative to the division of property. —

When I made the Rajah of Tanjour acquainted with the Sentiments of the Right Honble the Governor in Council in regard to the claim of the late Rajah, and the orders I had received to proceed to an immediate division of the Property on the principles of the former adjustment, The Rajah informed me, that He should once more state His opinion of the principle of that adjustment and then conform as far as it was practicable to the Governor's wishes. His Excellency began by remarking, that the Good understanding which at that time prevailed, produced an adjustment, on the Grounds of mutual accommo-

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His Excellency said He could have no objection to the execution of this adjustment, and was ready to complete it, whenever I would prevail upon Ameersing to make good his part — with respect to the unreasonable and indeed unlimited demand which Ameersing had since made, and which His Excellency was now called upon to consider, He hoped the Governor would not be offended, if in defence of His just rights, He took the liberty once more to repeat that Ameersing was not warranted in these pretensions. The Rajah said it was not possible to read over the list of

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Ameersing

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Ameersung objected to send his
Servant to the conference, He desired to know who
were to be present to secure him against false
insinuations and if my Hircarrah and two
of the Appacootas of the late Rajah Tulja
might be allowed to accompany his Servant
— I replied that no objection could be made
to the Hircarrah, and that all other Persons
who were required by the Parties would of
course be sent for. but whatever were his mo-
-tives for this request, they would most proba
-bly be completely gratified by the considera-
-on His Excellency had shown in his proposal
to have many of their respective Friends pre-
-sent — Men who were long acquainted with
the Customs and rights of the Palace and whose
opinions would be highly important to
both Parties. This measure did not
meet the late Rajah's approbation, and he
declined sending His Servant to the confer-

-ence

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=ence — I lamented this objection as it was
the best hope I had of bringing to a conclu-
=sion a Question of so much difficulty, and
when it was no longer probable the parties
could be made to agree in any one point. —

I apprised Ameersing of
the propriety of this proposition and intreat-
=ed him once more to reconsider the matter,
but in vain — Ameersing then said the Gover-
=nor must decide, but on my assuring him
that the orders from Government were de-
=finitive, and by a conduct so little satisfac-
=tory that he would endanger not only the
whole of his Claim, but such part as the
Rajah Serfoje might be prevailed on to part
with. He moderated a little, and afforded me
an opportunity to point out the Enormity
of his demands, and to offer myself as an
advocate for such a proportion as might be
suitable to his actual condition. —

This

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This proposal the late Rajah
accepted, and promised to send me a list of
such articles only, as would be convenient to
him — He took six Days to make out this
memorandum but upon a very different
Scale from that which would best suit his
condition — Except the Sword and the Seal,
I believe there are very few Articles of the Rega-
-lia of the Palace, which he has not specified —
— The Memorandum was written purpose-
-ly to lay before the Rajah, and was but
little calculated to forward my application

I enclose it for the Governor's
perusal as it will serve to shew how little
ameersing's Ideas are suited to his real si-
-tuation at Mhadedjee, particularly after
the great pains I had taken to explain to him
the Governor's sentiments upon this head as
expressed in your letter of 6th Ultimo —
This Repetition of his demand of all the

distinguishing

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distinguishing ornaments which dignify the
Rajahs Sovereignty, when connected with his
refusal to conform to the principles of adjust-
-ment, betrays a degree of levity which seems to
render his claim undeserving further notice, and
would lay him open to much Animadversion,
if his conduct upon these occasions was not to
be attributed very much to the various Counsels
of his followers deluded as he is by these People, it
is difficult to give him a just sense of his condi-
-tion, they have even prevailed upon him to sum-
-mon all the Circar officers of his former Dur-
-bar to accompany him.—

On hearing that the Camp
Equipage and Escort were ready, to meet his for-
-mer impatience to proceed to Combaconum
He appointed the 13th April for his journey—
but as I discover little seriousness in his pre-
-parations to depart, I apprehend many
Excuses will be thrown in the way of my ut-
-most

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-most Exertions to carry the orders of Govern-
-ment into Execution —

I wish not to impute more
blame to Ameersing on this occasion than may
be necessary to Excuse myself to the Governor
for any Delay — in so peculiar a case, even my
common remonstrances must wear the ap-
-pearance of harshness. —

I have no doubt of prevailing
upon Rajah Sirfojee to take the opinion of some
of the ancient and most reputable Families in
Tanjour, on the Establishment to be allotted the
late Rajah ameersing, as a prince of the Fami
-ly, and to give up to him unconditionally those
articles specified in his list, and originally al-
-lotted to him, under the description of private
Property. —

Every thing else had been taken
possession of by his Excellency on the receipt of the
orders of Government, approving of the former

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Partition of the Property, in the several apart-
-ments of the Palace. —

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29th March 1800

I have the honor to be &c &c

Benj. Torin

Resident

Translation of a letter from His Excellency
Ameersing Maharajah to Benjamin Torin Esq.
Resident at Tanjour dated Tanjour 13th March 1800.

When you visited me on the 11th
March I acquainted you in the course of our con-
-versation that I would send you a List of what
I wanted, which I requested you to do me the
favor to procure for me. — The following is
the List. —

The Household God. — 5 Elephants

1 pair of Kullegas of peacocks Feathers — 100 Horses viz

1 pair of plumes of peacocks Feathers — 9 Large & good Horses named as follows.

1 pair of Do of Do Do for the Head Stale of a Horse. — Munmohun
Chundrashare
Erajsory
Teetargah
White

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4 White umbrellas	Tettargah
4 pair of Chamras	Tageshareenag
2 Do of embroidered Flags	Nookarah
1 Golden flowered a flagery	Munmoraad
1 Silver Dunkah with its	Amberry
embroidered Cloths -	punchakulliany
1 Dunkah plain	8 Mares named as follows
2 Sets of musical Instru-	Myenah
-ments to attend the Queens	Bhowany
1 pair of Chouries	Setcheeny
a silver Ambarree with	Kumlamah
the Furniture &c.	Kavary
a silver Puttah (state Coach)	ambarry heely
with the furniture	Toorung Moty
15 palanquins viz	Pyegoo Ramaswery
7 Soory palanquins	8 Pegu Horses named as follows
3 painted Do	Bore
2 Meanas Do	Abullackbeerbull
1 Common Do	Peelah
3 Doolies	Nookerah
Zerdah.	Jeganah

List

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List continued.

Sarungah.

Khaky

5 Atcheen horses viz

2 Black & White

2 Bay

1 Black

50 Large Horses

10 Small Do

10 Tattoos

Total 100

Carriage to be drawn by

Horses.-

17 Do Do Do Bullocks

viz.-

2 four wheeled Hackeries

9 Two wheeled Do

2 Do Do without tops

6 Carts

352 Cows viz

2 D. for worship

150 D. from which ghee is made

1 Kullingah

1 Kunserrah

1 Golden amburrus

Bracelets for the Legs

Swords.

Shields.

The Jewels my property in

the Rajah Mahal.

The Cloth, my property

remaining in the jamdar

Khanah.-

the Gold Cloth Bureehan

-pore and the Moodhy-

-gunj and the Moodhy-

Ferry.-

1 Silken Umbrellas

I entreat you to be

favorable to me in this

Instance, and to permit

my Relations and Servants

to attend me.-

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200 Naat Guzerat Bows.

100 Small Bullocks

5 Camels

50 Long pikes

24 Birkha Flags

50 Bachewars Spears

Furniture for the Horses and the following articles for a Parade Horse viz.

1 Hoomeh.

1 Seddakay.

Above Translation
William Blackburn
Maratta Interp.

To Josiah Webbe Esqr
Secretary to Government
Fort St George

Sir.

From Dr. Buchanan's statement from No 1 to 3 relative to certain inadjusted balances - states the detailed arrangement which has been made of different points connected with the treaty of Tanjore

In my letter of the 11th of January last I requested you to inform the Right Honble the Governor in Council that at the time the Rajah made over the Soubahs of Trevady, Combecanum and Puttocotah, to the Company's authority he de-
livered

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livered the Accounts of the actual State of the Re-
-venue in these Soubahs, which were immediately
put into the hands of the Collectors to report upon—

The Rajah having managed the
Country for 8 Months of this Fusly and having
realized in the Course of that period nearly the 4
whole of the bar Crops, expressed a wish to account
for this broken period by his Monthly Kists, but
on my representing to him that this could in no
shape be made to square with the provisions of
the Treaty, His Excellency was prevailed upon to
give in a full Account of all his receipts and Dis-
bursements of the Revenues of the current year, and
to allow the pecuniary Stipulations of the Treaty
to take Effect from the Commencement of the pre-
sent Fusly. —

The district Accounts have
in consequence undergone an accurate investigation
both of the Balances of the former years, and the
current Revenue, in presence of persons ap-
-pointed

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-pointed by the Rajah - Messrs Grant and Harris have transmitted the result to the Board of Revenue, and have also furnished me with a Copy of their report.-

Enclosed is an abstract of their reports No 1 - The Account Current No 2 is formed upon this abstract, and debits the Rajah with a Balance of Pags 82,936 " 20 " 18 in part of His One Lack and One fifth of the Net Revenue - No 3 - Shows this Balance and the sums the Rajah has Since received from the Collectors on my application.-

I have but little to remark on the Items of the account No 2.-

The Right Honble the Governor in Council will perceive the Balance of Fusly 1207 & 1208 to be very small, and that the Rajah rather than transfer any vexatious demands upon the Country, however just, has consented to a remission of the whole, except the insignificant Sum of Pagodas 2754 " 9 " 10. this the Inhabitants readily

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readily acknowledge their Ability to pay and the Collectors have undertaken to realize it— the Rajah has in consequence credit for this sum, as Cash.—

In Mr. Harris's division there was a doubtfull Balance of Chuckrams L 319 7 Pa which I have not included in the Account — Mr. Harris will pay it if collected, nor have I included the Sum advanced by sowars and others on the Rajahs Security / and indeed with the sanction of Government / under the Head of Warakum and maramut, These sums are found to agree with the Bonds granted by the Inhabitants, are admitted by the Collectors and in consequence put into a train of liquidation — as the money is realized, it is paid to the Sowcars — and there is little doubt but a very few days will bring to a conclusion every Engagement existing at the time of the Surrender between the Rajah and any of his People.—

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Ground of the Laſs it would cause to the Reve-
-nue, and the Frauds and Impoſitions to which
it might give rise, the Rajah consented to
confine it to an Exemption for himself and
Queens, and expreſsed his readineſs to consent
to any regular terms that might be calculated
to prevent Impoſition — I found it impoſſi-
-ble to persuade the Rajah to relinquish this
priveledge He considered it as essential to his
Dignity, and by waiving his claim in favor of
his Relations and Servants he thought he had
given up every part of it that could reasona-
-bly be objected to. —

It now only remains for me
to remind his Lordship that the Rajah
brought forward all these points, with seve-
-ral others which he consented to relinquish
on perceiving that they might tend to impede
the complete operation of the Treaty, early in the
negociation — Being of a Secondary nature he

did

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did not desire them to be inserted in the Treaty itself, but urged His Lordships acquiescence in them with an Earnestness that appeared to arise from a conviction that they were absolutely necessary to his peace and comfort, under the change which has Since taken place - as they did not appear to me to involve any Consequences injurious to the Company's Interest or repugnant to the Spirit of the Treaty, I recommended them to his Lordships favorable consideration - I am now encouraged to take the liberty of repeating them from the Tenor of the Letter to the Rajah by which it appears to have been his Lordships Intentions, that the change of Government in the Country should be effected with every practicable attention, to the Rajah's wishes, and from the perfect Satisfaction which I have received from the Rajah's Moderation and Candor, during the whole progress of the Negociation of the Treaty and of the Events which have subsequently occurred. —

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

Benj. Torin
Resident

Tanjore
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Abstract

Showing the State of the Revenue of Fuzlee 1209 on the 29th of December last in the Soubahs of Trivady Puttoocotah and Comboconum.—

	Star Pagd. Pd. Cur.	Star Pagd. Pd. Cur.
Balances of Fuzlee 1207 & 1208 on the beginning of the present year.		
In Trivady and Puttoocotah	12.917. 2 60	
In Comboconum	5.665. 2 65	
Total		18.583. 5. 45
Current Revenue of Fuzlee 1209		
In Trivady and Puttoocotah	122576.2726	
In Comboconum	100.208.3257	
Total		222784. 3.
Total Summah for Fuzlee 1209 including balance of Fuzlee 1207 & 1208		241582. 9. 18.
Collections on Account of Balance of Fuzlee 1207 & 1208 up to 29th December 1799.—		
In Trivady and Puttoocotah	10645. 24. 37.	
In Comboconum	5183. 7. 48.	
Total		15828. 32. 5
Collections on Account of Current Revenue of Fuzlee 1209 to 29th December 1799.—		
In Trivady and Puttoocotah	67451. 32. 27.	
In Comboconum	85874. 6 60.	
Total		153326. 327

Total Collections to 29th December 1799 .....

Balances of Fuzlee 1207 & 1208 on the 29th December 1799 –

In Trivady and Puttoocolah	2271. 32. 23.	
In Comboconum	482. 13. 17.	
Total		2754. 9. 40

Balance of Current Revenue of Fuzlee 1209
to 29th December 1799 –

In Trivady and Puttoocolah	55126. 30. 39	
In Comboconum	14534. 25. 77	
Total		69661. 2a. 56

Total Balance on the 29th December 1799 – 72.415 3a 16

Errors Excepted
Tanjour 6th April 1800
J. B. Torin
Resident

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D.r His excellency the Rajah of Tan.

	Star Pags.	Fs.	Cash.	Star Pags.	Fs.	Cash.
Collections on Accounts of Balances of Fusly 1207 & 1208 up to 29th December 1799.-						
In Trivady and Puttoorottah	1064	5	24.37			
In Combeconum	5183	7	18.	15928	32	5.
Collections on Account of Current Revenue of Fusly 1209 to 29th December 1799.-						
In Trivady and Puttoocottah	6745	32	47.			
In Combeconum	8587	6	60.	15332	3	27.
	Star Pags.	16914	35	32.		

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Rent in Account Current with the Honble Company... &c.

	A.P. f. 6.	A.P. f. 6.	W.P. f. 6
Charges Collection paid the 25th of June to 12th July on account of the Revenue of Fusly 1209 up to 29th December --			
In Trivady and Puttoocottah ----------	2,000		
Remission allowed by the Rajah on account of Fusly 1207 & 1208			
In Trivady and Puttoocottah ----------	0.749.11.57		
In Comberconum ----------	5183. 7.49.	11.932.10.25	
		13.932.1423.	
Net Collections on Account of Balance of Fusly 1207, & 1208. belonging to the Rajah to be deducted from the Collection previous to the 29th December 1799 --			
In Trivady and Puttoocottah ----------	1896. 126a.		
Balances of Fusly 1,207, & 1208. to be collected in Fusly 1209 and credit to the Rajah --			
In Trivady and Puttoocottah ------	2271. 3223.		
In Comberconum ----------	192. 13.17.		
	2754. 9.40.	18.582 5 15.	
Charges Collection paid on account of Current Revenue Fusly 1209 up to the 29th Decm. 1799 -			
In Trivady and Puttoocottah ------	22877.17.10.		
In Comberconum ----------	18.979. 9.45.		
	41856. 26. 55.		
Remission allowed by the Rajah on account of Current Revenue of Fusly 1209. -			
In Trivady and Puttoocottah ----------	1005. 10.62	12862. 1. 37.	
		61443. 7 2	
Tribute to the Honble Company paid previously to the 29th December 1799			
" From the Revenue of Trivady and Puttoocottah	9177. 26.20.		
D. D. of Comberconum ----------	15545. 17. 42	24,723. 7. 62.	
Balance of Collections in the Treasury of His Excellency on the 29th of Decm. 1799 ----------		32,986. 20. 10.	
		Star Pagodas - 169.154. 33. 32.	

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Errors Excepted
P. B. Torin Resident

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Statement Showing the Account between His Excellency the Rajah of Tanjour and the Honble Company to 31st March 1800.

Star Rup.s Fs. 6 Star Rup.s Fs. 6

Balance of Collections in the Treasury of His Excellency on the 29th of December 1799 in part of his One Lack of Star Pags and one fifth of the Nett Revenues of the Tanjour Country for Fusly 1209 as per his Account Current No. 2 ..... 82936.20.18

Cash paid in part of his one Lack of Star Pags and one fifth of the Nett Revenues of the whole of the Tanjour Country for Fusly 1209 on the 10th January 1800 as per his receipt ..... 15,000.. ..

Do ..... Do ..... Do for Do on the 11th Febr 1800 as per his receipt ..... 15,000.. ..

Do ..... Do ..... Do for Do on the 11th March 1800 as per his receipt ..... 15,000.. ..

Do ..... Do ..... Do for Do on the 25th March 1800 as per his receipt ..... 15,000.. ..

112.996.20.18.

Star Pagodas ---- 112.996.20.18

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E. E.

B. Torin
Resident

To

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Fort S. George 22d April 1800.

To Jonah Webbe Esqr.

Secretary to Government

Fort S. George

Sir.

From Dr. Dr states an application of Ameersing to have his pension allowed to him from the period of his deposition from the Musnud.—

I request you will inform the Right Honble the Governor in Council, that the late Rajah Ameersing has applied to me on the subject of his Annual allowances and seemed to expect that the Pension of 25000 Pagodas should be allowed to him from the Day on which he was deposed.—

I told the Rajah I feared there would be some objections to this application, and remarked to him that from the day of his removal untill the Execution of the Treaty he had been supplied in the most Ample manner from the Palace, and as his Pension of 25000 Pagd arose out of the Stipulations of the Treaty, it seemed to me impracticable for Government to grant an Anticipation of it to the Extent he

required

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required without imposing a very heavy de-
-mand upon the Rajah on the Company.—

The late Rajah's mode of life
for these last two years has not incurred much
Expence. He represents however with truth that
his removal will subject him to many charg-
-es, and looks for some indulgence on this score-

If it should prove the pleasure
of the Right Honble the Governor in Council to
listen to the late Rajah's request. an opportunity
offers in the Settlement which his Excellency
Sirfoje Rajah has consented to for the current
Revenue— by which the pecuniary Stipulations
of the Treaty take Effect between his Excellency
and the Company from the commencement of
the present Fusly— The late Rajah's Pension
may be allowed to commence from that period

I have the honor to be &c &c

Tanjore
6th April 1800

(Signd) Benj: Torin
Resident

To

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Fort St George 22d April 1800.

To Josiah Webbe Esqr.

Secretary to Government

Fort St George

Sir.

From Dr Dr Replies to the letter to him of the 5th Instant relative to the claims of Serfoge and answering against the late Resident — Requests to be furnished with Serfoges original receipts to Mr Macleod —

You will be pleased to inform the Right Honble the Governor in Council, that the Rajah was absent on a Religious Ceremony in the Soubah of Trivalore at the time I had the honor to receive your letter of the 5th Instant — His Excellency did not return till yesterday — This Morning I had an opportunity of communicating to him the sentiments expressed by the Governor, upon the Rajah's complaint against the late Resident —

The Rajah on receiving the Copy of the Receipts, perceived that Mr. Macleod had given into Government, Eighteen Receipts instead of Fifteen, and expressed great surprize on hearing that the amount of the Eighteen Receipts exceeded the amount of the Fifteen, which he had passed to Mr Macleod — His Excell.y declares in the most unequivocal Manner, that

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he had not received from Mr. Macleod more
money than was stated in his Copies of His own
Receipts, and these were transmitted in my Let-
-ter to Government on the 30th March 1798.—

The Rajah Requests he may be
permitted to inspect the original Receipts, as
he is in posession of Letters and Papers from
Mr. Macleod, which He is fully persuaded will
enable him to afford a satisfactory Explanati-
-on to his Lordship, of His claims upon that
Gentleman.—

Enclosed is a copy of the Letter
I received from the late Rajah Serfoojy, at the
time He made his claim upon Mr. Macleod for
a Receipt for Two Thousand Pagodas, it also
furnishes his Documents in support of the other
parts of His Complaint.—

In answer to my application
to him for such proofs as He could produce for the
actual payment of Two Thousand Pagodas, He says

it

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it is now so long since, that He cannot recollect all the particulars, He remembers having paid the money, and that Mr. Macleod did not give him a Receipt for it - but for the proofs. He refers me to the Duftar and to his Head Tunnesy who could furnish all the particulars. —

Government will be able to determine on the expediency of these documents from those now enclosed, and you will be pleased to inform me if they are deemid of sufficient importance to be called for and transmitted —

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

Tanjour
14th April 1800 } (Signed) Benj: Torin
Resident

Translation of a Letter from His Excellency ameersing Rajah of Tanjour to Benjamin Torin Esq. Resident at Tanjour. —

On the 15th July 1797. Sent by Chumeny Hurcarrah and the Circar's Golas Subanaig five thousand Chuckrams to Mr. Macleod

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Mr. Macleod on account of Serfojees allowance,
on the 8th. December, I sent to Mr. Macleod on a
the same account fifteen hundred chuckrams
by Chetumy Kircarrah and the Goler Lin-
-gum naig, and on the 12th of December I sent
by Chetumey and Lingum Naig eight hund
and fifty chuckrams more making in all se-
-ven thousand three hundred and fifty chuck-
-rams. Instead however of giving a Receipt
Chuckrams
for 7350. Mr. Macleod appears to have grante
a Receipt for 7350 Fanams only. In order to
prove the Delivery of the Chuckrams I have
sent you the Declaration of Chetumey Kircar-
-rah and the Golers - I also send you the Decla-
-ration of the Dufter to prove the Issue of the Pur
-vangy and consequent Dispatch of the money
and the Testimony of the writer at the Bank to
prove that the money was sent from the palace
after perusing these Testimonies I request you
will obtain from Mr. Macleod a proper receipt

for

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for Chuckrams seven thousand three hundred and fifty — Exclusive of which, a receipt of two thousand Pagodas is due from Mr. Macleod. which I mentioned to you before and request you to obtain for me. —

In the year 1797 Mr. Macleod requests me to order the delivery of some paddy to Merchant from whom he engaged to procure the payment — in consequence, thirty one thousand two hundred and eighty Colums of Bar and + peshanum paddy were measured and delivered to Mr. Macleods man at Mootta pattam which at the regulated price, including the expence of Carriage amounted to seven thousand two hundred and forty Chuckrams. six fanams and a half. when I demanded payment for the paddy Mr. Macleod always promised it. I wrote to him several Letters upon the subject But I have not received any thing, I intreat you therefore to procure for me the payment of this money. —

To

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Dispatched and To a friend what can I write more —

10th April 1798. (Signed) Srce Ram pretaus

A true Translation

(Signed) William Blackburne

mahr Inr Tanjour

Translation of an account of monies paid to Mr. Macleod in consequence of the circars perwan-ny. for the use of Serfoje Bhonsila drawn up by Madjee Rogonath. Writer in the accountants/offia Enclosed in the above/—

15th July 1797. paid into the hands of Appoo Moodely. —— Mr. Macleods Sheroff. in his Cutcherry by Chunnoy Hircarrah and the Golers Soobanaick Chuckrams 5000-0-0

8th December 1797 paid to Mr. Mac-leods Hircarrah. Cooper Oyngar & Mr. Strange Garden House by Chunnoy Hircarrah and the Golar Singum Naik Chuckrams ---------- 1,300-0-0

12th December 1797. paid to Mr. Mac-

-leods

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.leod Dubash Ryaloo in his own

house by Chuming and the Goles

& Linguem Naig, Chuts ..... 850-"-"

Tanjore Chuckrams ..... 7350-"-"

the above 7350 Chuck.s were paid to the Resident

on account of Serfoje. for which he has granted

Receipts for the same number of Fanams only —

29.th December 1797. paid to M.r Macleod

by the Hircarrah Chacky Ayengar and the "

Goles Subanaick Tanjore chuckrams ---- 1,159-3 "

12.th February 1798 Paid to M.r Macleod in

M.r Stranges Garden by the Hircar-

-rah Anuntaramiah and the Goles

Rungapanaig Star Pag.s ..... 1000 "-"-

18.th February 1798 paid to Ryaloo

in his own House by Chuming

Hircarrah and the Goles Lin-

-guem Naig Tanjore Chuck.s .. 1171-8 "-"

For the three above mentioned Sums

Viz.t 1000 Star Pag.s and chuckrams 2331.1.-

no

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no Receipt has hitherto been given by Mr. Macleod agreeably to his Excellency's order the above stated sums were paid to Mr. Macleod.-

29th Shawall 1794.-

(Signed) Nonagee Ragonath.-

Translation of an account of monies paid thro the Bunk agreeably to the Rajah's perwan-gy and paid to Mr. Macleod on account of Ser-fojies allowances drawn up by the writer at the Bunk appa Gee rayanath enclosed in the above letter.-

15th July 1797 ..... Chuckrams 5000.-.-

8 December 1797 ..... 1500.-.-

12 Do. 650.-.-

29th Do. 1159.-3.-

12th February 1798 ..... Star Pagodas 1000.

18th Do. ..... Do. ..... Chuckrs. 1171.-8.-

The above mentioned sums were sent to Mr. Macleod on the Days stated in the account

A true Translation

(Signed) William Blackburn

Mahr. Int. Interpr.

29th Shawall
17th april 1798 } True Copies

(Signed) B. Torrin
Resr.

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Minutes & Resolutions on the above letters.—

The Board having already defined with great precision the principles on which to divide the property of the Rajah's Sherfojee and Amersing between those princes, did not expect a farther reference on that question: but as it is no less impracticable for the Board to go into the consideration of the minute differences between their Excellencies, than it appears probable they will agree between themselves. Resolved to desire that the adjustment may be made by the Resident himself without farther reference to the Presidency under any pretence whatever.—

In respect to the Rajah Sherfoge the Board are happy to observe His Excellency's adherence to the principle of division already established, and conclude that he will be disposed to effect it, whenever the Rajah Amersing may be inclined to conform to the arrangement

With regard to Amersing: Resolved that the Resident be directed to inform him

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him that although the Board are desirous to a-
pay him every proper degree of attention and con-
-sideration, they are yet under the obligation of
a treaty to put His Excellency the Rajah Sherfoge
in possession of the fort of Tanjore if therefore A-
-mer sing should not be prepared to move out
within fifteen Days after this communication the
Resident will apprize him of the orders of the Board
to withdraw the whole of the Company troops a-
-from the fort of Tanjore, in order that the Rajah
Sherfogee may exercise his full authority in a-
-conformity to the terms of the treaty.—

The Board conclude that both
parties must be desirous of the removal of Amer
Sing from the fort of Tanjore and on this a-
principle the Resident is empowered to bring
either of the Rajas's to a reasonable adjust-
-ment.—

The Stipend of the Rajah Amer-
Singwill of course commence from the execu-
-tion

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Resolved in conformity to the request of His Excellency Rajah Sherfogee that His Excellency's eighteen original receipts to the late Resident at Tanjour be transmitted to M.r Torin.—

Ordered that they be enclosed under the Company's Seal, and that the Resi-dent be directed to take particular care of them

In regard to the demand of the Rajah annexing against the late Resi-dent for the sum of two thousand pagodas stated

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stated to have been paid to him without a re-
-ceipt, the Board are of opinion that the mere
assertion of His Excellency's Servants is not
sufficient to establish a charge of that nature,
and that it would be inconsistent with justice
to hold Mr. Macleod responsible for a larger
sum than he appears to have received agreeably
to his receipts.—

Read the following letters from
Major General Brathwaite and from the
adjutant General.—

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

My Lord,—

From Major Gene-
-ral Brathwaite
Enclosing the pro
ceedings of casting
committees in the
different Regiments
of Cavalry sug-
-gests the expedi-
-ency of purchas-
-ing horses at
Hyderabad states
the application
of Captain Walker
for

I have the honor to lay before
your Lordship, the proceedings of the casting
committees held on the Horses of Six of the Ca-
-valry Regiments, serving under this Presidency
-cy. which I have examined and approved, and
I request your Lordship, to give orders that the

Horses

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permission to resign his appointment of Brigade Major to the 2d Brigade of Cavalry, and recommends the appointment of Lieut. David Foulis, + Recommends the appointment of Captain Hosford and Lieut. Swamp to command Revenue Corps.

Horses cast may be struck off the strength of the several Regiments, and sold by such persons as your Lordship shall appoint, for the benefit of the Honble Company.—

The Proceedings of two Regiments from unavoidable causes have been + necessarily postponed, but so soon as they + arrive, I shall have the honor to lay them before your Lordship— The Horses procured by Captain Montgomery are all arrived are an ample supply, to replace all the cast Horses, and give largely to the two new Regiments— and I have had most favorable reports of them. nevertheless, as it would be a great saving of time and expence, I would recommend that the 3d Regiment of native Cavalry, forming part of the Subsidiary Force, serving with the Nizam, should be completed by Horses purchased at Hydrabad, where there are plenty at this time for sale, The Officer Commanding the Regiment

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-ment might purchase the Horses under instruc-
-tions, that the Horses purchased should be not
less than fourteen hands and one half high, +
and from four to Six years old, and the purchase
not to be concluded, until approved by Lieutenant
Colonel Dalrymple who should certify the Bill.

Captain Patrick Walker, of the +
1st Regiment of native Cavalry, and Brigade
Major to the 2d Brigade, has made a regular +
application to me, to request your Lordship to
permit him, to resign his Staff appointment,
and to join his Regiment, if your Lordship is
pleased to comply with his request, I beg leave
to recommend Lieutenant David Foulis of the
1st Regiment of native Cavalry to the Brigade
Major to the 2d Brigade, he being an Officer +
well qualified for that station.—

Your Lordship having sometime
since announced an intention to relieve the +
effective Officers in the command of Revenue +

Corps

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Corps that they might join their respective Regiments in the Line — and that you would look to the Invalid list for Officers to command the Revenue Corps. I beg leave to recommend, if your Lordship has not already otherwise arranged the matter, Captain Holford of the Invalid Establishment to relieve Captain Riddel now in Command of a Revenue Corps in the Chicacole District; and Lieutenant Crump to relieve Captain Bowness in the Command of the Revenue Corps stationed at Muggletore, as this will give us two active Officers for the line, and those I recommend to relieve them, are punctual steady Officers, and well qualified for the Command of Revenue Corps —

I have the honor to be with respect

My Lord

Your Lordships

most obedient Servant

(Signed) John Brathwaite

Madras
22d April 1800

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Fort St. George 22nd August 1800

Proceedings of a Committee assembled at Arcot, on Tuesday the 25th March 1800, to examine and cast such Horses of H. M. 25th Regt of Light Dragoons, and the Honble Company's 6th Regt of Native Cavalry, as may appear unfit for the Service.-

Capt. John Haddaway H. M. 25th L. Dragoons President.

Capt. Strachan 6th Regt N.C. } Members { Capt. Nuthall 6th Regt N.C.
Lieut. Dawes H.M. 25th Regt L.D. } Members { Lieut. Dixon 6th Regt N.C.

The Committee met, pursuant to the Cantonment Order, and proceeded to examine the Horses produced by H.M. 25th Regt L.D. & the 6th Regt N.C, when they deemed the following Horses totally unfit for the Service, from the Causes placed opposite to their Numbers.-

No	Regiment	Troop	Size	Age	Yrs	colour	Marks	Why recommended to be cast
1	H.M. 25 L.D.	A	aged	15	2	Iron Grey	Star, fired under the near Part of the Face, Hind Legs	Weak in the Loins
2	"	B	do	14	2½	Grey	Large Reach, fired, across the withers	Worn out
3	"	C	do	14	1	Chesnut	Star, Reach & Snip, hind & fore Fetlocks white	do
4	"	D	do	15	.	Black	Star, near fore Pastern white	Broken down
5	"	E	7	14	3	Dun	n. fore & off hind Legs white, fore & n. hind touched	weak in the loins

6	"	D°	aged	15	2½	Roan	off fore & both hind legs white	D°	
7	"	D°	D°	14	1	Dark Dun	& white Legs. black spot upon the Coronet	worn out	
8	"	D°	D°	14	3	Bay	Small Star. near fore & hind Pasterns white	D°	
9	"	D°	D°	14	3½	D°	Star. Reach & snip. under lip & nr. hind Coronet white	D°	
1	H.C. 6th Regt	1st	D°	14	2	Flea bitten Grey	Reach. under lip white. fired on withers	Thundered in all limbs weak in the loins & unserviceable quite.	
2	"	D°	D°	14	2½	Grey	Blaze. both hind Feet white	worn out	
3	"	D°	D°	14	2½	dark flea bitten Grey	Black Roofs	D° formerly cast in the 19th Lt Dr.	
4	"	D°	D°	14	½	D°	D° & Service marks	D° formerly cast in the Service.	
5	"	D°	7	14	2½	nutmeg	Blaze. under lip white. Black hoofs	Bone spavin both hind legs & dead lame	
6	"	D°	aged	14	2	Flea bitten Grey	Muzzle & hoofs black. fired on near buttock	weak in loins. worn out unserviceable	
7	"	D°	D°	14	½	D°	Blaze. both hind feet white	D° never for duty Bone spavin nr. hind leg.	
8	"	2?	D°	14	1	chesnut	Blaze. both fore & nr. hind feet white	weak in the loins & worn out	
9	"	D°	7	15	"	D°	Star. large reach. fired across the Face	weak in the loins & hind quarters.	

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No.	Regiment	Troop	Size Ft	In	Y	Colour	Marks	Why recommended to be cast
10	H.C. 6th Regt	2d	aged	13	3	Chesnut	Reach & strip. hind legs white	Weak in the loins & under size
11	"	3d	Do	15	"	Bay	Near hind Pastern white	worn out
12	"	Do	Do	13	2	Do	Slit Ears	under Size
13	"	Do	5	15	"	Chesnut	Star & Reach all fours white	Ring bone in fore Fat incurable
14	"	Do	5	14	3	Do	Blaze, both fore & hind legs white	Bone Spavin incurable
15	"	4	aged	13	2	Bay	Near hind Pastern white	worn out
16	"	Do	Do	14	3	Do	Star, all fours white	weak in the loins
17	"	Do	Do	13	2	Do	fired on the Chest	Worn out
18	"	Do	Do	14	1	Chesnut	Star hind Pastern white	Do
19	"	Do	Do	15	"	Dark Bay	Star & Snip	weak in the loins
20	"	5th	Do	15	"	Dun	all fours black, white Pastern & muzzle	weak in the loins, incurable
21	"	Do	Do	14	1½	Do	Two hind Pasterns white muzzle black, fired on his Hocks for bone spavin	old & lame from bone spavin

22	"	D:	D:	13	2	D:	white face & muzzle, off fore & hind Pasterns = white	under size, old & worn out
23	"	D:	D:	14	-½	Pie ball	white hoofs, fired on the near haunch	under size
24	"	D:	D:	13	1½	D:	white hoofs & legs	D: & worn out
25	"	6th	D:	15	½	Flea bitten Grey	large Blaze, under lip white	weak in the back & the loins
26th	"	D:	D:	15	1½	light Grey	Ball & muzzle, off fore hoof black	weak in the loins unserviceable
27th	"	D:	16	15	"	Grey pie bald	mottled hoofs, fired inside hind legs	D: D:
28	"	D:	7	13	3½	Dark mutony	large Snip, off fore & both hind feet white	Dead lame near fore Shoulder

J. Handayde Capt. 35th Bt
President

A. Sentleger
Lieut. Colonel Com.g Artt.

approved
John Brathwaite

Fort St George 23rd June 1808

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Proceedings of a Regimental Committee held in the 6th Regiment of Native Cavalry by Order of Capt. Lieut. Wm Macgregor Commanding, for the purpose of Casting Horses unfit for Service agreeable to Genl. Ord. 19th March 1800.

Captain Lieut. Wm Macgregor President
Lieut. S.L. Lashington } Members } Lieut. H. A Davidson

No.	Colour	Years of age	Hands	Size Inches	Marks	Why Cast
1	Grey	aged	14	.	Large Snip, under Lip white Black Hoofs ----	old & worn out
2	Flea bitten Grey	do.	14	2	Blood Spavin near hind Hock, fired accordingly	do. do.
3	do. do.	do.	do.	15	.	mealy mouthed ----	do. do.
4	do. do.	do.	do.	14	2	Black muzzle, Black Spotts on the off hind coronet	do. do.
5	do. do.	do.	do.	14	3	Large Snip, under Lip white, a Slitt on the near Ear	do. ---- do. & weak in the loins
6	do. do.	do.	do.	14	2	Black muzzle ---- Off Eye blind ----	
7	Light Grey	8	15	.	mealy mouthed, near Eye walled ----	continually lame from Ring Bones & unfit for Service
8	Grey	aged	14	1	Small Snip, Black Spotts on the near hip ----	old & worn out
9	Flea bitten Grey	do.	14	2	Small Snip, fired in the Flanks ----	do. do.
10	Grey	do.	15	.	large Snip under Lip white ----	do. do.
11	Bay	do.	14	.	Foorky, all fours Black, near Eye blind ----	Old, Chest foundered
12	Dark Bay	do.	14	1½	Star near hind Pastern white ----	weak in the loins
13	Bay	do.	15	2	Star, both hind Pastern white ----	old & worn out
14	Bay	do.	14	1	Star, large reach & snip, hind Legs white ----	old & unfit for the Service
15	Bay	do.	14	1	large Star & reach off fore Pastern & both hind Legs white	aged & lame
16	Light Bay	do.	13	½	Large Star & reach mealy mouthed, off hind Leg white, fired above the Withers ----	old & underaized
17	Chesnut	do.	14	3	Star, reach & snip, off hind Pastern white ----	old & worn out
18	Light Chesnut	8	14	1	Star & Blaze, near hind Leg white, fired on the Shoulders ----	continually lame
19	Chesnut	aged	14	1	Small Star ----	old & worn out
20	do.	do.	14	2	Star & reach ----	weak in the loins & blood Spavin on the off hind Leg
21	Bay	do.	13	3½	White Face, all fours white ----	old & worn out
22	Chesnut	do.	15	1	Star and snip, near fore coronet, off fore & off hind Leg white ----	do. do.
23	do.	do.	14	2½	Small Star & snip ----	do. do.
24	do.	do.	14	1½	Faint Star, white Spot on the off hip ----	do. do.

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25	Bay	aged	15	1	Small Star & snip		weak in the loins
26	Do	d	14	1	white nose & off hind Coronet white		old & worn out
27	do	8	15	,	Star & snip, near fore Pastern & both hind legs white		Diseased & incurable
28	Do	4	15	½	Large Star & reach, off fore & near hind Coronet white		Lame & incurable
29	Do	aged	13	3	Blaze & both hind legs white		Old & worn out
30	Nutmeg Grey	8	14	2	all fours Black, fired across the nose		Glanders, & reported by the Farriers incurable
31	Bay	aged	14	.	faint Star Saddle marked		3 years ill of the Farcy & reported incurable
32	Bay Pyebald	do	15	-	Star & snip		old & worn out, & chest foundered
33	Dun	do	14	3½	Star, reach & snip		Worn out & unserviceable
34	Do	do	14	1½	Black mane & Tail, & all fours Black		Do & Chest foundered
35	Do	d	13	2½	Blaze, upper & under lip white		Do & unserviceable
36	Dark Dun	do	14	1½	Wen on his Nose		Chest foundered & blind on both Eyes
37	Light Dun	d	15	¼	Gelding, Star reach & snip under lip white		Worn out & unserviceable
38	Black	d	14	2	Small Star, both hind Pastern white		Do & Blood spavin of hind Hock
39	Bay Pye Bald	d	14	2½	Large Star & reach, white Spot under Lip		Lame & unserviceable
40	Dunn	d	14	2	Blaze & mealy mouth		Chest foundered & weak in the loins
41	Bay Pye Bald	d	14	2	Small star		worn out & unserviceable
42	Dark Dun	d	14	1½	Small star		Chest foundered & Blood Spavin
43	Light Dun	6	14	3	Fired above the Nose & Flanks		Deceased & reported incurable
44	Flea bitten Grey	aged	14	.	Snip		worn out & unserviceable
45	Grey	do	15	1½	upper lip white, fired inside both fore legs		Weak in the loins & worn out
46	Do	d	14	½	upper Lip white & under Lip white		Worn out & unserviceable
47	Flea bitten Grey	d	14	1	Black muzzle		Do & Do
48	Grey	d	15	1	Fired on the off Side		Do & Do
49	Grey	d	15	1½	Black muzzle		Do & Do Glanders & reported incurable
50	Grey	6½	15	1	mealy mouthed fired on all four knees		Constantly lame & unserviceable
51	Light Grey	aged	13	3	upper & under lip white		undersize & worn out
52	Grey	d	15	½	Snip fired near Side the Shoulder		Worn out & unserviceable
53	Flea bitten Grey	do	14	2½	Snip & reach off Eye blind		constantly lame & unserviceable

Bangalore
2nd March 1825

approved
John Brathwaite

Wm Maigregor
Capt. Lt & President

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Proceedings of a Casting Committee, held by order of Major Paterson for the purpose of examining and casting such Horses of H. M. 19th Dragoon as are rendered unfit for service.—

Trichenopoly Plain March 28th 1800.

Captain Kennedy President

Lieut. Sale, Lieut. Boyle } Members { Lieut. Skelton, Lieut. Wilson

Troop		age	Size	colour marks	Remarks and how long in the Regiment.
Colonel ----------		"	"	"	"
Lieut. Colonels	No. 1	aged	14	2 Grey Blind Eye	old worn out 10 years in the
	" 2	Do	15	" Do	fired Eye old Lame & worn out 5 yrs 8
	" 3	Do	14	2 Do	fired with old & worn out [Corps
	" 4	Do	14	2½ Do	Blackmore old worn out unfit in this
	" 5	Do	14	2 White	fired fancy and worn out 16 Yrs. Regt
Majors	" 6	aged	14	2 Chesnut H. Legs	old & worn out
	" 7	Do	14	2 Brown Black Legs	old and worn out 16 Yrs. in Regt
Capt.s Kennedys	" 8	aged	14	2½ Chesnut Snip	old unfit & worn out
Capt.s Fortnum	" 9	aged	14.	2 Pye bald ----	old unfit & worn out 16 Yrs. Regt
	" 10	D	14	2 Bay Black Legs	old, and worn out 14 Yrs. Regt
Vacant	" 11	aged	14	2 Dun Snip	old and worn out—

approved

John Brathwaite

Kennedy

Capt.n & President

Proceedings

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For 2nd Class Stores 2nd Regt Light Cavy

Proceedings of a Committee held in the 3rd Regiment Native Cavalry agreeable to Gen. Orders for the purpose of casting such Horses in the 3rd Regiment as may be deemed fit objects. —

Captain Lieut. Dunn — President

Lieutenant Mc. Gillis — Members — Lieutenant Dandridge

No.	Colour.	Age	Hands	Girth	Inches	Marks	Why Cast
1	Black	3	aged	14		Off hind Coronet White	Weak in the Loins
	Bay	3	Do	15		Star and Snip	Do Do Do
	Chesnut	3	Do	14		Star and snip	Worn out
	Chesnut	3	Do	14		Blaze mealy mouth hind legs & off fore fet	Weak in the loins
5	Bay	3	Do	15		Star	Chest foundered
	Iron Grey	3	aged	14	1	Black mane & Tail Saddle marked	Worn out
	Bay	3	Do	14	0	near hind coronet white	Diseased leg
	Dark Bay	3	Do	14		Black mane & Tail	worn out
	Chesnut	3	Do	14	1/2	Blind of the off Eye	old & worn out
10	Black	3	Do	14	1	Pasterns white	do & worn out. Broke down
	Black	3	Do	14	2	Both fore and off hind leg and pastern white	Chest foundered
	Bay	3	Do	15	3 1/2	Star, Snip, fired all over	Farcied
	Dun	4	aged	14	2 1/2	Star Snip, near hind pastern white	unserviceable for Cavalry duty
	Light Dun	4	Do	14	1 1/2	Star, name, Tail and all fours Black	Weak in the Loins
15	Black	4	Do	13	3 1/2	Faint Snip near hind Coronet white	Diseased and unserviceable
	Dun	4	Do	14	1	Off fore near hind Pastern white	Worn out
	Dun	4	Do	14	1	Off Eye walled all fours white mane & tail black	Constant lameness
	Chesnut	4	Do	14	1 1/2	Pasterns white — Blaze	Old, worn out, diseased
	Bay	5	Do	14	2	near hind Pastern white	Old and worn out
20	Bay	5	Do	14	1	Star Snip off hind pastern white	Worn out.
	Bay	5	Do	14	2	Star Saddle marks	Old & worn out
	Bay	5	Do	14	1	Star both pasterns white	Worn out
	Chesnut	5	7	14	1 1/2	Star, nead and Snip, flaxen mane	Chest foundered
	Chesnut	5	aged	14		Star, nead and Snip, near hind leg white	Old & worn out
25	Bay	5	Do	14	1	near fore and off hind pasterns white	Weak in the loins
	Flea bitten Grey	5	Do	14	1/2	near hind Pastern white	Do
	Black	5	Do	14	2	Star off hind Coronet white	Do and slipped in the Shoulder
	Grey	6	Do	14	1/2	Star & mealy mouth	Worn out and Chest foundered [East
	Iron Grey	6	6	14	1/2	off hind leg white	Weak bad constitution, having done no duty for 2 3/4
30	Grey	6	aged	14	2	Black muzzle	Weak in the loins
	Light Grey	6	Do	13	1 1/2	Snip	Old & worn out
	Grey	6	Do	14	2	Snip	Worn out
	White	6	Do	15	1/2	Mealy mouthed near nostril Black	Do
	White	6	Do	14	2 1/2	Snip and black tail	Do
35	Grey	6	8	14	1	Fired all over	Do

Camp near Hyderabad
2nd April 1800

J Dalrymple
Lt. Col. comdg the subsidiary Force

Dunn
Capt. Lieut. & President

Approved John Braithwaite

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Proceedings of a Cast[t] Committee held by order of Lieut[t] Colonel John Toin Commanding the 1[st] Regiment of Native Cavalry in Conformity with the General Order of the 19[th] March 1800.

Lieut[t] Colonel John Toin President

Captain Will[m] Elliott — Members — Lieut[t] David Foulis

nº.	age	Size H.	I.	Colour	Why Cast
1	12	14	1	Grey	Past Service from age worn out
2	11	14	½	Dº.	Dº. Dº. Dº.
3	9	14	½	Dº.	Lame uncureable, Fore Shoulder
4	4	14	½	Roan	Broke down unequal to Service
5	15	14	1	Grey	Broke down
6	10	14	2½	Roan	Old worn out & unfit
7	12	14	½	Bay	Lame uncureable
8	12	15	"	Bay	Past Service
9	10	14	1½	Grey	Dº.
10	9	13	2½	Dº.	under Size & Lame
11	18	14	1½	Dº.	Past Service. Broke down
12	12	14	1½	Dº.	Sore backed & Past Service
13	10	15	2½	Dº.	weak loins
14	6	14	3	Iron Grey	weak in the Loins
15	15	15	1½	Chesnut	Past Service
16	10	14	3	Dº.	Lazy weak in the Loins
17	16	14	3½	Dº.	Past Service, weak in the Loins
18	18	14	1½	Dº.	Past Service from age
19	4	13	3	Bay	under size
20	14	14	2	Chesnut	Past Service Old worn out
21	13	14	½	Dº.	weak in the Loins & [illegible]
22	3	14	1½	Dº.	want of Constitution from narrow Chest
23	9	14	½	Dº.	Diseased
24	4	13	3	Bay	under Size unfit
25	9	14	1	Bay	Lame in three Legs & uncureable
26	15	14	1½	Dº.	Lame and Old Dº.

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2	10	14	1	Bay	Lame uncureable
29	12	13	1	Do	Broken down, roars & falls back detrimental to his rider
29	15	14	1½	Do	Old worn out, Broken winded
30	18	15	1	Do	Extreme age unequal to Service
31	9	14	3	Do	Diseased uncureable
32	12	14	1	Do	Not equal to Service
33	7	15	1½	Black	Broken winded, unequal to Constant marches
34	12	14	1½	Do	uncureably Lame
35	12	14		Do	Do Do worn out from age
36	10	13	3½	Bay	Broken winded, Lame in hind legs & weak
37	7	13	1	Do	under size & Broken winded, lost an Eye
38	12	13	2	Do	under size, worn out, unequal to Duty
39	12	13	3	Do	unequal to Duty, Blind of off Eye & falls
40	12	13	3½	Do	Unequal to duty from age
41	old	14	2½	Dun	Lame from a ring bone on each Fore. leg
42	old	13	1	Pyebald	under Size
43	old	14	3	Dark Dun	Lame from a ring bone on the near fore leg
44	Old	13	3	Dun	Starved & under Size
45	old	15		Grey	Old worn out unequal to Service
46	old	14	2½	Do	Do Do Do
47	11	14	2½	Cream	Chest founded, knuckles down
48	9	14	2	Grey	Diseased unbreakable
49	10	14	1½	Do	Chest founded & weak in the Loins
50	17	15	2½	Cream	Old worn out Diseased
51	10	13	3½	Grey	Lame Incureable

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9th. April 1800

approved
John Brathwaite

J. Jorin
Lieut. 60th Bom. N. Regt. President

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To Josiah Webbe Esq.

Secretary to Government.

Sir

From the adjutant general of the army - states the sentiments of the officer commanding in chief relative to the necessity of augmentating the Gun Lascar establishment -

I am directed by Major General Brathwaite to request you will state for the information of the Right Honble the Governor in Council, the following proposal relative to the Establishment of Artillery Lascars, which under the late augmentation to the European artillery Corps at this Presidency, appears to require a new arrangement -

The Present Establishment of a company of Artillery Lascars consists of 1 Jemadar, 2 First Tindals, 2 Second, 1 Puckally and 56 Lascars. — Three companies of this strength were allotted to each company of European Artillery, which, on the former Establishment of the Artillery Corps, gave 15 companies of Lascars to each of the two Battalions: but, by the late augmentation of two Europe-

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-an Companies to each Battalion, twelve
companies of Lascars would be required to com-
-plete the Establishment on the system hither-
to in force. —

The General directs me to
note to you Sir, that the Senior Officer of Artille-
ry adverting to this circumstance has subm-
-tted to his consideration the expediency of a
change in the Lascar Establishment; propo-ing
to attach two Companies of Lascars only, to
each company of European Artillery, on the
Principle in force in Bengal, and to encrease
the strength of those Companies in proportio
on to the lately encreased force of the Europe-
an Companies of Artillery. — The Strength
of a company of Lascars thus formed, should,
he thinks, amount to 1 Syrang, 3 first Tindals,
3 Second Tindals, 2 Hand Bheesty's, and 70 Las-
-cars. — The Supernumerary Lascars now in
the service would more than complete the
Establishment

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Establishment is formed on this Plan, and the only Expense to be incurred would arise from the substitution of two Hand Bheestys in place of 1 Puckalay, and from the encrease in the number of Native Officers, which is necessary to give efficiency to a Company of that strength, liable, from the nature of Artillery duty, to be frequently divided into various small detachments.—

The following comparative view of the present Establishment and that proposed by the Senior Officer of Artillery, will place the subject in the clearest light, under the consideration of Government.—

	Syrangs	1st Tindals	2d Tindals	Puckalays	Lascars
Present Establishment of 30 Companies	30.	60.	60.	30.	1680
Proposed Establishment of 26 D.	26.	52.	52.	26.	1456
The adoption of this Plan therefore would give an Increase to the Establishment of	"	24.	24.	26.	224.

and leave two Syrangs Supernumerary.—

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Pyed 1 Havildar
2 Jemadr
1 Bugleboy
& 60 Lascars

The General also directs me to observe that if the present System of attacking three Compa. nies of Lascars as now formed, to each European Company of Artillery, is adopted with respect to the four new Companies, the encrease to the regular Establishment of Lascars will be - - -

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.mulating the Establishments of the Bengal and Madras Presidencies, in preference to incurring a small addition of expense by adhering to the former system, and recruiting the small number of Lascars necessary to complete the twelve additional companies which, in that Event, would be required.—

As the difference of Expense in regard to Affairs is trifling. Major General Brathwaite desires me to add that he is strongly of opinion all things considered, that the old system should be adhered to, because it has hitherto been found in all our Military Operations on this Coast, that notwithstanding three Companies of Gun Lascars are attached to each Company of Artillery, it has always been necessary to recruit Supernumeraries when a large train of Artillery has been to be employed, as is evinced by the number of Supernumeraries

nameraries now on that Establishment, and it cannot be doubted that upon all such occasions one old well trained Lascar, is worth two of these supernumeraries, and as he thinks from the augmented state of the artillery Corps it may now happen that a greater proportion may be to be left in Garrison than could heretofore be spared from the operations of the Field, that of three Companies of Gun Lascars be attached to every Company of European Artillery, that these in War time may be so destributed among the whole as to answer all the purposes required both for the Field and Garrison duties, without having recourse to Supernumeraries, who, he believes, in general but very imperfectly answer the purposes for which the expense is incurred. It would certainly, he thinks, be a desireable thing, if the Military Establishments of the several Residencies in India could be formed upon precisely the same Principles, but there Cost-

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and must ever exist, in his opinion, certain circumstances locally peculiar to each, that will prevent such a desideratum — and when it is taken into consideration how little of all there exists, or possibly can exist in Bengal, for either the Offensive or defensive employment of large heavy Trains, and with what facility artillery is there transported by Water, it may be thought that what is a fully sufficient Establishment of Gun Lascars for that Presidency in proportion to its European artillery, would fall very short of being such for this Coast, which has so many extensive and important Garrison to defend, even should the number now existing be greatly reduced. —

He is ready and willing to admit that there may be a wide difference between the Expenses of a Peace and a War Establishment

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-blishment, but so long as he has served on this
Coast, he has not seen the time when this Go-
-vernment has had too strong a leaning to the
Oeconomy of the former that has not been at-
-tended with something worse than a grea-
-ter Expence; and although he is ready to
admit that the reduction of the Mysore, pro-
-mises fair to place this Coast in future perma-
-nent tranquility, he does not think the time
is yet come for such reductions as will be
the natural consequences of such a situati-
-on firmly established: and it is on these
grounds that he inclines strongly to the keep-
ing up the Gun Lascars to the old Establish-
-ment, of 3 Companies to each artillery Company

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

Fort St George
11th April 1800

P. A. Agnew
adjt. Genl. of the army

To lie on the table

Ordered to lie on the Table.—

Read the Following letter from Mr. Francis

Lautour.—

To.

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To the Right Honble Lord Clive

Governor in Council

My Lord.

From Mr Fran-
-cis Lautour — The
Nabob has put
him in profession of
the annexed Dispatch

I have the honor to inform you that His Highness the Nabob of the Carnatic has this day put me in profession of the Annexed Bruge House —

Fort St George
22d April 1800

I have the honor to be with respect
&c &c
Francis Lautour

Read the following letters from the Military auditor General —

To the Right Honble Lord Clive

President and Governor in Council

Fort St George

My Lord,

From the Mili-
-tary auditor Gene-
-ral — Final or-
ders have been
given for the ad-
-justment of
Lieutenant
Colonel Reads
accounts

Having finally audited the
Accounts of Lieut.t Colonel Read as General
Superintendant of Supplies to the Army dur
-ing the late War in Mysore, conformably to
the

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accounts - Request to be instructed relative to the retrenchment of regimental batta drawn by the Deputy adjutant General to the Majesty's troops.

Sir

I have the honor to report that the several Bills and Vouchers have been transmitted to the Military Paymaster General, with the necessary Instructions for the adjustment of the whole on the Books of his Office.—

In consequence of the 5th Paragraph of Mr. Secretary Webbe's Letter of the 5th Instant, which directs the suspension of the retrenchment of Regimental Batta, drawn by the Deputy adjutant General, and Deputy Quarter Master General of the subsidiary Force, until the determination of the Honble Court of Directors shall have been received on a similar retrenchment made against the offices holding the Post of Deputy adjutant General, and Deputy Quarter master General of the army; I have given orders to the several Paymasters not to

enforce

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enforce the payment of the retrenchments on account of Regimental Batta drawn by any of those officers, prior to the 31st December 1799- the date of my receiving the former orders of Your Lordship in Council on that subject; and at the same time prohibited the continuance of similar payments after that period, but as the Deputy adjutant General of His Majesty's Troops has also drawn Regimental Batta for a certain period which has in like manner as the former, been invariably retrenched in this Office, I request Your Lordships orders in regard to the latter, and whether he is to be considered on the same footing as the officers before mentioned. -

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

Wm Sydenham
Mil. Th. and F. Gen.

To

Military Auditor Genl. Office
Fort S George 8 April 1800

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To the Right Honble Lord Clive

President. & Governor in Council

Fort S George.

My Lord

From D. D. gives it as his opinion that the application preferred by Mess.rs Chase &c. in behalf of the estate of the late Lieut.t Colonel Parr is entirely inadmissible.—

Having investigated the claim made by the attorneys to the Executors of the late Lieutenant Colonel Parr, referred to my report in Mr. Secretary Webbe's letter of the 8th Instant; I have the honor to state that the Batta of major from July 1795 to may 1796 inclusive, applied for on the part of the Estate of that Officer, as being in the command of the Flank companies of Europeans at Malacca, has been already drawn, and passed to him in vertue of his Brevet Rank under the orders of the 12th July 1796. and that the difference of Batta between major and Lieut.t Colonel from 26th July 1797 to 30th april 1798 has been also drawn in consequence of his promotion to the latter Rank from

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from the former date, and as it appears that a Lieutenant Colonel Parr could not on any grounds, resulting either from Regulation or Precedent be entitled to Batta of the superior Rank, from being in command of the Flank Companies before mentioned. I cannot hesitate in offering my opinion that the claim now prefered is altogether inadmissible. The Bills transmitted, by the attornies to the Executors, for the above mentioned Batta are herewith returned.—

I have the honor to be, with great respect

Military Auditor Genl. Office
Fort St. George 12th. april 1800

} E. E.

Wm. Sydenham
Asst. and Genl.

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

My Lord,

From E. E. Refers different charges in

Agreeably to the request of M. G. Buchan

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in the accounts of the late Paymaster at Malacca for the decision of Government.

Buchan late Paymaster at Malacca, I have the honor to refer for the decision of your Lordship in Council. the enclosed Statement of certain Retrenchments out standing in his accounts in the year 1793/96/7 & 1797/8, with the Papers refered to therein, which I request may be returned to this Office as necessary for vouchers connected with the charges refered.—

I have the honor to be with great respect

Sir

Your most obedient humble Servant

Mill. and Genl. Office
Fort St George 22d April 1800

W.m Sydenham
Mill.y and Genl.

Minutes & Resolutions thereon.

Resolved to inform the Military Auditor General that as the Deputy adjutant General to His Majesty's troops is placed in the same circumstances as the Deputies of the General Staff of the Company's army, the Board are in like manner pleased to suspend the retrenchment of regimental batta drawn by that Officer.—

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As the application of Messrs. Chase & Co. in behalf of the estate of the late Lieut.t Colonel Parr is not supported by the Regulations or usage of the Service, the Board are under the necessity of rejecting it; Ordered therefore that the pay abstracts enclosed in their letter be returned.-

Ordered that the resolutions of the Board on the final audit of the accounts of the late Paymaster at Malacca be transmitted to the Military auditor General with the original vouchers enclosed in his letter.

Read the following letter from the Resident at Hyderabad.-

To
J. Webbe Esq.re
Secretary to Government
Fort St George

Sir,

From the Resident at Hyderabad stating the balance due on

I have the honor to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter dated 12.th Inst.t together

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on account of advances made to Banjarries by Lieutenant Colonel Read has been already recovered, and requests instructions regarding a claim preferred to a certain deduction of the remainder of the balance.—

together with the enclosures thereon referred to

In reply to the intimated wish of the Right Honble the Governor in Council respecting the recovery of the amount stated by the Military Auditor General as due by certain Banjaries on Account of the advances made to them by Lieutenant Colonel Read — I beg leave to transmit for his Lordships notice, Extract of a letter from my late Assistant Captain Malcolm on the subject of the Advances in question, from which it appears that he had actually realized from the Banjarys the sum of Hyderabad Rupees 19,025.12½ and that there remained by his account a Balance of 7,672.5.½ to be recovered from them. In the above sum of 19.025.12.½ is included 5.934.10.2½ of the sum advanced by Colonel Read to Banjaries: to which if the nett Balance after deduction of the amount still due on Account

I am

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Sings Bond to Captain Malcolm. Virgt. 7565.

5. ℔ be added, it makes up the whole sum of

1350 — advanced by Lieutenant Colonel

Read. Whether the Balance here stated, can be realized I cannot as yet take upon me to say; and before I attempt its recovery, I could wish to be honoured with the sentiments of his Lordship in Council respecting the plea of deduction, which Captain Malcolm has urged in behalf of those Naigies by whom the Balance is due. —

Captain Malcolm's Letter

states the sum he had recovered as actually paid to me, this however was not exactly the case, having only received payment of it from his agent here within these few days, which will account for my not having given earlier intimation of its recovery. This sum of 1902 12 ℔ I purpose transmitting along with the Balance of Cash which the Right Honble

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the President in Council / agreeably to my
suggestion / has desired to be sent to the Col-
-lector of Masulipatam by the first opportunity
of a Coort proceeding to that quarter.—

Hydrabad
31st March 1800

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

Resident

Extracts of a letter from Captain J. Malcolm—
To Captain J. A Kirkpatrick
Resident at
Hydrabad

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose you an
Account of Advances made at different Peri-
-ods during the war to Banjarries and Sindas
of His Highness the Nizam, not included in
the Residency accounts. You will observe I
have recovered of the advances made to Ban-
-jarries Rs.a by Captain Forbes, Colonel Read
and Colonel Dale, 19.025 Rupees 12 Annas 6 ½
which

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which I now send for the Purpose of being re-
-mitted to the Madras Government, who have
already settled the accounts of these Officers—
You will also see that there is still due a Ba-
lance of 7,672–5½ Rupees– One hundred and
Seven of which is due on Maun-Singh Bond
No.1 to me, which I inclose to facilitate its
Recovery, the remainder is due by different
Banyanies to Colonel Read whose account
particular with Vouchers No.2 I also inclose—
whenever this Sum, or any Part of it is recov-
-ered it will be necessary to remit it to the
Madras Government; but it is proper for
me to remark that the circumstances un-
-der which the Beryarry Naigues are plac-
-ed, who are made accountable for this Ba-
-lance entitled them to consideration and
perhaps to a Deduction from the Amount.
The Naigues who were sent to me by Ba-
-mah Naigue (the Chief Beryarrah) as the

Persons

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Persons who owed this Sum, were Men who had been detained by unavoidable circumstances from joining till a late Period, and were not arrived when the Commander in Chief took a Quantity of Rice from those who had received advances and were unable to make a repayment at the moment, as the Grain was at a very low Price in the Market and the Commander in Chief refused taking any further Supply:—

"The Purchase of Rice at the Amount of Eight Hundred and ninety nine Rupees one & a half Anna from Litchmna Naigu and others, was made from them at the same Rate, (five Seers the Rupee) as allowed those who had received advances to complete the contents of the Departments, & also as a liberal Indulgence to those Naigues who made themselves particularly useful during the Seige.— You will observe that this amount with the repayment

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repayment of the different Advances to the
Benjarries brought to Credit, exactly corres-
-pond's with the Value received in Grain by
the Commander in Chief at different Peria
as expressed in his Account N. 3 which I
now forward for your Information.—

Sealed

Hyderabad
21st of October 1800

True Extracts
I. A. Kirkpatrick
Resident

Hyderabad
31st March

Resolutions thereon. Resolved to express to the Resi-
-dent the sense entertained by the Board of
his readiness to assist the recovery of the ba-
-lances due by the Benjarries.—

As the Board have no means
of estimating the claims of the Naicks recom-
-mended to their consideration by Captain
Malcolm, they request that the Resident will

be

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be guided by his own descretion in demand-
-ing or relinquishing the whole or any part
of the outstanding balance of 7565. 5½ Pags.

Read the following letter from
His Highness the Nabob also entered on C.C. No. 27.

Translation of a Letter
From His Highness the Nabob
of the Carnatic
To the Right Honble Lord Clive
Dd. Dd. Dd.

Dated { 6 Showall 1214 Hegera
or
23d March 1800

Received Dd. Dd.

From the Nabob states that an incursion had been made into the neighbore district by a band of thieves, who are protected by the Calastry people, and requests that the rajah of Venkatagherry may be required

I addressed Your Lordship under date the 28th November and 6th February last informing You of the depredations committed by appearance in the Talook of Cundakoor, that his incursions were made by roads through the Calastry country, and that his Peons

received

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requests to furnish received protection from the People belonging
peons to repel them.—

to the Calastry Pollygar.

In consequence of the Calastry
people not desisting from giving protection to
these freebooters and the roads through which
they make their incursions not being stopped
the depredations and disturbances commit-
-ted in the northern Districts are increasing
daily — a large body of thieves lately made an
attack upon, and plundered, the Village of
Alloor in the District of Nellore, and com-
-mitted several Murders and other cruelties,
which, at this time of harvest, have much
alarmed the Inhabitants throughout the
whole District — The Translation of Cutrad fo
Letter from the Amildar of Nelloor stating
these Circumstances is enclosed herein.—

I have to request Your Lord-
-ship will be pleased to order the Rajah of Ven-
-catagerry to furnish the amildar of Nellore, for

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a short time with one Thousand Peons to follow the instructions of the Aumil in punishing the Thieves. and in the event of their taking refuge in the Calistry District. to pursue and apprehend them there; and that Your Lordship will order the Calestry Man not to afford protection to the Thieves informing him that he shall be responsible for any plundered property that may be discovered within his District — Unless such orders as these are issued by your Lordship, the disturbances in the Nellore District can not be quelled. I therefore earnestly entreat Your Lordship to issue them —

What should I write more

A true Translate

A. Falconar

P.r Trans.r to Government

Translation

Extract of a letter from the Aumil of Nellore dated 18th Shawall 1214 Hegery Answering to 15th March 1800.

Yesterday two hundred Theives

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Theives headed by a man on Horseback came to
the Cutcherry of alloor, entered every house plun-
-dered all the effects of the Ryotts and Inhabi-
-tants, dishonored their Women and wounded
several Persons — On receiving this Intelligence,
I immediately sent orders to the Amil of
allynagur to send Sepoys and Peons — he ac-
-cordingly sent three guards of Sepoys and some
Peons of Gondla navy &c. amounting in all to
fifty men in pursuit of the Theives — They sur-
-prised the Theives who were in a wood, with
the plundered property, at their victuals —
-forced upon them — on which the Theives aban-
-doned the property and ran off — The Coast
people took possession of the property and
were returning with it to alloor but the
Theives on observing the smalness of the Party
Rallied and attacked it, and after a smart
combat succeeding in retaking the property
which they carried off — Five of the Theives
were

were killed — Of the Circars Sepoys four or five were wounded. and two Havildars and one Naik were killed and the remainder are now surrounded by the Rebels. —

Ordered that a copy of the above Letter be transmitted to the Board of Revenue. with instructions to enquire into the circumstances stated by His Highness in regard to the Polygars of Calastry. —

ordered that the above complaint be investigated by the Board of Revenue. —

Read the following Letters from the Officer commanding the Northern Division. —

Josiah Webbe Esqr.
Secretary to Government

Sir,

I have been honored with the receipt of your Letter of the 3d. Instant relative to the Water carts employed with the Native European Regiments. —

From the officer commanding the Northern Division. suggests the necessity of employing bullock water carts and punk allies for the use of

The European Regiment

since

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of the European troops at Masulipatam.

since its arrival, has been stationed in the Fort, as the cantonments at the Pettah are in ruins, & incapable of accommodating the Men. — The water in the Fort, excepting that which is reserved for particular exegencies, is brackish, and unserviceable — The fresh water, requisite for the use of the men, is carried upwards of three miles, over a deep & sandy plain — while the Regiment remains in the Fort, it appears to me, that both the water carts, & the Buckalies will be necessary to convey the supplies of water required for the consumption & the cleanliness of the men — Induced by a consideration of these circumstances, I have taken the Liberty to direct the Quarter master to employ the Buckallies & carts, until I am favored with farther orders respecting them, from Government.—

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I have the honor to remain with the
greatest respect &c. &c.

N. Vigors.—

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Resolution thereon

Resolved to inform Colonel Vigors that under the circumstances which he has stated the Board approve his having authorized the employment both of water carts & puckalies.—

Josiah Webbe Esqr

Secretary to Government &c.

Sir,

I have the Honor of informing you that several Zemendaries dependent upon the Cummamet Circar, and tributary to his Highness the Nizam, lay immediately behind the Polaveram country.— As it is probable that Mungapetty Doo. and his adherents, when attacked by our troops, will fly to these Zemindaries, I respectfully solicit instructions whether Lieut Colonel Gardiner may be permitted to enter his Highnesses Dominions in pursuit of them.

From D. G. requests to know whether our troops may be permitted to enter the dominions of His Highness the Nizam in pursuit of the freebooters of Polaveram, if necessary.—

I have the honor to remain with the greatest respect

&c. &c.

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April 10th 1800

Wm Vigors

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Josiah Webbe Esquire

Secretary to Government

Sir,

From Dt. Dt. Co. loses copies of letters from Lieutenant Colonel Gardiner detailing his operations against the Zemindar of Polaveram.—

I have the honor of transmitting to you copies of Letters which I have received from Lieutenant Colonel Gardiner detailing his operations until the 11th Inst. against the Polaveram Zemendary.—

I have again taken the liberty of requesting in the most earnest manner of Mr. Branfill to employ all the means in his power to obtain proper intelligence & guides, & to use every exertion to furnish the necessary supplies of grain & provisions to the Bengal troops.——

The nature of the country in which Colonel Gardiner has to act, will present many obstacles to the operations of the troops.—— But their Zeal & activity will I trust soon remove every difficulty;

and

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and enable the Colonel to disperse the Pions of Mungapitty Doo, & either to seize himself or drive him far beyond the Company dominions.

I have the honor to remain with the great.

Masulipatam
April 11th 1800

est respect &c &c

Ur. Vigors

To Colonel Vigors

Commanding the northern Div. of the army

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that the 2d & 3d Battalions of Volunteers march.ed from Covoor on the night of the 9th Instant & moved towards Polaveram. I had previous.ly ordered the 1st Battalion under Captain Malcolm to proceed on the north bank of the Godavery so as to secure the Fords or passage boats between Polaveram & Rajahmundry. I arrived near the Town & Fort of Polaveram yesterday morning a little before day break, but I am sorry to observe that in the impor.

tant

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-tant article of intelligence I have been ex-
-tremely at a loss. the Guides who attended me
being from fear or ignorance, extremely un-
-fit to yield me the requisite assistance, so that
I have, been obliged to depend upon the infor-
-mation procured by my own Sepoys who are
of consequence entirely Strangers to the Coun-
-try or the language of its Inhabitants —

Having been led to believe that
the Fort of Polaveram was the only place of even
the slightest deffence in the Zemindary: I
made my arrangements for securing it-
The Head Harcarrah asserted that it con-
-tained three thousand men, another of
the Guides under took to Conduct Captain
Burnel with a party of Grenadiers to a
particular point of the Fort. I led him en-
-tirely wrong. Lieutenant Ford however with
another party got into it, & found only seven
men in the place — Beyond the Town & the

Fort

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Fort to the north, I found a strong stockade
which in some measure secures the only acces
to the Zemindary of Polaveram — It extends
from the bank of the Godavery to a Hill called
Badama Condah, not single but Joining to
a range: a road concealed by Jungle runs
from the Town through a gate on the stockade
— my first information of this strong hold
was when proceeding with two companies
about dawn of day to support one of my par-
-ties. I was led immediately up to the stockade
& being in a Hollow way, was exposed to the
fire of several hundred men in three differ-
-ent directions. I forced my way through a
wicket but not untill 2 of the Sepoys had been
struck down, we killed a few of the Peons,
whilst the rest of them got off inconsequence
of the thick Jungle all round, the Zemindar
had left the place three days before and
retired to the Hills, the Town was entirely

abandoned

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abandoned by the Inhabitants, however Sundry exertions to prevail upon some of them to return again.-

In consequence of the best intelligence I could get, I again moved this morning at three O'clock on our approach to Condrabottah a little after 6 we found a stockade in a strong situation between two Hills but no passage round them, & having been informed that the Zemindar with a large party was behind it, I sent Lieut.t Rose with a Company of Grenadiers to endeavour to get into their rear, but the perpendicular bank of the river & deep water below prevented his getting round the Hill, he saw two Boats crossing the river with several of the Zemindars people in them, who fired upon him, & his party returned it, killing three & wounding others - I made two attacks on the stockade one to the right & another to the left the Zemindars

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dars Peons made some stand, but the Tattie
or curtain being broke down they fled to the
Hills. I had one man wounded - I proceed-
-ed in pursuit of them to this place but from
the Hills & Jungle, which surrounded every
part of this Zemindary without effect, my
intelligence is so very bad that they do not
even know the road from one village to ano-
-ther & the whole of the Inhabitants have
fled to the mountains. -

I have so regulated the 1st
Battalion that Captain Malcolm on the north
side of the river, was to intercept any people
who might cross, but it appears from the
inclosed Letter that Mangapetty Doo & his
brother have crossed the Godavery - Captain
Malcolm is as badly off for intelligence as
myself. I have ordered him to pursue the
Zemindar - yesterday evening I detached
two European Officers & three hundred &
sixty

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sixty sipoys for the protection of twelve Villages to the southward of Polaveram, & left an European Officer & 80 men at that place for the purpose of keeping open the communication & forwarding supplies of Grain.—

I have the honor to be &c &c

(Signed) J. Gardiner

Lieut. Colonel

Camp near
Shevegury
about 15 Cos north
Cavoor 11th April 1800

A true Copy
Wr. Vigors

To Captain Grant
Major of Brigade

Sir.

I did not see the Zemindars Peons pass, but that they have passed is certain A large range of very steep & High hills lies 60 Cos from hence close to our Line of march was lined with them & they kept up a fire of Matchlock pieces & Arrows on us — One Sepoy is wounded between the

two

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two bones of the arm through & through with an arrow & will lose His arm inconsequence — another sepoy was knocked down with a spent Ball but was defended from being much hurt by his Kummarband.—

My Guide declares his ig-norance of a single foot more of the Road on this side, & as for getting any of the Villa-ges here it is impossible unless We could take them. Prisoners as they are all up in arms & their Wives & Families sent to a dis-tance amongst the Hills.—

Our people cannot eat a Blade of Grass without being fired at, & our Rice is expended.—

I wrote a letter to Mr. Bran-fill Praying him to forward Rice, & one to Lieutenant Shapland to furnish an Escort if he could spare it, but the Harkara has returned declaring that the Road is com-pletly

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pleatly guarded by Mungapelly Dews Peons who would cut his Head off did he attempt to pass- I believe him-for there are now in sight of the + Skirts of this Camp about 250 Peons with Match- -locks but they move off the moment a Party is sent-& unless we could find out where they sleep at night it would be perfectly needless to run after them.—

Camp near Munteer April 11th 1800.

I have the Honor to be &c &c

(Signed) John Malcolm
Capt.n Com.d 1st Battalion
Bengal Volunteers

I am this moment informed that both Munga Petty Doo & his Brother Veera Ga- -paul Doo were in this village all the night & went off as we arrived.—

A true Copy
Rr. Vigors

The Bengal volun- -teers have been or- -dered by the Gover -nor Genl. to conti- -nue their march to Bengal-Drafts of letters in conse- -quence

The President informs the Board that the Governor General has communicated His Lordships desire that the Bengal volun-

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quence proposed by the President to General Braithwaite the Resident at Hydrabad & the officer commanding the Northern Division.—

teers shall be immediately ordered to continue their march to that Presidency, under circumstances which do not admit of any latitude; His Lordship therefore lays before the Board the following Drafts of Letters to Major General Brathwaite, to the Resident at Hydrabad & to the officer commanding the Northern Division.—

To Major General Brathwaite

Sir,

To Major Genl Braithwaite orders to be given for the Bengal volunteers to continue their march to that Presidency—the detachment which was destined to have conveyed the Military stores to Hydrabad to be detained in the circars, where he is to make such an arrangement of the troops as he shall judge most expedient for the public service.—

Par 1st The Right Honble the Governor General having directed that the march of the Bengal Volunteers shall be continued towards that Presidency without further interruption, the Governor in Council desires that orders for that purpose may be issued to the Officer commanding the Northern Division.—

2d His Lordship in Council is aware that this measure may be attended with

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with some inconvenience to the public Service in the northern Division, but the orders of the Governor General in Council do not admit of any latitude, and it will be only expedient for you to instruct Lieutenant Colonel Gardiner to afford such assistance to the Civil Government as may be consistent with the speedy arrival of the Detachment at its Destination.

3. In order to relieve this inconvenience as much as possible it is the intention of the Governor in Council, that the 6th Regiment which was destined to have conveyed the military stores to Hyderabad, shall be detained within the Circars, & His Lordship has made application to the Resident to provide for the protection of the stores from Hyderabad.—

4 The Governor in Council therefore desires that you will appropriate the force

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force in the northern Circars, in such manner as you may judge most advantageous to the public service.—

I have the honor to enclose the Copy of a letter from the secretary at Fort William containing the desire of the Right Honble the Governor General in Council, that Lieutenant Colonel Hamilton may have leave to return to Bengal, provided that indulgence, shall not be inconsistent with the public service. His Lordship therefore desires that you will state your opinion on this point.—

I have the honor to be &c &c

Fort St George
23d April 1800 } (Signed) J. Webbe

Sd Lt to Govt

To Captain J. A. Kirkpatrick
Resident at
Hydrabad

Sir.

To the Resident at Hydrabad—an ample

Par 1st

I have the honor to inform you

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ample supply of military stores is embarking for the use of the subsidiary force at Masulipatam, but the orders which have been received for the march of the Bengal Volunteers to that Presidency will render it necessary to detain within the circars the force which was destined to have conveyed the stores to Hyderabad the officer commanding the troops employed against the zemindar of Polaveram has been authorized to pursue the rebels if necessary within the Nizams territories, if however there should be any objection to this measure he is requested to communicate it immediately to colonel Kirkpatrick. —

you, that an ample supply of military stores is now embarking at this Presidency for the use of the subsidiary force, & will be landed at the port of Masulipatam. —

2d — It was the intention of the Governor in Council that the stores should have been conveyed from that place to Hyderabad by the 1st B. 9th Regt Nat. Infy & and that that corps should have remained at Hyderabad, until the deficiencies on the number of the subsidiary force should have been completed, — an arrangement by which his Lordship hoped to have fulfilled the intentions of the treaty of Hyderabad and of the Governor General in Council. —

3 Orders having however been subsequently received for the march of the Bengal volunteers to that Presidency, the Governor in Council finds it utterly impracticable that the 1st B. 9th Regt Nat. Infy should be detached from the northern circars, and I am

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am in consequence directed to recommend that
such an arrangement may be made as you
shall judge necessary for the protection of the
stores from the frontier of the Company's terri-
tories

4 The Governor in Council has
not relinquished his original intention of
sending an extraordinary corps to Hyderabad
without the greatest reluctance, but His
Lordship has reason to hope from the reports
of Lieut.t Colonel Dalrymple that the facility
of enlisting recruits within the dominions
of His highness the Nizam will obviate much
of the inconvenience which might otherwise
have been expected. —

5 The refractory conduct of the
Zemindar of Polaveram having rendered it
necessary to march a small detachment against
him, & the situation of his country rendering
it probable that he will take refuge within
the

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the frontier of His Highness the Nizam, the officer commanding the Detachment has been furnished with discretional authority to pursue the Rebels if it should be found necessary, giving previous notice to the nearest officer in trust under His Highness's Government.

6 In the present state of the alliance between the Nizam & the Company, & the proximity of troops [illegible] to his Highness's frontier the Governor in Council hope that their exercise of this discretional authority will not be offensive to that Court; but if you should have reason to expect any objection whatever, his Lordship requests that the earliest communication of it may be made to the officer commanding the Northern Division at Masulipatam.—

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

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To Colonel Vigors

Commanding the Northern Division

at Masulipatam —

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letters dated 10th & 14th Instant

The Governor in Council trusts that the instructions with which the collector at Rajahmundry will have been furnished by the Board of Revenue, will guard against the inconvenience experienced from defective intelligence in the operations against the Zemindar of Polaveram.—

If it should be necessary for the officer commanding the troops on that service to pursue the Zemindar or his followers within the limits of the Nizam's territories, the Governor in Council authorizes him to do so; but it will be necessary that previous

To the officer commanding the Northern Division — Such orders have been transmitted to the Collector of Rajahmundry as will obviate in future the inconvenience experienced from defective intelligence in the operations against the Zemindar of Polaveram — The orders may be pursued if necessary within the territories of His Highness the Nizam. The arrangement for the march of the Bengal volunteers to that Presidency communicated. —

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previous communication should be made to the nearest officer in trust for his Highness's Government: and his Lordship will expect the most exact observation of discipline and order during the absence of the Troops from the Company's territories.

4 The Governor in Council having judged it expedient to order that the Bengal Volunteers shall pursue their march without further interruption, has authorized the officer commanding the army in Chief to detain the 1st B.n 9th Reg.t Nat. Inf.y within the northern Circars, & to make such a distribution of the remaining troops, as he may in consequence of the departure of the Volunteers judge most advantageous to the public Service —

5 You will accordingly obey such orders for this purpose as you may receive from Major General Braithwaite —

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25th April 1800

Sam.l Hy. Webbe
(Signed) S Webbe
Sec.y to Govt.

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ordered to be dispatched.—

approved and ordered to be dispatched.—

Read the following letter from Lieutenant Pulham.—

To Josiah Webbe Esqr
Secretary to Government

From the late Commander of His Majesty's Brig amboyna states his claim to an allowance of batta while in command of the brig amboyna which had been objected to by the Civil Paymaster.

Sir,

The occasion by which I have been led to give you this trouble proceeds in consequence of a letter transmitted to me of the 13th Instant from the Civil Paymaster General Mr Balfour objecting to payment of my Bill on the Honble Company for 12 Months Batta due to me as Commander of His Majesty's Brig Amboyna from the 19th november 1797 to the 19th Novr 1798 at the rate of 160 £ pr Annum— The same recommended by Wm Jones Esqr Commercial resident at Amboyna to command Vessels of her Class untill the Pleasure

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-sure of the Madras Government should be
known --

I beg leave particularly to
notice that the Bill in question includes a
period of Service at the Moluccas in the time
of the greatest Scarcity: And Presuming the
Authority I had received from the Commerci-
-al Resident, would have procured a conti-
-nuance of this Temporary allowance, untill
I should have been apprised of any decision
of Government to the contrary; I thought prop-
on my arrival at Trincomalay in December
1798, to forward a Bill in the usual mode for
the arrears of Batta due at that rate - which
Bill it appears passed on to 2d Bengal
Government, and at some time in April
last year, a remittance of the amount was
received by my Agents at Madras - By the
letter which I have been just put in Possessi-
-on of, from the Civil Paymaster General Sam

-given

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given to understand that the Bill should
have been for 85 £. only / it being the sum the
Government have thought proper to establish
likewise, with a notice remanding back the
Payment of the 160 £ —

As I should hope it will ap-
pear to the Government that I have not in
this Instance proceeded otherwise than in
strict Conformity to authority, I have to hope
also, that they will be pleased to direct the
Bill may be passed for the time therein spe-
cified at the rate of 160 £. —

I have the honor to be &c &c

Tho.s Pulham

Naval Hospital
29th March 1800

Ordered that a copy of the a-
bove letter be transmitted to the Military au-
ditor General, & that he be informed that the
Board are pleased to confirm the allowances
granted to Lieut.t Pulham by the Resident
at amboyna, & accordingly direct that
the

ordered thereon

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refund demanded by the late Civil Paymas-
-ter may be relinquished, but that the arrears
due to Lieut.t Pulham are be paid in confor-
-mity to the existing orders of the Honble Court
of Directors and of the Governor in Council.-

Read the following letter from
the Superintendant of the Stud at Ganjam.-

To the Right Honble Lord Clive

President in Council

Fort S. George

My Lord,

From the superintendant of the stud at Ganjam. states that he has built a house at his own expence. and requests that it may be purchased on the public account.-

On establishing the principal
Station of the stud at Chatterpore from its
very favourable situation, It became necessary
that I should make it my place of residence, and
from thence occasionally visit the other station
of the stud. It was a part of the country in
which no European had ever resided and con
-sequently there was not a House of any descrip
-tion to be had.-

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Under these circumstances I
was under the necessity of building a house
for the accomodation of my Family. and. as the
object I was engaged in. was of that nature
which from its novelty. would induce a num-
ber of people interested for a public measure of
such magnitude to visit the stud. I was to
extend my plan by which, I have incurred
an expence in completing the House offices &c.
above what I might have in any other case
been authorized in. The house is Terraced and
is a remarkable good one, every part of which
and its offices are built of the best materials.
the expense incured in finishing the whole
amounts to two thousand five hundred Pag-
-odas. which is a sum far short of what the build-
-ings would on any case be estimated at —
This subject my Lord with great
deference I beg leave to submit to your considera-
-tion. and trust that your Lordship may be
pleased

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pleased, from the nature of the case, to direct my being reimbursed, by a Government Bond, or in any other shape your Lordship may think proper.

I have the honor to be &c &c

Madras 1st April 1800

H. Evans

Capt. & supt. of the stud.

Resolution thereon.

Resolved to inform Captain Evans that the Board do not deem it expedient to purchase any buildings on account of the Company, but that in consideration of the late augmentation of the stud & of the important & extensive trust confided to him, they are pleased to augment his salary to three hundred pagodas per month.

Read the following letters from the officer commanding at Vellore.

To Josiah Webbe Esqr.

Secretary to the Government

Sir.

From the commandant at Vellore Enclose

In conformity with the directions contained

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Enclosing accounts of duties collected at Vellore to the 1st month of February last.—

contained in your letter of the 4th of September last I have the honour to transmit the accounts of the amounts of the customs &c collected at Vellore from the 19th of September the day on which I received charge of the Pettah to the 28th of Feby 1800.— together with an account of the charges of collection and of the disbursements which have been made by order of his Highness's the Nabob for charitable purposes &c. In future agreeably to the orders I have lately received from the Right Honble the Governor in Council the amount of the customs &c shall be paid monthly to His Highness's Aumil.—

a Copy of the Aumils receipt for the sum which I have paid into his hands goes inclosed.—

I have the honor to be &c &c

G. Doveton

Lieut. Colonel

Vellore
April 2. 1800

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order & resolution on the above letters.

Ordered that the several papers enclosed in Lieut.t Col.: Dovetons letter of the 4th Instant be transmitted to His Highness the Nabob.—

Resolved that the chaplain at Vellore be allowed to employ a clerk on five Pagodas per month. & that the Chaplains of the other garrisons be likewise permitted to employ clerks at their respective stations on simi-lar pay.—

Read the following letter from the commanding officer at Coimbatoor.—

To I Webbe Esq.r

Secretary to Government.

Sir.

From the commandant at Coimbatore. states that Coimbatore appears to be in every respect suited to be a cantonment of cavalry. some repairs are required to the Barracks to protect the troops from

I have the honor to acquaint you, for the information of the Right Honble the Governor in Council, that I arrived & took up my station at Coimbatore with the 5th Regt. ment of Native Cavalry on the 30th Ultimo comfor-mably

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mably to the orders of Government; & return
of the Troops now at this station I have also
the honour to transmit you herewith.—

I have every reason to believe
that this will prove one of the best stations
for Cavalry on this Establishment— Grains
of all kinds & forage being plentiful & reason-
-able all over the Province—

As the westerly monsoon will
set in here immediately, I beg leave to recom-
-mend, that the two rows of Barracks on the
north side of this village, / at present occu-
-pied by a few European artillery & about
30 Infantry Sepoys, the former are ordered to
Trichenopoly / may be repaired, which will
only cost the company about fifty (50) Pagodas,
to purchase Bamboos & Tyles for the roofs, &
and to rebuild some mud Walls which have
been washed down by the Rains— these Bar-
-racks will afterwards contain the whole of
the

from the weather. The officers suffer inc-
-convenience from the want of quarters.

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The Native officers & Troopers, Stores, arms, & accoutrements belonging to the 5th Regiment, and a Company of Native Infantry beside — at present time — this can only be considered as temporary Quarters for their immediate accomodation, & rather than being exposed in wet Tents, during the rains, where damps might occasion Sickness. —

The Collector Captain Macleod seems rather Scrupulous about giving up any Houses in the Village for the accomodation of the European Officers and Serjeants, who are all living in Tents, nor shall I press that matter with him. It would therefore be advisable, that Government should determine the footing, on which they shall be considered in future from this date, whether on Tent allowance, Full Batta, or House Rent monthly, till such time as regular Barracks & Stabling are built for the Regiment.

I have the honor to be &c &c

Thos. Macalister

Lt. Col. Comdt Coimbatore

Coimbatore
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order thereon

Ordered that an extract of the above be communicated to the Military Board with instructions to give such orders as may be necessary for protecting the troops at Coimbatoor from the weather.—

Read the following letter from Captain John Malcolm.—

To the Right Honble Lord Clive
Governor in Council
Fort S George

My Lord,

From Captain John Malcolm. He has drawn for a farther sum of 2000 Rupees which he requests may be paid at Masulipatam.

I had the honor of addressing your Lordship on the 26th Ultimo acquainting you that I had taken the liberty of drawing for the Sum of Arcot Rupees Sixteen Thousand and that I should most probably again have occasion to negotiate Bills upon Madras, as I was not able to pass them on Bengal at that period.—

I have this day taken the liberty

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of drawing farther upon your Lordship in
Council for Arcot Rupees Two Thousand / A.R. 2000
at 21 days Sight in favor of Mirza Ismael of
Masulipatam and have to request for this
as well as the former Bills that your Lordship
would be pleased to order their amount to be
paid in Masulipatam, if it can be done
without inconvenience.

I have the honor to be &c &c

Abusheker
The 15th March 1800

(Signed) John . Malcolm

Envoy

order thereon

Ordered accordingly that
the above bill be accepted, and that the
accountant General be directed to make the
necessary adjustment.-

Read the following letter from
Mr. George Hughes. -

To Josiah Webbe Esqr

Secretary to Government
Fort St George

Sir.

From Mr. George Hughes - Explains the

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the nature of his occupation in the district of Madurah, as affected by the late orders against holding communication with the Nabobs manager, and expresses his hope that a consideration of the circumstances attending it will exempt him from suffering by those orders. —

Madura having issued a Garrison order to forbid all Natives in the Pay, or under the authority of the Company from holding any intercourse with his Highness's Manager without his previous sanction, I was induced to state to him in a Letter of which I have the honor to transmit you a copy, the Nature of my Pursuits & concerns in the District in general, and that from being largely engaged in Trade in His Highness's Country, as well as in the cultivation of his Lands, it was impossible but that both myself and my Servants, must have intercourse with the Public agents who exercised the Government of the Country. —

Colonel Dyce having however in answer to my Letter, Copy of which I have also the honor to send you, been pleased to express that although he could not admit the justness of my reasoning, he had nevertheless withdrawn his Prohibition in favor of my agents, yet

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at the same time having also observed, that he was uncertain how long such intercourse would continue, I am compelled from the precariousness in which the industrious pursuits of four years are now involved, and the appearance that my concerns may be too dependant upon the Will of any Individual who may succeed to the Command of Madura, to refer the Subject back, you to the consideration of Government, in the confidence that they will bestow that Sanction on my Pursuits, as may preclude their being subject to unnecessary & unreasonable obstruction.—

Sensible that the Right Honble the Governor in Council in his Salutary measures to prevent illicit Dealings, would never intend to destroy the honest Dealings & laudable Views of those, who must depend upon their own Industry for support; and no less confident, that it is the intention of Govern-

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ment to assist and countenance every thing
which can tend to uphold the declining Reve-
nues of any of the Districts mortgaged to the
Company, I trust from the circumstances
which have happened at Madura, I may be
permitted to solicit the consent of Government,
not only to continue pursuits which have cost
much pains & expence to establish, but likewise
the necessity has been questioned by Colr Dyce,
the express liberty also to communicate freely
with the Public Servants of the Country for
all the purposes of fair & legitimate Deal-
ing, and without which indeed, the liberty
of trading or cultivating in the Highness's
Country would be nugatory & useless.

I take the liberty of submitting
for the information of Government the Transla-
tion of a Sunnud from his Highness the Nabob,
granting me permission to cultivate cotton on
Waste lands in the Madura District an ob-
ject

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=ject which must be deemed of great importance
wherever undertaken, and this I am entirely igno
=rant upon what Grounds Coll. Dyce is disposed
to doubt the Propriety of my having intercourse
with the Public Servants of the District, the ne-
=cessity which there is for it, or what possible evil
would arise from their carrying on fair and +
lawful concerns; yet I should conceive myself
very improperly trespassing upon your time,
to dwell on what is so very obvious, as the oc-
=casion of intercourse and communication be-
=tween the Merchant or the Landholder, & the +
Public Servants of the Government wherehis
Trade or his Farms are carried on, whether +
his Residence may be in the Dominions of
the Company, or the Nabob. —

Although little explana-
=tion would be necessary to Government to
Shew myself authorized to engage in so ho-
=nest an occupation as the cultivation of land

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on the pursuit of objects so highly beneficial,
and serviceable to the country as the extension
and improvement of so valuable an article
as cotton, yet as I was sensible, that European
adventurers would not undertake such pur-
suits without particular Lance from Govern-
ment, and was apprehensive that without
some explanation, Colo. Dyce might include
me in that description of Persons; It became
necessary for me to explain to him that
from being born in the country, the Child of
a Native and further that from the circum-
stances of my birth, which by British Laws
excluded me entirely from the inheritance of
all Right & Property from one Parent, I must in
justice be entitled to every Prevelege derivable
from the other, and therefore would not but deem
myself on a footing with the Hindoo Inhabi-
tants of the Company's Government, and like
them previleged to engage in the Agriculture of

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the Country, and which indeed has been for some time one of the principal objects of my attention

Polamcottah
10th April 1800

I have the honor to be with much respect

Yr Yr

(Signed) G. A Hughes

To Lieutenant Colonel A Dyce
Commanding
Madura

Sir.

Communication having been made to me of the General Order at Madura that no native in the Pay, or under the authority of the Company shall have intercourse with the Nabob's Manager without your previous permission, it becomes proper that I should immediately state to you the circumstances of my own particular situation, in order to obviate thus early every misconception which might otherwise arise as to the conduct of either myself or my servants. —

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To account for my being engaged
in the cultivating and farming of Lands, tran-
sactions which are so unusual with Gentlemen
in general, it seems requisite that I should
first advert to the circumstance of my being
not only Born in the Company's Dominions -
but that I am the actual Descendant of a Native,
and that hence as I could not but be considered
as on a footing with the malabar or Gentoo
subject of the Company, & to enjoy the same rights
and priveledge as they do, so like them I propose
the full liberty - I have considered to engage
in any lawful & honest occupation most suit-
table to my inclinations. -

Engaged indeed in an extensive
cultivation of Cotton under his Highness's Sanads.
the Proprietor of Lands which I have purchased &
improved at some expence in his Villages, Paying
to his Government annually a considerable
amount of Taxes & customs, & Farming several

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of the villages in which those Lands are situa-
-ted to promote the welfare & comfort of the Ry-
-otts & manufacturers connected with me; Employ
-ing too a large number of the latter, who have
no employment with the Company, & exporting
from the Purgunnah of the madura District,
its Product in Cloth & Cotton to an amount
of more than twice its annual Revenue, I am
compelled from being connected with the Go-
-vernment of the District in so many different
relations to preserve a constant communica-
-tion with his Highness's Public Servants, not
only in my own person, but in that of my
native agents in general,- of that Government
it may also be observed, that bad as it actual
-ly is, & however much it is to be desired a change
may speedily happen. It is still while it exists
the Civil Government of the Country and whose
Jurisdiction therefore while following the occupation
of Cultivator & merchant, myself, my concerns, &

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my Servants must largely depend, nor is there any material distinction between this connexion, and that which subjects between the Subjects in general of the Madura District, and those who are invested with authority over it, while the necessity of it at the same time seems as little questionable as that which must exist between merchants in the Companys Dominions & the Collectors that Govern them.—

Having been permitted with the knowledge of Government not only to perform the duties of my Father in Camp, but having also been Deemed by Government so worthy their attention, as to be myself honored with a temporary appointment of trust and distinction with the Detachment. I have been necessitated to leave my farms and other affairs in the Madura District to the management of native agents who however, I

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should observe, neither understand the English Language, or have they I trust any qualification in common with the general Character of Duboshes, most of them indeed are natives & Land holders of the District, & therefore no employment with me could Supersede their principal obligations to the Government under which they live. It must also be no less evident that with Concerns of the nature in which I am embarked a free & unrestrained intercourse must necessarily Subsist between my native servants & his Highness's administration, & in the same manner indeed as does now actually Subsist between them & the Company's administration of the Destrict Cawell of the District with the collector in this capacity. myself and my servants as Cultivators & merchants must have intercourse. & am most grateful to express that I have received every encouragement & support that Mr. Huthington

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Mr. Lushington could possibly bestow and further the very sanction of Government for private Individuals to reside & trade in his Highness Dominions convey immediately from themselves a freedom which is inherent in such sanction that the Individual & his agents shall have a full communication with the Public Servants of that Government, where they are permitted to reside for all the purposes of Fair & legitimate Dealings. or the Sanction itself would be nugatory since the occasions for intercourse in every Government and more so in an irregular Government are so obvious that they need not in this place be particularly set forth.—

The views of Government I presume to be directed altogether to the restriction of illicit Dealings, and being confident of their liberal inclination to countenance & protect all the fair, useful, and laudable objects, of those more especially who must trust to their Industry

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for support. I have deemed it expedient to take the first opportunity of apprising you of the peculiarity of my own situation, and although I am very sensible that you could never mean that your measure should prejudice concerns of this nature, yet as my affairs must suffer much inconvenience until your orders explained with regard to myself, permit me to solicit that you will speedily have made it known to my agents at Madura that my case does not come within your Prohibitions.—

I have the honor to be &c &c

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3d April 1800.

(Signed) G. A. Hughes

Wm George Hughes
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Sir,

I have been favored with your letter of the 3d Instant.—

Although I cannot admit your reasoning as conclusive in regard to your right,

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with that of your agents, to hold an intercourse with the nabobs amildar of this Province. I have prohibition in the Interim in favor of the latter — How long it will be continued must depend upon Circumstance of which I am not yet fully informed. —

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

Madura
6th April 1800

Signed Alex. Dyce
Asst to his Highness
To Aumildar of Madura

Mr George Hughes having represented that Putahbee Ramaih aumildar of Madura in order to recover the villages of Chapgapaddy and Shourdurpetty, which are very much declining, had engaged with the village Convicopoly and Head Inhabitant for promoting the cultivation of the Waste Lands of these villages, that they should pay Taxes in the manner following; Viz.t For one Cully, measuring 48 Bhagam square, of the Waste Lands of

Changapaddy

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Changapaddy for the first year, Ten Rully fanam. the second twenty, the third, thirty, and the + fourth forty and that in the village of Shoudar= -petty, they should pay for one bully of 25 Bhagam Square for the first year three and three Quarter fanams, the second seven and half, the third Eleven and a Quarter, and for the fourth fifteen and the Taxes for the extension of the cultivation of the villages being there settled Mr. George Hughes + has solicited, that he may be permitted for the + same purpose and upon the same terms to= cultivate 250 bully of Changapaddy and 600 hundred in Shoudarpetty making together bully 850, and further Mr. G. Hughes states + that he will progressively from the first to the fourth year increase the Cultivation greater and greater, and pay Taxes for the same according to the rates fixed for the Head Conicopoly and Inha= -bitant as before specified, and that from the fifth year onwards he will regularly pay according to

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the rates fixed for the fourth year, for such ex-
tent of land as may actually be cultivated. It
is therefore hereby granted, this year of Phuzely
1206, that Mr. George Hughes may cultivate 250 cul-
ly of Waste & other lands with Cotton or other things
at the above specified rates from the Village com-
monly call'd and should Pataikee Ramiah
have given the bonds herein before mentioned,
Eight hundred and fifty Cully must immedi-
ately be delivered to Mr. George Hughes and th
Taxes regularly received from him annually—

Signature of his Highness

5th December

The President proposes that the
following letter be dispatched to Lieut: Col: Dyce—

To Lieutenant Colonel Dyce

Commanding at

Madura

Sir,

I am directed to acquaint you

To the officer com-
manding at
Madura - Fur-
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that Mr. George Hughes has submitted to the
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with orders re lative to residence of Mr. George Hughes in the Pro. vince of Madura.

Governor in Council copies of his letter to you and of your answer, on the subject of his commercial & agricultural pursuits in the province of Ma-

-dura.—

2d The Governor in Council consi-

-ders Europeans and the descendents of Europeans to stand in the same relation to the Company's Government, and his Lordship denies the right of any person in circumstances similar to those of Mr. Hughes to be in India, without the li-cense of the Company, or to exercise any profession in it, without the permission of their Government.

3d The interest in the districts of Madura derived to the Company from their engagements with his Highness the Nabob, gives them a right of interference to prevent injury to the ultimate security pledged to them, on that Pro-vince; and the expediency of interposing the Gene-ral powers of Government to contract the tran-sactions of individuals will be regulated by

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the nature of those transactions, & the degree of evilor
good to be derived from them.—

According to Mr. Hughes's description
of the nature of his concerns in trade and agricul
ture, and according to the general description of that
person's character his pursuits appear to be inno-
cent & injury to the British interests if therefore
the nature of his intercourse with the executive offices
of the government in the Spot is not productive of a
Levies mortgages, or of monopolizing combinations,
the Governor in council would consider it to be injuri-
ous to industry to establish any restraint on occu-
=pations which, for not only to be inoffensive but
laudable: His Lordship therefore entirely approves
your suspension of the restrictive orders issued by
you, as far as they relate to the intercourse of
Mr. Hughes or of his Servants with the executive of-
=ficers of the Nabob's Government.—

The Governor in Council is aware of the
difficulty of drawing a written distinction between
such harmless concerns as those of Mr. Hughes are
described to be; and those injurious transaction,

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to which the persons concerned endeavour to give the semblance of fairness. This discrimination can only be made with justice by the confidential officers of the Government on the spot. the Governor in Council therefore directs me to repeat his Lordships reliance on your vigilance & judgement to prevent the present interference founded on motives of justice & humanity from being converted into an instrument of clandestine usury and oppression.

If Mr. Hughes's concerns should be of the nature described by himself & believed by the Governor in Council, you will communicate the order to him: if not you will state further information on the subject for his Lordships consideration

I am &c &c

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

Fort St George
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approved & ordered.

The Secretary reports to the Board the death of Lieut.t Edward Gilchrist of the Infantry Establishment on the 9th Instant.

The Secretary reports the Death of Lieut.t Edward Gilchrist.

Comm.r Chas Dick

" Clive

" Wm Petrie

" E H Fullerton

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