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Nuce containing a large Body of armed men made its appearance on the Roads under the command of the Prince Mayo, who had orders from his Sovereign to cooperate with the British armament. Prince Nuce is warmly attached to the interests of the English, perhaps as much from motives of a long rooted and inveterate animosity he professes against the King of Ternate, as from any real impressions of friendship for us. The Island of Ternate formerly wrested the possession of his ancestors, a neighbouring sub Sovereign, but the present Family, with the aid of the Dutch, deprived them of it by force of arms, since which period it has remained under their dominion.—

Mr Prince Mayo had an interview both with myself and Captain Ball, he tendered his assistance to perform any Service which might be required, and seemed zealously and particularly anxious to be employed

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employed, but having been advised by Mr. Farquhar the Resident at the Moluccas, from motives of policy, to dispense with his Services, they were accordingly declined, however he remained at a moderate distance during the whole of our operations, but perfectly ready to act in case he should be called upon.—

12th Succo occupies the neighbouring Island of Tidore and is a very powerful Prince, and frequent unavailable attempts have been made by the Dutch and their ally His Majesty of Ternate to reduce him to their authority.—

13th The Prince Major was formerly a Prisoner in the hands of the Dutch and confined on the Island of Ceylon, and when that Settlement was captured by the English was released by them and restored to his family, for which he appears to have a most lively sense of gratitude. After Captain Astle had

declined

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declined to pursue any further measures to reduce the Enemys capital, I signified my intention of immediately returning to Amboyna to the Prince, who, upon hearing it was greatly affected and depressed, and testified the strongest emotions of uneasiness, expressed his desire to shew some mark of his gratitude to the British Nation, and retired in the firm hope that he should soon have an opportunity of manifesting his regard & attachment in a more substantial manner than by mere professions of friendship—

I beg leave Having thus faithfully detailed every incident which has occurred to my remembrance, and subjoined a copy of my correspondence relative to the expectation from the first agitation to my return to Amboyna, I shall forbear to make any comments, with respect to the Support or cooperation I received from His Majesty's Naval Officer at the

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this Station, after our arrival at the Enemy's
Fort, (notwithstanding his reiterated promises of
vigorous assistance at the time the expedition
was originally projected) or of the inscrutable
circumstance of his quitting the Convoy under
his charge the second day after our departure, but
firmly trust it will appear that the failure
of the expedition cannot be attributed to the want
of zeal and exertion either on the part of myself
or the brave troops under my command, or that any
conciliatory means were omitted by me to induce
Captain Tuttle to pursue a spirited and hearty
line of conduct.— The good of the public service
only, could have actuated me carefully to suppress
(as I did throughout) my sentiments and feelings
on many occasions of this Officers behaviour
to me, not only in the style of his correspondence,
but the inattentive manner in which he received
me on going on board his Ship off Ternate, to
arrange the plan of attack.—

Yours

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15 12 I beg leave to refer you for further information to Exhibits Nos 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, and 20, which are heretofore noticed.—

Fort Victoria
Amboyna 20th Feb 1801 } I have the honor &c &c

/ Signed / D.t Burns
Col: Comd.t the Moluccas

No 3. Accompanying I have the honor to transmit for the information of the Right Honble the Governor in Council a Sketch of the Island of Ternate to shew the plan of attack made on the enemy which will afford a better idea of the real causes of the failure than sheets written on the same subject.—

/ Signed / D.t Burns
Col: Commanding

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No 1 ——— From Mr Farquhar to Colonel Burns

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No 5.— From Colonel Bowe to Captain Astle

No 6.— Answer

No 7.— Orders 16th January 1801.—

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No 9.— Orders 21st Do 1801.—

No 10.— Orders 22d Do 1801.—

No 11.— From Mr Forgeson to Colonel Bowe.

No 12.— From Do Do to Captain Hayes

No 13.— Orders 10th February 1801.—

No 14.— Summons

No 15.— Answer

No 16.— Colonel Bowe's Note to Captain Astle

No 17.— Morning Orders 11th February

No 18.— Detailed Narrative

No 19.— From Colonel Bowe to Captain Astle

No 20.— General Orders 12th February

No 21.— Captain Astle's answer to Colonel Bowe's Letter No 19.

No 22.— From Colonel Bowe to Captain Astle

No 23.— Answer

No 24.— From Colonel Bowe to Captain Astle

No 25.— From Do Do to Do Do

No 26.— Answer

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No. 18.) Detailed Narrative

January 22d 1801.— Sailed from Amboyna on an Expedition against Ternate, His Majesty's Frigate La Virginie and Sloop Kobart— convoying the Success & and Henrietta Transports, in company with the Armed Ship Ternate and Armed Brig Sylvia= ter. On the 24th the Frigate left the fleet without any previous intimation, and the next day the whole dispersed. On the 8th February, the Success joined the Frigate off Ternate, and on the 9th the whole Fleet joined. On the 10th stood into the Roads of Ternate, and so soon as we came in sight of the Fort and Batteries, a Flag of truce proceeded from the Frigate, with a Summons from the Comman= ders of the Land and Sea Forces to the Governor giving him two hours for deliberation.— The flag reached the Town just after Sun sett and returned about 10 O'Clock P. M. with the Governor's answer re= fusing to surrender— the Boats from the Frigate were immediately dispatched to cut out 3 or 4 small

vessels

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vessels which were seen at Anchor off the Town. —
They effected their object in part, by bringing off one,
which fired one Shot only — and the Fort and Batteries
about 20 —

14th.

About 11 Oclock A. M. of this Day
the Signal was made for the Troops to get into the
Boats, and about half an hour after to quit the
Ships — and come under the Frigates Stern — where
they remained about half an hour when they were
pushed ashore to Land under cover of the Ships of
War — which kept up a very distant and ineffectu-
al Cannonade against a small square Fort
on an elevated Coral Rock, mounting 2 Guns (about
4 Pounders) on each Face, which also fires at the
Boats and Ships, but without effect — about
one Oclock the Troops reached the Shore, they
were immediately formed (agreeable to the orders
that had previously issued) on the Beach —
which was extremely confined by a very close
Jungle — and I suppose more than a Mile distant
from

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from this Fort and protected from its fire by a projecting point of Land.— The troops remained on this ground under Arms in an anxious state of suspence for at least two hours in momentary expectation of the Frigates bearing down within Breaching distance of the Fort, or at least with in such a range as would have silenced the Enemies Guns— and enabled the Troops to have ex Stormed both only the opposition of Musquetry. During this Period the Ships of War kept up a heavy Fire— but most of their Shot fell far short— a cessation of the Forts fire having taken place, the Troops were ordered to advance— and the approach to the Fort leading inland— we soon lost sight of the Ships.—

The route the Troops were led by the Guides was through a Jungle of such a difficult nature, as to require the most patient perseverance, and exertion to penetrate it— there not being the smallest trace of a Road, and they were ex

obliged

obliged to proceed in single File without going a couple of yards in any direction, and the obstructions to the conveyance of the Scaling Ladders was beyond description. about an hour after we had quitted the Beach the Ships of War ceased to fire - and we of course judged the Frigate had borne down close to the Fort and silenced its Fire. This animated the Troops to still greater exertions - and after near another 2 hours laborious effort and fatigue, we came on an advanced Post of the Enemy - concealed from our view by the thickness of the Jungle it gave an irregular fire - which a small Detail of ours returned, the rest proceeding on to the Fort - when we came to an opening of the Jungle, which afforded us a tolerable good view of the upper part of the Fort, the Detachment halted for a few minutes, to enable the Commanding Officer to reconnoitre the most eligible point of assault - but from the nature of the ground

at

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it could not be effected, he therefore ordered
the Troops with Ladders to push on as fast as
circumstances would admit; this was done, and
soon after the front came into an open Spot
completely exposed to the Enemy who commenc-
-ed an extreme heavy fire of Grape, round and
Musquetry, which did much execution and con-
-vinced as the Frigate had remained at her orig-
-nal distance – our Troops pushed with the
greatest intrepidity up a hill within 60 yards
of the Enemy's Guns – in the hope of getting
to the Walls, but when they reached its sum-
-mit, a large chasm was discovered between
the Hill we occupied and the Fort, and from
the dreadful fire to which the Troops were
exposed all the while – (as well from the Fort
as our front, as also from another Post on the rear
of our Right Flank –) the Ladders could not be
brought up –

The only mode now to be adopted

was

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was that of endeavouring by a heavy fire, from all our Men on the Fort to drive the Enemy from their Guns they being also much exposed— this was tried (without noticing the fire on our Rear) and after 20 Minutes incessant Firing — we found the Enemy's fire could not be overpowered, and from the exposed Position we were in, and the great loss we had sustained in Killed and Wounded, the Commanding Officer judged it proper to direct a retreat, which we effected without the Enemy even attempting to harrass us— though they kept up a smart fire from the Guns. As soon as we reached the place of Landing, we only found 3 small Boats ready to reembark us— one of which was immediately dispatched with the Wounded Officer and Men— and another was sent off to our Commodore requesting the assistance of all the Boats of the Fleet. The troops were formed on the Beach in the best disposition of defence possible

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possible against the attacks of savage Malays, whom
we expected would convey us shot by remaind un-
disturbed. From the Extreme distance to which the
Ships had been overwhelmed of remaining at anchor
the more as possible, the largest portion of the
Troops did not quit the Beach until 10 Oclock on
the Morning — and one Detail, from the want of
sufficient Boats being sent, could not be con-
veyed till long after Sunrise. Two of Pun-
dies which had been broached and repaired for
that Service, were landed, but from the high &
surf and Rocky Beach the Boats were upset —
and the Guns which reached, however they
were put to rights, but we found it impractica-
ble to convey them with us, and they were in
consequently left under a small Guard at
the Beach, and every effort on our return to the place,
was made to put them on the Boats. but from the
increased height of the Surf the Boats could no
not come near — and were at length forced to

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vessel sprung - the other vessel previously burnt in the harbour -

12th

This day was taken up in collecting the Wounded on board one vessel and getting the Troops to their respective Vessels -

13th

Nothing could urge the Commodore to cooperate in a vigorous attempt - and in consequence sailed about 12 o'clock at noon on our return to Amboyna where we arrived on the 19th -

(Signed) D. Burn

Col. Comdt. the Moluccas

No 1

To Colonel Daniel Burn

Commanding the Forces at the Moluccas Island

Sir

From the frequent conversations we have had on the subject of Ternate, we both are happily coincided in our opinions as that the occupation of that place would redound much

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much to the honor and advantage of our country, and
that it had hitherto been laid a side more from
the different Officers, formerly in authority at
these Islands shewing different ways, then
from any real want of confinement, and as the
sentiments of Captain Hall, the present
Senior Naval Officer on the Station, likewise
coincide with mine, as to the importance of
that object, and he is willing to cooperate
in the reduction of the place, as soon as he
may return from giving convoy to the Trans-
ports to the Eastward of Cape Finisterre
now called upon to address you, in writing, so
upon the subject, and to communicate to you
officially, those reasons which have invaria-
bly actuated me, during more than four years
residence, and attentive observations at these
Islands, to consider the capture of Teneriffe, not only
an object of Military exploit worthy of considera-
tion, but a conquest from which the English
would

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would derive such unmerited advantages, without incur-
-ring offence, or other inconvenience, of any material
consequence, as to have merited the most serious con-
sideration of the British officers at these Islands,
and their most vigorous efforts to get possession
of it.— As however I have already had occasion
so frequently to give my sentiments in cordiality
of the policy of dispossessing the Dutch of Ceylon-
-nate, instead of again adducing those arguments
to you, I think it will answer the same pur-
-pose to send you copies of my correspondence on
the subject, which I do myself the honor to trans-
-mit herewith.— The Bay are abundantly pro-
-vided, without any additional comments, I
must observe, in support of the measure, that
much more indeed I might be urged now, and
the obstacles, if any, as I said before, ever
existed but imaginary ones, have been entirely
done away.—

The only impediments that

Have

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have ever known brought forward, in support of the inexpediency of the measure, have been founded on the pretensions of the usurper, Prince Nasoo, and the trouble which he might occasion us after the capture; which you will see fully detailed in the accompanying correspondence. And 2dly the risk of dividing of our Forces.—

In regard to the former, I have never had patience to think that such an assertion should be made worthy of consideration by a British power, where an object of national importance was in view. It is as well, and consistent with the Justice and benevolence of the national character, to grant this native Chief, as long as he behaves properly all reasonable indulgence and immunities, but any thing further, such as the ceded of any land consequences arising from his pretensions, which would, I have little doubt, be as extravagant as ruinous, not being accorded

to,

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to, or that he could be of annoyance to us, in any one sense of the word, is not only a reproach to our administration, but too humiliating for the breast of an Englishman to brook for a moment.

In regard to the impolicy of dividing our Forces, expressly intended for the protection of Amboyna and Banda, the detachment you may require for a service of such a nature, will not, in my opinion, (founded on a long residence and attentive observation at these Islands, but with all due deference to your superior judgment on such Subjects,) prejudice in the least, the grand objects of our care, Amboyna and Banda. The Dutch had nominally large Garrisons here, which they took care to publish to all quarters of the globe, but what did their Garrisons consist of? Three fourths of them Natives of these Islands, incorporated on emergencies who only bore the name of Soldiers, without the qualifications, and a few Europeans

and

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and old and infirm, and totally unfit for actual service, were always found sufficient for the protection of these Islands: The minds of the people here are now in such a tranquil state, and the fact of contentment, I am happy to observe, is so universally, as to render any apprehension of internal commotion perfectly out of the question, and I think the danger of being attacked from without is equal unlikely. In short a more Glorious opportunity never presented itself of consolidating the three Sister Governments, Amboyna, Banda and Ternate, of establishing our country on the highest eminence in the estimation of the inhabitants of an immense chain of Islands by rendering the British Empire in these seas sole and absolute, instead of divided and frontial.—

tender this persuasion. I hope, as soon as Captain Kelle, His Majesty's senior Naval Officer returns you will concert with him

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han on the most advantageous method of em-
ploying your respective means, by land and
Sea, to disappoint the Dutch of the settlement
of Ternate—

Fort Victoria
Amboyna 15th
December 1800

} I have the honor &c &c
(Signed) R. T. Farquhar
Resident at the Moluccas

—— No. 2. ——

To Robert T. Farquhar Esqre
Resident at the Moluccas

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge
the receipt of your letter of the 15th instant, &
with its several enclosures, relative to the capture
of Ternate, and from a thorough conviction of
the policy of disappointing the enemy of that
settlement, and at the same time of the ade-
quate means we possess to accomplish that
grand object, without endangering our pre-
sent establishments at Amboyna, and Banda,

I shall

4021 Fort St George 2d June 1801.—

I shall certainly take the execution of the measure into my most serious consideration; and put every thing on a state of readiness as soon as possible, for an enterprize, which from the want of harmony and cooperation as you observe, exists of ample element would seem to have been best about for more than to have existed in reality; or at all events to have been of that import to claim place in the consideration of matters of such consequence.—

As soon as Captain Kelle returns from giving convoy to the Transports I made no doubt but we shall find the means of putting the plan into immediate execution

—o—

Fort Victoria
Amboyna
13th Decr 1801

I have the honor &c &c &c
(Signd) Daniel Burn
Col 6 Comd 6 Commanding
the Moluccas.—

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— No. 3 —

To George Tate Esqr.

Captain of His Majesty's Ship Orpheus, and

Senior Naval Officer at the Molucca Islands

Amboyna

Sir.

I have the honor to acquaint you that in consequence of the powerful arguments adduced officially to me by the Resident Mr. Farquhar of the policy of dispossessing the Enemy of the Settlement of Ternate and the useful addition it would prove to our present possessions and as these ideas and from my own thorough conviction of the importance of that object, and at the same time of the means we hoped to accomplish it without endangering the present grand objects of our care at Amboyna, and Banda, I have prepared a respectable Detachment from the Garrison for the reduction of that place. The Troops under my command with the necessary

Corps

4083 Fort St George 2d June 1801.—

Stores and provisions will be ready to be em-
barked in a day or two on board the Trans-
ports provided by Mr Farquhar for that pur-
pose, and if you continue to be of the same
opinion of the policy of the measures and be
still willing to execute it in concert with us I
request to know at what time His Majesty's
Ship under your Command will be ready
to sail.—

As I consider it however
of importance that a few points should be
adjusted of all doubt and mutually settled
by us, previous to our embarking on the expe-
dition for the General good of the plan, and
its execution with that Cordiality and good
order which are so essentially necessary to its
success, as well as the honor and consequence of
our Country in enterprizes of this nature, I
beg leave to communicate to you what have
appeared to me the most essential articles to

Be

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It to be agreed upon before we start.—

1st That the Troops Stores and Provi-
sions being embarked on the Transports the Ar-
-Squadron shall get under weigh, and proceed to
direct to Tranquebar, under Convoy of His Majesty's
Ships of War under your command.—

2d That we mutually promise to
afford each other in our different departments
the most firm and cordial support and assist-
ance, and to employ all our means & Exertions
to place, in the name of His Majesty the King
of Great Britain, if the most vigorous and reso-
lute attack of the Sea and Land Forces under
your command being rendered to our first com-
mand.—

3d That should I find the Detach-
ment Safe with you from this place, on my arrival
in front of Pondicherry I will undertaking you with
land as many Seamen as you can possibly spare,
to cooperate with the Troops under my command—

That

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1st That with a view to act, in every respect, in perfect concert, there shall not be communication of any nature whatsoever, between the Ships and the Shore, without the previous knowledge and consent of each other, and that during the reduction of the place every intelligence correspondence and transaction, in every kinds of these words shall bonafidely communicated with ofhers, unless the exigencies of the situation render the delay, or other impediment to such communication dangerous or prejudical to the common cause, in which case the measures must be left to the exercise of our seperate judgment, and communicated by the first opportunity. —

2d That all official correspondence with the people of the Island, or those in possession of the fortifications of every discription, be signed by both of us, but as these a kings Comonption, with the Rank of Colonel,

that

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that my signature shall appear first.—

The above are the chief articles which have occurred to me conformable to the interest of the proposed expedition, and I beg to observe, at the same time that I submit these propositions to your consideration, I shall be happy to be favored with any other suggestions and remarks that you may deem conducive to the success or benefit of the undertaking —

I have the honor &c. &c.
(signed) Daniel Burr.
Col. Comt. the Moluccas

Fort Victoria
Amboyna
12th Sept. 1801

—— No. 6. ——

Colonel Burr
Commandant at
Amboyna

Sir,

I received your letter of this days
date respecting the reduction of the Island of

Ferne &c

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Ternate I beg to be informed of the number of troops you propose taking with you to Ternate, should I conceive the Detachment strong enough with the assistance of His Majesty's Ships La Virginie and Hobart to reduce that Island, I shall take upon myself to leave Amboyna and Banda for a short time without the protection of the Men of War, in which case you may rely upon my supporting the enterprize by every possible means in my power.

With respect to the signatures mentioned in article 5 I think it a matter of very small importance, as it is usual having a Head common every Subscription on the army has one the only Kings Officers here are the Officers serving on the men of War, I believe in all articles of capitulation the signatures are guided by rank, and in most that I have seen, the Naval Officers have generally signed first; the other articles I apprehend of much

The

4088 Fort Algoop 2d June 1801.—

The Virginie and Robert will be ready for Sea in four or five days.—

His Majesty's Ship La Virginie
Amboyna 12th Jan.y 1801.—

I have the honor &c.a &c.a
Signed G. Astle

—No. 5—

To George Astle Esq.re
Captain of His Majesty's Ship La Virginie,
and Naval Officer at the Moluccas Islands.

Sir,

I have been favored with yours of
this days date, and as you therein observe, there is
all articles of capitulation the signatures are
granted by rank, and as I am of the rank of
Colonel I conclude you agree to my signature
appearing first in all public correspondence
that may take place during the expedition
against Ternate.—

Including artillery, I propose
taking a Detachment from this place, consist-
ing of 302 Men, which number with the addi-

tion

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-tance of His Majesty's Ship La Virgine and
Hobart, will I conceive, be perfectly adequate
to the undertaking.—

Fort Victoria
Amboyna 12th. Sept. 1801 } I have the honor &c. &c.
(Signed) Dan: Burn
Col. Comdt. the Moluccas

No. 6.

Colonel Burn
Commanding at the
Moluccas

Sir

To prevent a tedious correspon-
dence upon a matter of small importance I
agree to your signing your name wherever you
think proper in all public correspondence
that may take place during the expedition
against Ternate, and I shall sign my name
in a line with yours I beg to send a book for
your perusal, in the Appendix of which you
will find many articles of capitulation.—

Your

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His Majesty's Ship Ceylon
Amboyna 13th Jan.y 1807. } I have the honor &c.
(Signed) G. Astle

— No. 7 —

Head Quarters Fort Victoria

16th January 1807—

General Orders By Colonel Burr

Commd.g the Moluccas

The following Details to be immediately held
in readiness to Embark on the Shortest Notice,
and to be furnished with the best Arms and
accoutrements of their respective Corps.—

Artillery.

1 Serjeant, 1 Corporal, 1 Gunner, 1 Matrosse, &
1 Syrang, 1st Lascab, 1 2d Lascab, 2 Puckallies, and
25 Gun Lascars.—

Captain Ross to command this Detail

Madras European Regiment

2 Serjeants, 2 Corporals, 1 Drummer, 1 Fifer, 2 Puckallies,
and 75 Privates, Captain Walker to Command.—

Rangers Corps

1 Serjeant, 1 Corporal, 1 Gunner, 1 Puckallie and

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1st Regt. Lieutenant Wyatt to Command, who will however do duty with the Detachment under Captain Walker also.—

Wurtemberg Company

2 Serjeants, 2 Corporals, 1 Drummer, 1 Fifer, 2 Packs attics and 30 Privates. Captain Forsyth and Lieutenant Stone.—

Bengal Marine Battalion

1 Subadar, 1 Jemadar, 3 Havildars, 3 Naiques, 1 Drummer, 1 Fifer, 2 Bearers and 30 Sepoys Lieutenant Lyell.—

Volunteers

2 Serkedars, 2 Jemadars, 3 Havildars, 3 Naiques 1 Drummer, 1 Fifer, 2 Puckallies and 30 Sepoys Captain Boss.—

Lascars

2 Tindals and 30 Lascars Mr Hunter in charge of the Camp Equipage, but under the order of Captain Ross.—

The above details to be delivered over this Evening

4092 Fort Mysore 2d June 1801.

Evening at 3 O'Clock, to the immediate Change of respective Officers appointed to them who will be particularly careful in seeing that every Man is Compleated with good small Flints, 2 good Flints a piece of Cloth to wrap the Pan of their Firelock, and a Woollen Cloth Stopper to fill the Muzzle of the Fire-lock close — Hugh Lord Esqr. Paymaster and Commissary Proceeding with the Troops under Orders for embarkation, will receive Instructions respecting the Quantity of Provisions to be Shipped from the Commanding Officer — Asst. Surgeon Wilson, will hold himself in readiness to accompany the troops under Orders, and on his embarking with them, Asst. Assistant Surgeon Addison will take charge of the general Hospital, during his Lord absence —

Captain Kay will be pleased to Indent for the ordnance necessary and the

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the proportion of Military Stores, of all des-
criptions requisite for the Service.—

Mr Hunter to Indent for
the proportion of Camp Equipage
Colonel Beer with precaution pleasure excepts
the Service of Captain Bougham and appoints
him to Act as Asst de Camp, and Captain Ro-
skeridge as Interpreter until further or-
ders.—

Mr Vincent having offered himself as a
Volunteer on the present Service, the Com-
manding Officer, cannot but commend
his Military Spirit and feels great satis-
faction in consenting to his proceeding on
the Expedition on that capacity and attache
him to the Detachment under Captain Walker.—
Present Roster of the above details to be
held in readiness to be sent into the Major
of Brigade when called for

By order of Colonel Beer
Comdg the Troops
[illegible]

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/ Signd / J. Boles

Major of Brigade and Secretary

General After Orders. One Havildar 40

and 8 Sepoys of the 1st. Bengal native Regi-

ment having volunteered to embark on the

intended Service — they will join the Detail

of the Bengal Marine Battalion; and the

same number to be deducted from the De-

tail ordered from the Volunteer Corps.—

— No. 8 —

Head Quarters Fort Victoria

25th. June 1801.—

General Order By Colonel Brow

Commanding the Troops at the

Moluccas

The Bengal Marine Battalion

to move Tomorrow Morning into the Barracks

prepared for them in the Fort. and their

Barracks outside, the Fort will be occupied

by the Troops of Captain Boles's Corps—

To

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The Detail of Artillery remain-
-ing at Amboyna will move into the Barrack va-
-cated by the Detail of the Wirtemberg Company
ordered on service Volunteer Sepoys will sleep in
the Late Artillery Barracks till further
orders.——

All Officers belonging to the
Garrison will sleep in the Fort after the Troops
embark:—

The troops under orders for
Service, to embark To-morrow on the follow-
-ing Ships.—

His Majesty's Ship Labourdonnais	Detail of the Madras European Regiment	Lieut. Elliot
His Majesty's Ship Holland	Artillery and Wirtemberg Company	Do. Steiner
The Henrietta Transport	Artillery Lascars & Bengal Marine Detail	Do. Gill
The Success Transport	Volunteer Sepoys Tent and Store Lascars	Capt. Price

From

4096 Fort St George 2d June 1801

Arm Chests to be Indented for by Officers Commanding Details—

The Europeans to Embark from the Wharf at 6 O'Clock A. M. and the Natives at Noon—

The Ammunition in the Pouches of the whole to be returned into Stores this Evening—

Captain Walker—Captain & Qr. Mr. Surgeon Wilson, Lieut. Lords Commy. Paymaster and Commissary—Mr. Conductor Hunter, and Mr. Vincent, Volunteer to embark on the Hannibal transport—

Captain Gaugh, Captain Brougham Aid de Camp, Captain Aldridge Interpreter and Captain Baker Major of Brigade and Secretary to accompany the Commanding Officer on the Success—

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Head Quarters Fort Victoria

21st Septr 1801

General

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General Orders By Colonel Burr

Commanding the Troops at the

Moluccas

The Commanding Officer finds it necessary to make the following alteration in the Orders of Embarkation The European Artillery to be moved from the Henrietta Transport to His Majesty's Ship Hobart, and the Pioneers to remain on the Sweep Transport.

By order of Colonel Burr

Commanding

Signed/ S. Boles

Major of Brigade

No 10

Head Quarters Sweep Transport

Audagna Harbour 22d Sept 1801

General Orders By Colonel Burr

Commanding

The troops for the intended service having embarked and every possible attention having

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having been paid to their comfort and conveni-
-ence, Colonel Beon hopes that Men by their good
Conduct while on board, and regularity and obedi-
-ence to their Officers when Landing and while on
Shore will shew themselves sensible of the Comman-
-ing Officers attention to them.—

States of the Troops actually em-
barked to be sent in by 3 O'Clock to the Major
of Brigade by Officers in Command of Details
as also Returns from the Head of Department
agreable to the General Order of the 19th Instt.—

Officers Commanding Details
are therefore by requested to pay the greatest
attention to the Accoutrements of their Men and
to take out the Arms every three Days at least
and see them well wiped and rubbed inside &
with a dry cloth and the Flints well fast in—

By order of Colonel Beon
Signed J Boles

Major of Brigade.

So

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No 11

To Colonel Daniel Burr

Commanding the Land Forces at the

Molucca Islands

Sir

Agreeably to our arrangement made last night, relative to Captain Hayes, and the Lieutenant of the Bombay Marine so just arrived, I have desired him to put himself under your Orders, and do myself the Honor to send you herewith, copy of his Instruction.— Captain Hayes Detachment is to be furnished with thirty Stand of Arms from the Commander of the Hermitte, and the other two may Suffice, to early procured from the other reports, and to get as ready as possible, the Papoys. I beg to recommend Captain Hayes to your Notice, as an Officer who has frequently distinguished himself by his zealous and gallant conduct on the

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Hon.ble Company's Service.—

Amboyna
22d Jan.y 1801

Share the honor &c. &c.

(Signed) R. F. Farquhar

Resident at the Moluccas

—No. 12—

To Captain Hayes

Honorable Company's Bombay Marine

Sir,

Your arrival at Amboyna, just as an expedition against an enemy's settlement, was to leave this, afforded me an opportunity of availing myself of your services and appointing you at the head of the crew you brought round for the Service, to act with the Land Forces under the command of Colonel Burn.—

At the same time that I am convinced your assistance will be a great acquisition to the expedition, I feel a further satisfaction, and which will compensate I hope,

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hope in some measure, for the disappointment you have experienced, in being able to afford an officer of your highly approved merits an opportunity of displaying his zeal for the public service, on so important an enterprize—

Your men are to be distributed in following manner— Twenty on board His Majestys Ship Hobart, and ten on board each of the Hastle Companys cruizers Terrate and Splinter. They will be furnished with 30 Stands of arms from the commander of the Henrietta, and ten more from one of the other vessels, which it will be necessary to get in readiness during the passage.

You are of course to consider yourself at the head of the Marine at the Settlement and sincerely hope I may have an opportunity of employing you in that capacity on this occasion—

Fort Victoria
Amboyna
22d January 1801

I am Sir &c.
(Signed) R. T. Farquhar
Resident at the Moluccas

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/A true Copy/

/Signed/ R. F. Farquhar

Resident

No 13.

Head Quarters Success Transport

off Tornate 10th February 1801—

General Orders By Colonel Burr

Commanding the Troops at the

Moluccas

Parole Ogland.

All Officers immediately to

join their respective Corps— on board the seve-

ral Ships of the fleet.

The whole of the Troops to be

completed, without delay, with Abridgeat Ammu-

nition and Officers Commanding Detachments

of Corps will see that the Firelocks of their Men

are perfectly clean— and Flints well fixt in—

On the Signal being made

from the Commodores Ship for the Troops to be

on

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in readiness to Land &c— the two 6 Pounders with their Limbers &c are to be put into the Boats intended to be employed in conveying them on Shore. Captain Roy and such Artillery Men, as he may or think proper, will accompany them.—

When the Signal is made for the Troops to get into their respective Boats— the Officers will take care that it is done in a regular manner (each Rear Rank Man following his file Leader) and without hurry. The Officers are requested to be particularly observant that the Men are placed in the Boats and Land from, in the same order they are to be drawn up, on Shore, as nearly as circumstances can be properly attended to.—

The Pioneers and as many Seamen as can be spared, are to accompany the Scaling Ladders and bring them on Shore, under the direction of the Conductor Hunter who will at the same time bring 10 Barrels

of

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of Musquet Ammunition from the Henrietta Transport.

The Commissary of Grain and Provi-
sions will be pleased to send on Shore, without a
loss of time, one Days provision and Arrack for the
whole of the Europeans to be served out to them, as
the Commanding Officer may direct, and he will
receive further orders respecting the remainder of
the provision Stores, which he will have in readiness
to Land on the Shortest notice. —

The Native Corps and followers
will carry one Days Provision in their Knapsacks;
but the Troops are not to encumber themselves
with Baggage of any description. —

To prevent any accident in the
Boats from Bayonets — they are to remain on the
Scabbards, and are not to be fixed but by direct
order from the Officers and after the Troops are
formed on shore (except in the event of the Enemy
immediately opposing the Landing); in which
case the officers will see the necessity of their having

Yours sincerely

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Previously paid the utmost attention in putting the Men onto the Boats in a regular manner— and of not allowing any alteration of that order while on the Boats— This will be more obvious and necessary should the Landing be made at night— that each Man may know his right hand and be able to form more readily—

The utmost silence must be enjoined and enforced on board each Boat— and when disembarking from them—

No man to be permitted to load his Firelock— and Colonel Bunn recommends in the strongest manner Officers Commanding Details of Corps to perform exhaten device may be required— with the Bayonet— and he regrets they will employ the Soldier and Sepoy with a proper Idea of the true value of that Weapon— which no endeavours of the Enemy can withstand— when in the hand of the British Soldier Previous circumstances of

night

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might however occur that would render it prov-
dent to be in readiness to give a Fire — of which Of-
ficers Commanding Corps will judge, and will
be pleased to give the necessary orders (should
they be separated from the Main Body) such ne-
cessity the Colonel hopes may not offer — but
Landing is more particularly to be avoided at
night.—

Should the Landing be effected
at one place — and that the ground will ad-
-mit of it — The troops will form in the follow-
-ing order — The Detachment of the Bengal
Native Battalion on the right — that of the
Madras European Regiment on its left: then
the Detail of the Wirtemberg Company — and
that of the Volunteer Corps on the left of the
whole.—

One 6 Pounders with a Propor-
-tion of Artillery, between the Details of the
Bengal Native Battalion and Madras Eu-
-ropeans

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European Regiment— the other 6 Pounders— with the remainder of the Artillery, between the Details of the Wellesley Company and Volunteer Corps.—

The Pioneers, with the Scaling Ladders in the rear of the center.—

Captain Hayes Volunteer Seamen will act with the Artillery, and should it be necessary to bring forward the Scaling Ladders to the attack— Colonel Burr requests Captain Hayes will be pleased to give orders for them to advance in this manner in front of the Troops.—

Colonel Burr positively forbids any Soldier or Sepoy quitting the Ranks or Tents of his Division, on any pretence, without express Leave from himself. He prohibits— on pain of Death— Plundering of any kind— and any Person, whether Soldier, Sepoy, Pioneer, Lascar, or other of any description whatsoever— who may be found guilty of it— will assuredly be brought to condign Punishment.—

Details

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Details of Corps to be told off into Sub-divisions and Sections each Section to consist of 5 files.—

By order of Colonel Brow
Commanding the Troops
/Signed/ T. Boles
Major of Brigade

—No 11—

To the Honble John Cranen Esqre
Governor in Council of Penang
Fort Orange

Honorable Sir

The Considerable Land and Sea Forces which we find ourselves before this place, oblidge us the undersigned, to give unto ourselves that you will pay immediate obedience to this our Summons, in the name of our Master the King of Great Britain, to Surrender the Island of Penang with all it's Fortifications to the British Arms. A delay of more than two hours Contradictions will not

be

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be granted you.— We are ready to grant a capitulation that can be resolved upon in this or space of time, and Commissioners on your part are immediately to be sent to us, but if you act contrary to our expectations and reject the Offer we now make you, we shall immediately employ our most vigorous Armament by Land and Sea, to reduce the place by force of Arms, and you, and every Individual embodied in the Dominions, must submit to the Mercy of the Conquerors.—

We have the honor &c &c &c

[Signed] Daniel Burn

Col. Com.g the Troops in the Eastward

[Signed] G. Hobbs

Commanding His Britannic Majesty's Ships off Fernette

Dated S.E. off the Town of Pernambuco

on board of His Majesty's Ship

La Surveillante 10th Feb.y 1801.

To

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No. 15.

To the Honble Daniel Burr

commanding the Troops at the Moluccas

and

G. Robt Elphinstone

Commanding His Britannic Majesty's

Ships and Vessels at the Moluccas.

Gentlemen,

The answer of the Governor and Council of the Moluccas, to your letter of this days date in which you have summoned this Government and this Settlement in a very strange manner, is, that the same shall not fall into the hands of our Enemies, excepting by force of arms.

We have the honor &c. &c.

Signed, in Fort George 10th June 1801

(Signed) H. A. Cranstz
D. A. van Dedem
Maands
J. Rodyk

Captain

4511 Port George 2d June 1801.

No 16.

Captain George Astle Esqr

&c &c &c

My Dear Sir

From the information receiv-
ed last night from Captains Poles and Aldridge
I am clearly of opinion that instead of attacking
any of their detached Batteries you should at
once run upon Ships of War up along side the
Fort and Cannonade it vigorously so as to ena-
-ble one to land the Troops under cover of your
fire— I have no doubt we should oblige the ene-
my, by such a resolute step, to Capitulate im-
-mediately —

Success Galley
11th Feby 1801

Yours truly
Signed Daniel Burr

Head Quarters Pool's Transport
off Pensacola 11th Feby 1801

General Morning Order By Col. Burr
Commanding

As soon as the Troops are emb-
-ked

4112 Fort George 2d June 1801.

Hint to effect a Landing the Detachment un-
der Captain Walker will endeavour to gain poss-
-ession of the Flag Staff Bastion for which pur-
-pose it will be furnished with Fascines (to
cross the Ditch) and 2 Scaling Ladders. Captain
Kop will proceed to the Gate of the Fort, (which
is open with one of the 6 Pounders) supported by
the Detachment of the Bengal Marine Battalion
under Lieutenant Gill who will have two
Scaling Ladders, to endeavour to gain the
Ramparts on the angle between the Gate and
the Flag Staff Bastion. The Detachment
of the volunteer Corps under Captain Boles will
be furnished with 3 Scaling Ladders and guard
the Ramparts of the curtain to the north of the
Gate and the Detachment of the Wurtemberg
Company under Captain Gunjh, to have 3 Scal-
-ing Ladders to escalade the S.W. Gate angle
Bastion on the Sea face.

Should any of the Parties
for

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pon the Ramparts before the Gate is blown open, Captain Kop will cause to fire from the 6 Pounder against it for one of the Parties will proceed to open it and the other Detachments will clear the Works of the Fort but not to descend into the Streets, till they receive orders from Colonel Burr —

The volunteer Seamen under Captain Hayes — he will be headed to divide into two Parties One to accompany the Artillery to the gate — and the other to Escalade the Flag Staff Bastion — for which purpose Two Scaling Ladders will be allotted to it — and the English Colours will be sent with this Party, under Captain Hayes, to be hoisted on the Works as soon as possible. —

By order of Colonel Burr
Commanding
(Signed) A. Bates
Major of Brigade

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4114 Fort St George 2d June 1801

N.B. The above order was not Published to the Troops—as Captain Astle would not consent to go against the Fort—but insisted positively on going against the Detached Battery—to be fenced that order—and the Colonel spoke to the same effect—

11th February

/Signed/ J. Bates

—No. 19—

To George Astle Esqr

Commander of His Majesty's Ship La Virginie, and His Majesty's Ships and Vessels off Tornate—

Sir

In consequence of the unexpected check that the Forces employed against Ternate received yesterday, on an attack of one of the detached Batteries, deem it necessary and incumbent on me (from the circumstance of the defence of the Moluccas being committed to my charge) to come to a positive determin-

-ation

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-ed, and prompt line of Conduct, which is as follows—That as the present land Forces on board the fleet now off Tornate, are merely a part of the Troops destined for the defence of Amboyna and Banda—nothing further should be put to the risk of a second repulse—if you will therefore undertake to make a practicable Breach in the Main Fort of Tornate, and take off the defenders on the Facing Angles of the Breach (without noticing any other object of attack) I will when in my opinion this effected, land my People and storm the Breach—provided it is done in the course of Tomorrow. Should you reject this proposal I am decidedly of opinion that not a moment should be lost, in one of His Majesty's Ships of War proceeding with the utmost expedition direct to Amboyna—and which I earnestly request you will comply with—as I make no doubt but our failure here will be transmitted with the utmost expedi-

-ty

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-ty to our Enemies abandonment, and in this case, the safety of that important Settlement may be endangered; and as the Success Galley has Water enough, and is a fast Sailer, she might with propriety also be dispatched — and the others to proceed under convoy of the other of His Majesty's Ships under your Command

I hope you will favor me with your determination with the least possible delay.—

Success Galley
12th February 1801

I have the honor &c.
/Signed/ Daniel Burr
Colonel Commanding the Moluccas

N.B. — No 20 being the morning orders and General orders of the 12th February should come in after this Letter.—

— No. 21 —

To Daniel Burr Esqre
Commanding the Honble Company's
Troops off Pinnate

Sir,

I have received your Letter of this

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this days date, requesting to know if I will con-
-descend to make a practicable Breach in the
Main Fort of Tornate, and to take off its
defences on the Leeward Angle of the Breach in
the event of tomorrow, and that when in my
power opinion that it effected you will re-
turn your troops and Storm the Breach,
to reply to which I have to say that from
the calm state of the weather and strong
Currents against us I do not conceive it
practicable in so short a time, and think
even if a Breach was made with all the ad-
vantages above stated that from the three
o'clock in the Boats received yesterday from
a small Part that I keep in Mooring,
to man Two vessels under sail
I shall not be able to comply with your re-
quest for a man of War to convoy the Sul-
-tan Galley to Amboyna, and will order the
Colonel for that purpose, as I do not intend

Jany

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going to Amboyna in His Majesty's Ship the Sorgi-
ere, I shall order the Troops on board her to be sent
on board the Hobart.—

Le Sorgiere off Trivat
12th Feby 1801.

I have the honor &c &c
Signed G. Astle

—No 22—

To George Astle Esqre
Commander of His Majesty's Ship Le
Sorgiere and His Majesty's Ships and
Vessels off Tellicherry

Sir,

I have this moment had the
honor to receive your reply to my letter of this
days date, and am much concerned that my
proposal has been rejected by you, the severe
sickness the Troops have received is undoubtedly
to be lamented, but there is a great aid of
mutual defence in attacking a strong batte-
ry on a complete state of Defence and under
peculiar and unsurmountable difficulties

even

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com had I been provided with a much superi-
-or force and the storming a practicable Breach
which I had hoped in an early part of the day
would have been effected by the Ships of War &
and in this case I have not a doubt would have
been effected with Success.—

I further beg leave to add that
that part of my letter which related to Com.
-oy for the Troops destined for the protection of
Tanjore seems still to my mind to be abso-
-lutely necessary should it not operate against
more important Services you may have en con-
-templation.—

I have &c &c &c
Sweep Galley off
Fort St George 12 Feb. 1801

(Signd) Daniel Burr
Colonel Comdt &c &c &c

To
Head Quarters Sweep Transport
off Fort St. 12th Feb. 1801

General

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General Morning Orders By Col. Burr

Commanding

The Senior Officer on board each

Ship will be directed to send in a Return to the

Major of Brigade of such Wounded Men of

the different Corps as may be on board their re-

spective Ships and Officers Commanding Corps

will take the earliest opportunity of sending

a Return of the killed and missing of their

Corps.

By order of Colonel Burr

Sgd J. Bates

Major of Brigade

Head Quarters Fort St George

1st June 1801

General Orders By Colonel Burr

Commanding the Troops at the

Moluccas

Colonel Burr feels himself re-

called by them to return his best thanks to the

Troops

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Troops and Volunteer Bombay Marine for their
Conduct on the Attack of the Rajah's Battery
yesterday Evening which tho' unsuccessful—
le bears testimony to their Steadiness and In-
trepidity in sustaining for so considerable
a length of time such extraordinary and
heavy a Fire of Round, Grape, and Mus-
=quetry on front and Rear at a distance of
not exceeding Sixty yards, and their great
exertions to overcome the Enemies Fire, till
(from its failure) he judged it prudent
to order a retreat as also from the impos-
=sibility of advancing the Scaling Ladders
the Rock the ground admitted of their
being placed at the Foot of the Walls, it
is doubtful they could have been Escalad-
=ed with effect owing to their great height, as
and the perfect State which the whole of the
Works were in at a moment when he expected
to have formed a practicable Breach, in or

which

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which he might shew his Brave Men, an Enemy
within their reach, to contend with—

The Patience and Perseverance
with which they surmounted extraordinary
difficulties on landing, and approaching the
Rajah's Battery through an uncommonly close
Jungle, and annoyed by Arrows and Musquet
fire fired by Parties of Malays concealed from
view by the thickness of the high Grass and
Bamboo wood— has perhaps been seldom equalled
exceeded— and he hopes to lead them to an Object
more worthy of their exertions on the coming
of Tomorrow, for which purpose he directs them
to be prepared as soon as possible—

The Commanding officer offers
his warmest thanks to the Officers in general
European and Native for their very handsome con-
duct throughout, but he conspicuous and parti-
cularly active situations in which some of them were
placed, demands his particular notice— The

gallantry

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sincerely laments the misfortune of that meri-
torious Officer Captain Walker of the Royal
European Regiment who fell from Wounds receiv-
ed within 50 Yards of the Enemy's Guns, when so
most gallantly leading his Corps to the Assault
he begs his acceptance of his Sincere thanks so
for his active Services and his Warmest wishes
for his Speedy recovery.—

Colonel Burn would be much
wanting to the Merits of Captain Rose of the Ar-
tillery, were he not to take this opportunity to
express his regret for his similar Misfortune—
and his esteem and thanks for his gallant
Conduct: as also Captain Gruffs Command-
ing the Wurtemberg Company, for whose hand-
some Service the Colonel requests his accep-
tance of this Acknowledgment—

Captain Hayes Command-
ing the volunteer Bombay Marine will be pleased
to accept the Colonels thanks for his conduct and

exertions

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expiation particularly in forwarding the Sailing Dispatches and also for his assisting to reimbark the Troops.

To Captain Brenghton, who acts as Aid de Camp - and Captain Aldridge Interpreter, the Commanding Officer feels himself much indebted, and is happy in this expressing his sense of their assistance and exertion - and also to Mr. Surgeon Wilson - Colonel Brown is extremely obliged for his close attention to his Duty. The zeal and activity displayed by Captain Bolis, as well in his Staff capacity, as in his leading the Detachment of volenteer Corps on this occasion, is entitled to the Colonels highest praise - and begs his acceptance of his best thanks -

By order of Colonel Brown
Comd. 4th D.

(Signed) J. Bolis
Major of Brigade -

Darnell

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No 23

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Daniel Burn Esqre

&c &c &c

Sir.

I had the honor to receive your second letter of yesterday's date, I cannot clearly understand the latter part of it, as I informed you in my letter of yesterday that I would order the Robert to convoy the Troops to Amherstburg, before informed you it was not my intention to return immediately to Amherstburg in the Oregonie. The Newcastle's water may be completed from the ships of war and if you do not wish to wait for her, I will order the Newcastle to convoy her to Amherstburg, which ought to be sufficient force, as there is not the smallest chance of meeting with any enemy's vessels on the passage.—

With respect to my reporting to you proposal in your first letter of yesterday,

I

No 26 Fort St George 2d June 1801.—

I must refer you to my answer to that letter, as it will be only repeating what I have then said—

His Majesty's Ship La-
-vinia off Tornate
13th Feby 1801.

I have the honor &c &c
I Signed G. Astle

— No 24 —

To George Astle Esqre

Commander of His Majesty's Ship Lavinia-
-nia and His Majesty's Ships and Vessels
Tornate

Sir

I have the honor to receive your reply to my second letter of yesterday wherein you repeat your intention of sending the Reboot to convoy the Sherif Galley to Amboyna—but am sorry you do not understand my negociation of His Majesty's Ship La vinia returning to Amboyna with the other Ships to guard against the possibility of any accident happening to the other Transport on her return with the great

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427. Fort George 2d. June 1807.—

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a part of our Native Troops.—

I must again repeat that it entirely depends on your vigorously and closely attacking the Town itself so as to Breach it—to enable our troops to carry it—which if you still continue to reject, I request an immediate Signal may be made for the Hobart and Lucy to return to Amboyna.—

I have the honor &c. &c.

Lucy Galley off
Punak 13th Feby 1810 (Signd) Dan: Burr
Colonel Comdt the Moluccas

— No 25.—

To George Astle Esqre
Commander of His Majestys Ship Leo
Virgins and His Majestys Ships and
Vessels off Ternate.—

Sir

Before we part asunder let me entreat of you to make one vigorous effort to accomplish the object of the expedition. We have a

fresh

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fresh leading wind and were all the Ships of War to run close in to the Fort I make no doubt but the enemy's Guns would be silenced in a quarter of an hour, and as the Gate is perfect-ly exposed it might be blown open in five minutes when the Troops shall promptly land and execute their duty.—

I am more encouraged to make this request for the honor of the British arms, and more particularly for the credit and reputation of this armament.—

I have the honor &c &c

(Signed) Dan: Burn

Sloop of Galley
Off Penang 15th
Feby 1801—

Col. Comg the Moluccas

—No 26—

Daniel Burn Esqre
&c &c &c

Sept

Our force is now much reduced from the Table hereto attached &c &c

Bombay

429. Fort St George 22 June 1801—

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Battery, I do not think it now sufficient to restrain the Island of Ternate even if the Ships should re-make a Breach in the Grand Fort—and Should the Troops meet with a second repulse and the Ships be disabled we endanger both Amboyna and Banda, therefore think we cannot re-with prudence attempt a second attack with our present force as the Enemy will certainly make a resolute resistance—

I have the honor &c &c

His Majesty's Ship Le-
viathan off Ternate 19th
June 1801

Signed E. Hill

I did not receive the following
letter until after my return to Amboyna, but I
do leave to add it for the information of Govern-
ment—

(Signed) Dan. Burr
Col. Commandg

Colonel Burr
&c &c &c

Ternate

Having sent in a flag of truce

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to Tonate, with the prisoners captured in the Dutch
company's vessel Wasker, by the boats of His Majesty's
Ships. I got in exchange four English soldiers, three
badly wounded, I do not think it advisable to send
them on to Sylhet, as the has no Surgeon on board
the one I to send to whom is not wounded I have good
reason to believe had given the enemy information
that he ought not to have given —

It gives me great pleasure to
find the prisoners have been remarkably well
treated — By all information I can get it ap-
pears the force at Tonate consists of 500 Europe-
ans most of them non commissioned officers
and about two thousand Natives regularly
trained to small arms the rest of the Natives
who appear much attached to the Dutch &
are armed with cutlasses bows and arrows &c.
&c. I understand the Enemy had two hundred
men in the Battery that was attacked and
that they had three hundred men with two

field

4135 Fort Georges 2d June 1801.

Field pieces on the right flank of your troops—

I shall great reason to suppose sup-
plies are daily expected from Macassar I shall continue
to cruize here, therefor if you have any thing of im-
portance to communicate I shall be off here or in
their neighbourhood.—

His Majesty's Ship Leo
Sergeance off Ternate
8th Feby 1801.—

I have the honor &c &c &c

Signed P. Rolle

To the Right Honble Lord Clive

Governor in Council

Fort St George

My Lord,

I have the honor to inform your Lordship
in Council that the Resident, Mr Forgueson, having
recently set forth to me the great political advan-
tages that would be derived to our present
possessions in this seat, and the British interest
in general, from the reduction of the Dutch
force at the Island Ternate, I took the earliest
occasion of that measure into my most serious
consideration, and after in the first instance, as
being

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Hugh Robinson appointed by the Bombay Government to the Command of H.M. Company's Ship Sceptre having arrived after that Vessel was condemned has been ordered to act on board an armed Merchant vessel until the pleasure of Government shall be known. States it to be his intention to relieve the Garrison of Mocador which by the last account was much reduced by Sickness &c.

being convinced, in my own mind, of being able to quit the great object of my care, Amboyna & Banda, for a short period, with perfect security on the second, of the importance of the captures and thirdly, of the adequate means we possess to accomplish the reduction of Ternate, I proposed the expectation to Captain Noble, the Majesty's Senior naval Officer, who not only concurred with Mr. Farquhar and myself on the occasion, but in his official correspondence on the subject, promised the most hearty vigorous and determined cooperation of the Sea forces under his command, to dispossess the enemy by force of arms, should they not surrender to our first summons. We consequently embarked on the service on the 22d January, but deeply am I concerned to be obliged to inform your Lordship in Council, that, far from meeting with that cooperation from Captain Noble, which from what had passed between us

Amboyna

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Amboyna, had very reason to expect, no sooner
were [illegible] limited than myself, and the brave troops
under my command, were left without the small-
est support from the squadron, which Captain
Hall only found out at the moment of coming to
close action he could not authorized to rest being en-
gaged, animated to attack one of the enemy's small
forts, by the delusive hope of support from the ter-
-minous battery of the La Virginie frigate, on
taking off some of their defences, we were obliged
to desist from the attempt from the event of no
that promised support, and finding, when too
late, that His Majesty's senior Naval Officer no
could not mutually employ his force in
any one way with effect, and after numerous ab-
-tempts to excite him to it, as well for the honor of
the British arms in general, as the present oc-
-casion in particular I was mortified to
leave the service unperformed not thinking it
prudent to risk my men to the execution of the

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place, without the cooperation of the Senior Naval
Officer, who kept the Ships under his command
at so great a distance from the scene of action,
that not a single seaman was killed or wounde-
ed by the enemy during the expedition. Lieute-
nant Colt, commanding the Honble Compa:
ys Ship Tornado, mounting 12 Six pounders, &
and Lieutenant Rawlings commanding the
Honble Company's brig Splinter, mounting
10 four pounders I am much indebted to, for &
their close and spirited engagement with the
enemy, on the sea face of the fort, while my
troops were attacking it on the land side;
but their weight of metal was too small to
make any impression on the enemy's fortifica-
tion -

I am sorry to acquaint your &
Lordships in Council, that among the wounded &
are two meritorious Officers, who particularly
distinguished themselves in the attack, Captain
Walker

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Walker, who commanded the European infantry, and Captain Ross, who commanded the Artillery, whose wounds, however, I am happy to say, are not like. ly to prove mortal.—

I beg leave to refer your Lordship's enclosed to a more minute account of the transactions in my public address to the Secretary to Government, which the whole of my proceedings, from the first agitation of the question relative to Tornak, to the time of my return, are detailed for your Lordship's information.—

Captain Hayes of the Honble Compa. ny's Bombay Marine, who was appointed by that Government to the command of the Honorable Company's Ship Swift and arrived here soon after she was condemned, has been ordered by Mr Farquhar to act on board an armed merchantman, until the pleasure of Government be known, which measure, from the obvious necessity of another officer, belonging to the

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The Hon^ble Company being about the Islands at this
period, I most highly approve, and have consequent-
ly afforded every assistance in my power to Capt.
Sam Hayes, who will proceed shortly on a cruize
off the enemy's settlement at Tornate. I shall
take the opportunity of Captain Hayes going to
the Northward to relieve the Garrison of Amboyna
which has been stationed there eighteen months
and is, by the last account, much reduced by
sickness.

Fort Victoria
Amboyna 28th
February 1801

I have the honor &c^a &c^a
(Signed) Dan: Beatty
Col. Commanding

To the Right Hon^ble Lord Clive
Governor in Council
Fort St George

From Commandant
at the Moluccas -
The Albion having
returned to Amby -
with 150 sick
of the garrison.
Useful steps
to make - to pre-
vent the
like - in future
Letter advantage
of the ensuing
month to prepare

My Lord,

I have the honor to inform your
Lordships in Council, that since closing my
Letter of the 28th ult^o the Albion returned to
Amboyna with 130 Rank & File sick

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Sir

I have the honor to report for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council that I proceeded with the Squadron under my command on the 26th ult. to the Northward, with the intention of making a passage to Madras, if practicable, but in the event of meeting with strong Southerly winds, to proceed to Pulicat, and from thence to Madras by land.

2. On the 27th ult. at 4 P.M. we were off the Pagoda, and the wind being strong from the Southward, and the Squadron making bad weather, I determined on proceeding to Pulicat, and anchored there at 8 P.M. the same day.

3. On the 28th ult. at 4 A.M. I got under way with the Squadron, and at 8 A.M. anchored off the Madras Roads.

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His Majesty's Senior Naval Officer
has unaccountably refused the assistance of
the Squadron under his command, which
however as our force is fully sufficient to
without it, and I am convinced he never
would cooperate cordially or with any en
effect tho' from a sense of public duty
and consideration required, I have not so
much reason to lament being denied
the same

As there is not in my
mind the smallest doubt of success and
public affairs wear the most pleasing
aspect in the Honorable Company's Provin-
-ces, and without any danger, or scarcely a possi-
bility of attack at this season of the year,
I hope your Lordship will approve of a re
-moval which Sentiments of the greatest
public advantage, honor and interest
have induced the President and myself
to judge highly necessary to carry into
immediate

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immediate execution—

Our recovered Officers and

men have all recovered and are to proceed

with me on the present service I shall leave

this letter with my dispatches relative to

the last expedition with the Resident in

case of an opportunity offering of transmitting them to your Lordship via Bombay

Street a few days will

enable me to congratulate your Lord-

ship on the receipt of the British and

accompanied by a detailed account of

our proceedings, as Mr Farquhar is

preparing every thing consigned to

which he proposes dispatching off—

with the Albion and other vessels

to the Coast in the course of next

month—

I have

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Fort Victoria
Amboyna 26th
March 1801

I have the honor &c &c
Signed Dan. Burr

Colonel Commanding

To lie on the Table

Ordered to lie on the table

" Blair

" Wm Petrie

" A Farquhar

Wm J Hamilton
Esq

Office of the Military Board
Fort St George 3rd

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Diary

Sent the following Letter

To Lieutenant Colonel Close

Resident in

Mysoor

Sir

To the Resident in Mysore - Enclosing for his information and Report the Copies of different papers relative to the coinage of Gold and Silver Coin at Seringapatam and directing him to state the principle on which the coinage at Seringapatam is conducted. —

The Military Paymaster General having submitted to the consideration of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council an account of the expence which had attended the Recoinage of a quantity of gold and Silver coin in the Mint at Seringapatam on the account of the Company which greatly exceeds the usual rate of expence for coinage at this Presidency, His Lordship in Council is desirous of being informed regarding the principle on which the coinage at Seringapatam is conducted, and has directed me to transmit to you a Copy of the letter from the Military Paymaster General, together with Copies of the different Statements in order that You may furnish His Lordship in Council

with

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with the fullest explanation on the subject —

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/ Signed / G Buchan
Actg chief Sec. to Govern.t

Received and sent the following letter
entered in M.B. No. 1.2.3.4.

From the Governor of Ceylon —

From Gov.r North Acknowledges
Letter of the 5.th of May — and expresses his
acknowledgements for the explanations contained
in it. —

From the Sec.y to the Mil.y Board

From Captain Macleane — Forwards
for transmission to the Secretaries of the Military
Board at Fort William and Bombay, quarterly
Returns of Ordnance and Military Stores in the
Arsenal at Fort St George. —

From Capt.n Bernard of His Majesty's Regt. Dated

From Captain Bernard — Encloses
Copy of a letter which he had received from the
Officer Commanding at Tranquebar. Reports the
state of his detachment. —

To the Sec.y of Council

To Govr. Roebuck — Transmitting
Copy

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Copy of the Deputy Military Auditor Generals Reports on the General and additional estimates forwarded by him on the 28th Ultimo, and acquainting him that the Sum of Pagodas 93,766 31 4/ has been ordered to be issued from the Treasury on his application

To Lt. Colonel Braithwaite

Commanding the Army in Chief

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the Receipt of your letter of the 28 Ultimo, and am directed by the Governor in Council to inform you that if the Officers of His Majestys 73 Regiment desired no aid from the public Resources in the carriage of their Camp equipage during the late campaign in Malabar, it will be just that they should receive a reimburse-ment of the expence which they may have incurred on that account agreeably to the principle

To the Officer Commanding the Army in Chief. If the Officers of His Majt. 73rd Regt. require no aid from the public resources in the carriage of their Camp equipage during the late campaign in Malabar, it will be just that they should receive a reimburse-ment of the expence which they may have incurred on that account agreeably to the principle laid down in addressing the Officers of the 52d Regt. on the same subject. I am &c

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and Attendants on Expiration of Leave dated 7 until arrangements be taken for dismantling them, he will then proceed to Calicut according to the execution of the Orders of this date for withdrawing the regular troops from those Stations —

practicable observed under the Presidency of —
Bombay. and the Military Auditor General
will be furnished with orders for that purpose —

As the successful result of the
attack of Panjalumcourchy will enable Lieu-
=tenant Colonel Agnew at an early period to
direct his attention to the reduction of the —
Rebellion which has broken out in the province
of Sheevgunga. the Governor in Council has for
the purpose of facilitating the future operations
in that province Resolved to employ the further
services of Lieutenant Colonel Innes under the
Orders of Lieutenant Colonel Agnew and I have
the honor to enclose for your information a Copy
of the orders which have been issued on that
subject to the Officer Commanding the Southern
Division of the Army. —

It is the intention of the —
Governor in Council that the forts of Ootoor
and Caroor shall be dismantled under the —

Superintendence

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superintendance of the Collector at Salem and
orders have been issued to the Revenue Depart-
=ment for their being occupied by a detail of
Revenue Sub Bandy, until measures can be taken
for that purpose: You will therefore Regulate
the execution of the order of this date for with-
drawing the Regular troops with reference to
this intention. —

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I have the honor &c &c
Signed G Buchan
act. Chief Sec. to Govern.t

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

Gentlemen

I am &c.

Post Scr.

The Right Honorable Lord
Clive having recorded His Lordships sentiments
regarding the necessity of making a partial
reform within the fort of Seringapatam which
His Lordship considers calculated to prevent
the

I am directed to transmit to you the enclosed Order for the Commanding Officer at Salem to withdraw the Detachment of Regular troops now stationed there for the protection of the Revenue Officers employed in collecting the Duties on Salt, and to request that you will communicate the same to the Commissioners of the Salt Revenue.

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some engineer to
state in Orders
for the march the
troops during the
march and the
engineer ought to
be sent forward
to survey the road
that certain of
such rivers may
not have been
always found
It may have
deemed expedient
to abandon the
stations of Coor
and after they will
give immediate
Orders for the more
rapid of the public
Stores from those
Garrisons During
them to give notice
for performing an
account of the
cost and charges
of Freight of the
Bullocks employed
to be settled
on the Home
Packet. —

the injurious effects which have been produced by the unhealthiness of that place. I have the honor to enclose for your information a Copy of His Lordship's Minute on that subject and — am directed to inform you that His Lordship in Council has resolved that the execution of this work shall be entrusted entirely to the superintendance of the Honorable Colonel — Wellesley who has received His Lordships orders for commencing it at the earliest practicable period. —

2 — As His Lordship in Council — relies on Colonel Wellesleys attention to accompany that Officer has been informed that his sanction of his authority will be considered a sufficient Voucher for all disbursements of money on his account. —

3 — The Governor in Council having resolved to make no alteration in the course of the public Road which leads to the Fort according

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according to the enclosed plan, I am directed to
desire that you will give orders for carrying it
immediately into effect taking care that the
work be executed in a substantial manner
and the Road extended to a safe and comms=
=dious Width and You will submit to His=
Lordship in Council an estimate of the expence
which you may think likely to be incurred.

4 It having been found
necessary to store a quantity of Provision for
the use of the Troops ordered to be stationed
in Cotiote during the season of the Monsoon
I am directed to transmit to you the extract
of a Letter from Colonel Stevenson on that
subject: and to desire that you will issue such
orders as may be necessary for regulating the
value of those Articles of provision which may
not have been already fixed.

5 The Governor in Council
having deemed it expedient to issue orders for
withdrawing

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withdrawing the Troops from the Stations of Carroor and Attoor which are to be abandoned as Military posts, You will give immediate orders for the removal of the public Stores to the Garrisons situated nearest to those places.—

The Garrison Storekeeper having been directed to ship eight hundred bags of Bengal Rice on the Wheim packet on the account of the Owners of that Vessel, in conformity to the orders of the Honorable Court of Directors, The Governor in Council desires that you will give orders for preparing an account of the cost of the Rice and of the charges of freight &c. to this Presidency in order that bills of exchange may be granted on the owners for the amount.—

Fort St George I have the honor &c. &c.
4 June 1801 Signed G. Buchan
act. chief Sec. to Govt.

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

Gentlemen

Para 1st I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Your letters of the 22d 25th and 26th Instant. —

2 Under the circumstances which you have stated, the Governor in Council approves the Orders which you have repeated to the Superintendent of the Stud for his proceeding to the Presidency —

3 His Lordship in Council will postpone any orders regarding the construction of an Hospital at Seringapatam, until His Lordship shall have ascertained by further communication with the Honorable Colonel Wellesley whether it may not be practicable to provide for the comfortable accomodation of the sick of that Garrison without

To Dr. — Dr.
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Enclosing Copy of a letter from Bengal

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Bengal are desiring that the model of the improved Tumbril therein required be prepared accordingly for transmission to this Presidency and that they will furnish the information required by the Governor General in Council regarding the model of the Tumbril instructed by Bengal —

without incurring the expence which has been proposed. —

4 The mode which you have proposed of providing for the families of the Lascars who lost their lives in the execution of their duty at Ristnagherry, is entirely conformable to the wishes of the Governor in Council; and you will carry it into effect accordingly in the manner which you recommend. —

5 An advance of 3000 Pagodas has been ordered to be paid to the Agent for supplies to His Majesty's 25th Dragoons, according to your Recommendation. —

6 I have the honor to enclose the Copy of a letter from the Secretary at Fort Marlborough, and I am directed to desire that the Model of the improved Tumbrils required to be sent to Bengal, may be prepared accordingly for transmission to that Presidency; and that you will furnish the information

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Information Required by His Excellency the Governor General in Council, Regarding the Model of the tumbril constructed by Lieutenant Colonel Blaquiere.

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I have the honor &c. &c.
/Signed/ G. Buchan
Actg Chief Secy to Govermt

To Captain Bruce
Deputy Military Auditor General

Sir

Para 1st I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 30th Ultimo, and to inform you that the draft of a General Order submitted by you for the consideration of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council has been approved and published according with the corresponding tables annexed to it.

2 His Lordship in Council entirely approves your suggestion for the preparation

To the Deputy Military Audr. General. The draft of a General Order submitted by him has been approved and published accordingly with the Letter annexed. To you the merit belongs for preparing new tables of Allowances of Military Officers on the principle recommended by the Governor in Council, equalizing the pay of the Officers of the Majority and the corresponding ranks of the Regiment to his Lordship's Pleasure. The Pay Masters and Majors of Brigade of Cavalry to receive their full pay of 8 Shillings Pr. diem without any deduction. Enclosing for his guidance

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preparation of new Tables of the allowances of the Officers of His Majesty's Service compiled on the principle now established for equalizing the pay of the Officers of His Majesty's and the Company's Service, and You will give the Orders which may be necessary for that purpose. —

3 The Governor in Council desires that the Veterinary Surgeons of His Majesty's Regiment of Cavalry may receive their full pay of eight Shillings per Diem without any deductions. —

4 I enclose for your information and guidance the Copy of a Letter from the Secretary at Fort William containing Instructions relative to the mode to be observed in adjusting the Accounts of the Troops of this Presidency who have been employed for the service of the expedition recently equipped. —

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Copy of a Letter from Bengal containing Instructions as to the mode to be observed in adjusting the Accounts of the troops of this Presidency employed on the late expedition recently equipped for Egypt — enclosing Bill for Articles provided for the use of the Medical Department in Egypt recently — amounting to Sa. Rs. 139.853. Containing Extract of a Letter from the Officer Commanding the Ships of War — &c. &c. dated the 5th of Sept. 1801. Right Hon'ble Lord Hobart &c. &c. &c. 75 Regt. of Dragoons. —

Medical Allowances usually drawn by the Officers of the Bombay Establishment on Embarkment. Lieutenant Sandwith an advance of 3000 Rupees to Capt. Whitelock 75th Regt. of Dragoons. —

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5 The Military Paymaster General has submitted to the Governor in Council the enclosed Bill for Articles provided for — the use of the Medical Department in the province of Tinnevelly, amounting to the Sum of Pagodas 130.353.60 which you will pass for payment. —

6 I am directed by His Lordship in Council to enclose the extract of a letter — from the Officer Commanding in Chief, and to desire that in the event of the Officers of His Majesty's 75th Regiment not having derived any aid from the public Resources in the — Carriage of their Camp Equipage during the late Campaign in Malabar, they may receive the same allowance as is usually drawn by the Officers of the Bombay Establishment on that account, agreeably to the Regulations of that Presidency. —

7th The Governor in Council

desires

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desires that you will authorize an advance of three thousand Pagodas (3000) to be made to the Agent for Supplies to His Majesty's 25 Regiment of Dragoons. —

Fort S.t George June 8.th 18.th

4 June 1801 (Signed) G Buchan

Act.g chief Sec.y to Govern.t

To the Honorable Colonel Wellesley

Commanding the forces in

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Sir,

Para 1.st The Right Honorable the —

Governor in Council having resolved in confor-

mity to the communication which has been

made to you on that subject, to entrust to

Your Superintendance the execution of a par-

tial Reform within the Fort of Seringapatam,

which may be expected to prove beneficial

in improving the Salubrity of the place, I

am directed to desire that this work may

be

To the Officer Commanding in Mysore communicating to them instructions for filling up the Vacancies which the fort of Seringapatam according to the Establishment lately established & confiding the execution of the work to his Superintendance & Control. —

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to begin at the earliest practicable period, —
and I enclose for your more particular —
information the copy of a Minute which
has been recorded by the Right Honorable
Lord Clive explaining the general intentions
of this Reform. —

2 His Lordship in Council is
satisfied that the work will be executed with
every practicable degree of Economy under your
Control, and the sanction of your authority
will be deemed a sufficient Voucher for all
advances of Money on this Account. —

3 You will make occasional Reports
of the progress of the work for the information
of His Lordship in Council. —

Fort St. George — I have the honor &c. &c.
4th June 1801 (Signed) J. Buchan
Act. Sec. to Govt.

Received and sent to the following Letters
entered on M. B. Nos. 5-6-7-8-9-10

From

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From the Judge at Bombay

From Mr. Secy. Le Messurier — Transmits a packet from the Secretary to the Military Board at that Presidency addressed to the Secretary to the Military Board at Madras —

From Lieut. Col. Close Commg. Southern Division of the Army —

From Major General Bridges — acknowledges Letter of the 26th Instant — and states that he has reinforced Colonel Dyce with the Artillery Men to the extent of His means. trusts the Capture of Tanjaur may by Colonel Agnew will change the aspect of affairs in the Southern Provinces. —

From the Commissariat at Trangabar

From Lieutenant Colonel — Cullen. He has dispatched the Brig Alexander, having landed the Stores &c. belonging to the Detachment of Artillery at Trangabar and has returned the unexpended provisions on that Ship — Encloses Account of Stores remaining and Reports the arrival at Trangabar of the Treasure Chest of the Collector of Tanjore

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To the Secretaries at Bengal and Bombay —

To Captain Hook and Mr. Rickards Transmitting Packet from the Secretary to the Military Board at this Presidency addressed to the Secretary to the Military Board at Fort William and Bombay. —

To the Accountant General —

To Mr. Woolf — Enclosing for his guidance Copy of a Letter from Bengal relative to the mode to be observed in bringing to account the expences incurred on Account of the foreign expedition lately equipped. —

To Mr. Hodgeborough — appointing him Master Attendant at Tranquebar on an allowance of 75 Pagodas pr Month —

Sent the following Letter. —

To Captain Hook
Secretary to Government in the
Military Department
Fort William

To the Military Secretary at Bengal Enclosing Copy of a Letter from Bombay at this Presidency on receipt of a representation submitted

Sir

I am directed to transmit to you for

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to be taken by the Dpty Paymr Genl of His forces thro the channel of the Deputy Military Auditor General Copies of whose letter are likewise inclosed the Honble Court of Directors having in a late Dispatch signified their expectation that His Warrant dated 6 July 99. has been carried into effect in this Presidency, the Board deem it just that the benefit intended by the regulation should be extended to the troops. —

for the information of His Excellency the most Noble the Governor General in Council. Copy of a General Order which has been published at this Presidency; in consequence of a Representation which was submitted to the Governor in Council by the Acting Deputy Paymaster General of His Majestys forces through the channel of the Military Auditor General; of whose letters I have the honor to enclose Copies. —

The Honorable Court of Directors having in a late dispatch signified their expectation that His Majesty's warrant dated the 6th February 1799 for regulating the deductions to be made on Account of the Supply of provisions to Troops victualled at the public expence had been carried into effect with Regard to the Troops serving under this Presidency the Governor in Council deemed it just that the benefit intended by that regulation

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regulation should be immediately extended to

the Troops. —

Fort S.t George I have the honor &c. &c.

5.th June 1801 (Signed) G.o Buchan

A.t Chief Sec.y to Govern.t

Received the following Letters —

entered in M.B. Nos 11. 12. —

From Lieutenant Colonel Cullen

From the Commercial Resident at Tranquebar —

Reports having detached a part of the force

at Tranquebar to Captain Blackburne and

has complied with the application made

to him by the Collector at Tanjore for —

Arms. —

From mr. Williams — Forwards

his Bill of charges for defending a suit —

From the Company's Solicitor instituted against the Honorable Company in the court of Recorder of which he requests payment. —

Sent the following Letter

To

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To Major General Bridges

Commanding the Southern Division

of the Army

To the Officer Commanding the Southern Division of the Army &c he should not apprehend any inconvenience consequence from the temporary reduction of the garrison of Tranquebar he was authorized and directed to issue Orders for the exercise practicable detail of His Majesty's 96th Brigade to be in readiness to move to the purpose of eventually reinforcing the detachment under the Command of Lieutenant Colonel Agnew

Sir,

Para 1. As it may be eventually of considerable importance to the success of Lieutenant Colonel Agnews future operations in the province of Shivagunga, that the European force under his Command should be augmented, it will be necessary in this event that every exertion should be used for the accomplishment of that object.

2. The most ready mode which at present suggests itself to the Right Honble the Governor in Council for destining this reinforcement, is by the detachment of a proportion of the detail of His Majesty's 96th Brigade doing duty on Tranquebar. But as it would be imprudent to weaken that Garrison, to a hazardous extent any order for

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for that purpose must be regulated with

caution. —

3 His Lordship in Council therefore

leaves it to your judgement and opinion of

the force actually necessary at Tranquebar to

determine the expediency of adopting that

measure — If you should not apprehend

any inconvenient consequence from the tempo-

-rary Reduction of the force stationed at that

place His Lordship in Council authorizes and

directs you to give immediate Orders for the

largest practicable detail of His Majesty's

Scotch Brigade to be in Readiness to move

at the shortest notice — And if the disposed

necessity should occur for employing the

Troops of those Troops, which must be —

determined according to your discretion and

judgement by the complexion of affairs in

Travancore. You will order them to march

immediately for the purpose of joining Lieu-

-tenant

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and you will in that event deposit the pro-
ceeds of the sale in the Company's Treasury at
at Ingeram.—

Fort S. George Jam 8th 8th
6. June 1801 /Signed/ G Buchan
act. chief Sec. to Govern.t

From the Mil.y Paymaster Gen.l

Received a letter from Mr. Roebuck
entered in M B. N.o 13 Enclosed Copy of letter
and its references from the Paymaster at —
Masulipatam.—

7 Received the following Letter —

George Buchan Esq.re
Acting Chief Secretary to Government
Fort S. George

From the Agent for the public property at Vizagapatam acknowledging the receipt of Instructions in regard to the Disposal thereof contained and transmitted to him under Date 6th June on the Application of the Collector of Ganjam that the same might be placed in the Danish Factory House at Pondicherry now by Cession Complete to his Britannic Majesty

Sir.

I. I beg leave to acknowledge the
Receipt of your Letter of the 19th Ultimo —
informing me of the Right Honorable the
Governor in Council having been pleased to
appoint me Agent for the public property
at

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and its Enclosures dated the 28th Ultimo and will observe same in obeying the instructions therein contained.

at Tranquebar: and containing instructions for my guidance in the discharge of the Duties required of me in this situation: owing to some — mistake this Letter did not reach me till the 30th Ultimo at Pondicherry: immediately on its receipt I prepared to this place, and have entered on the Business entrusted to me and hope in a very few days to be able to forward to Government a — Statement of the Extent and actual condition of all the public property of every nature.

2 Your Letter of the 23 Ultimo, of course reached me before I had quitted Port Nove; on my arrival there I found Colonel Campbell had put a person in charge of the Danish Factory House in which there is not an Article of any discription, and which is the only property belonging to the Danish Nation at that place I assured the Man who was already there to continue in profession of the House. —

3d I have likewise to acknowledge the

Receipt

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Receipt of Your Letter of the 28th Ultimo, with its several enclosures relative to the property detained by the Captors of this place, which is claimed by some Armenian Merchants at Madras.—

and shall lose no time in obeying the injunctions of his Lordship to examine into the truth of the assertions made by these Merchants and the consequent Validity of their Claims, and I shall immediately communicate to Government the result of my Enquiries.—

Tranquebar 4th June 1801

I have the honor &c. &c.

(Signed) Danl. Crawfurd

Agent for public property &c.

Sent the following Letters.—

To Captain Bruce

Deputy Military Auditor General

Sir,

To the Deputy Military Auditor General — Sir, I send a list of the Danish Officers of the Garrison of Tranquebar and of the Gentlemen now of the Civil Establishment at that place, to the former of whom

Para 1. The Right Honorable the Governor in Council having Resolved to grant to the Danish Officers of the Garrison of Tranquebar

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as prisoners of War the same allowance of net pay as is enjoyed by Officers of corresponding Rank in the Company's Army. I am directed to transmit to You the enclosed List of the Officers and to desire that You will instruct the Paymaster at Trichinopoly to provide for the payment of their Subsistence on this principle. –

2 You will likewise direct him to fine the pay allowed to the Gentlemen of the Civil establishment at Tranquebar, to whom the Governor in Council has been pleased to continue the allowances of pay which they received under the late Danish Government according to the enclosed Statement, and the Paymaster will adjust the charge in his Books by drawing a bill of exchange on the Treasury in favor of the Military Paymaster General. –

3 His Lordship in Council desires that all charges of this Nature, and whatever expences may have been incurred in the reduction

which it has been resolved to grant the same allowance of net pay as is enjoyed by Officers of corresponding rank in the Company's Army, & to the letter a continuance of the allowances of pay which they received under the late Danish Government and desiring him to instruct the Paymaster at Trichinopoly to provide for their payment on this principle and to adjust the charges of the Civil Depart. in his books by drawing a bill of exchange on favor of the Military Paymaster General all charges of this nature and what ever expences of a contingent nature may have been incurred in the reduction of Tranquebar to be carried for the present to the head of Danish Expenditure Account Entering a detail of the items from the Military Board on the subject of a provision for the families of the Sepoys who lost their lives by the explosion of the powder tumbrel Agreement Entering & informing him that the allowances of the Military Board have been approved –

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Reduction of Tranquebar of a contingent na=
=ture may for the present be carried to the
head of Danish Suspence account.—

4 The Governor in Council having
authorized a provision to be made for the
families of the Lascars who lost their lives
in the execution of their duty at Kistnaghery
by the explosion of the powder Magazine
I am directed to inclose for your information
and guidance the extract of a letter from the
Military Board on that subject, and to —
inform you that their suggestions have been
approved and confirmed.—

Fort St George I am &c &c
7th June 1801 / Signed / Geo Buchan
a Sr Chief Sec to Govt

To Robert Wood Esqr
Accountant General

Sir

Para 1. The Right Honorable the Governor

To the Accountant General — Relating Statement of the allowances to be paid to the Gentlemen of the Civil Establishment at Trangambar commencing &c

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to him the purport of the orders furnished to the Military Auditor General respecting the Adjustment of the charges - all expences of this nature to be carried for the present to the head of Danish suspense Account

in Council having resolved to grant to the — Gentlemen of the Civil Establishment at — Tranquebar, the same allowance of pay as they enjoyed under the late Danish Government I am directed to communicate for your information and guidance the enclosed Statement of the allowances to be paid to them accordingly —

2 The Military Auditor General has been directed to issue orders to the Paymaster at Trichinopoly, for the payment of the whole of the establishment at Tranquebar, and the charges of the Civil Department will be adjusted in the Books of the Paymasters Office, by — drawing bills of exchange on the Treasury in favor of the Military Paymaster General. —

3d — All expences of this nature are for the present to be carried to the head of — Danish suspence account. —

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I have the honor &c. &c.
(Signed) G Buchan
Act. chief Sec. to Govt.

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From Mess.rs Chas Chinnery and Macdonald.

Received a Letter from the Mess.rs Chas Chinnery and Macdonald enclosed in No. B. N.o 14 acknowledge letter of the 6 instant state that the Commander of the Angelegue had acted without their authority in detaining a Danish Vessel at Ingeram and that they had directed him to trans for the property to the Resident at that Station.—

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Received the following Letters entered in M B N.os 15 & 16.—

From the Deputy Military Aud.r Genl.

From Captain Bruce. Reporting net advances for the Month of February together with amount of Disbursements of all the Pay-masters admitted upon Requisit. for the same Month.—

From Mess.rs Abbott and Maitland.

From Mess.rs Abbott and Maitland Request to be supplied with the Military Stores specified in the list annexed for the defence of their Ship Saugor.—

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At a Consultation

Present

The Right Honorable Lord Clive

Governor and President

Tuesday } William Petrie and
9 June 1801 } Ernst William Tallofield } Esq.rs

Minutes of last Consultation read and approved.

Read the following Letters from the Military Board.

To the Right Honorable Lord Clive

Governor in Council &.a &.a &.a

My Lord,

We have the honor to report to your Lordship in Council that we have considered with attention the question referred to us in the Letter of the Secretary to Government in the Commercial Department under date the 6.th of April in order to determine whether the late Contract for supplying the

From the Military Board - Having considered the question relative to the best mode of supplying provisions to the Troops at the Malabar Islands give their opinion in favorable to the renewal of the Contract for supplies and state their sentiments relative to the best mode of securing proper attention to that important object transmitting Estimate of the quantity of Grain &.a to be Embarked on the 1.st December - & by submitting their report as to the supply of provision for

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Malacca until they have obtained further information on that Subject — Recommend payment of the Bill which they enclose of the Gun Carriage — Contractors answering to Pay. 5.7.9. 2.10

the Molucca's with Provisions has been attended with advantages to warrant its continuance, or whether the disadvantages have not preponderated in a degree to render it necessary to resort to a more certain and effectual method of Keeping those Islands regularly furnished with the means of Subsistence —

2) In order to shew the effect of the Contract, it is proper to state that the following Quantities, calculated as the annual supply, were to be delivered at Amboyna by the Contractors or there Agents, one third by the first of September 1799 and the other two thirds on or before the 1st of March 1800; and the Contractors engaged to deliver a further quantity not exceeding one half of the annual supply between the latter period and the Month of February 1801 comprehending a period of 18 Months as the

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the term stipulated for the duration of the Contract —

Annual Quantity.

Rice bags	16.500
Dholl Ditto	10 "
Ghee Candies	199. 12 " Annas
Tobacco Ditto	97. 5 "
Turmerick Ditto	2 " — "
Garlick Ditto	2 " — "
Chillies Do.	4 " — "
Arrack Gallons	15.360. — " —

3 It appears from the Accounts of the Resident at Amboyna that the following Quantities were delivered in part of the Contract between the Months of November 1799 and May 1800 Viz.t —

Rice bags	22.576.
Dholl Ditto	195. "
Ghee Candies	28 8. 6
Tobacco Ditto	87. 3. 24

Turmerick

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Turmerick Ditto ... 1-17-9-

Garlick Ditto ... 1-1-24

Chillies Ditto ... 3-13-

Arrack Gallons ... 23.314½

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The Contractors state to have dispatched a considerable quantety of the Articles deficient from Bengal in the Month of October 1800. on the Amboyna which Ship was captured by a French Privateer near the Sand heads. and they about that equal Quantities have been sent about this time from Calcutta to replace those lost on the above occasion Viz.t.

Dholl Bags ... 1960

Ghee Candies ... 149-6-3

Tobacco Ditto ... 76-16-18

Turmerick Ditto ... 8-8-

Garlick Ditto ... 5-20

Chillies Ditto ... 8-8-

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5th It may be urged in behalf of the Contractors for not having commenced their deliveries at Amboyna on the 1st of September 1799. that the Contract was not concluded at Madras before the 31st of may preceding; a Season of the Year which left it scarcely practicable for them to send Tonnage and to accomplish the deliveries at the time originally Specified: but it is evident on the other hand that there was a Considerable deficiency in the quantities which ought to have been delivered of the leser Articles which were indispensably necessary to the subsistence and comfort of the Troops Viz Dholl. Ghee. Tobacco Turmerick. Garlick. and Chillies. from the want of which Colonel Burr in his letter to us of the 31st December 1800. states that the Troops had suffered much inconvenience and may eventually great distress if they are

to

to rely on the precarious issue of a Contract.

6 The Acting Commissary of Provisions in his Letter to us, dated the 29 of the same Month, represents the great "distress the Troops have so long laboured under in regard to the different Articles which form the Essential part of Sepoy Provisions. He adds the scarcity of Dholl "by the Turnerick &c. &c. has been severely felt and that inconvenience will now be "augmented in consequence of the promises "made to Sepoys who have Volunteered "their Services for another Year at the "Moluccas" and he also observes in Regard "to the bad State of the Grain in Store as "Reported by a Committee of Survey that the "chief wastage will be sustained on the "Contract Rice".

7 The difference between Mr Youngs first proposal and his present

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Contract on respect to terms is as follows.

Annual Quantity	Former Cont. Prices	Per Quantity Proposed Cont stated to be necessary Prices
Bags	Pags Pfs Dollars	Bags Pfags Pfs Dollers
Rice 16500	4	20000 5
Dholl 1044	4½	1100 5
Ghee 199.12	85 fan Candy	100 85 fan Candy
Tobacco 97.4	46	75 60
Sprits Gallons 13360	85 Pfs Gallons	13000 95 Pfs Gallons
Tamarinds		100 125 fan Candy
Chillies 1	30 fan Candy	16 25 "
Garlick 2	30	3 45 "
Onions		3 46 "
Tamarinds 2	30	3 46 "
Saffron	under Pyamalah	16 80 "
Betelnut		32 60 "
Salt		20 3 "

3d From a consideration of the foregoing Circumstances, we are of opinion that the supply of Provisions for the Malabar

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ought to be secured by a Plan which is not
subject to failure. That this has been the case
in an essential degree with the late Contract
is apparent, although no pains seem to
have been omitted to ensure its success, and
the same result may be apprehended from
every future Contract depending entirely on
the resources of Individuals, who, with every
disposition to perform their engagements,
have not the means of guarding against
contingencies. The forfeiture of the Penalty as
expressed in the Contract, is of little weight
in the scale when compared to the safety of
our professions to the Eastward, and we
therefore conceive that Government should
take the supply of these Settlements on
themselves which may be done with the grea-
test ease from Bengal at the latter end
of each year, Ships sailing at that time
from the River will make a passage to the

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Moluccas in about eight weeks, and the Season will be equally favorable for their Return to Bengal which will be an object to the Owners in concluding their Agreements, even though Government should not determine on loading any of the Provision Ships on the Public Account at Amboyna; but upon this head we deem it incumbent upon us to state our conviction that the Company would derive benefit from chartering Ships for a given time upon a Monthly Stipend, as we believe that Ships engaged for Six Months, upon certain terms admitting of their being longer employed (if necessary) would seldom exceed that period, if dispatched at the proper Season from India, in performing the Voyage to, and returning from the Moluccas, including the time necessary for taking in and discharging their Cargoes; and as all the productions of

Amboyna

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Amboyna and Banda are ready for shipping at the time these Vessels would arrive, the Ships engaged in the Month of November, or December, the most favorable Season for sailing from India to the Moluccas, for Six Months, would supply the Settlements with Provisions, and would bring back to Madras or Bengal the Company's Spices and we further submit to the consideration of Your Worships in Council, whether it might not be expedient that the Board of Trade at the Presidency from which the Provisions may be sent, should be directed to send by those Ships other Saleable goods with a View to establish, by thus providing for the demands of individuals, a Constant fund for the public disbursements on those Islands.

9th By the accompanying Statement A the quantity of Provisions at the

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the Moluccas were calculated to last, the Rice to the 22.d December, and the Arrack to the 24.th January, and should the Articles stated by Mr. Young to be now dispatched from Bengal arrive safe there will be Dholl for 22 Months. Ghee for 13 Months. Tobacco for 34 Months. Turmerick for 12 Months. Beetle nut. Chillies and Garlick for 6 and 7 Months. —

10.th The Board of Trade in their letter to Government under date the 7.th March last. advert to the List of Shipping taken up by the Honorable Court of Directors for the Year 1801. by which it is understood that the Princess Charlotte of 610 Tons burthen is destined for the Coast and the Moluccas — In this case, She can be loaded here with Rice, Salt — Provisions, and other Articles, to furnish an ample Supply for the Moluccas to the

period

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period, when if the before mentioned suggestion is approved, the Ships from Bengal will arrive with the annual Stock with the exception of the article of Salt Provisions, which ought to be Europe, as it is said that Salt Provisions prepared in Bengal will not keep sufficiently long, and this Article only should be sent from Madras, unless means equally convenient can be found for obtaining and sending a sufficient supply of Europe Salt Provisions with the other Articles of Provisions from Bengal.—

11th Measures should also be taken to send an annual supply of Provisions from Bengal to Malacca, but on this point we beg leave to delay making our Report till such time as we shall have received from the Officer Commanding there replies to certain Queries we have put to him in regard to the means there may be of ensuring that

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that a certain quantity of Provisions can be procured on the spot, or imported from Java or the neighbouring Malay Islands, and the probable Rates at which in either case they may be obtained.—

19th

We enclose and Recommend Payment of a Bill of the Gun Carriage &c. Contractors amounting to Pagodas 5/39 " 2 " 40. for Articles delivered by them at the Arsenal of Fort S. George.

Fort S. George 29th May 1801

We have the honor &c. &c.

(Signed) John Brathwaite

" Jn. Richardson

Estimate

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Estimate of the Quantity of Grain and Provisions at Amboyna

Spirituous Liquors
arack & Rum

Gr. Meat
Beans

Remaining as Commissaries Return on the 1st December and Proceedings of the Committee of Survey of the 24th December 1800 ..... 1709 "

Articles said by Mr. Young to be now dispatched from Bengal to Amboyna to replace others before Captured ..... "

1709 "

One Months Consumption ..... 1257 "

Time for which the above Quantity will last upon an average of the Monthly expenditure from the 1st December 1800 ..... 13 months and 24 Days

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and Banda on the 1st. December 1800. 179/3984

Salt Provision Beef and Pork		Rice		Salt		Dholl		Ghee		Chillies		Garlick		Turmeric		Betle nut		Tobacco	
Candies	Maunds	Pounds	Garces	Measles	Seers	Garces	Measles	Seers	Candies	Maunds	Pounds	Candies	Maunds	Pounds	Candies	Maunds	Pounds	Candies	Maunds	Pounds	Candies	Maunds	Pounds
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5 Months and 21 Days	8 Months and 28 days	4 months and 12 Days	9 months and 12 Days	18 months and 9 Days	6 months and 15 Days	7 months and 6 days	12 months and 10 Days	6 Months and 13 Days	34 months and 13 Days

[Signed] John Macleane

Sec.y Mil.y Board.

To

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Fort S. George 9th June 1801

To the Right Honble Lord Clive

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

From D.to D.to
Having ascertained the Correctness of the Trenches Bill for works executed at Chittledroog they enclose and recommend it for payment as also the payment of a Bill for repairs at Negapatam amounting to Pagt 37.5.39 —

My Lord

1 We have had the honor to receive Letter from your Lordship in Council under date the 9th May and have in consequence dispatched the orders therein directed to be issued.

We enclose and Recommend payment of Lieutenant Franckes Bill for the works executed by him at Chittledroog respecting which we have the honor to address Your Lordship in Council on the 15th May — Lieutenant Francke has with his Bill transmitted to us original Receipts and Vouchers which prove incontestibly the expenditure of the Sum charged by him. 3P.

We Recommend that an advance of Pagodas 37.5.39 may be Ordered to be paid to Ensign Bradley of Engineers

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Engineers on Account of repairs to be executed to the magazine at Negapatam.

Fort S. George We have the honor &c &c
9 June 1801 / Signed / John Braithwaite
" Jn. Richardson

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

My Lord

1st Subsequent to the transmission of our Report under date the 29th May upon the subject of the late Contract for supplying the Moluccas with Provision Stores, We have received certain Papers relative to the Rice supplied by Mr. Young together with a Statement of the quantity of Provisions in Store on the 1st March last, and the Period for which they will suffice for the consumption of the Troops. Copies of which we have now the honor to submit to your Lordships consideration.

We

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8 June 1801

We have the honor &c &c

(Signed) John Braithwaite
Jn. Richardson

To Major General J Braithwaite
President &c. Members of the
Military Board
Provision Department

Sir,

In my letter under date
29th December last I had the honor to make
known to you the state of our Provision Stores
in the Garrison, and to enclose the Proceedings
of a Committee of Survey which state on
the Contract Rice.

The frequent objections
which have been made to that Rice, by
all the Troops and indeed by almost all
the Inhabitants who are supplied with Grain
from the public Stores, induced me to suggest
to Colonel Brown, that a disposal of it by
auction

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sanction would be the most infallible method to prevent any further loss on this Article; I therefore addressed him officially on the subject, and have the honor to transmit Copy of my letter to him as also his reply.—

The Rice Amounting to 7,630 Bags has been disposed of in the manner above alluded to, and the amount of the sale carried to the Honorable Companys Account.—

Enclosed I have the honor to forward an Estimate of the Provisions that remained in Store on the 1st of March, and the probable time they would last.—

Amboyna I have the honor &c. &c.
30th March 1801 /Signed/ H Lord
a.A.C.G. and Provisions

/A true Copy/
/Signed/ John Macleane
Sec.y Milit.y Board

To

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To Colonel D Burr.

Commanding the Forces to the Eastward

Sir,

From the bad quality of Mr. Youngs Contract Rice, and the repeated objections which have been made to it by the whole of the Troops in Garrison, I beg leave to suggest what appears to me the most effectual mode of securing the Honorable Company from any further loss on this Article.—

The longer the Rice is kept in Store the greater Wastage must accrue and as the Chinamen and other Inhabitants would willingly purchase the whole of it owing to their disappointment in the annual supply by Macassar Prows. I am of opinion that a sale of it by public auction would be the most eligible plan.—

If the above should meet Your approbation directions shall be given for

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for the disposal of it with the least possible
delay and the Nett proceeds of the Sale be carried
to the Honorable Company's Account.—

Amboyna I have the honor to be
9th March 1801 &c. &c.

/Signed/ H Lord
acting Commissary

/A true Copy/

/Signed/ H Lord
acting Commissary

/A true Copy/

/Signed/ John Macleane
Secretary Mild. Board

To Hugh Lord Esqr.
acting Commissary

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge
the receipt of your letter of the 9th Instant in reply to
which I have to observe that Mr. Young's
Contract Rice, is not of a quality fit to be

Joined

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Issued to the Troops, and having already been condemned by a Committee Survey, I can have no objection to its being disposed of in the manner proposed by You: however I recommend Your previously consulting Mr. Farquhar on the subject: and if he concurs in opinion with You, I request the Sale may take place without delay for wastage, as you justly observe, will accrue by Keeping it longer in Store.—

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I have the honor to be

Amboyna. Sir

10 March 1801 Your most obedient

Servant

/ Signed / D. Burr

Colonel Commanding the

Moluccas

/ A true Copy /

/ Signed / H. Lord

acting Commissary

/ A true Copy /

/ Signed / John Macleane

Sec.y Mil.y Board.

Estimate

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Estimate of the Quantity of Grain and Provisions at Amboyna and

	Spiritorous Liquors Arrack & Rum	Rice	Salt	Dholl	Ghee	Tamarinds	Pepper	Chillies
	Gallons	Parahs Garce	Measures Seers	Garce	Measures Seers	Garce	Measures Seers	Candy Maunds Pounds
The quantity & Quality of Grain and Provisions at Amboyna and Banda on the 1st March 1801	7493	38	139	9	26	4	20	3 7 7 6 13 17 10
One Months Consumption	1600	30	1	300	1	90	8	8 2 1 6 16
Balance	5893	38	129	7	326	3	10	11 17 10

Specifying the above Quantity of Grain and Provisions may last upon an average according to the above expenditure

9 months 6 months 6 months 9 months 1 month 1 month 6 month
and and and and and and and
27 Days 9 Days 14 Days 2 Days Days Days 27 Days

Amboyna 31st March 1801
Errors Excepted per
(Signed) H. Lord
Asst.

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Canda on the 1st March 1801 and a Months Consumption.

Extra Articles

Candy	Onions	Tamarinds	Betle nuts	Tobacco	Livestock	Salt Provns Beef and Pork	Salt fish	Madura Paddy	Wheat	Sugar	Vinegar
Candy	Pounds	Candy	Pounds	Candy	Pounds	Candy	Pounds	Candy	Pounds	Buffaloes	Bullocks	Hogs	Candy	Pounds	No	Pcs	Seers	Measures	Seers	Candy	Pounds	Candy	Pounds	Gallons
"	"	"	"	"	"	1	5	23	9	"	"	36	16	10	"	15	56	164	"	15	"	6	"	"	"	"	16	"	15	7	18	2¼
13	8	"	13	8	"	13	8	2	13	8	5	6	16	"	"	"	30	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
"	"	"	"	"	"	12	16	6	6	17	8	18	19	"	"	"	134	"	15	"	"	6	"	"	"	"	16	"	15	7	18	2¼
"	Month	2 months	6 mon	6 months	4 months	"	"	"	"	"	"
"	and	and	and	and	and	"	"	"	"	"	"
"	28 Days	11 Days	18 days	Days	14 Days	"	"	"	"	"	"

/True Copy/ Signed/ John Maclean

Sect. Mad. Board

Am. G. G. S.

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Resolutions on the above letters.

To the circumstances which the Military Board have submitted to the Consideration of the Governor in Council appear to establish unquestionable grounds for proceeding against the further supply of Provisions for the Moluca Islands by Contract; Resolved that this mode of supply be discontinued on the expiration of the present contract and that the supplies be in future provided under the Control of the Government.—

It will therefore be necessary that measures should be taken to have in readiness an adequate Quantity of Provisions in such proportions as may be necessary to complete the Tonnage of the Company's Ship which is expected to arrive from England, under special Consignment to Amboyna: and it is Resolved that the Military Board be directed to issue orders for this purpose.—

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It being of great importance that the provisions should be of the best quality. Resolved that the Military Board be authorized and directed to provide them in the manner best calculated to ensure attention to that important object combined with a due regard to Oconomy.

The Board think it necessary to postpone a determination on the expediency of making an application to His Excellency the Governor General in Council for the Shipment of supplies from the Presidency of Bengal in the manner suggested by the Military Board Resolved however to direct the Military Board to submit at the earliest practicable period to the Governor in Council an Estimate of the Supplies which will be required for the Consumption of the Troops at the Molucca Islands until the conclusion of the ensuing Year

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Year 1802 including a calculate of the tonnage which it will be probably necessary to engage for the conveyance of the supplies.

Ordered that the bills and advance of Money recommended by the Military Board be passed for payment.

The Board proceed to read and pass orders on the following Proceedings of the Medical Board.

Revolution of the Governor in Council 9th June 1801

Medical Board 1 June 1801

Read a letter from the Head Surgeon Ogilvy stating that in addition to the repairs already ordered at the General Hospital some further which he has represented are required, we therefore recommend that the

Ordered that the Civil Engineer be directed to report whether the further repairs recommended to be executed at the General Hospital are necessary in his opinion & to furnish an estimate of the expence likely to be incurred.

From the Medical Board Recommending some further repairs being executed to the General Hospital agreeably to the suggestions of the Head Surgeon. submitting a Representation of Mr. Surgeon White requesting a compensation for the losses he has sustained during his Voyage to India recommending the payment of his pay and allowance from the time of his arrival in Bengal being sanctioned and also that permission be granted him to proceed to Europe on Sick Certificate

submit

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submit the Copy of Letter from the Surgeon of His majestys 12th Regt. stating that the Commanding Officer of that Regiment had taken upon himself to alter the prescribed Medical diet of the Corps Recommend that the Deputy Medical Store Keeper in Canara be placed in all respects on the same footing as the Medical Store Keeper in the province of Malabar —

the necessary orders may be given and have the honor to forward Copy of his Letter for the information of Government —

To Mr. Assistant Surgeon White had addressed us on the subject of his loses on Board the Honorable Company's Ships Queen, and Kent, but as we are unable to Judge how far Government may consider him entitled to indemnification in the way he proposes we can only recommend that his Pay and allowances may be Sanctioned according

Mr. White will be permitted to draw the Pay and allowances of an Assistant Surgeon from the period of his arrival in Calcutta — But the Governor in Council is not at Liberty to make any further Remuneration for the Loses which Mr. White is stated to have incurred in his Voyage to India —

as

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as has already been granted to the others that were in the same situation. Submitting his Representation for some gratuity on Account of his private Loses to the favourable Consideration of Government.—

The Governor in Council concurs in the application of Mr. White to be permitted to proceed to Sea.—

3 This Gentleman has further applied through the Regular Channel for permission to accompany Colonel Brunton who has been recommended to proceed on a Sea Voyage for the Recovery of his health, and seeing no public objection to this

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this measure of accommo-
dation we recommend
that leave may accordingly
be granted.—

2d. We have the
honor to forward Copy of
a Letter which has been
to us transmitted by the
Head Surgeon of
Mysore from the Sur-
geon of His Majestys
19th Regiment.—

Ordered that the Officer 3d. It thereby
Commanding the Army in Chief appears that in that
be directed to explain to the Corps a very improper
Commanding Officer of His and expensive deviation
Majestys 12th Regiment the from the established
irregularity of his having in- Medical Regulations has
troduced a deviation from the been made by ordering wine
established Rules of the which has hitherto been

Medical

considered

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Medical Department considered only as medicine
and to require Colonel Hare to be allowed as a part
- court immediately to revoke of the Diet.
the Order which he is stated to have Were this -
to have ceased so far as it affects Measure generally to
the prescribed Medical Diet. prevail throughout
the Service much addi-
-tional and in our opi-
-nion unnecessary public
expence would thereby
be incurred, as the ex-
-isting diet Regulations
have stood the test of
many Years practice and
are supported by the
testimony of the most
experienced Regimental
and Head Surgeons as
ample and sufficient
under all circumstances

and

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and exigencies that in the
Course of Service have
hitherto occurred We
therefore can see no reason
for this alteration obtaining
in his Majestys 12th
Regiment and recommend
that orders may be given
for a strict adherence to
the Medical Regulations
now in force in all the
Regimental and General
Hospitals on this Coast
being observed in that
Corps. and that the
Commanding Officer
in the present instance be
held responsible to the
Surgeon for the unwarranted
expence already incurred
by

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by the deviations in question and for all future alterations or deviations, which he may order from the established Medical Regulations published by authority of Government.

7th. The Superintending Surgeon in the Province of Canara, where a Deputy Medical Store Keeper is Stationed has represented that as no allowance can be Admitted to Mr. Assistant Surgeon [illegible] that Office unless by a special

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Special orders of Government

We recommend that the

Deputy Medical Store Keeper

in Canara may be put

on the same footing with

respect to Salary and

Office Establishment as

Mr. Assistant Sproulle

holding a similar situa-

-tion in the Province

of Malabar. —

/Signed/ James Anderson

Physician General

Nicol Mein

2 Member Med. Board

By order of the Right Honorable

the Governor in Council. —

/Signed/ G Buchan

acting chief Secretary to

Government

To

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To James Anderson Esqre.

Physician General &c. and Members

of the Medical Board

Gentlemen

In addition to the Repairs now carrying on at the Presidency General Hospital I beg leave to Remark that the ground within the enclosure requires to have a Sufficient Slope for carrying off the water after rain which in its present state must remain within the enclosure I would also Recommend the whole of the Ceiling Doors, and Window Shutters to be new painted and Iron fastenings to all the Shuttors. The Congee House door to be Repaired and three new hinges to the Doors of the Cook Room. The Quarter allotted to the Assistant Surgeon is also in want of immediate Repairs.

J.

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General Hospital I have the honor &c. &c.

Madras
12th May 1801

/Signed/ George Ogilvy
Head Surgeon

/True Copy/

/Signed/ Alexander Boswell
Secretary Medical Board

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

Gentlemen

I am extremely distressed to be under the disagreeable necessity of presuming to give trouble, but as my hardships have for some Months past oppressed me much, I hope I shall be permitted to represent them with as much brevity and precision as the circumstances will allow, and I have every reliance that my situation will be duly regarded and

Relieved

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Retd.

My loss by the fire of the Queen in Books, Instruments, and necessaries for myself and my Wife exceeded £. 1000 my removed expences for necessaries at St. Salvador, and on board the Kent, could not be accomplished without encreased difficulty, and further loss.

The French Privateer plundered us of every article, so that our necessities when landed at Calcutta were very extreme.

We had large demands from the representatives of Captain Revington for Passage from St. Salvador to Bengal, and our unavoidable detention at Calcutta for near five months prevented every possibility of my being employed, and proved materially detrimental to my private affairs – My small advance of Pay was in no degree equal

to

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to my absolute wants, and tho' the Govern-
ment of Calcutta granted to me a certain
allowance for Passage Money we were
obliged to add to that sum before we could
secure our passage to Madras.

I humbly request such
directions as will enable me to draw my
proper allowances, and I cannot but indulge
the hope, that my peculiar situation will
be considered, and I trust relieved.

I am with very Regard
/Signed/ J. White
Assistant Surgeon

/True Copy/
/Signed/ Alex.r Boswell
Sec.r Med.l Board

To Dr. James Anderson
President and Members of the
Medical Board
Fort S. George

Gentlemen

In order of which the
following

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Following is an Extract being issued by the Commanding Officer of His Majestys 12th Regiment of Foot a duty incumbent on me to transmit it for your inspection and judgement being foreign and contradictory to those of the Medical Board of Madras sanctioned by Government.—

Extract of a Regimental Order bearing date the 27th April 1801.—

"A diet Book to be kept
"at the Hospital in which the Surgeon is—
"daily to insert what diet each patient is on
"whether on full, half, or low diet; when on
"full diet, they are never to have less than one
"pint of wine, when on half diet, half a pint
"unless it is deemed by the Surgeon an—
"improper quantity in particular cases, which
"is then to be specified particularly— The
"Visiting Officer to inspect this Book, and
"guided by it to make such enquiries, as to

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"The quantities issued and the Kind of food
"provided and prepared for the patients, as
"to enable him scrupulously to Account to
"the Commanding Officer: that every proper
"attention is paid to this most essential
"point which he is to include in his Report
"by generally stating that he found every
"thing according to orders, or if otherwise
"immediately Reporting to the Commanding
"Officer any deviation from them.—

After having weighed
maturely the relation of the order, I find
that a continued compliance therewith,
without the sanction of Government, would
be a breach of its established Regulations,
my situation however Subjecting me to
Martial Law, obliges in the interim, to
shelter me from its consequences.—

It appearing to me that
the Lieutenant Colonel was unacquainted
with

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with the diet regulations, from his ordering wine as a component part. I stated to him that it was a Medicine allowed by Government, — and delivered to me to be given in cases of absolute necessity. he replied that he by no means saw it in that light, and read over some — Medical Regulations established in England, wherein he observed to me that wine, or — Beer in lieu of wine, was an Article of diet — which he was determined to pursue and enforce. —

I have hitherto conceived it necessary to adhere to the Regulations of the Medical Board sanctioned by Government, being unexceptionable in every respect transmitted to me by the Medical Store Keeper for my guidance, and have acted in conformity, reserving a latitude for time place, and the exigency of cases, until the time of the Regimental Order. —

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I have therefore to state that there has been a deviation from the Medical Regulations of Government in his Majestys 12th Regiment, and as Lieutenant Colonel Harcourt is the Agent thereof, he must consequently be responsible for inforcing their Superscession in favor of another such as I disapprove and have given him to understand that I did so.—

I have the honor to state for the information of the Board, that a Book has invariably been Kept in the Hospital wherein the diets and prescriptions have been fully inserted by me, and have contended that,— that Book could only with propriety have been subject to the inspection of a Head Surgeon; but in the Regimental Orders you will observe that the Visiting Officer is apparently the competent judge of diet, and — attention on my part; by the constitution of such an establishment, I am exposed to

the

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the judicious argument of a Man surely inadequate to the task; I however have kept a Separate Book, wherein the diets alone have been daily inserted; since the issue of the Order with which I heartily comply in every respect but in that of wine, and that too in the interim, of which the Lieutenant Colonel has been fully apprised by me, for his Satisfaction, and on that — my own. —

I upheld Gentlemen that the full diet laid down must be highly detri= =mental to convalescents from acute decease. it being a fact but too well known that — stimulus administered to that extent, are apt. may almost always induce indirect indibility and consequently a recurrence of the very — Symptoms they were meant to counteract may further. that wine not being at any time a component part of the diet of the Soldier

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when in health its discontinuance on Hospital
dismissed must be productive of systematic
atony from a want of the stimulus by which
the Stomach was excited to degestion.—

I infer from this, that in lieu
of continued health as the intention, it —
palliates for the time to generate future morbid
disposition. It does not appear to me to —
require great discernment to prove that such
a Regulation would be neither judicious or
necessary, for a man who can enjoy full diet
requires in my opinion less wine than a —
person who is debilitated and enable to make
use of it, and it further appears to me —
inconsistent to give a Man on full diet
a pint of wine who may be detained in —
Hospital for a slight complaint, but such
is the order without latitude for me to act.
That the Board may determine whether the
Wine allowed by Government has been —

properly

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properly applied it will be necessary for me to state my general practice on that head, which is as follows. —

In mortification, in inflamation approaching thereto, in copious discharge from an Ulcer, incaries of a Bone, in suppurated abscesses, in Gunshot wounds after the Phlogistic Diathesis shall have subsided, in the interval of fever, in all cases of inordinate discharge from the System when the primæ viæ are not obstructed; all in combination with Bark &c. and in all stages of alarming debility from whatever cause. — I gave it in Dysentery but with a careful hand, and seldom or never until I've either oxygenated, the System with mercury, or failed in so doing when I give it with a view of affecting a general alteration in the habit, for a mother trial — I cannot

leave

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leave the subject without saying that I've used it when I know it could be of no-
Service but in cases of approaching dissolu-
-tion when it has been given as a placebo-

Should the Medical
Board approve of the diet laid down by the
Lieutenant Colonel, I have only to remark
that from a Calculation allowing for thirty
Men in the Hospital, and Twenty of those
on full diet that it will require on the
part of the Medical Storekeeper an issue
of wine about ten times more than the
usual quantity to enable Us being Carried
into effect, although the subsequent is on
some measure foreign to the present subject,
I take the liberty to state for the infor-
-mation of the Board that during the
Campaign in Wynaad and Coiceode the last
quarterly supply was so inadequate to the
Consumption of cases in absolute Necessity

that

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that I declare upon my honor may can prove, that eleven Dozen of wine have been purchased and defrayed at my own expence a circum= stance on which it was my intention to — have otherwise been silent. That Gentlemen with the very few effectives present has been productive of a disembursement to me by no means inconsiderable, but what I still think well bestowed, this foreign in obligation to my Contract with Government.—

I shall conclude Gentle= men by requesting that every specification in this address may undergo your discussion and forward it to Government with your — opinion affixed.—

May 23d. 1801 I have the honor &c. &c.

/ Signed / Alex.r D Campbell
Surgeon H.M. 12 Regiment

/ True Copy /

/ Signed / Alex.r Boswell
Sec.y med.l Board

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Resolution of the Govern Medical Board

in Council
the 9th June 1801

June 3d 1801.

In order to render a more equal distribution of Medical Assistance for the following Corps. We recommend that Mr. Surgeon Wilson who stands appointed to the 10th Native Regiment and on duty at the Moluccas be removed and posted to the 4th Regiment Native Cavalry. that Mr. Surgeon Order be accordingly re= =moved from the latter Corps, and appointed to the 10th Native

From Lt. — Lt. — Recommend that Mr. Surgeon Wilson be posted to the 4th Regt. Native Cavalry and Mr. Surgeon Orde to the 10th Regt. and that Mr. Jamison be ordered to do duty with the 4th Regt. Native Cavalry until Mr. Wilson can join —

Approved and Ordered. —

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Native Regiment vice
Wilson. and that Mr.
Assistant Jameson be
ordered to do duty with
the 1st Regiment of —
Cavalry until Mr. Wilson
may join. —

/Signed/ James Anderson
Physician General
" Nicol Mein
2 member Med. Board

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

/Signed/ G. Buchan
Asst Chief Sec. to Govern.

From Lt. Lor.
Forward Extract
of a letter from
Asst. G. Wilson
1st Regt. Native
Cavalry w. Enquests
being Relieve from
Amboyna an
Account of ill
health recommend
various remarks
and

Resolution of the Medical Board
Governor in Council June 8th 1801
9th June 1801

We have received
a letter dated 3 April
last from Mr. George
Wilson.

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and appointments in consequence also the promotion of Mr Assistant Surgeon David Wedie to the Rank of Surgeon

Wilson Surgeon of the 4th Regiment of Native Cavalry who has been Five Years on Service at Amboyna stating as expressed in the following extract that an Account of private business and a Series of bad health he is desirous of being relieved from his Station and returning to the Coast.—

Extract

"I hope my "application for leave to "return to Madras which "was forwarded by the "Swallow Packet, has "met the favourable atten-

tion

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Extract of the Medical Board

"I request to repeat again
"my wish to be relieved
"from Amboyna not only
"on account of private
"business but from my
"health having suffered
"a good deal these last
"three Months past"

We therefore
Recommend that Mr.
Betty Surgeon of the 7th
Regiment of Native Cavalry
be ordered to proceed
and relieve Mr. Wilson
at Amboyna that Mr.
Assistant David Scott
be removed from the D
and appointed to the
7th Regiment Native Cavalry
and that Mr. Assistant
John

Ordered that the
Removals and appointments
Recommended by the ..,
Medical Board, do take
place.

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John Jones be appointed to do duty with the 2nd Batt Scott.—

There being a Vacancy for a Surgeon in the 6th Native Regiment, by the removal some time ago of Mr. Surgeon Gallaway to the 15th We recommend that Senior Assistant Mr. David Mudie on furlough in Europe be promoted to the Rank of Surgeon and posted to the 6th Regiment Native Infantry Vice Gallaway removed.—

/Signed/ James Anderson
Physician General
" Nicol Main
2 member m.d.c.d.

By Order of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council.—
/Signed/ G Buchan
Actg Chief Sect. to Govert.

Read

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Read the following letters from the Officer Commanding the Army in Chief, and from the Deputy Adjutant General of the Army.—

To Major Robert Turing

Secretary to Government in the

Military Department

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose a Copy of a dispatch I have received from Major General Bridges, containing detailed accounts of the operations of the Field — Detachment under Lieutenant Colonel — Agnew against the Fort of Panjalumcour= =chy.—

Madras I have the honor &c. &c.

5th June 1801 / Signed / John Brathwaite

Deputy Adjutant General

of the Army

Sir,

I have the pleasure to transmit

for

=n the Officer Com= =anding the army =ief. Enclosing =detailed accounts the operations =e detachment =der Lieutenant =nel Agnew — =inst the fort Panjalum= =chey as received =n Major Genl =idges—

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for the information of the Commander of the Army in Chief, Lieutenant Colonel Agnews report of the proceedings of his Detachment in detail in the Capture of Panjalumcourchy Trichinopoly

/Signed/ Thos. Bridges
Major General Commandg
the Southern Division

30th May 1801

/A true Copy/

/Signed/ Fred: Pierce
Dept. Adjt. Genl. of the Army

To Captain Cosby
Major of Brigade &c.

Sir,

I yesterday transmitted by Express Major General Bridges a Report of the Capture of Panjalumcourchy, I have now the honor to report the proceedings of the Detachment in detail for his information, and that of the Commander of the Army in Chief.—

Having reconnoitred the Fort

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the day after my arrival in Camp, I found that the South East face, which it had been my intention to attack, could not be embraced with safety without a change in the position of the Camp, which circumstances did not allow me to make. I therefore determined to breach the South West angle Bastion and Adjacent Curtains.—

On the 22d Instant the Detachment I had left at Coilpettah with the Artillery and Stores, arrived and on the same night a Battery for 4 Eighteen Pounders, and two Howitzers, was constructed on the Bank of a Tank 500 Yards to the Southward of the Fort, which with Two twelve Pounders, and four Howitzers, placed in, and near, a raised Work which Major Macaulay had prepared at rather a greater distance on the west Face, opened on the place with Considerable effect on the

Morning

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Morning of the 23d. — The apparent demolition of the walls was so rapid in the early part of the day that before noon I detailed in orders the arrangements for the assault. The Breach however from the rough nature of the Bastion was not practicable till after 5 o'Clock, and some of the flanking defen=ces were still unimpaired, on full — Consideration therefore, I determined to delay the assault as the Number of ruined Houses, and other cover, in the Fort, together with the strength, and apparent resolution of the defenders rendered day light essential to our success. —

During the night the 19 Pounders were advanced to a Battery built for their reception, with the Howit=zers attached to them, within 400 yards of the place, some light repairs were also made by the Enemy, but by noon of —

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the 24th the Breached Bastion being per-
-fectly well sloped, the adjacent curtains
nearly levelled, and the flanking defences
ruined. I ordered the Assault, which took
place at half after one o'Clock.

The Troops in the Order
directed in the enclosed extract of Orders,
moved forward in the most regular manner,
our Batteries Covering their advance by a
heavy fire, while the Enemy with Musquetry,
and Pikes, assembled on the works in great
numbers to oppose them. a thorn hedge we
had not been able to destroy for some time
impeded the progress of the Troops, and
above twenty Minutes after they Mounted
the Breach, the obstinate resistance of the
Enemy who were advantageously posted in
the hollow of the works with Pikes, prevent-
-ted their Entrance, and caused a heavy
loss of Valuable Men, after and Arduous

Contest

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Contest in which the hand grenades thrown by the advanced party were of infinite Service an Entrance was forced, and shortly after, The Polygars to the Number of near 3000 men assembled on the Eastern face of the Fort — and rushed rapidly, but in close order, to effect their escape in an Eastern, and Nor= =thern direction. —

The Cavalry which with some Etiporcan Peons, had been posted to intercept their flight, in two parties under Captain Doveton, and Lieutenant Grant, immediately advanced, and charged them, Keeping up at the same time a heavy fire from their Galloper Guns. The Number and force, of the Poligars rendered it impo= =ssible for this small body to prevent the escape of great Numbers of the Enemy, but they preserved in pursuing marking their Course with Slaughter, till their ammuni= =tion

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tion was exhausted, and their horses were fatigued with exertion. Some principal leaders of the Enemy, with numbers of their Men fell in this pursuit, and a valuable Native Officer of the Right Honorable the Governor's Body Guard was unfortunately killed. The Etiaporans were brave, and active in pursuit.

The Extracts of Orders which I have the honor to enclose, will shew my opinion of the conduct of the Detachment. The List of Casualties I am sorry to say, is not inconsiderable.

Camp
Panjalumcourchy
25th May 1801

/Signed/ C. A Agnew
Lieut. Col. Commanding in
Tinnevelly

/A true Copy/
/Signed/ Montague Cosby
Major Brigade

/A true Copy/
/Signed/ Fred Pierce
Deputy Adjutant Genl.
of the Army

Extract

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Extract from Detachment Orders issued by Lieutenant Colonel Agnew.—

Camp before Panjalumcourchy

23rd May 1801

D. M. O.

The following details under the Command of Major Grant of His Majesty's 77th Regiment to parade at 1 o'clock at the — Redoubt, and to be posted in succession as hereafter detailed for the Assault of Panjalum=courchy.—

Grenadiers H. M. 77th Regiment
Light Infantry 74th ... Do.
Light Infantry 77th .... Do.
1 Battalion Company 74th Do.
1 Do. ... 77th Do.
Grenadiers 1 Battalion 3 Regiment
Do. 1st Do. 1/4th Do.
Do. 1st Do. 1/4th Do.
Do. 1st Do. 13 Do.
Do. 1st Do. 14th Do.

Malay

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Malay Corps

A Detachment 1st Battalion 9th Regiment

Major Graham will Command

the Native Details.—

Two Six Pounders Completely manned to be in Readiness to accompany the party and Sir I Sinclair will order Haversacks of Ammunition with a large proportion of grape to attend these Guns. Captain Bagshaw —— with one hundred Pioneers Carrying Ladders, fascines, and tools, for intrenching, to proceed with the party Two hundred and fifty Hand Grenades, and Slow Match to be fixed.—

One Company of H.M. 77th Regiment, and two Companies of the 1st Battalion 7th Regiment Native Infantry will remain at the Bank within the 18 Pounder Battery. The remainder of His Majesty's 77th Regiment and the Inlying Picquets, to form a Corps of Reserve, to assemble at the redoubt, and move

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to the Bank in advance, when the Storming party quits it.—

The Cavalry will be stationed agreeably to instructions which Captain Doveton has received.—

Messrs. Tait and Annesly of the Medical Department to be Stationed at the redoubt, to which place any wounded will be sent.—

All Officers not specially detailed for duty to remain in the lines of their Corps.—

Camp before Pangalumcouchy
24 May 1801

D. M. O

The details ordered yesterday for the Assault of Pangalumcouchy to be in readiness to parade in rear of the Redoubt at 12 o'clock this day, but not to quit their lines until ordered to do so by the Commanding —

Officer

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Officer—

Lieutenant Colonel Dalrym-
-ple will command the Reserve, composed—
of the Companys of His Majesty's 77th—
Regiment, not immediately employed on the
Assault, and the Inlying Picquets, which
will move down, and be stationed as—
directed in Yesterday's Orders — Lieuten-
-ant Colonel Dalrymple will furnish such
Reinforcements to the Storming party from
time, to time, as Major Grant, may—
require.—

Camp at Panjalumcourchy
25th May 1801

D. A. G.

The event of the Assault
on Panjalumcourchy reflects the highest Credit
on the Troops employed, and Lieutenant
Colonel Agnew requests that Major Grant
and all the Officers, and Soldiers, who under

his

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his Command formed the party for the Storm will accept his thanks for the steady, Cool, and persevering, Gallantry with which they overcame the obstinate Resistance of the Enemy.—

Lieutenant Colonel Agnew thinks it his duty thus publickly to express his obligation to Captain Sir John Sinclair and the Artillery of the Detachment, for the well supported, and efficient, fire, by which those parts of the works against which it was directed were most effectually destroyed.—

The behaviour of Captain Bagshaw, and his able arrangement of the Pioneers during the attack, attracted the particular notice of the Commanding Officer.—

The activity, and Gallantry, of the Cavalry under Captain Doveton and Lieutenant Grant, in pursuing the Enemy in their

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their flight merits the highest praise; and Lieutenant Colonel Agnew was much pleased with the prompt movement of the Reserve under Lieutenant Colonel Dalrymple for their support.—

It was particularly satisfactory to Lieutenant Colonel Agnew to remark in the Native Infantry, who, under Major Graham formed part of the Assaulting Corps, that Steadiness which on some recent occasions part of the Native Troops have failed to display: and to observe that the same confidence seemed generally felt by the Native Infantry of the Detachment. he hopes that the event of Yesterday will impress on their minds a conviction that when attentive to the orders and example of their Officers, and properly confident in their own strength they must ever be successful and that in future their behaviour will merit his unqualified praise.—

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The sick and wounded, of the Detachment to be sent this Evening into Panjalumcourchy, with Tents for their accommodation from their respective Corps — Mr. Surgeon Mac Morris will remain in Panjalumcourchy in Medical charge of the Sick.

The Detachment will be in readiness to march tomorrow.

/True Extract/
/Signed/ E. A Agnew
Lieut.t Col.e Commanding

/A true Copy/
/Signed/ Montague Cosby
Major Brigade

/A true Copy/
/Signed/ Fred: Pierce
Deputy Adjutant General
of the Army

Return

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Return of the Killed, wounded, and missing of the Southern Field in the Assault of Panjalumcouchy on the 7th May 1801. Camp at

| | Killed | | |

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Detachment under the Command of Lieutenant Colonel Agnew

Panjalamcourchy 25th May 1801.

	Wounded					Missing			
	Horses	Total	Grand Total			Horses	Total	Grand Total	
Havildars									
Farriers									
Drummers									
Pte Rattlers									
Rank & File									
Gun Lascars									
Horses									
Total									
Lieut. Colonel									
Majors									
Capt. Lieuts									
Lieutenants									
Ensigns									
Adjutants									
Surgeons									
Do									
Surgeon Mate									
Sub Con. or Cash.									
Serjeants									
Havildars Mayt.									
Farriers									
Drummers									
Pte Rattlers									
Rank & File									
Gun Lascars									
Horses									
Total									
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wounded 1st Regt. N.I. /A true Copy/ /Signed/ S.A. Agnew
Lt. Col. Commandt.
/A true Copy/

Do 1st Bn. 4th Regt. N.I.
Do 1st Do Lt. Do Do
Do Malay Corps

/Signed/ Fred. Pierce
Dy. Adjt. Genl. of the Army

/Signed/ M. Cosby
Major Brigr.
Deputy

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Deputy Adjutant General

of the Army

Sir,

Since I addressed you this Morning with Lieutenant Colonel Agnew's Reports I have received the following Letter from him which I lose no time in Copying as the Tappal is waiting; and which I request may be laid before the Commander of the Army in Chief.—

Trichinopoly 30th May 1801

/Signed/ Tho.s Bridges
Major General Commd.g
Southern Division

/A true Copy/

/Signed/ Fred: Pierce
Dep.t Adjut.t Gen.l of the
Army

To Major of Brigade Cosby

Sir,

"I am commd to report
"for the information of Major General
"Bridges, the death of Lieutenant William
Fraser

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"Fraser of the 1st Battalion 11th Regiment
"of Native Infantry, who died of his wounds
"last night.—

"I have occupied Tutticoryn
"by a Company of the 2d Battalion 16th
"Regiment, under Captain Mc. Donnell;
"and placed Captain Hazard of the 1st Battalion
"of the 9th Regiment with his Detachment
"in Panjalumcourchy, with all the additional
"Pioneers to repair, and cleanse, the Fort,
"which it is necessary at present to occupy,
"a[illegible] to which I have thrown the sick, and
"wounded, of the Detachment in charge of
"Mr. Surgeon Mc. Morris.—

"The effect of the severe
"blow received by the Rebels of Panjalum-
"courchy, having induced them almost—
"entirely to abandon the Southern Districts,
"I marched this Morning, towards the—
"Ramnad Province, to clear it of the Bears of

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"the Shevigungah who have invaded it, and
"laid much of it waste. I have requested
"Major Macaulay to proceed to Pallamcottah,
"and have no doubt but he will soon cause
"the Remaining Bandittie in that Quarter
"to be Seized, and brought to justice.
"The few persons taken in
"Arms, have been executed agreeably to the
"Orders I hold from Government.
"Tomorrow I shall en-
"camp at Naglepore, and thence regulate my
"march as Circumstances may require.

Camp at Araungacottum
27th May 1801

/Signed/ E. A Agnew
Lieutenant Colonel
Commanding Tinnevelly

/A true Copy/
/Signed/ Fred: Pierce
Deputy Adjt. General
of the Army

To

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From the Officer Commanding the Army in Chief. He has made the recommendations which seem necessary in consequence of his receipt of his Letters dated the 4th and 23d Ultimo and 1st Instant mentioning the death of Major Turing recommends Capt. Thos. Wilson to be Deputy Quarter Mr. General and the Deputy Adjt. General has been directed to furnish a List of Regimental promotions necessary from the same cause Major General Burges has requested him in consequence of a Letter received from Lieut. Colonel Cullen Comm.g at Tranquebar to apply to Government that the Officers of the detached Force employed in that Garrison may be allowed Field Batta for such time as may appear to His Lordship adequate to indemnify them for their extraordinary expences. Lt. Palmer of the 1st Batt.n 1st R.t having applied to resign the Adjutancy of that Corps he recommends Lt. Gibson, has appointed to that duty. Encloses an address from Lt. Mowbray who he considers entitled to the allowance & also recommends that Subaltern Lyncham Senr. of the 1st Batt.n 1st Regt. be put on the pension List.

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To George Buchan Esqr.

Actng Chief Secretary to Govermt.

Sir,

I have the honor to ac-
knowledge the receipt of your letters of the
4th and 23d Ultimo and 1st Instant,
with their several enclosures, and have
made the communications which became
necessary in consequence.

It becomes my duty in
consequence of the death of that valuable
and much to be lamented Officer, Major
Robert Turing, to recommend a successor
to the appointment of Deputy Quarter
Master General to the Army, devolving
upon the Presidency, and Request you
to lay before the Right Honorable the
Governor in Council my recommendation
of Captain Thomas Wilson, who has acted
in that capacity, since Major Turing's
appointment

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appointment to the Military Secretary ship.
to be Deputy Quarter Master General to
the Army under this Presidency with the
Rank of Major. as usually attached to
that appointment. as my opinion of the
merits of that Officer have already been
stated to his Lordship in Council. when
I recommended him to act in the Depart-
ment. I have only to say that his conduct
since, has been such as to encrease my
good opinion of him.

The Deputy adjutant General
has been directed to furnish you with the
List of Regimental Promotions which
become necessary in the 17th Regiment of
Native Infantry. in consequence of the
death of Major Turing.

I have received a Letter
from Major General Bridges. in which
in consequence of an address from Lieutenant
Colonel

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Colonel Cullen Commanding at Tranquebar
he requests me to apply to his Lordship in
Council. that the Officers of the Detach-
-ment of the Scotch Brigade serving in
that Garrison may be allowed to be on full
Batta for such a time as his Lordship in
Council may judge adequate to indemnify
them for the extraordinary expence they
have been at. It seems they were hastily
embarked on Board His Majestys Ship
Braave, and carried no baggage or
Servants with them that they were told
their Servants and baggage should be
sent after them the next day, in a Brig
that was to carry the European and Native
details of Artillery, but that the Brig
has arrived without either their Servants
or Baggage, which has involved them
in much immediate extra expence to
provide such Servants and Conveniences

as

as they could not be without, and to the future expence of bringing their Servants and Baggage to Tranquebar by Land. and I hope His Lordship in Council will consider the application as not unworthy of attention.—

Lieutenant Podmore of the 1st Battalion of the 10th Native Regiment has applied through the Officer Commanding the Battalion, for leave to resign the adjutancy to the duties of which he finds himself incompetent from a sick and weakly habit, should his Lordship be pleased to permit Lieutenant Podmore to resign, I am induced from the high character given to me of him, by the Officer Commanding the Battalion, to recommend Lieutenant G. M. Gilson of the same Battalion to be Adjutant. he is stated to me as a very active and intelligent Officer,

and

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and as one who has by great application —
acquired a Knowledge of the Moor, and Gentoo
Language. —

I have the honor to enclose
an address from Lieutenant Colonel —
Monnypenny to his Lordship in Council
forwarded to me by Major General Camp-
-bell, and I have no hesitation in saying,
that I conceive Lieutenant Colonel Monny-
-penny to be well entitled to the allowance
he solicits. His Officer had an arduous
duty on his hands, and had acquitted —
himself throughout in a most Soldier
like, and masterly manner. — I think
however that all difficulty would have
been removed, had he referred himself
to the Deputy Adjutant General in —
Mysore, who could not have hesitated
affixing his signature to the appointment
of Lieutenant Colonel Monneypenny. —,

which

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which it seems is all that the Military Auditor General requires, as it was from the Mysore, and under the express orders of the Officer in Command there, that Lieutenant Colonel Monneypenny — marched under the apprehendment in which he has so much distinguished himself —

I beg to Recommend that Subidar Ayman Cawn of the 17th Native Regiment, may, by an order of Government be put on the pensioned List, he has been twenty four years in the Service, but has latterly from a general debility of — Body and mind, been totally incapable of any duty, and according to the opinion of Several Medical Gentlemen will — continue as he is as long as he may live. —

Madras — I have the honor &c. &c.
8th June 1801 / Signd / John Braithwaite

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The Right Honorable 21/294

The Governor in Council

My Lord,

I am sorry to be under the necessity of troubling your Lordship, but as I have had a Retrenchment of my staff charge for the Month of December last, forwarded to me, by the Paymaster at Seringapatam, as made by the Auditor General on the principle of the Bill not bearing the Countersignature of the Deputy Adjutant General of the Mysore Army; to which objection, should the Auditor General adhere, I shall be totally precluded from giving a reply, that may be Explanatory or satisfactory. This Consideration alone, induces me to state my case to your Lordship. It must be fully known to your Lordship that, in the Month of November last, I was

ordered

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ordered, by the Honorable Colonel Wellesley,
to proceed, from the Mysore Army, in charge
of a considerable Detachment, consisting
of a Brigade of Cavalry, and one of
Infantry the latter placed under my more
immediate orders, and that, the Detach-
-ment entered the Ceded Districts, to
perform, what might be considered, a
branch, of the same Service. I was instru-
-cted to communicate with Government
direct, and with the Adjutant General of
the Army, being no longer considered
under the authority of the Officer Comman-
-ding in Mysore, consequently the Bills
could not be countersigned by the Official
Staff Officer of that District.

In December last the
Detachment had entered the Ceded
Districts, where I had, for a time, the
honor of being the Senior Officer — The
importance

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importance of the Service, and the expence attending the Situation, were infinitely greater than that I had quitted, Viz.t the Command of a Brigade in the Mysore Army, where the allowance was granted. Should from these Circumstances, Your Lordship be of opinion, that there is no impropriety, or irregularity, in my profiting from the indulgence, granted by Government to the Mysore Army, and that the nature of the Service, on which I then was, and still am employed, admits of it, I have express a hope that the Auditor General may be instructed accordingly.—

For your Lordships more particular information, I beg leave to enclose a Copy of the Retrenchment, Likewise an Extract of the General Order by Colonel Wellesley, and.—

I have

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Camp at Udagoor 31st May 1801

I have the honor &c. &c.

(Signed) Jn. Moneypenny

Lieutenant Colo. Commandg.

Infty. Brigde. Ceded Districts

Staff.

9p Lieutenant Colonel Moneypenny
Commanding the Detachment
and Brigade draws Table
allowance at Star Pagodas
25. 20. pr. Day for .....
December. 96. 36. 60

Rejected because the Bill
is not Countersigned by the
Deputy Adjutant General
of the Mysore Army, agree-
-ably to the General Order
Authorising this Allow-
-ance 96. 36. 60

Total Pagda. 96. 36. 60

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Military Auditor / A true Extract /

Generals Office / Signed / W. FC Gordon

Fort St. George Paymaster.

29th April 1801 / A true Extract /

/ Signed / Jn. Moneypenny

Lieut. Colo. Comdg.

Inf. Brigade.

Extracts from General Orders by the Honorable

Colonel Wellesley Camp at Mudtoor, Sunday

16th November 1800

"The 25th Dragoons the 1st and 4th

"Regiments Native Cavalry the 73d Regiment

"and the 2d Battalion 4th Regiment

"and 1st Battalion 12th Regiment Native

"Infantry with their field pieces and

"Artillery Men, are to march tomorrow

"morning, under the orders of Lieutenant

"Colonel Moneypenny, according to instruc-

"tions which he will receive."

"Lieutenant Colonel Moneypenny

"to Command the Brigade consisting of

the

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"the 73d Regiment 2d Battalion 4th and 1st
"Battalion 12th Regiment Native Infantry
"Captain Winslow to act as Brigade Major
"to Lieutenant Colonel Monypenny. and
"Ensign H. Hooper 73 Regiment as Quarter
"Master to the Brigade - under his Orders"

"Major Blagrave to Com-
"mand the Brigade of Cavalry under -
"Lieutenant Colonel Monypenny; and
"Lieutenant Lushington is to be his Brigade
"Major."

/ True Extracts /
/ Signed / J. L. Winslow
Brigade Major

To George Buchan Esqre
Acting Chief Secretary to the Govermt
of Fort St. George

Sir,

From the Deputy Adjutant General of the Army. Requesting that the permanent Rank stated in his letter of the 15th Instant may be given to

The Officer Commanding the Army in Chief, ordered me to communicate to

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have arrived in the vicinity of Chittledroog have undergone the usual inspection. The Lot consisted of 596 Horses of which 11 were rejected. states the distribution made of the remainder. Thirty two of the first Lot and two of the last being rejected as too young for Cavalry service suggests that they may be received as an act of accommodation to the agent but that he may receive orders on his account to purchase in future any horses but such as are sent to the Coast to determine in favor of the Agent concludes that these 34 may be placed in charge of the officer Comg the Governors Bodyguard.

to you, for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, that the Second Lot of Remount Horses for the Cavalry mentioned in my letter of the 13 Ultimo having arrived in the Vicinity of Chittledroog, and undergone the usual inspection by a Committee of Cavalry Officers, has been so far distributed to the several Regiments, as to give to each, the proportion required to complete it.—

This List consisted of five hundred and Ninety Six /596/ Horses reported to be of a very superior description in Cast, Bone, and appearance, to those of the former Lot, and of that Number, five hundred and eighty five /585/ were on inspection found fit for the Service, and eleven /11/ were rejected as unfit.—

His Majesty's two Regiments of

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of Dragoons have been directed to return the Horses they drew from the former lot, and to take an equal number from this last lot, and are completed to the Actual Number of non Commissioned Rank and File, present upon the Coast, agreeably to the Returns for May, and the Regements of Native Cavalry, with exception of the 3rd which is supplied with Horses by other means, according to the full establishment of Native Commissioned, non Commission-ed, and Rank and File belonging to a Regiment.—

To complete them thus, it has required five hundred and forty eight /548/ Horses, so that of the Second Lot there remain to be disposed of at his Lordship's pleasure thirty seven /37/ Horses: but as it is probable that by the expected Ships some Recruits for

His

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His Majestys 19th and 25th Dragoons may
arrive from Europe. Major General Brath-
-waite proposes that the Surplus Horses
of this Second Lot should be proporti-
-onably distributed to the Regiments of
Dragoons. —

The Committee of Cavalry
Officers, by whom both lots of Horses
were inspected, having stated to Head —
Quarters that, as an encouragement to the
Horse Dealers, and an inducement to Keep
up a Regular Horse Market the Agent
in purchasing many Lots had been obliged
to admit of some Colts being included in
them, and that of the sixty four (62) —
Horses rejected from the first Lot, thirty
two (32) on reexamination are found to
be of that discription, as also two (2)
of the eleven rejected from the Second Lot,
and will be fit for Cavalry Service in the

Course

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course of twelve, or fifteen Months. Major General Braithwaite is induced to submit this Circumstance to the favorable consideration of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, and to say, that, under the Committees Report upon Recommendation of those Horses, he sees no very material objection to the Thirty-four (34) being received for the Service, as an act of Accommodation to the Agent, and of no serious detriment to the Service, but that he at the same time considers it indispensably necessary to Recommend in the strongest manner that the most positive instructions may hereafter be given to the Agent against purchasing, on any account whatever, any Horses but such as are fit for immediate use, and Conformable to the established Regulations on the subject.—

I should be Your Lordship's —

determination

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determination be in favor of the Agent, the General concludes that agreeably to the former order of Government in regard to the eight under Aged Horses of the first Lot, these thirty four (34) Horses will be placed under the charge of the Officer Commanding the Right Honorable the Governor's Body Guard.—

Adjutant Generals Office
7th June 1801

I have the honor &c. &c.
(Signed) Fred: Burrie
Deputy Adjt. Genl.
of the Army

To George Buchan Esqr.
Acting Chief Secretary to Government
of Fort S. George.

From Lt. Col. Govrs. Genl. Brathwaites recommendation for promotion in the 17th Regt. native Infantry in consequence of the death of Major Robert Kirby—

Sir,

I have it in direction from Major General Brathwaite to request you will signify to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council his recommendation that

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That the Subjoined promotion may be ordered
in the 17th Regiment Native Infantry in —
Consequence of the decease at the Presidency
on the 5th Instant of Major Robert Turing
of that Corps.

17th Regiment Native Infantry

Eldest Captain George Bow-
-nes to be Major vice Turing deceased —
date of Commission 6th June 1801.

Captain Lieutenant Patrick
Grant to be Captain of a Company vice
Bownes promoted, date of Commission
6th June 1801.

Eldest Lieutenant Thomas
Ogilby to be Captain Lieutenant, Vice
Grant promoted. date of Commission 6th
June 1801.

Adjutant Genl. I have the honor &c &c.
Office (Signed) Fred: Pierce
8th June 1801 Depy. Adjt. General
of the Army.

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Minutes and Resolutions on the above letters -

The Board have derived the greatest satisfaction from the Complete - success which attended the attack of the Fort of Panjalemcoutchy on the 24th Ultimo and it is Resolved to direct the Officer Commanding in Chief to convey to Lieutenant Colonel Agnew, and to the Officers and Men employed in that enterprize the - expression of the Boards warmest approbation, and thanks for the great judgement, valor and success which distinguished the plan and execution of the Attack. -

Resolved that Captain Thomas Wilson be confirmed in the - appointment of the Deputy Quarter Master General to the Army, in consequence of the death of that Meritorious and - lamented Officer Major Robert Turing: and that the Regimental promotions -

Recommended

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Recommended in the Deputy Adjutant Generals letter of the 8th. Instant be ordered to take place.—

Resolved that the Officers of His Majestys Scotch Brigade who were employed in the reduction of Tranquebar be permitted to draw the allowance of full Batta for the period of one Month subsequently to the Surrender of that place, as a Compensation for the expences to which they are stated to have been subjected.—

Resolved that Lieutenant Colonel Moneypenny whose services have Merited the repeated approbation of the Board be permitted to draw the allowance of a Brigadier during the period in which that Officer actually served on the separate Command of a Brigade.—

Resolved that Subadar Ayman Caun be placed on the pension List

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List of the Army agreeably to the Recommen-
-dation of the Officer Commanding in Chief.—

The Board entirely approve
the distribution which has been made of
the Second Lot of Remount Horses and
are well pleased at the favorable Report
which has been stated of their Cast and
Condition— But as it is incumbent with
the principles of the Agency, that any —
Horses should be received for the public
Service which are not of sufficient age.
Resolved that this Rule be in the present
and all future cases strictly observed.—

Read the following Letters
from Bombay.—

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

My Lord,

We beg leave to trouble

Your

From Bombay
Forwards Certificates of
Letter of the Commg
officers of the
Corps

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Forces at Bombay relative to certain promotions &c. in the Medical Line at that Presidency which they have deferred confirming until favored with the sentiments of this Government regarding them

Your Lordship in Council with a Copy of a Letter by the Commanding Officer of the Forces under this Presidency relative to the certain promotions, and Removals in the Medical Line, which as some of the Servants therein named are now attached to that part of the Bombay Army serving under the immediate orders of Your Lordship in Council we have deemed it advisable not to confirm until favored with Your Lordships sentiments thereon.

Bombay Castle, 13th May 1801. We have the honor &c. &c.

Signed J. Duncan
I. Carnac
Wm. Page

To the Honble Jonathan Duncan Esqr.
President and Governor in Council
Bombay

Honorable Sir,

In consequence of the Promotion

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Promotion of &c. &c. &c. Mr Surgeon Kerr and of the furlough to Europe obtained by Mr. James, and the Recommendation of Mr. Boag to the Artillery, the following appointments and Removals become necessary and at the Nomination of the Medical Board.

I beg leave to recommend that the undermenteoned Gentlemen may be appointed or removed accordingly.—

Mr. Assistant Surgeon Guelle to the post of Deputy Medical Storekeeper at the Presidency vice Kerr promoted.—

Mr. Surgeon Thorpe to succeed Mr. James as Superintending Surgeon. Southern District Malabar.—

Mr. Surgeon Little—

having Represented that his bad state of Health renders him at present incapable of performing the Medical duties of the European

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European Regiments. Mr. Surgeon Mackie to succeed Mr. Thorpe —

Mr. Surgeon Mack to be Garrison Surgeon of Cochin Vice Mackie —

Assistant Surgeon Twiss acting Surgeon of the 5th Regiment Native Infantry Vice Mack —

Assistant Surgeon Skene to be acting Surgeon of the 1st Regiment N. I. vice Boag —

Assistant Surgeon Sproule to be acting Surgeon of the Cornwallis, but to act as Surgeon of the 5th Regiment Native Infantry until Mr. Twiss can join —

Assistant Surgeon Hathway to be acting Surgeon of the Bombay Frigate, but to act as Surgeon of the 1st Regiment Native Infantry until Mr. Skene can join —

Assistant Surgeon Perrin to be Deputy

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Deputy Medical Storekeeper in Malabar.—

Bombay
May 6.1801

I have the Honor &c. &c.
/Signed/ R Nicholson
Major General

/True Copy/ Signed/ J Hallett
Asst.t to the Sec.y

To lie on the Table.

Ordered to lie on the table

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

My Lord.

From Bombay— The State of the arsenal at Bombay did not admit of supplying a further quantity of the Ordnance required for the use of this Presidency than 12 Lbs.s Six pounders, which are to be shipped on board the victorious and arrogant—

I am acknowledgement of Mr. Secretary Turings Letter of the 20 Ultimo We have the Honor to acquaint Your Lordship in Council that having referred the application therein contained to our Military Board they have represented to us that since the framing of the Return alluded to in the Extract from the Letter from the Military Board at Fort S.t George dated the 13.th Ultimo. the Number of Brass 6 pounder

Field

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Sole pieces in this Arsenal has been so considerably reduced that not more than 12 of the 20 applied for, can be spared.—

His Excellency Admiral Rainier having obligingly consented to take this number on the Ships of his Squadron, We have the honor to acquaint your Lordship in Council that — half of them will be shipped on Board the Victorious, and half on the Trident, which Vessels will depart from hence in a few days.—

Bombay Castle 15th May 1801

We have the honor &c. &c.
(Signed) John Duncan
" I. Carnac
" William Page

Order in Consequence

Ordered that the necessary Orders be given to the Military Board for landing the Ordnance above mentioned on the arrival of the Trident and Victorious at this Presidency —

Read the following Letter from the Deputy Military Auditor General.—

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The Right Honorable Lord Clive

President and Governor in Council

Fort S. George

My Lord

From the Deputy Military Auditor General enclosing for the decision of Government a Statement of Retrenchments from Mr. Wm. Jones late Paymaster at Amboyna.

At the desire of Mr. William Jones late Paymaster at Amboyna, I have the honor to lay before your Lordship a Statement of Retrenchments, made from his Disburse=ments from November 1796 to August 1797. inclusive, which have not been given up on Recandet, and upon which he begs to be favored with the Decision of Your Lordship in Council.—

Military Auditor Generals Office Fort S. George 1st June 1801

I have the honor &c. &c.

/Signed/ P Bruce

Depy. mily. Audr. Genl. in Charge

The Board's decision on the Retrenchments against the late Paymaster at Amboyna communicated to the office of audit.

Ordered that the above Statement of Retrenchments made from the Accounts of the late Paymaster at Amboyna be returned to

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to the Office of Audit with the decision of the Board annexed to the several charges.—

Read the following letter from the Marine Board.—

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

My Lord,

Pursuant to the Commands of Your Lordship in Council of the 15th instant. We have the honor to report, that the necessary arrangements for engaging the Brig Alexander in the Public Service, have been finally concluded with the Owners, ... on the reduced terms of 3500 Rupees per Month, as Stipulated in the charter party. Counterpart whereof accompanies herewith together with the demand of the Companys Attorney for preparing the papers, amounting to Pagodas 111. 32 fanams, which we

Submit

on the Marine Board agreeable to the orders of Government they have engaged the Brig Alexander for the public service Request the sum of 4000 Pagodas to make the usual advances to the owners submit the demand of the Companys —, Attorney for preparing the papers for the Brig Alexander. Recommend payment of a Sum and amount of freight of goods shipped on the Godavery —

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submit for your Lordships sanction.—

We request the Sum of 4000

Four thousand Pagodas from the General Treasury

to enable us to make the usual advance to the

Owners of the Brig Alexander.—

The Commander of the Gadavery

having returned to Madras, has preferred a

claim to the Sum of 50 Pagodas on account

of the detention of that Vessel in these Roads

to sail under convoy of the Indiamen at

the time about to proceed to the Northern

Subordinates, which we beg leave to Submit

to your Lordships consideration, for payment

in addition to the Amount due for the

freight of those Articles, agreeably to our

application of the 13th March, which we

request may be complied with, as soon as

convenient.—

We have the honor &c &c

Fort S. George

24 May 1801

/Signed/ E W Fallofield

George Mescott

J. Mitford

M Dick

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Orders in Consequence

The Charter party of affreight-
ment of the Alexander being approved, it
Ordered to be Returned to the Marine
Board.—

Ordered that authority be
given for the payment of the advance of four
thousand Pagodas due on Account of that Vessel,
and for the payment of the Bill of the Company's
Solicitor.—

Ordered that the Marine
Board be informed that authority was com-
municated to the Office of Audit in March
Last, for the payment of the freight due for the
Godavery; and that Payment of the fur-
ther Sum of fifty Pagodas on Account of
the detention of that Vessel will be now
authorized.—

Read the following Letter from
the Officer Commanding at Pallamcottah.—

To

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To George Buchan Esq.re

Acting Chief Secretary to Government

Fort S.t George

Sir,

From the Offic.g Com-
manding at Pulam-
cottah. States
that he has in
his hands Money
produced by the
duties levied
in the Bazars
in his late Camp,
and requesting
instructions for
the disposal of it.
suggests the
Appropriation
of a part of the
Sum to the
Superintendant
of the Bazar

It appears to me to be proper
to acquaint You, for the information of the
Right Honorable the Governor in Council that
while I had the honor of Commanding the
Detachment of Troops Serving in the field
against the Rebels that the Superintendant of
of Supplies was directed to retain in his hands
subject to the disposal of Government all Sums
of Money arising from the Customary Taxes
upon certain Bazar Articles and from the sale
of Spirituous Liquors.

However general the usage
may have been for Officers in Command of
Detachments, to appropriate for their private
benefit the produce of Bazar Taxes such
appropriation without Regular authority appears

so

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so reconcileable with my notions of publick duty, as to make a Reference on the subject to his Lordship in Council necessary.—

The Accounts of daily Receipts and Disbursements Remain / together with the Balance / in Camp with the Superintendant of Supplies: and in whatever manner it may appear to His Lordship to be proper to dispose of this Balance. I take the liberty of Recommending that a Reasonable Sallary be allowed out of it to Mr. George Hughes Madras Translator who acted as the Superintendant of Supplies much to my Satisfaction and with great advantage to the Service.—

Palamcottah 29th May 1801

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

/ Signed / C Macaulay
Major in charge of
Palamcottah

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Ordered to lie on the Table

Read the following Letters from the

Town Major.

George Buchan Esqr.

Acting Chief Secretary to Government

Sir,

From the Town Major. Enclosing Roll of Danish Prisoners of War and states the usual allowance granted to persons of that description.

I have the honor to enclose for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council a Roll of Danish Prisoners of war, stating the amount of Subsistence usually allowed to persons of that description; and have to request the instructions of Government upon the Subject. They have all given their parole and have been here since the 7th of May.

I am Sir

Your Most Obt. Hble

Servt.

Fort St. George

9th June 1801

Signed A Grant

Town Major.

Roll

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Roll of Danish Prisoners &c. landed from different Ships shewing the usual allowance made by Government to persons of this discription.—

Names	Rank	Sum Monthly
C Schutt	Captain	Sixty Rupees
I Wanberg	Do.	Sixty Rupees
R I. Schmitth	Do	Sixty Rupees
Jacob Jacobson	Do	Sixty Rupees
Jacob Wandreson	Mate	Forty Rupees
Fred: Lyll of	Do	Forty Rupees
Joseph Schutt ...	Supercargo	Forty Rupees
Nich: Thompson	Mate	Forty Rupees
Nelson Yorke	Do	Forty Rupees
Peter Holmber	Do	Forty Rupees
Peder Jerifsen Knie	Do	Forty Rupees

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/ Signed / A Grant
Town Mayor

Ordered

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Order thereon — Ordered that authority be given for the payment of the allowance usually granted in like cases to the Prisoners of War included in the above List. —

Read the following Letter from the Commanding Officer in Kanara. —

Major Robert Turing

Secretary to Government

Fort S. George

Sir,

From the Officer Commanding in Kanara. States the necessity of repairing the public buildings for the accomodation of the Troops at Sadashagur - Ismalabad and Be Rul. —

I have the honor to acquaint you for the information of Government — that the public buildings for the accommodation of the Troops and Stores at Sadasheegar, Ismelabad and Beeul, are in a very ruinous state, their being repaired is absolutely, and indispensably necessary to secure them against the severity of the approaching Mondoon. —

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Head Quarters I have the honor &c. &c.

Mangalore (Signed) G. W. Mignan

May 28th 1801 Lieut. Col. Command.g in Kanara

Order on Consequence

Ordered that the Military Board be directed to authorize such temporary Repairs to the public Buildings at the above mentioned Stations as may be necessary to protect the Troops from the inclemency of the Weather.—

Read the following Letter from the Military Paymaster General.—

Major Robert Turing

Secretary to Government in the Military Department

From the Military Paymaster General. Forwards a List of Bills drawn by the paymaster at Manilpatam for payments made by him to French Prisoners and requests that the Amount may be adjusted in the Books of the Treasury.—

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose you a List of Bills drawn by the Paymaster at Masulipatam in my favor for the Cash advanced by him to the French Prisoners of War under his Charge of Payment agreeably to the instructions of Government of the 22 November 1798 and which

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which it is necessary should be adjusted with my Office thro' the General Treasury I have therefore to request that you will be pleased to obtain the Orders of Government to that end.—

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Signed B Roebuck
Military Paymaster Genl.

List of Bills

One bill in favor of Mr. B Roebuck M P G

1 Sept.r	140	30	"
Do ... Do ... Do 1st October	117	36	"
Do ... Do ... Do 1st Ditto	143	24	"
Do ... Do ... Do 1st Jan.y	130	30	"
Do ... Do ... Do 1st Do	130	30	"
Do ... Do ... Do 1st Feb.y	130	30	"
Do ... Do ... Do 1st March	130	30	
Do ... Do ... Do 30th April	130	30	
Total Pag.s	1050	240	"

Ordered

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Order thereon —

Ordered that a Copy of the above Letter be transmitted to the Sub Treasurer in order that the Account may be adjusted in the books of the Treasury. —

Read the following Letters from Lieutenant Colonel Agnew, and from the Resident at Tanjour. —

To George Buchan Esqre

Acting chief Secretary to Government

Sir

Colonel Agnew Reports his arrival at Palamerry in consequence of Intelligence from Comery, had dent a reinforcement to that place and near which a party of Rebels were attacked and put to flight. Hates the arrival of Comara Swamy Naig near Comery, as also that of the Person who calls himself the Polygar of Pangalumeenchy has not received any intelligence of the actual state of Ramnad but will fall at Palmerry the next Day and then move as the occasion may require. is confident no serious will result

I beg you will inform the Right Honorable the Governor in Council that I this day encamped with the Detachment under my Command at Palamerry on the Ramnad District, a party of the Shevagunga Peons quitted the place [illegible] last night. —

In consequence of intelligence from Comery which led me to fear the small Garrison of Peons could not long continue to defend that Fort, I ordered the Battalion I had advanced to

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recall in the Southern Provinces from his moving to the northern parts of the district recommends the forces of Dondiman being employed against the Rebell as it would greatly facilitate the success of his operations.—

to Chedulgoody, to move on that direction on the 2d Instant and that evening I detached from Naglapore the detail of the 2 Battalion of the 6th Regiment with a party of Cavalry to join Major Shippard Corps, and, under the Command of Major Gray to drive the Enemy from their position near Comery — This service was performed early Yesterday Morning — The Peons fled after a slight opposition, leaving several of their Number killed. The nature of the Country and the fatigue the Detachment had undergone, prevented pursuit. —

As Comery, from its position, is a post of consequence, I have directed a — small party of Native Troops to reinforce the Garrison of Revenue Peons, for the present - The advanced position of the Force under my — Command will probably prevent a farther attack. —

Comera Sawmy Mack. —

Commonly

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Commanly Known by the designation of the
Dumm Brother of the late Cotibama Naig,
is Reported to have arrived in the Rebel Camp
near Comery on the Evening of the 28th
Instant, having been desperately wounded
in escaping from Panjalumcourchy - The
Person now assuming the title of Poligar
of Panjalum Courchy, reached the
same place with a few attendants on the
25th Instant. —

The difficulty of commu=
=nication occasioned by the irruption of the
Shevagunga Banditee into the Ramnad
Districts, has prevented my Receiving
intelligence of the actual State of Ramnad
which was menaced with attack on the 27th
and a Letter from Lieutenant Colonel
Innes speaks of the progress of the insurgents
in the Nattam District as considerable,
thus circumstanced I shall halt here
tomorrow

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tomorrow as the position is central, and more
on the following day as the intelligence I receive
may require.—

The Urgent necessity which —
compelled me to move on a Northern direction
for the protection of this District, may cause
some Slight Renewal of disturbances in the Sou-
-thern Districts, but as the most active of the
Tanjalum courchy Chiefs fell on the 24 with
about 1000 of their followers, I am confident
in my belief that no serious evil can Result
from my quitting that Vicinity, so suddenly,
and that the western Poligars will persevere
in their obedience.—

It would greatly facilitate
the success of any operations which may be —
undertaken in the interior of the Shevagunga
District, from this quarter, were the forces
of Tondeman employed against the Rebels
from an opposite direction — The difficulty of
assembling

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assembling force sufficient to Command success
in a Country so intricate as that occupied by the
Shevagunga Rebels, has induced me to suggest
this measure to the consideration of the Right
Honorable the Governor in Council.

Camp at
Palamcerry
30th May 1801

I have the Honor &c. &c.
(Signed) B. A. Agnew.
Lieut. Col. Commandg

To George Buchan Esqr.
Acting Chief Secretary to Government
Fort S. George

From the President at Tanjore stating the measures which he had taken for assembling a body of Troops on the Frontiers of the Tanjore Country for the defence of the Country against the Rebels in Shevagunga: and expressing the greatest satisfaction with the Conduct of the Rajah of Tanjore in having detached a body of His Cavalry & two Troops for this Service.

Sir,

I beg leave to acquaint you for
the information of the Right Honorable the
Governor in Council, that in Consequence of a
Letter from the Collector of Tanjore received on
the 30th Ultimo, which stated that the Inhab-
-itants of Pettycottah were in great consider-
-tion, apprehensive of an immediate Irruption
of Mundoo Therogar's people, and that he had
applied

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applied for Military aid to the Commanding Officer of the Division, and to the Commanding Officer at Tranquebar. I thought it my duty to send off immediately, without waiting for a more formal application from Mr. Harris, all the Sepoys of my Escort could possibly be spared, to Pettecottah to reinforce the Garrison of that port. Commanded by Lieutenant Hughes — This party consisting of a Subidar, two Havildars, three Naigues, a Drum and five, Puckally, and fifty Sepoys, marched at 4 P.M. on the day that I received the Collectors Information of the alarm. —

Mr. Harris also expressed an anxious wish to have a few Horsemen at Pettecottah, whose appearance might have a powerful effect in deterring the threatened irruption, and in tranquillizing the minds of the Inhabitants. I did not hesitate to make an immediate application to His Excellency the Rajah

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Rajah, and to request the Services of His Body Guard The Rajah cimplied with my request with the greatest alacrity and by mounting several of his Troopers upon Horses appropria= =ted to his own use, he suppplied me with a Body of fifty Regular and twenty irregular Cavalry, all Young Men of high Cast and family, well armed and Mounted.

In addition to this party His Excellency Voluntarily offered the services of a hundred Young Men whom he calls the dismounted Troops, armed with musquets and Bayonets, and in a very respectable state of Descipline.

I gladly accepted this offer, and having arrived at Puttecottah on the morning of the 1st Instant with my own Escort and an advanced party of the Rajahs, I posted the Troops in a convenient and eligible Situation, and finding my presence unnecessary at the

alarm

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alarm had subsided, I left instructions with the several Commanding Officers for their Guidance, and returned to Tanjour this Morning.

In adopting the measures above detailed, without Orders from Government or a formal requisition from the Collector, I was sensible that I exposed myself to a serious responsibility. I did not however decide without maturely weighing the circumstances of the case. My determination was influenced by the following consideration, which I beg leave to submit respectfully to His Lordship 1st The extensive alarm and consideration prevailing along the Frontier, stated to me by Mr. Harris and confirmed by my own Intelligence; 2 The Urgent requisition for Troops to be sent to Pettecottah, which the Collector informed me he had made both to the Commanding Officer of the Division, and to the Commanding Officer

at

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at Tranquebar. 3. The reason I had to believe that these Regulations could not be complied with. 4th The wish repeatedly expressed by Mr. Harris for a party of Cavalry, which he justly conceived — would most effectually protect the Frontier. 5th It happened that I was the only Officer in the District, and I could not hesitate to apply — instantaneously all the resources within my reach to its Protection and Defence.

I have regularly apprized the Commanding Officer of the Division, and the Collector, of the movements I have made, and have had the pleasure to receive the most ample Testimonies of their approbation and satisfaction. —

The Zeal and alacrity of — the Rajah in contributing his Supply are — beyond my praise; and deserve, what His Excellency appears truly sollicitous to obtain the approbation and favor of the Right Honorable

the

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Received 22 June

The Governor in Council.—

Tanjore I have the honor &c. &c.

2 June 1801 / Signed / William Blackburne

Resident

To George Buchan Esqr.

Acting chief Secretary to Government

Fort S. George

Sir,

I have the honor to send you

From the Resident at Tanjore— Forwards original letter and translation sent by the Brother of the late Polygar of Panjalumcourchy to the Rajah of Tanjore— The messengers in confinement at Tanjour.—

an original Letter in the Malabar Language from the Brother of the late Polygar of Panjalumcourchy to His Excellency the Rajah of Tanjour. and a Translation of it in English by the Reverend Mr. Kohlhoff.—

The letter was delivered to His Excellency's Minister, Dattagee Appah, as he was getting into his Carriage on the 31st Ultimo. He asked the bearer from whom he brought it, and being answered from the Polygar of Panjalumcourchy, he ordered him into close

confinement

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confinement. and after acquainting His Excellency of the Circumstance sent the letter to me.—

The Bearer of the letter has been strictly examined several times by Dillagee Appah. and by me. and has given the following account of himself without any material Variation.—

He is an Inhabitant of the Village of Trivady near Tanjour. His name Peremunah. when Lieutenant Colonel Innes Commanded at Tanjour. He rented the arrack Farm at Trivady— He accompanied Colonel Innes's Battalion to Dindigul. and afterwards on its marches against the Polygar of Verapatchy

Finding a difficulty in procuring subsistance. he left the Camp. and proceeded to Punjalum=curchy. where he was received into the Service of Appoo Naig. the Carbarry or Minister of the deaf and Dumb. Brother of the deceased, Pollygar

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Pollygar - about a fortnight after he was called before appoo Naig and the Pollygar, who desired him to undertake to convey a Letter to the Rajah of Tanjour. He consented through fear an Olak was brought, and Appoo Naig wrote upon it the address. after which the deaf & dumb Polygar wrote the remainder of the letter in the messenger's presence - He ventured to express his fears of being detected on the Road, upon which Appoo Naig stained the writing of a reddish Hue, and told him to shew it chearfully if he should be stopped, and say it was a letter concerning a Marriage in his family. He took the letter and departed, accompanied by another Servant of the Pollygar, from whom he separated on his arrival at Tanjour, — and has not seen him since he was at Tanjour - and in the Neighbourhood twenty days before he had a Convenient opportunity of delivering the Letter. —

His

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This is the Substance of his Declaration I have been able to ascertain the truth of the former part of it. The latter part appears extremely probable.—

His Excellency the Rajah has requested me to transmit this letter to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, and to inform him that the Bearer of it shall be kept in close confinement until his Lordship may be pleased to signify his pleasure respecting him.—

Tanjour 3 June 1801

I have the honor &c. &c.
Signed/ Wm. Blackburne
Resident

Rattapah Naick a Servant, and Koolapade/ an inferior Cavilgar/ prostrates himself before the Circar of Rajamanya Rajastre Maha Rajah Saheb, and with great Veneration maketh his humble Petition.—

This the help of the Swamie

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I am in want of nothing, and thro your grace,
and the support of Menatche I am well —
until this present day the 20th of Sittery (april)
and very deligent — My Brother carried on
a War against the Europeans, but not being
able to continue it, he took Refuge to Tondi-
-man, who treacherously delivered him up
to the Europeans, If they had kept him in
confinement, we would have found out —
means to release him, wherever he might —
have been confined. But they immediately
hung him up. and confined us in a Dungeon
at Pallamcottah. In this state I sought
the favor of a European Lady, who shewed
me Kindness and preserved me, some time
after I represented to the Lady, that being
in prison I had no Assistance to perform the
Ceremony for the dead, and begged that she
would procure me leave from her husband
to perform those Ceremonies, which I said

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I would perform on prison with the fetters
I had on my feet. As soon as She had
procured Leave I sent to the Country; and
under pretence of performing the Ceremony,
I had two Hundred Cooly loads of plan-
tains, plaintain leaves, and firewood,
brought, in which Arms were concealed. The
people who brought the above Articles were
stopt by the Sentry at the Gate, but were
permitted afterwards to pass. There were
also people appointed to lie in wait within
and without the Fort round about. The
people who were permitted to pass in the
Fort, came there where I was, I gave them a
Sign to attack the people who were with me
who consisted of one Guard of Seapoys. my
people attacked them, took their Arms, and
carried me away with the fetters I had on
my feet. my people Killed also the Gentleman,
and carried away his wife, a European Lady.

They

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They Killed also the people at the Gate, and made their way out of the Fort, Whereupon we marched in a body to Punjalumcourchy, and fought with the people who were in the Fort, and took posseßion of it, after they left it. I fortified the place, and Collected a Body of 30.000 Tolluyer and 30.000 of Velly. Murdoos people, when this news was Known, all those Troops which marched against the Wirapachi man consisting of Maleys and Europeans, and also those Troops which were here and there were collected together, and came to fight with me. The Wirapachi man came then and joined me. The European fought with me on the 10th Tey / January / and suffered loß. Four Gentlemen who were Commanders of that Army were taken alive, and hanged by my Order in order to revenge the murder of my Brother, and now I shall fight as long as I can. The

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Europeans must either be totally destroyed, or
if that cannot be done I shall fight till I can
fight no longer, and then put an end to my
life - I shall never suffer myself to be taken
by them all the Pollygars in this Country are
joined together - We shall not fight with them
openly, face to face, but attack them in the
night, when they dress their Victuals, and
so as not to be observed by them In this
manner great numbers of them have been
killed, and now the Europeans have no
Troops, and they are encamped at a distance
If now the people in the different Countries
would rise up and resist, they will sink
and perish - As the people in the different
Countries are Submissive they desire them to
do whatever they like - Now it is the report
that the Troops of Rajahmaned Rajestre
Mahu Rajah Sahib is in readiness Inspired
greatly in the hopes that in case I should
not

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not be able to hold out here. I would find protection with Maha Rajah who is my father, and I have despised the Europeans and why should I not despise them? But now they say that Maha Rajah himself is sending Troops. As the Europeans have no Troops they have laid up their Arms and Ammunition in heaps, and are doing nothing, and wait for the arrival of Maha Rajahs Troops. If Maha Rajah himself should send them assistance what must become of us. If they be not destroyed now, all will become theirs. Their Army is gone to the Westward; but no body knows where it is at present, whether it is destroyed or whether it still exists. If Maha Rajah will grant me Encouragement — I shall be able to bring them down. But if your Troops come I can do nothing. As I am your Servant I have not taken any Revenge on Tondiman on account of

what

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what he has done to my Brother, otherwise I would have done it. If your Troops are to come hither, and if you will promise me protection I myself will come to You as You have been our Father from the time of our Ancestors I will come under Your Refuge You may deliver me up Yourself What shall I who am your Dog, write to you besides. Whatever the faults are I have committed in this letter I beg Maha Rajah Saheb to advice me how I am to act with deference and respect.

A true Translation

/Signed/ I Rohlhoff

Resolution thereon

Resolved and Ordered that the following Letters be dispatched to Lieutenant Colonel Agnew, to Captain Blackburne and to the Bidjyar of Tondiman.

To

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To Lieutenant Colonel Agnew

Commanding the Forces in

Tinnevelly

Sir,

Para 1st I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 30th Ultimo and to inform You that the Right Honorable the Governor in Council approves entirely the measures therein Reported.—

2 The fidelity and attachment to the Company's Government which has long distinguished the Family of Tondiman render the measure of calling upon him for the Co-operation of his Troops, agreeably to your suggestion liable to fewer objections than would exist in any other case. But from the general inexpediency of reviving under any circumstances the disposition of the Poligars to War. His Lordship in Council is desirous to avoid if possible the necessity of having

To the Officer Commanding in Tinnevelly—
The measures reported in his letter of the 30th Ultimo approved explaining the grounds of objection against calling upon Tondiman for the Co-operation of his Troops but permitting him to use his discretion on that Subject The Resident at Tanjore has been instructed to proceed to Tondimans residence for the purpose of eventually becoming the channel of communication
Enclosing Extract of the instructions furnished to Capt. Blackburne with copy of a letter to Tondiman on this Subject Major General Brathwaite has been directed to communicate to him and to the troops under his Command the expression of the Boards public thanks for the conduct of the Detachment on the attack of Pongalumcauchy—

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having recourse to that measure. —

3d If however the complexion of affairs in Shevagunga should in your judgement requires the additional aid of Troops or if you should think it probable that the speedy and succesful conclusion of the Service in what Province would be materially promoted by this cooperation — His Lordship in Council permits you to use your discretion in making an application to Tondeman for such a Reinforcement of Troops as You may require, and Order that this event may be provided for the Resident at Tanjour has been instructed to proceed to the Residence of Tondiman, for the purpose of becoming the channel of any Communication from You; and I have the honor to inclose for your information an extract of the instructions which have been furnished to Captain Blackburne; together with