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directing the arrangement of the Alnwick and Elizabeth Transports to make the best of their way to Madras or in the event of this not being able to gain that Port to proceed to and deliver his charge at Calcutta

of any additional supply of Provision or Stores for the Fleet we have in Consequence determined to return to your Presidency the Alnwick and Elizabeth Transport and have accordingly instructed their Commanders to make the best of his way to Madras or in the event of his not being able from the lateness of the season to gain that Port it is thereon left to him to proceed to and deliver his charge at Calcutta

We have the honor &c

Bombay Castle 8th September 1801

Signed Jonth Duncan
J. Carnac
William Page

To Josiah Webbe Esqr
Chief Secretary to Government
at Fort St George

Sir,

From the Secretary at Columbo stating that it had been judged expedient to give orders for the disposal of the present stock of Elephants at Chilaw as their further supply

An application has been made to His Excellency the Governor of Ceylon from Mr Gahagen acting Commissioner extraordinary at Jaffanapatam to sell the Elephants which are now there

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of Elephants will be procured in the course of the following month the number which may be regarded for the service of this Presidency will then be supplied to the extent which may be required

on account of the expence of keeping those Animals and because the season is so far advanced that it will soon be impossible to transport them to the Continent of India His Excellency concluding from the silence of your Government upon this subject that it does not at present stand in need of Elephants had given direction to Mr Gahagan to sell those under his charge without delay

If however the Government of Madras should want a fresh supply there will be an Elephant hunt at Negumbo in about a month when you may be furnished with such a number as you think proper to be speak

I have the honor &c

Columbo

September 21st 1801

(Signed) Robt Arbuthnot

Secretary

To Josiah Webbe Esqr

Chief Secretary to Government &c &c &c

Sir

From the Commandant at Trincomalee Enclosure

Copy

I have the honor to inclose for the

Consideration

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Copy of a letter from Mess.rs Boalth & Co.rs requesting that Captain Wamberg Danish Prisoners of war having been permitted to proceed to Madras have taken undue advantage of such indulgence by attempting to defraud them of property to a considerable amount Solicits therefore the interference of Government in securing the person of Capt.n Wamberg &c

Consideration of His Lordship in Council a copy of a letter I have received from Mess.rs Boalth & Co.rs the subject of which Captain Wamberg was permitted by me to proceed to Madras for the purpose of explaining his conduct to that house and arranging his private concerns but it would appear from the documents which have been shewn me that he now avails himself of the protection afforded him by the decision of the Supreme Court to make any settlement with his Creditors and to shelter himself from more serious charges.

As by my Proclamation of the 27.th may last the Jurisdiction of the Supreme Court is revested in the Right Honorable the Governor in Council of Fort St George I hereby conceive the request of Messrs Boalth & Co.rs may be complied with

I have the honor &.c

Pondicherry
3.d October 1801

Signed William Cullen
Lieutenant Colonel Commanding

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To Lieutenant Colonel Cullen
Commanding
Tranquebar

Sir

We beg leave to represent to you that Captain Arnold Warneberg late commander of the Danish Ship Neraka Bonde a Prisoner of war having been arrested by us at Madras on sundry Charges of debts, frauds and even worse he has been liberated by an Order of the Supreme Court there as not being liable to its Jurisdiction — as the charges against Captain Warneberg are of a very serious nature & involving property to a large amount we intreat you will please to solicit the Madras Government to deliver him up under a Guard at this place that he may be proceeded against in the Courts here and any expence attending this measure we shall chearfully discharge.

We have the honor to be &c

(Signed) Boalth &c

Tranquebar
October 2d 1801

Received

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Received and sent the following letters

entered in Mr B. nos 41.42.43.44.45.46.47.48.49.50.51.52.53.54.55.56.57.
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From Wm Rochards—Transmit

From the Secretary at Bombay—

receipts from the Commander of the Army, and Elizabeth,
Transport for one months advance on account of that
Vessel Rupees 5500—

From Captain Bruce Reports

From the deputy military auditor General—

the amount of net advances to the military Depart-
-ment and the amount admitted or rejected for
July 1801. also statement of the same for the quarter ending
31st July 1801—

From Wm Roebuck Forwards

From the Secretary Paymaster General—

for Transmission to the Honorable Court of Directors
two Boxes containing the names of French Inclos-
-duals to whom a monthly allowance has been
made since the capture of Pondicherry—Hopes the
expence of Rs 4,000 as 13 P. which he was necessitated to
incur by employing a person conversant with French
Language will be reimbursed him—

From Do—Do—Encloses an attested

From D. P. C.

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Copy of an account valuation of all Ordnance Stores Guns &c remaining on beyton on the 1st. november 1798 also a statement of Ordnance and military Stores &c. captured from the Dutch, and remaining at Sumeomalley and Ashenberg on the 1st. november 1798.

From Dr. Dr. Forwards copy of a letter from Asst. Paymaster Thursby requesting that the different Southern Collectors may be impowered to furnish him with cash — The commands of Government directing him to take up money for Bills on the Presidency are transmitted on the 4th. Instant.

From the Military Paymaster General

From Do. Do. Encloses copy of a letter from the Paymaster on the Ceded Districts with a list of furniture required by him for his Office.

From Do. Do. Encloses copy of a letter from the Superintendant of the Company's Stud requesting permission to draw Cash from the Collectors of Vizianagaram and Bheemulee for Bills on his Office

From the Town Major

From Captain Wilks — applies for the

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The sanction of Government to Order the execution of certain repairs required to be made to the draw bridges &c. of Fort St George—

From Lieutenant Colonel Chalmers

From the commandant at Masulipatam — Forwards proceedings of a Committee of Survey on a Gurshed at that station—

From Colonel Wahab — Forwards report of repairs required at the station of Tericottah with an estimate of the expense—

From the commandant in the Guntoor Circars

From Messrs. Chase Chinnery &c. — Enclose copy of the warrant appointing Lieutenant Sullivan to the command of His Majesty's Armed Brig Arrboyna, and request that the usual allowances of Batta may be paid to that Officer—

From Mr. Asher — Requests on the part of the Officers of the Suffolk that such an allowance on account of Batta may be advanced to them as may be considered reasonable for a passage from Madras to the Cape of Good Hope—

From the Surgeon of His majesty's Ship Suffolk—

From Captain Graham — States that

From the Collector in

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In the Southern Division of Arcot.

that he had requested the Officer Commanding Tirgar to detach a guard for the purpose of relieving His Highness the Nabob's Sepoys at a place called Pellore and to take charge of the Stores &c but that the weak state of that Garrison prevented a compliance with this requisition Lieutenant Colonel Dupont has at his request removed 2 Guns and a Brass mortar belonging to the late Nabob from the Pettah to the Fort of Cuddalore.

From the Collector at Nellore.

From Mr Travers makes favorable mention of the Bearer Syed Hosein who was Commandant of the late Nabob's Troops in the Fort of Pellore.

To Colonel James Oliver.

To Colonel Oliver — Enclosing for his information Copies of Statements of provisions Stores embarked for the use of the Malacca Islands — the Military Board will furnish him with the Bills of lading and Musters of the Provisions.

To the Commanders of the Ships Sussex Buton and Asia Transport.

To Captains Clarke and Baddeley Ordering them to receive on Board their Ships and Convey to Amboyna Lieutenant Rose of the Corps of Artillery

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Artillery and Lieutenant Phillips of the European Regiment.

To Captain Macleane Transmitting Indents for Camp equipage and carriage for the use of the President at Poonah the amount of the value of the equipage to be debited to the Presidency of Fort William.

To the Secretary to the military Board.

To M.r Pringle — Informing him that the Bills which he may draw on account of the expence incurred for the sick men landed at the Cape from the True Briton will be duly honored.

To the agent at the Cape of Good Hope.

Received the following letters.

To Josiah Webbe Esq.r

Chief Secretary of Government.

Sir

Being extremely desirous to obtain a Writership on this Establishment for one of my sons now of a proper age and having no prospect of accomplishing it unless the Government under which I have served with the approbation for thirty four year will do me the honor to solicit it for me —

From Major General Dugald Campbell — Is desirous of obtaining a writership on the Establishment for one of his sons and solicits the Governor in Council to recommend his request to the favorable Consideration of the Honorable Court of Directors.

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I therefore intreat you will have the goodness to submitt my wish to His Lordship in Council and to request he will recommend my Son Thro to the favorable consideration of the Honorable the Court of Directors for the above nomination which will be obliged by gratifying to me.

Camp near Goby
September 10th 1801.

I have the honor &c
Signed Dug Campbell Maj

Josiah Webbe Esqr
Chief Secretary to Government
Sir,

From the Officer Commanding in the Ceded Districts Enclose Copy of a letter from the Paymaster in the Ceded Districts suggesting the expediency of an Adjuty Paymasters being appointed to superintend the Pay Department on the Western frontier Comm in Chf Baramahal Recommends his Asst de Camp Lieutenant Rankin for the appointment.

Having made known to the Baramahal Paymaster the distribution of the Troops whom I have the honor to command.- That Gentlemen has made application that a Deputy may be appointed in this Department and as it being desireable the Principal Pay Office should on account of its centrical situation be continued at Goby and highly expedient that an Officer should be named to superintend this important Department on the Western Frontier where a

Considerable

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Considerable Force is to be stationed under my imme-
diate command and from whence Detachments
will be equipped as often as they become necessary
I beg leave to forward this application and hope
the Right Honorable the Governor in Council will
be pleased to nominate a Deputy Paymaster for
the western Districts of these Provinces making,
Because His Head Quarters I am fully convinced
of the expediency of the measure and as Lieutenant
Reed my Aid de Camp was formerly in that situation
and conducted its duties much to my satisfaction
and has on every other occasion merited my
approbation Beg to recommend him to his Lordships
notice for this appointment

I have the honor &c

(Signed) Dug. Campbell Maj.

Camp at Goaty
October 13th 1801

To Major General Dugald Campbell
Commanding the
Ceded Provinces

Sir

As you have communicated the
dispersion

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Dispersion of the Troops under your Command noticing the several Garisons to be established within these Provinces and that Bellary will become the Head Quarters Take the liberty in consideration of this place being central and of some importance to suggest my being allowed to reside here and that for the western Frontiers a Deputy Paymaster be appointed who would facilitate the Payment of the Troops at the out stations in that quarter

Good Regulated Districts

11th October 1801

I have the honor &c

Signed F. A. Savage

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Presents the following letters entered in Mss nos 59. 60. 61.

From Mr. Roebuck Encloses copy of a letter from the Paymaster in Mysore requesting permission to visit the Presidency as when on his former leave he was called on to attend as an evidence at the General Court Martials at Seringapatam before his business was adjusted &c.

From the military Paymaster General &c.

From Do Do

From Do Do encloses an additional Estimate

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Estimate of Cash required to answer demands on

this Office —

From Major Blarke Commanding Officer Dennison with a request that

From the Commissioners of Accts at the Presidency —

from 1st Oct. the Office of Audit may be directed to settle his accounts.

At a Consultation

Present —

The Right Honorable Lord Clive

Governor and President.

Lieutenant General James Stuart

Commander in Chief.

Tuesday the 20th October 1801

William Petrie

and

Ernst William Salkfield

} Esqrs.

Minutes of last Consultation read and

Approved —

The Commander in Chief lays before the Board —

The following Memorandum —

Memorandum

The Commander in Chief lays before

Memorandum from the Commander in Chief Lays before the Board applications from

Copy

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From Lieut. Colonel Fergusson and Smith for leave to proceed on furlough to England and application from Mr. Macmeiken Head Surgeon & Mr. Hellshaw Chaplain on the Province of Malabar for Leave of absence to Bombay.

Before the Board the undermentioned applications for furlough and leave of absence which require the sanction of Government and recommends that they may be complied with.

1. An application from Lieutenant Colonel Fergusons of the 12th Regement of Native Infantry and at present holding the command of Trougar for permission to proceed on Furlough to Europe for three years.

2. An application from Lieutenant Colonel G. Smith of the 9th Regiment of Native Infantry for permission to proceed on Furlough to Europe for three years.

3. An application from Mr. Mc Meiken Head Surgeon in the northern Division of Malabar for leave of absence to Bombay for two months.

4. An application from the Revd Mr. D. Hellshaw Chaplain in the province of Malabar for leave of absence to Bombay for four months

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Signed J. Stuart

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To the Right Honorable Lord Clive

Governor in Council

Fort St George

Sir

Having served the Honorable East India Company twenty five years in this Country last June and being desirous of placing my son at School who is become an Orphan without me by the death of my Wife may I beg the favour of your Lordships permission to proceed on Furlough to Europe for three years. It was my wish to have remained a few months longer to retrieve my loss in coming here to the General Court martial by having from my pay the interest of my money on Government Bonds and the gradual Sale of my effects in this Country but hearing that my command of Siagar is to be destroyed and fearing that I may be ordered on some other duty I think an application of this nature under such circumstances might stem unbecoming to other people

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I am perfectly as ever this would to myself & Friends and conscious of having always discharged my duty like a brave Soldier without ever attending the Goal of my ardour to exceed the bounds of my duty as an Officer and but for the paramount necessity of putting my foot to School take it now ten years ago

upon receipt of permission I propose proceeding from hence to Europe and from thence to Europe

Seringapatam
5th Feb 1801

The Right Honorable Lord Clive
Governor in Council

My Lord,

Having remained in India twenty four years, and my constitution having suffered much from all the last

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Health and accidents, my private affairs also requiring my presence in England I have to request the favor of your Lordship's indulgence to grant me the three years furlough during which time I hope to find my health sufficiently re-established.

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16th October 1801

I have the honor to be
My Lord
Your Lordship's most obedient
& very humble Servant
(Signed) J. Smith
Lieutenant Colonel 1st Bn 9th Regiment

To the Right Honorable Lord Clive
President &c in Council
Fort St George.

My Lord,

Nothing but circumstances of a very urgent nature would have induced me to make an application for leave of absence to Bombay Therefore trust that your Lordship in Council will have the goodness to grant me the indulgence of a furlough for a period of two months from the day of my departure from the Coast within the limits of which time I shall

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I shall not fail to return to my duties in the Province of Malabar.

I have the Honor &c

Head Quarters
Tellicherry
2d October 1801

Signed M. Macleance
Major Commanding Northern
Division of Malabar

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

My Lord,

As private concerns require my presence at Bombay I take the liberty to beg the indulgence of Leave of Absence for the space of four months — If this request meets with compliance
Embargo
I will be enabled the first opportunity of proceeding by Sea, and have it in my power to return before the fair season elapses.

I have the Honor &c

Calicut
3d October 1801

Signed David Hill
Captain of the Hanover of Malabar

Resolved

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Resolved that Lieutenant Colonels

Resolution thereon Ferguson and Smith be permitted to proceed to

Europe on Furlough & that Mr. Head Surgeon

Furlough &c. on Invalid and the Reverend Mr. Pell be

permitted to proceed on furlough to Bombay.

Memorandum

The Commander in Chief informs

the Board that Lieutenant Colonel Bascon of the

Memorandum from the Commander in Chief — Reports the dismission from the Service by the Sentence of a General Court Martial of Lieutenant Colonel Bascon of the Corps of Artillery and recommends the promotion necessary in consequence of that Casualty and of the others which have recently occurred in the Corps of Artillery Captain Lieutenant Hall of the Artillery has requested permission to retain his appointment of Deputy Commissary of Stores at Cuddalore and to be transferred to the new effective Establishment are indulgence which from the circumstances stated by

that

Artillery Corps has by the Sentence of a General

Court Martial confirmed and published to the

Army on the 15th Instant been adjudged to be

dismissed from the Service —

2d In consequence of the foregoing

Casualty and of others which have recently occa-

sioned Vacancies in the several Commissioned

Ranks of the Artillery the Commander in Chief

recommends that the subjoined promotion be

ordered in that Corps which Promotion General

Stuart informs the Board is strictly governed —

according to dates by the various circumstances

That

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that Officers the Commander in Chief recommends may be granted

that have caused the vacancies

Artillery

Lieutenant R. L. Fowler to be Captain Lieutenant date of Commission June 8th 1801

Captain Lieutenant Gourlay to be Captain of a Company Vice Finnell deceased date of Commission 9th June 1801

Lieutenant Peter Grant to be Captain Lieutenant Vice Gourlay date of Commission 9th June 1801

Brevet Major and Captain Treadway Blanke to be Major date of commission 14th June 1801

Captain Lieutenant Brosdill to be Captain of a Company Vice Blanke date of Commission June 14th 1801

Lieutenant Lamond to be Captain Lieutenant Vice Crosdill date of Commission June 14th 1801

Major

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Major Robert Bell to be Lieutenant Colonel date of commission 26th September 1801.

Brevet Major and Captain Richard Howley to be major Vice Bell date of commission 26th September 1801.

Captain Lieutenant J. Dalrymple to be Captain of a company Vice Howley date of commission 26th September 1801.

Lieutenant P. G. Blair to be Captain Lieutenant Vice Dalrymple date of commission 26th September 1801.

Captain Lieutenant R. Taynton to be Captain of a company date of commission 8 October 1801.

Lieutenant J. Noble to be Captain Lieutenant Vice Taynton of commission October 1801.

Lieutenant Colonel Charles Carlisle, to be Colonel and to command the 1st Battalion of Artillery Vice Sydenham date of commission October

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October 16th 1801

Major Treadway blanke to be —

Lieutenant Colonel Vicebantiste date of Commission

October 16th 1801

Brevet major and captain J Bell to

be major vice blanke date of commission October 16th

1801.

Captain Lieutenant James Hall

to be Captain of a Company vice Bell date of Commission

October 16th 1801

Lieutenant A Wilson to be Captain

Lieutenant vice Hall date of Commission October

16th 1801

3d

Captain Lieutenant Hall of

Artillery who in the foregoing Promotion becomes

Captain of a Company having represented to the

Commander in chief that in consequence of a

wound received on actual Service and of a

long residence in India he finds himself una-

equal to the active duties of his profession and

that

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All Officers having accompanied such representation by a request to be permitted to retain his appointment of Deputy Commissary of stores at Penguin are to be transferred to the new Effective Establishment. are undulgence, that appears to have been shewn to Captain Blackmore of the same Corps the Commander in Chief with a view to reward past service is unadvised to recommend a compliance with Captain Lieutenant Hall's request in the as it relates to retaining his appointment and being removed to the Invalid List and that the same be announced in General Orders accordingly.

20th October 1801. (Signed) H Stuart

Resolutions on subsequent amendment

Resolved and Ordered that the name of Lieutenant Colonel Saxon be discontinued from the list of the Army and that the promotions recommended by the commander in Chief in the Corps of Artillery be ordered to take place according to the principle recommended in the foregoing Minutes.

Resolved.

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Received under the circumstances
stated by the Commander in Chief regarding the case
of Captain Lieutenant Hall to transfer that Officer
to the non effective List and to permit him to retain
the Office of Deputy Commissary of Stores at Ganjam
as a reward for his Services

Read the following letters from the
Military Board

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

My Lord

From the Military Board. Recommending an advance of Pagodas 10,000 — Pagodas to the Garrison Storekeeper for account of Provisions required for the French Prisoners proceeding to Europe also payment of an enclosed Bill of the Garrison Storekeeper at Trincomalee for Provisions & Stores issued from the Garrison Store — Copy of a Letter from the Garrison Storekeeper on the Subject of disposing of the Bandy men Lascarins from the Ganjam Country —

We have the honor to acknowledge
the receipt of the letters of the Chief Secretary to Govern-
ment dated the 5th and 9th Instant and have given
the necessary instructions accordingly —

We beg leave to recommend an
Advance of Pagodas 10,000 — to be paid to the Garrison
Storekeeper on account of Provisions & Stores required
for the use of the French Prisoners of War
proceeding to Europe on the Ship Princess

We

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3d

We likewise recommend payment

of the accompanying Bill of the Garrison Storekeeper

at Trincalipetam amounting to Pagodas 879. 16 11

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We enclose copy of a Letter from the

Garrison Storekeeper on the subject of disposing of the

Paddy in Store from the Tanjore Country which we

beg to refer for your Lordships decision

We have the honor &c

(Signed) J Stuart

" J Richardson

" E Trapaud

Fort St George

25th September 1801

To the Secretary to the Military Board

Fort St George

Sir

If it should be the intention

of the Board to dispose of the Paddy in Store from

the Tanjore Country I beg leave to suggest that

the present period is the most advantageous time

to commence its sale and to continue it by daily

retail at the Current market price

Signed

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Fort St George
23d September 1801

(Signed) Jas Brodie
Garrison Storekeeper

A true copy Signed John Macleane
Secretary Military Board.

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

My Lord,

We have the honour to forward a copy of the Register of Elephants which were referred for report to the Agent for Public Cattle in Mysore and beg leave to recommend that those pointed out by Captain Mackay as fit for the Service be purchased.

2d We beg leave to recommend payment of the following Bills.

Sworn the Military Board the waste copy of the Register of 5 Elephants referred by them for report to the Agent for Public Cattle in Mysore and recommend that those pointed out by Captain Mackay may be purchased recommend payment of sundry Bills.

Two Bills of the Garrison Storekeeper in Mysore for Provisions stores Issued out at the stations of Mandergore and Soopah amounting to Star. Pags 7.00

Bill of the Gun Carriage &c Contractors for Articles delivered at the Arsenal and approved upon Survey amounting to Pagodas 989.18.10.

We have the honor &c

Fort St George
2d October 1801

(Signed) P. Stuart
" P. Richardson
" Ed. Fraser

Lieut

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List of the Elephants

Names	Remarks	No.
Males	6/8 Cubits high both ears rent	
1 Male Elephant with Seth named Habeeragamee	a Swelling on the fore left Foot & on the same Foot one nail lost & on another Fore with 16 nails	1 Fit for the Service
1 Do Do with Seth named Keerjeea	5 3/4 Cubits high the tail without hair on the left Shoulder a Bullet wound the sole of both hind feet sore 16 nails a swelling in the inside	2 Do
1 Male Elephant with Seth named Wrapana	5 1/8 Cubits high with a Sore on the left ear a hole and 18 nails	3 Do
1 Do Do Do named Yoywolle	5 1/8 Cubits high a weakness on the left hip both Ears rent no hair on the tail Sore on the right hind foot occasioned by a Bullet and 18 nails	4 Do

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Names Remarks &c.

1 Do Do Do named Kiriwellan	5 ½ Cubits high both Ears erect no hair on the tail 5 nails	Tellsoothsayer 5
1 Do Do Do named Wanagullan	6 Cubits high to the left side of the Belly a swelling occasioned by a Bullet short tail both Ears and Paw on the Sole of both hind feet and 18 nails	6 Do
1 Do Do Do named Kadirgamen	5 Cubits high has a sign of a Bullet on the right side of the Belly and a swelled Belly a hole in the left Ear and 18 nails	7 Do
1 Do Do Do with Teeth named Soddegoddem	5 Cubits high with a small hair which disorder is called mane Yogam Nails and 18 nails	8 Do
1 Do Do Do named Sonnaiyarrew	5 ½ Cubits high and 16 nails	9

1 Cubit

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Names Remarks &c.

1 Do Do Do named Bindoewa	4 Cubits high and 18 nails	10	
1 Do Do Do named Racawella	3¾ Cubits high and 16 nails	11	
1 Do Do Do named Wallocwa	3½ Cubits high left Ear rent and 16 nails	12	
Females			
1 Female Elephant named Koongadie	5⅞ Cubits high both Ears rent no Scar on the tail and 18 nails	13	Do
1 Do Do named Bopogamie	5⅛ Cubits high with a hole on the right Ear and 18 nails	14	Do
1 Do Do Do named Embulgamie	5 Cubits high with a Sore on the back occasioned by a Bullet and 18 nails	15	Do
1 Do Do named Kahulleke	4⅞ Cubits high both Ears rent a Swelling on the under Jaw and Throat and a swelled Belly & 16 nails	16	Do

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Names	Remarks	No.
1 Female Elephant named Kohoolie	4½ Cubits high with a hole ove the Right Ear and 16 nails	17
1 Do Do named Ojongoddee	4 Cubits high and 16 nails	18
1 Do Do named Putjee	3½ Cubits high and 16 nails	19
1 Do Do named Froodjee	3½ Cubits high with a hole ove the right Ear and 16 nails	20
1 Do Do named Setaw	3¼ Cubits high and 16 nails	21

Jaffanapatam
10th August 1801.

/Signed/ Fredk Wagan
Acting Commissary Extra

A true Copy.

/Signed/ J Webbe
Chief Secretary to Government

A true Copy.

/Signed/ John Macleane
Secretary Military Board.

/Signed/ H. Mackay agent for
Elephants.

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No 3 of the new Elephants selected as fit for the Company's Service several of them appear to have been Sick. It is on the supposition that they recover before they are purchased that they have been put down serviceable. The Size of the whole is much below the height of the late Sultaun's Elephants.

(Signed) H. Mackay
Agent for Public Cattle

A true Copy
(Signed) John Macleane
Secretary Military Board

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

My Lord,

From the Military Board recommend payment of a Bill of the Garrison Storekeeper at Masulipatam for Earthenware stored at that Station - also payment of sundry bills of the Engineer on Malabar for repairs executed at Cochin and Tellicherry

We have the honor to report that the necessary orders have been issued in consequence of the receipt of the letters of the Chief Secretary to Government under date the 3d and 7th October.

2d We beg leave to recommend payment of the following inclosed Bills.

No 1. Bill of Mr Gordon Garrison Storekeeper at

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at Masulipatam for Earthenware stored at that
Station by our Orders amounting to Pagodas 1008.27.56

No 2. Bill of the Engineer Ramalabaw for
repairs performed to the Commanding Officers Quarters
at Cochin amounting to Pagodas 95.24.39

No 3 Bill of Do for repairs executed to
the Holland Barrack at Cochin amounting to Pagodas
25.10.29

No 4 Bill of Do for repairs made to the
Jealand Barrack at Cochin amounting to Pagodas
43.11.10

No 5 Bill of the Engineer on malabar
for repairs to the street Barracks at Cochin amounting
to Pagodas 51.7.57

No 6 Bill of Do on account of repairs
performed to the Zeeland Barrack at Cochin amounting
to Pagodas 33.5.3.

No 7 Bill of Do for repairs performed
to the Flooring Barracks at Cochin amounting to
Pagodas 39.11.73

Bill

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No 8 Bill of Do for sundry Articles expended in repairing the Pack house at Cochin Amounting to Pagodas 22. 22. 45

No 9. Bill of Do for repairs executed to the laboratory at Cochin Amounting to Pagodas 39. 29. 64

No 10 Bill of Do for work performed to the Arsenal at Cochin Amounting to Pagodas 39. 18. 75

No 11. Bill of Do for repairs to the Basket Loft at Cochin Amounting to Pagodas 8. . 28.

No 12. Bill of Do for repairs performed to the Holland magazine at Cochin amounting to Pagodas 31. 16. 47

No 13 Bill of Do for repairs executed to the Powder Mill at Cochin Amounting to Pagodas 17. 8. 1

No 14 Bill of the Engineer in Malabar for repairs made to the Commissary of Provisions Store House at Cochin Amounting to Pagodas 41. 36. 77

No 15 Bill of Do for the repairs of the

(Water)

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Water Gate Guard room at Cochin amounting to
Pagodas 10.36.7

No 16. Bill of Do. for repairs to the
Mutton chewry Gate Guard room at Cochin amounting
to Pagodas 15.32.13.

No 17 Bill of Do. for repairs performed
to the Ravelin Guard room at Cochin amounting to
Pagodas 21.21.89

No 18 Bill of Do. for repairs done to
the Guard room in the Coverway at Cochin Amounting
to Pagodas 31.5.66.

No 19 Bill of Do. for sundry repairs
performed to the Military Stores House at Cochin
including the Smiths Shop and Carpenters Shed
at the Station amounting to Pagodas 65.22.6

No 20 Bill of Do. for repairs per-
formed to the General Hospital at Cochin amounting
to Pagodas 66.3.18

No 21 Bill of Do. for repairs ex-
ecuted to the Regimental Store Rooms at Cochin

amounting

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Amounting to Pagodas 12.25.84

No 22 Bill of the Engineer ens malabar

for repairs performed to the Sepoy Barracks at Cochin

Amounting to Pagodas 98.39.57

No 23 Bill of Do for repairs made

to the Artillery Barracks at Cochin Amounting to

Pagodas 22.6.19

No 24 Bill of Do for repairs per=

-formed to the Main Guard at Cochin Amounting

to Pagodas 56.7.50

No 25 Bill of Do for work executed

to the temporary shed erected over the Tower of

the Flag Staff at Cochin amounting to Pagodas

6.26.11

No 26 Bill of Do for works performed

to the temporary Mutton Cherry Budgee Choultry at

Cochin amounting to Pagodas 7.28.15

No 27 Bill of Do for repairs performed

to the temporary Choultry on the Saluting Battery at

Cochin Amounting to Pagodas 4.4.76

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No 28 Bill of Do for work performed at Cochin to the temporary Chokey in the Coverlway, amounting to Pagodas 4.1.40.

No 29 Bill of the Engineer in Malabar for Coorks executed to the temporary Flag Staff Chokey at Cochin amounting to Pagodas 9.20.32½

No 30 Bill of Do for repairs executed to the Presidents Quarters at Dudow Amounting to Pagodas 7.28.63½

No 31 Bill of Do for repairs performed to the Depoy Barracks at Dudow amounting to Pagodas 15.31.79½

No 32 Bill of Do for repairs executed to the Commandants Quarters at Dudow amounting to Pagodas 3.29.74½

Fort St George
9th October 1801

We have the honour to be &c
(Signed) J. Stuart
" J. Richardson
" E. Irvine

&c

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To the Right Honorable Lord Clive

Governor in Council &c &c &c

My Lord,

1st We have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of the letter of the Chief Secretary to Govern-ment of this days date, and have accordingly direct-ted the Commissary of Stores to receive into the Arsenal the hammocks and slops mentioned therein.

From the Military Board they have given directions for receiving into the Arsenal the Hammocks &c mentioned in letter to them of this date recommend an advance of Pagodas 2000 to the Agent of supplies to the Regiment native Cavalry also payment of an accompanying Bill of the acting Engineer at Seringapatam.

2d We beg your Lordships will be pleased to authorize an advance of 2000 Pagodas to be paid to the Agent for Cavalry supplies to the 4th Regiment Native Cavalry on account of the current Disbursements of his Agency.

3d We recommend payment of the balance of the accompanying Bill of the acting Engineer at Seringapatam amounting to Pagodas 97-28-32.

We have the honour &c

Fort St George
12th October 1801.

(Signed) J. Stuart
J. Richardson
C. Trapaud

Resolved

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Resolved that the Garrison Store-

Resolutions thereon - keeper be authorized to dispose of the Paddy in store by

retail sale at the market price of the day under-

such checks as the Military Board may deem it -

expedient to establish -

Resolved that authority be given

for purchasing the Elephants considered by the

Agent to be fit for the Service and for receiving

them on the Returns of that Officer -

Resolved that authority be -

given to the Office of Audit for passing the several

bills and advances of money recommended by the

Military Board -

Read the following letters from the

Deputy military Auditor General

To the Right Honorable Lord Clive

President and Governor in Council

Fort St George

My Lord,

From the Deputy Military Auditor General - Enclosed a Comparative Statement of

Agreeably to the directions contained

in

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of Stoppages for the Tent and Store Lascars of this Establishment for the year 1799/1800.

I am a letter from the Chief Secretary of Government dated the 3d Instant I have the honor to inclose a computation of Stoppages for the Tent and Store Lascars of this Establishment for the years 1799/1800; which was not included in the calculation of the Stoppages of the Army for the above years as Government had at that time directed the Offreckonings of the Tent and Store Lascars to remain in the Treasury.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your
Most obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) P. Bruce
Deputy Military Auditor General

Military Auditor
General's Office
Fort St. George
8th October 1801

Offreckonings

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Fort St George 26th October 1801

Offreckoning Fund for 1799/800 Computation.

of Stoppages for the Tent & Store Lascars for the Year 1799 calculated from the Return furnished by the Secretary to the Military Board as they stood on the 31st December 1799.

	Stoppages for one of each Rank to serve a Complete year	Total	of each Rank	Total
Store and Tent Lascars				
86 Sirdars	1 30	147 18		
105 First Tindals	1 12	135		
158 Second Tindals	1 12	203 6		
5250 Lascars	1	5250		
			Total Pagodas	5735 24

Military Aud.r Gen.ls Office
Fort St George
8th October 1801

(Signed) J. Bruce
Deputy military A.G.

Correct

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Ordered that a copy of the foregoing

Cross thereon. letter with its enclosures be furnished to the commander

in chief

The Right Honorable Lord Clive

President and Governor in Council

Fort St George.

My Lord,

In obedience to your Lordships

command signified in a letter from the Chief Secretary

to Government under date the 15th of August last direct-

ing me to report upon a claim preferred to the Court

of Directors by Mr. Stephen Towns formerly a

Captain of Invalids upon this Establishment to

participate in the Effreckonings Fund of the

Army for the year 1790 and stating his share of it

to be the sum of Pagodas 600 to which he was entitled

by an Order of Government dated 21st February

1792.

I have accordingly had reference

to the Records of this Department but have not been

able

From the Deputy Military Auditor General Report on the claim preferred to the Court of Directors by Mr. S. Towns formerly a Captain of Invalids on this Establishment to participate in the Effuckonings Fund for the year 1790 the grounds of which he has been unable to ascertain with precision but gives it as his opinion that it is upon the Agent for Army Cloathing for that year that Mr. Towns should make his demand Submits Copy of a letter from Capt. Dod Muster master in the Bavannah to the Paymaster in the

the

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the Baramahal on the subject of a retrenchment of his monthly allowance for House Rent while doing duty with the Detachment under Lieutenant Colonel Agnew — Submits a Claim of Major Swinton Commanding the Corps of Detachments of His Majesty's Regiments at Poonamalee to the difference between the Batta of Major and that of Lieut. Colonel —

able to discover any Order or Communication from the Government to that effect — I also made Application to the Office of the Adjutant General upon the 21st of August last for any Documents that could afford information upon the subject and upon the 19th of September received the accompanying Extract which would seem is the authority alluded to by Mr. Towns — this Extract is stated in the letter from the Deputy Adjutant General to be from the list of Officers entitled to share in the Effect on Mings Fund for the year 1790 furnished from the Adjutant General's Office to the Agents for Army Cloathing, and that it and the distribution of Effect on Mings for the Battalion of Native Infantry for the years 1789 and 1790 published on the 5th Ct. of Government on the 26th December 1793 / a copy of which was also transmitted / were the only Documents in that Office connected with the Claim in question — the name of Mr. Towns is inserted on the List of Invalid Officers entitled to participate but whether Government directed any distributions

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distribution of the Invalid Offreckoning Fund for the
year 1790 or whether there were any means arising
from stoppages to form it Have not, after minute
enquiry been able to ascertain — at all events the —
present demand of Mr. Towns were it well founded,
should not be made upon the company as the Offreck-
oning Fund previous to the year 1792 was not
regulated as at present by Government retaining
the amount of stoppages from the respective Ranks
and issuing to them only the net pay but at that
time the full pay of the Troops was drawn by —
Paymasters of stations who deducted the stoppages
from the monthly pay abstracts of Corps and —
remitted the amount of the Agent for Army cloath-
-ing which aggregate sums constituted the Offreck-
-oning Fund of the Army consequently it must
be upon the Agent for the Army Cloathing for the
year 1790 that Mr. Towns should make his —
demand.

My Lord I have the honor to

lay

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I lay before your Lordship Copy of a letter from Captain Brighton Dodd mustering master on the Bannahmal now doing duty with the Detachment under Lieutenant Colonel Agnew to Mr Wethall Paymaster of that Station on the subject of a Retrenchment against Captain Dodd of his monthly allowance of five Pagodas for House Rent which I do not think myself warranted to pass upon Audit of that Paymasters Accounts from the time Captain Dodd left his Station on the Bannahal and drew his Pay and Allowances in the Field for the reasons however mentioned in Captain Dodds letter your Lordship may be induced to authorize the removal of the Retrenchment but in support of the uniformity and impartiality of conduct in the Office of Audit it is incumbent upon me to state that Captain Dodds supposition that other Staff Officers similarly situated with himself but only because they happened to be within the range of their Districts would have the above allowance

Continued a

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Continued to there is not well founded a retrenchment of the monthly allowance for House rent to Captain Shaw Muster master on the Southern Division having for the same reason been made from the Disbursements of the Paymaster to the Southern Detachment and Menagerie that the decision of your Lordships upon the case of Captain Dodd should apply also to that of Captain Shaw.

The Paymaster at the Presidency having declined paying a Bill of major Swenton commanding the Corps of Detachments at Coromandel of His Majesty's Regiments for the difference between the Bills of major and Lieutenant Colonel and referred the same to me which in consequence of my refusing to authorize major Swenton has requested that his claim may be submitted to your Lordships in Council. In complying with his request I beg leave to state some cases which bear a resemblance to that claim in march 1797. a claim to this allowance was preferred by the Officers in the command of the three

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three Extraordinary Battalions above the Establishment which however was rejected – a case perhaps more analagous is that of Captain Alexander McFarlane who was appointed by Government to the command of a Battalion formed from the Grenadier companies of the native Regiments on service in the Ceded Districts when your Lordship was pleased to authorize him to draw the Batta of major during the time he should be in the command of that Corps.

Military Auditor General's Office Fort George 9th October 1801

I have the honor to be &c
(Signed) F. F. Bruce
Deputy military Auditor General.

Extract

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Extract

Invalid Field Officers & Captains

for the years 1790 & 1

From 1st January to 31st December 1790 inclusive

Infantry	Lieutenant Colonel	James Hugh	All the year
Ditto	Ditto	John Paterson	Do
Ditto	Ditto	John Dupont	from 26 Sept
Ditto	Major	John Short	All the year
Artillery	Captain	Danl Kennedy	Do
Infantry	Do	Stephen Towns	Do
Ditto	Do	George Hodson	to 31st Aug 1790

Adjutant Generals Office
Fort St George
21st February 1801

A true Extract
(Signed) Fred Pierce
Deputy Adjutant General of the Army

Captain Patrick Bruce
Deputy military Auditor General
Fort St George

Sir

I have the honor to forward upon the accompanying letter addressed to me by Captain

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By Dak Mudeo Master of the Baramahal Yacht

Agreable to his request

I have the honor Sir

Kistnagerry

to Sign by C. Nethersell

22d September 1801

Paymaster

To Charles Nethersell Esqr

Paymaster Kistnagerry

Sir

Yours of the 25th July in reply to

mine of the 11th I had the honor to receive only this day

the situation of this Army preventing any communi-

cation by Dak Peons

I have ever been sensible that

in any Emergency case no claim would be for a

House Rent being Found me but as the peculiar

situation I stand in that made me to draw it

and confidently trust that it will be allowed

me The reason that brought me here is known

to Government and that many Officers are

taking the same relief receives an increase of his allowance

to

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as a Compensation for extraordenary expences certain to be incurred — but in this Instance a part of mine are taken away when from the nature of the — Service I am engaged in, every expence is inore- -dibly increased — Perhaps my case appears more a Hardship from knowing that other staff — Officers who have joined this Army from the same cause with myself must be continued in the Receipt of this allowance merely because they are within the Range of their Districts and yet I am otherwise precisely in the same Situation —

I was well acquainted that this allowance would on the first instance be retrenched by the Correctness of the Office of Audit but I knew that I should have the opportunity of replying and finally requesting the claim to be laid before Government whose liberality I hoped would not deprive me of such a Trifle because I was through urgency of circumstances removed for a time from my District to be employed on

Services

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Services of no common danger.

I shall therefore be request that agree-
able to your Letter the circumstances as above may
be laid before Government for a decision with which
whatever it may be I shall be fully satisfied.

I have the honor &c &c

Signed B. Dod

Capt. Muster Master
&c &c

Camp at
Cuttack

1st September 1801

Resolution thereon 1st Sept. 1801

Resolved that the Claim of
Lieuts Stephenson & Simms to participate in the Effects
of Rajah be referred to the Honorable Court of
Directors.

Resolved to inform the Military
Auditor General that the Board is concerned under
the circumstances stated by the Muster Master
& the Paymaster that it is impracticable to
relax the regulation for preventing the receipt of
Batta and House rent at the same period of
time.

The Board does not consider
the

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The details of Troops stationed at Poonamally —
to form a seperate Corps and it is Resolved there-
-fore to direct that the application of Major Everitor
for Leave to Batta be not complied with —

The Right Honorable Lord Clive

President and Governor in Council.

Fort St George.

My Lord,

In consequence of Lieutenant
Colonel Brunton having communicated to me
the General Order of Government directing him
to resume the duties of Military Auditor General
I have the honor to report to your Lordship in
Council that I have this day agreeably thereto
delivered over to him charge of the Department.

2d It is my duty at the same
time to report to your Lordship in what state
the Business of the Office of audit of the Military
Accounts is at present I have accordingly the
honor to inform your Lordship in the beginning

of

From the Deputy Military Auditor General — Reports that he has delivered over to Lieutenant Colonel Brunton the charge of the Department of Audit and gives a particular Statement of the business which has been performed by him while in charge of that Department.

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of this month the Accounts Disbursements of all the Paymasters under this Presidency for the month of July last were audited and despatched including the accounts of the Special Agent of the Commissary in charge of Public Cattle in Mysore and of the Agent for Draught and Carriage Bullocks with the Subsidiary Force excepting only the Disbursements not yet received for the months of June and July of the Paymasters at Amboor and for July of the Paymaster in the Province of Malabar which are to a large amount containing various Field and Contingent Charges consequently requiring more time to arrange and compile than those of the other Paymasters also of the Disbursements of the Paymaster at Arnee the audit of which has been protracted and impeded not only by the irregularity of their transmission but from inattention in not forwarding papers connected therewith. The Malabar Accounts have been audited up to October 1800 being the

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Latest Disbursements received from that Station—

of the Disbursements received for the month of

August several have been rendered the rest are remanded

Dated 5th

upon the present occasion I have

great satisfaction in stating to your Lordship—

that the Re-dudits on all the Disbursements of

every Paymaster under this Presidency were com-

-pleted and dispatched on the 10th of the present—

month up to the latest period for which explana-

-tions have been forwarded a concise Register of

which I have the honor to forward herewith—

shewing that many of the accounts are Re-audited

to as recent a date as it is possible for the Pay-

-masters to send explanations the forward state

of this branch of the Department it is unnecessary

to observe, is of no inconsiderable moment and

cannot but prove satisfactory to Paymasters as

well as to the Individuals concerned— The accounts

of the Paymasters to the Detachments which were

commanded

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Commanded by Lieutenant Colonels Brown and
Read have also been Re audited but are not
finally adjusted the accounts of the Agents for
Draught and Carriage Bullocks with those Detach-
ments are likewise Re audited.

I have likewise to report to your
Lordships that for some weeks past a considerable
portion of the time and labors of this Office has
been employed in making out Statements and
in adjusting the sums outstanding against the estate
of Mr. George Wilson late Paymaster in the Vizagapatam
District including a period of nearly six years of
sums outstanding against Mr. Richard Hughes late
Paymaster in the Carnatic and Madura
Mr. Thompson late Paymaster at Vizagapatam
The Honorable Basil Cochrane late Paymaster of
the Presidency and Mr. Henrietta Lambath late
Paymasters in the Circars in order to be reported
on to your Lordships for final Decision most of
which are very tedious to state in a considerable
degree

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degree of forwardness as to the Adjustment of the Accounts of Lieutenant Colonel McHale during the time he acted as Paymaster at Amboyna and Dependencies.

5th I have only to add that no official letter of the extensive correspondence connected with this Department which has been received since my last long Charge remains unanswered.

6th My Lord Solicits no reward for a careful and efficient performance of my duty during the time I have superintended the Office of Auditor being sensible it will be rewarded with the notice of which it may be judged deserving.

I have the honor &c. &c.

Military Auditor Generals Office
Fort St George
19th October 1801

Signed F. Pierce
Deputy Military Auditor Genl

Register

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Register of the Monthly Disbursements

April to 10th.

Paymasters Names and Stations	Explanations	From what period
J. H. Skardon	Vellore	From August 1800 to Jan.y 1801
C Wetherell	Barramahl	" Jan.y 1800 " June 1801
H Wilson	Gundoor	" Sept.r 1801 " Feb.y 1801
W Gordon	Masulipatam	" Jan.y 1801 " June 1801
J Rowley	Madras	" Jan.y 1801 " May 1801
J W Thursby	Madura	" Aug.t 1801 " Feb.y 1801
H Young	Kings Troops	" February 1801 " Feb.y 1801
W Hawkins	Tuticoriny	" Aug.t 1801 " March 1801
L G & K. Murray	Vizagapatam	" Oct.r 1801 " April 1801
W Davis	Nizams Detach.t	" Dec.r 1800 " May 1801
W H Gordon	Seringapatam	" Oct.r 1800 " March 1801
W Richardson	Tellicherry	" August 1800 " Jan.y 1801
J Reeves	Canara	" August 1800 " April 1801
J Cherry	Grand Army	For November 1799
J A Savage	Ceded Districts	From Feb.y 1801 to April 1801
W Hawkins	Lieut.t Col.o Browns Det.t	" June 1799 to Sept.r 1799
Lieutenant Col.o M.c Neile	Amboyna	" April 1800 to Sept.r 1800

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of Different Paymasters which have been Reaudited from
October 1805.

When received		Reaudit when Dispatched	
23d July 1801		19th September 1801	
25th September	"	4th October	"
24th July	"	1st Ditto	"
17th September	"	3d Ditto	"
13th August	"	3d Ditto	"
13th July	"	8th September	"
8th October	"	23d Ditto	"
7th September	"	7th October	"
10th August	"	7th Ditto	"
23d September	"	3d Ditto	"
25th August	"	9th Ditto	"
22d August	"	10th Ditto	"
8th October	"	5th Ditto	"
21st July 1800		6th April	"
22d August 1801		6th October	"
25th September 1801		10th Ditto	"
1st September 1801		10th Ditto	"

(Signed) P. P. Bruce
Deputy Military Auditor General

Resolved

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Fort St George 20th October 1804

Resolved to inform the military Auditor General that the Board has observed with great satisfaction the assiduity and attention of the Deputy military Auditor General to the duties of the Department of Audit during his absence that the Governor in Council considers the diligence of Captain Bruce to be highly commendable and has expressed to the Honorable Court of Directors his approbation of the punctuality with which that Officer completed the military Statement at an early period after the close of the Official year

Resolution thereon

The following letters from Lieutenant Colonel Agnew are read and ordered to be recorded

To Josiah Webbe Esqr

Chief Secretary to Government

Sir

From the Officer Commanding a Field Detachment on the Southern Provinces the increasing closeness of the Jungles has retarded the progress of

Since the 8th Instant when I had last the honor to address you little has occurred on the Detachment under my Command to merit notice — The Pioneers employed to cut Gullies have Laboured

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of the wood cutters and Pioners consideratly Major Shippard had repulsed the enemy who had assembled a great force to attack him

Laboured incessantly but the increasing closeness of the Jungle has retarded their progress so much that the Road is still unfurnished — our means of Labour are considerably reduced by sickness and desertion of many of the wood cutters occasioned by constant fatigue difficulties incident to all military Service but to which they are unused and dread of the fire of the Enemy to which they are sometimes unavoidably exposed — Last night the Road had been advanced near 5 miles and the Pagoda of Cabarcoil seen over the Trees appeared less than a mile distant this morning when the working party were about to resume their work a Battery of several Guns at a short distance but perfectly concealed by Jungle opened on the roads and rendered the continuance of the work impossible till their fire should be silenced this was attempted by our Guns firing on the direction whence the shot came but without effect as the Enemys work could not be seen and the thickness

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Thickness of the Jungle did not admit of Troops penetrating it, to attack them — I shall endeavour tomorrow to cut a Path round their Camp so as to obtain the Post they occupy and dislodge them — By daily detachments I have been enabled to procure a scanty supply of forage for our Cattle but the country within 3 miles of my Camp is nearly exhausted on the 19th. a Detachment under Major Sheppard was warmly attacked when embarrassed with the care of a multitude of Foragers. The Enemy who had assembled in great force were repulsed with loss and our casualties were trifling

Camp at Shewroy
15th. August 1801

I have &c.
Signed P. A. Agnew
Lieutenant Colonel Commanding Detach.

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

Sir,

From the Officer Commanding a Field Detachment on the Southern Frontier transmitting the Papers relative to the Jungles

On the 15th. Instant I had the honor to report for the information of Government

the

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Fort St George 20th October 1801.

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Jungles entirely baffled Provisions are Scarce Lieut.t Colonel Innes to be detached to Tiruvur to escort Grain &c. for the Detachment — Lieutenant Colonel Dalrymple of the 12th native Regiment and major Grant of the 77th Regiment are compelled to quit the camp on account of ill health.

The proceedings of the Detachment under my Command and the obstacles which had, that — morning been opposed to the progress of the works on which the Pioneers had been employed, Daily attempts have since been made to cut roads to the Flank of the Enemy's position but Jungle & Swamp to add without success covered by Banks and Entrenchments against which the Troops — cannot advance from the thickness of the Jungle the Enemy has baffled every attempt which has been made to penetrate further the Pioneers being unable to work under the fire brought against them by the Rebels from behind their — security Repeated failures have despirited the Troops altho' they have not suffered any considerable loss, and I do not entertain an expectation of success on this line of attack —

Ample as the Store of Provisions I had conveyed with the Detachment appeared to be at the commencement of our operations it

is

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is absolutely necessary that I should either increase my force by detaching a considerable part of my force for supplies or that I should proceed with the Entire detachment to open a secure Communication with the depot at Trinimore — The latter measure would ascertain my supplies but by an appearance of Retreat it would give confidence to the adherents of the Rebels and confirm in their interest many who may seem disposed to separate from them, I have therefore preferred to maintain my position at Sherwel and shall detach Lieutenant Colonel Innes Tomorrow morning to Trinimore to Escort provisions for the Detachment — I shall expect his return with much Anxiety as the state of my Provisions and Forage will not admit of my remaining many days without supply.

Disappointed as I have been in the result of the measures I had pursued it is difficult for me to propose a plan for future operations —

the

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The fall of Cadiarcoil would I am persuaded be attended with the best effects but unless the Jungle is more penetrable in another Direction than I have found it here I cannot hope for success from any one attack. The efforts of two Detachments acting from opposite points to the same object would probably succeed, but my force will not admit of such a division.

I hope that Wazir Ameer will join me with Lieutenant Colonel Innes Detachment and if he can draw over a Body of the Peons to act against those of the Rebels in their own manner much may be effected I will endeavour by such movements as may seem proper to establish his influence whenever I can obtain communication with the Inhabitants of the Country and harass the Rebels, if I cannot drive them from their retreat in the woods.

I detached with Lieutenant

Colonel

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Fort S. George 20th October 1805

Colonel Innes the Pondegub wood cutters that they may return to their Distrct as many are sick many had absconded and those who remained were of little use

I have the honor to inclose Duplicates of letters forwarded by several Hircarrahs and a List of Killed, wounded, and missing of the Detachment since the 25th of July

Constant exposure to the sun and considerable fatigue has produced much sickness in the Detachment a great proportion of the Officers are at present unfit for duty Lieutenant Colonel Dalrymple of the 12th Native Regiment and Brigade Grant of Hes majesty's 77th are compelled by illness to quit the Detachment and proceed by the route of Tanjore to the Coast

Campat Sherveile

21st August 1801

I have the honr &c &c

(Signed) P. A. Agnew

Lieutenant Colonel Commanding

Detachment in Shevagurgy

To

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Fort St George 20th October 1805

To Josiah Webbe Esqr

Chief Secretary to Government

Sir,

On the 1st Instant I had the honor to address you from Sherwod stating my intentions of removing the Detachment to Choor-
-a for pursuance of that determination I marched on the 2d and reached this place without oppo-
-sition-

On the evening of my arrival a letter was brought to me from the Rebel Chief, as he has endeavoured to impress his followers with the belief that his present difficulties would shortly be removed by negotiation, I thought it right to return his letter unopened, informing the messenger that if he or any other professing to be a follower of the Chief Rebel, again returned to my Camp, I would cause him to be hanged upon the spot-

On the 3d I reconnoitred the position

From the Officer Commanding a field Detachment in the S D has moved to Choor without opposition has rejected the offers of negotiation from the Rebel Party is forming a post at a Pagoda near Maulcottah for the purpose of protecting his Guns and Ammunition the Authority of Moyah Tavers is gradually increasing Repeats the want of money to defray the expences of the Detachment He has directed the assistant to the Collector to continue to collect Grain for the use of the Detachment States that inconvenience is likely to arise from the absence of the Paymaster of Madras from his station and suggests the appointment of a Paymaster to accompany the Detachment in the field-

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position of Shalaveram three miles South of Choor
and Adjoining to Naalegattah and finding a Pagoda
and the ruins of a small Fort there capable of being
formed into a Secure Post I have caused Lieutenant
Colonel Innes to encamp there and employed the
Pioneers to put the place in a state of defence to
receive those Guns Stores and Provisions of the
Detachment which must be near at hand to sup-
ply its wants but which need not always accompany
its march—

Several of the Inhabitants of
the Collery rands have paid their respects to
Major Lawes and promised obedience to his author-
ity— The actual position of the Detachment
may confirm them in this disposition as it
affords them some protection and the time
which must be employed in preparing the Post
at Shalaveram and storing it with Provisions
may enable me by occasional Detachments to
extend the influence of the Government—

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I have learnt from Mr. Garrow the Assistant to the Collector of Dindigul that he cannot supply me with the sums now due to the Troops and Departments in the Field under my immediate Command and I have reason to believe that Mr. Cushingtons Treasury is equally unable to furnish me with the requisite Sums I have therefore written to the Collector of Tanjore requesting him to forward me Dindigul a Sum sufficient to answer the demands of the Detachment for the two ensuing months and I request that the Right Honorable the Governor in Council will issue orders to the Collectors of Tanjore and Salem to answer my calls on them for money to the extent which their means may admit.

It is extremely important that the want of pay should not be added to the unavoidable difficulties incident to the service on which this Detachment is employed and

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which will be felt more severely by the Troops during the approaching rainy season Mr Garrow states to me that the amount he expects to supply from Pondigul with every exertion will fall - short of the Sum now due by 35376 Pagodas and that he will not be able to furnish more before December next - From the Tinnevelly Collectors I can expect no assistance - so that for the expenditure of September October and November - with the balance of August yet unprovided for at least 250000 must be drawn from such other sources of supply as Her Lordship in Council may think proper to direct - I earnestly solicit that - immediate directions may be given on this important subject -

Mr Garrow informs me that a considerable quantity of Rice is prepared at Madura and Dindigul and I have requested that he will continue to Collect Grain for the use of the Detachment hitherto the numerous followers

of

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of the Army public and private have subsisted on
Grain discovered on the Villages abandoned by the
Rebels & the System of destruction adopted by
the Shevagunga must hasten the =
failure of this resource and compell me to supply
their wants from the Public Store this will =
greatly increase the daily expenditure of public
Grain and render it necessary to provide more
largely than would be requisite for the maint=
=enance of the Troops alone sixty Garce of =
Rice per month may be estimated as the ave=
=raged expenditure of the Detachment.

I deem it incumbent on me
to report that much inconvenience may arise =
from the absence at this period of the Paymaster
of madura from his station which I have this
day learnt from Lieutenant Colonel Dyce — I
have felt much embarrassment from the charges
of the Pay Provisions and Grain Departments
of the Detachment being entirely confided to =

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Native Servants destitute of experience or ability to execute such important and complicated trusts, and beg leave to suggest the appointment of a Person properly qualified to take charge of these Departments and to accompany the Detachment on the Field.

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September 5th 1805

I have the honor &c &c
(Signed) F. A. Agnew
Lieutenant Colonel Commanding
a Detachment

To Josiah Webbe Esqr
Chief Secretary to Government

Sir,

Having received a variety of Reports which the long interruption to the regular progress of the Camp had prevented from reaching me at an earlier period, I have the honor to state for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council a summary of their Contents.

From &c &c the East of Coimbatore invested by the Rebels was relieved by a Detachment under Lieutenant Miller from the Garrison of Rammad. He transmits copy of Dragan Macauley's report stating his success on the attack of a party of Bandits under Mudapen. Colonel Martin has used the most active exertions to

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To expell the Rebels from the Vecinity of Rammad—Recommends to the Consideration of Government the Circumstances of Captain Hamilton an Officer in the Nabob's Service for Communication with the Collector he intends to publish an assurance of pardon to those Rebels who return to their habitations on a limited Term—

The Fort of Coreem was invested by the Rebels under Yr. Lo. on the 21st. of July—He summoned the Fort to Surrender with threats of the severest punishment to the Garrison in the event of resistance—Lieutenant Graves of the 1st. Battalion of the 3rd. Regiment who commanded in that Post with a Company of that Corps and a Body of the Peons, treated this message with the contempt it merited. On the 26th. of July Vella Tumdoo in consequence of my approach towards Dhenkicle, drew off his force leaving the person whom the Rebels had proclaimed Rajah of Rammad with a Body of the Insurgents of that District to continue the Seige—Several attempts were made to retire the Garrison from their duty and one to shoot Lieutenant Graves when drawn to the walls by a Flag of Truce on the 13th. of August the place was relieved by a Detachment under Lieutenant Millar from the Garrison of Rammad with a very superior force

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force he attacked and drove off the Rebels his attack being assisted by a salley from the Fort on the Establishments they had formed near it

The firmness and good conduct of Lieutenant Gudves and his judgement and discretion on a very trying situation does this young Officer the highest honour, and Pleasing opinion of his merits may be stated to the Right Honorable the Governour in Council

Major Macaulay is anxious to relieve the Fort of Coimbatore and reinforced of Colonel Martin's intentions had formed from the Southern Division and by employed some Cavalry, and Golundauze of His Highness the Nabobs, a Force of 600 natives with two three Pounders to these he added 500 Sepoys and by a forced march from Nagtpore reached Coimbatore on the 15th of August this force and Lieutenant Pullers detachment acting under major Macaulay's Orders has since been actively and usefully

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useefully employed in dispersing the Insurgents
on that quarter.

On the 29th of August Nuggur
Macaulay was fortunate in surprizing a part of the
Banditte who under Sulapan a noted freebooter
had long infested the Ramnad District and
have lately been avowedly acting in the service of
the Shevagunga Rebels — a Copy of his Report on
this occasion I have the honor to enclose.

Colonel Mackenzie has made
the most meritorious exertions with the small
force at his disposal to expell the Rebel parties
from the vicinity of Ramnad by frequent De-
tachments from that Garrison under Lieutenant
Millar the Adjutant of his Corps — In these
attempts he has generally succeeded in dispers-
ing the Rebels and when they have waited
his attack with loss — I have thought it proper
to make on the public Orders my approbation of
Lieutenant Millar's Conduct.

Major

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Major Macaulay has stated to me that he received great assistance in the removal of the arms and other arrangements connected with the Military Establishment of His Highness the Nabob at Tinnevelly from Captain Hamilton an old Officer of His Highness's services and requested me to mention the services of this Gentleman to Government in the hope that some provision may be made for the future support—He has been long in His Highness's service in the Southern Districts—might be usefully employed with any Subsidy Corps and at a very advanced period of life is without the means of subsistence

I have had the honor to receive upon letter of the 8th of August in consequence of Mr. Lushington's opinion that the late change in the administration of the Civil Country would render the exception of so large a number of the Cavalgars from Pardon unnecessary it is my intention to publish immediately an assurance

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of Pardon / with the few exceptions he now deems
necessary / to the Inhabitants of Pungalurrcour-
-chy and other Districts still at large who
were implicated in the guilt of the late Rebellion
and who return to their habitations within a
limited period

I have the honor &c &c

Signed / P. A. Agnew

Lieutenant Colonel Commanding

Southern Detachment

Camp Okoor

7th September 1805

To Lieutenant Colonel Agnew

Commanding Southern Forces &c &c &c

Sir

I am happy to acquaint you
that early this morning we succeeded in dis-
-persing and nearly destroying the party of
Rebels that under the noted Mulipan has been
employed for months past in plundering and
laying waste the Talooks this service was
gallantly performed by the Etaporie Peons —

serving

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serving with his Detachment the action took place about
seven miles south of this beyond Aberanmoy the num-
bers on both sides were equal nearly four hundred each
notwithstanding which the Europeans charged their
opponents with such spirit that they completely
routed them without the loss of a man a large
proportion of the Rebels was killed and among
them seven Shirogars from the vicinity and clos-
ness of the Jungle made per and a few others
escaped the hotly pursued

This fortunate event may serve
it is hoped to check the future attempts
quarters of the mischievous Bandits employed
by the murderous to desolate the Ramnad Province
no exertions of mine shall be wanting to frustrate
their wicked designs

The oppressive and chillerav-
goody Poligars who had been compelled by
Velle mandoo to join the persons styled Rajahs of
Ramnad are now happily tranquil and
submissive

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Sir,

On the 23d and 24th Instant a party of about two hundred Banditte entered the Polimurra Taloak with the design of plundering it, but they were driven out again with some loss by the Collectors Peons aided by the Inhabitants who to a man attached to the Company's interest.

Lieutenant Millar with the Ma=
=rawah Detachment is to day at Chickub and will be in this neighbourhood on the 29th.

Camp near Comery 27th August 1801.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) C. Macaulay
Major Commanding Detach.

A true Copy. Signed C. A. Agnew
Lieutenant Colonel

Josiah Webbe Esqr.
Chief Secretary to Government.

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that Major Macaulay has reported to me that in consequence of an application from the

From Dr Do
Major Macaulay had hired an Armed Cutter to Cruize off Tondy to intercept the supplies furnished
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To the Rebels from that quarter which measure he had approved—Urges upon the necessity of adopting measures to procure money for the use of the Detachment Suggests the expediency of the 2d Regiment Native Cavalry being sent to the Southern Provinces

The Collector of Tinnevelly Stating the expediency of employing an Armed Vessel to intercept the supplies of Rice and Ammunition which he had reason to believe were furnished to the Rebels by the Body of Sondy he had during the period when the regular Communication with my Detachment was interrupted, detached a small party of Europeans and Sepoys to act as Marines on an Armed Cutter hired for the purpose by Mr. Lushington and Commanded by Mr. S. Schuler destined to Cruize off Sondy.

As I believe the employment of a small Vessel off the Mouth of Sondy during the present State of the Maravah Province may be extremely beneficial I have approved the measures adopted by Major Macaulay and recommend that it be sanctioned by Government

Mr. Lushington having Officially informed me on the 6th Instant that it will not for some time to come be in his power to supply

Cash

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Cash for the payment of the Troops in the Field

I have to request the immediate attention of

Government to the necessity which exists for supply-

-ing the wants of this Detachment from other

Quarters.

If the 2d Regiment of Cavalry

lately arrived at Trichinopoly can be sent to the

Southern Provinces the Corps might be most usefully

employed in noticing the Tranquility of the

Ramnad District and preserving that of

Tinnivelly from the occasional incursions of

Rebels — I have stated this to Major General

Bridges in the hope that he may be enabled to

detach them for that duty — The Cavalry now

with this Detachment are required to keep open

its communication with Madura.

I have the honor &c.

Signed P. A. Agnew

Lieutenant Colonel Commanding

Southern Detachment

To

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To Josiah Webbe Esqr.

Chief Secretary to Government

Sir,

I have the honor to report that

From Do. Do. Reports the Capture of Peraumally a fortified Post on the northern extremity of the Shevagunga District

Peraumally a fortified Post on the Northwestern extremity of Shevagunga District was yesterday taken by part of a Detachment with which I left Oboor on the 17th Instant for the purpose of attacking it.

The Garrison was very small and fled to the Hills after exchanging a few shot with a party of Cavalry and Peons which I had detached in advance towards the place.

I have directed three Companies of the 1st Battalion 7th Regiment to occupy the place till I can make arrangements for Garrisoning it and a party of Sonderrians Peons are left to assist in protecting the neighbouring Country. Tomorrow I shall proceed on my return to

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Seringapatam

19th September 1801

Thave the honor to be &c.

(Signed) P. A. Agnew

Lieutenant Colonel Commanding Dindigul

To Josiah Webbe Esqr.

Chief Secretary of Government

Sir,

I had the honor to report to you on the 19th Instant for the information of Government that I had taken possession of the Post of Peraumally and stationed three companies of the 1st Battalion 7th Regiment there as a temporary Garrison.

Captain Godfrey has since reported to me that the Inhabitants of the country in the vicinity of Peraumally have in considerable numbers claimed the Protection of Government and Dorrumraug of Vaniapoor a Polygar who has been remarkably active in the cause of the Rebels has requested terms — This I have hesitated to grant as however convenient his return to obedience might be,

from Dr. Dr.
to Inhabitants of the
vicinity or the vicinity
Peraumally have
quested back the
quest of the Polygars
were proved that
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ue to - a summons
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nditions have been
ached to the
Bells of Tinnivelly
nd Cahalgoody with
Exceptions only
o ascertain of Majors
acaulay and
ichtown Blackburne
are nearly reduced
the Plains of Country
obedience. Captain
Schuler of the Swallow
ter has prevented
he communication
of the Rebels by sea
He has dispatched
000 Bullocks to
ring Rice from
allam — The
Collectors in the
outhern Provinces
have reported that
few fines would be
equal to supply the
wants of the Detach-
ment for the remain-
der of the year —
requests that the
Paymaster with
his Detachment may
be authorized to
cut Bills on the
Paymaster General
for

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for such sums as may be paid into his hands expenses his acknowledgements for the allowance granted to him while on command of the Detachment

be at present the atrocities are which he bore a distinguished part of will have seem to require his exclusion from the benefits of the clemency of Government.

I have published to the Simmenelly and Cahadalgoody Rebels an assurance of Pardon for those still at large who deliver up their arms and declare their obedience to Government within One month from the publication of the Proclamation with 34 exceptions only.

The operations of the Detachments under Major Macaulay and Captain Blackburne during the period when the attention of the chief Rebels and the mass of their force has been called to the position of this Detachment have nearly restored the Rammad Province to obedience and order — I have requested Captain Blackburne to point his movements on such a manner as to bar the retreat of the Rebels to the Quarter for which they are said to be prepared when attacked on this side and I have directed — Major Macaulay who has already done much —

towards

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towards detaching the Southern Salooks from the Rebels influence to prefs them towards the center of the Shevagarrys Country where reinforced by the 2d Regiment of Cavalry, which I have instructed to join here for the security of the Southern Districts of the Ramnad Province —

Captain Schuler in the Swallow Armed Cutter has by his being off the Port of Tondie prevented the communication of the Rebels by sea and their Passage of passing Boats — On the 7th of this month he landed a small party and burnt two large Boats of the Shevagars, taking a smaller one which was afloat, and on the 8th beat off with loss of several men a party which attempted to surprize his Boat when landing for a similar purpose —

I have this day dispatched 3000 Bullocks to bring Rice from Nellore to Shalavé-ram, when the Post I have constructed is nearly finished — I have at the same time detached

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A part of the 1st Battalion of the 13th Regiment to relieve the division of the 1st of the 7th at Periawmally extending to include the part of the former Corps serving under my orders between the Posts of Periawmally and Shalaboram—

In reply to my applications for Cash to the Collectors of Tinnevelly Madura and Dendigul Tanjore and Trichinopoly I have received only the confirmation of my apprehensions that their funds were unequal to answer the calls of the Detachment for the remaining period of the present year I have issued Pay and allowances to the Troops and Detachments for July but the sum remaining in the Paymasters hands is insufficient to defray the abstracts of August— I request the Paymaster may be authorized to grant Bills on the Paymaster General at the Presidency for such sums as may be paid into his hands here at the result rate of exchange and the customary period of payments as this measure may add to our means of defraying the

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The expences of the Detachment

I have been honored with your
Letter of the 6th Instant notifying to me the allowance
which the Right Honorable the Governor in Council
has been pleased to grant me during my command
of this Detachment for which I request you will
express my thanks to His Lordship in Council

I have the honor &c
(Signed) P. A. Agnew
Lieutenant Colonel Commanding
Detachment in S. D

Camp
Choor
24th September 1805

To Josiah Webb Esqr
Chief Secretary to Government
&c &c &c

Sir,

I have the honor to report for the
information of Government the Capture of Calaiecoil
and the dispersion of the Rebels who were this morn-
-ing attacked and driven from every point of
defence they occupied between Choor Shalavenam
and Calaiecoil — I shall tomorrow have the hono-
-r to

From Do Do reports the capture of Calaiecoil and the expulse of the Enemy from every point of Defence between Choor Shalavenam and Calaiecoil

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To report more in detail

Camp at
Throtoor

I have the honor &c
(Signed) P. A. Agnew
Lieutenant Colonel Commanding 5th D.

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To Josiah Webbe Esqr
Chief Secretary to Government

Sir

I had yesterday the honor to report for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council the capture of Caliancoil Inow proceed to state the circumstances connected with that event.

For sometime past I had reason to believe that many of the former adherents of the Rebellious Dhoondia were quitting their party some who had recently with drawn themselves appeared well acquainted with the Post occupied by the Enemy and one in particular a Mussulman who had formerly served as an Officer in the native Cavalry was so extremely distinct in his answers to

From Dr Do
Details the circumstances connected with the capture of Caliancoil — Has proclaimed a reward for the apprehension of the Chief Rebels and has offered pardon to such Dhoondia as shall surrender within 15 Days — Has presented a Reward of 100 Pags to Mahomed Khalleb who conducted the party detached to surprize Caliancoil — Has appointed Captains Marshall to act as Majors of Brigade pro tempore — Has lodged a supply of Grain at Arcot in Cabaul and to which place he will collect as temporary Garrisons to be on the same footing with regard to allowances as the Troops are in the Field — Enclosures are extract from the Orders he has

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had passed regarding the conduct of the Detachment under his command and transmits Copy of a letter from the Chief Surgeon of the Detachment representing the necessity of further medical aid

to the questions put to him, that I was induced to form a Plan for surprizing Calavarroil by the route I had cut from Shevroi and a path slenderly guarded through which he undertook to guide a Column at the same time that the attention of the Rebels should be occupied by a general attack on the line of Posts they had raised and occupied to defend the Roads leading from above and Shalevaram to Modoor and Calangoody.

The Post at Shalevaram which I had prepared for the security of such Stores and provisions as it did not appear necessary to convey with the Detachment being on the 30th of September in a very defensible state, I that night detached Lieutenant Colonel Spry with the His Majesty's 77th Regiment and 2d Battalion of the 6th Native Regiment / forming a Corps of 1000 Infantry / and 50 Pioneers who leaving Camp at 10 Oclock was destined to reach the Pagoda

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Pagoda of Calicoot by dawn of Day — To mask this movements and at the same time to support the party if successful, I published my intention of marching on the following day, having previously detached a party to examine the avenues that the Enemy might expect an attack in that direction rather than on those points it was my intention to force —

At a very early hour on the morning of the 11th October — Lieutenant Colonel Innes, with his detachment moved from Shalavaram on Veranoor, while another Column under my immediate orders advanced from Choor on Varriamgoody and Nuttoor —

Lieutenant Colonel Innes has reported to me that he found the Rebels strongly Posted in Barrier raised a cross an extremely difficult Road, that they received him with a very heavy fire but were dislodged by an exertion of the usual gallantry of the Detachment he com-

manded.

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-mands leaving one hundred men killed on the
spot over-run a Park through which they attempted
to escape, at Ten o'clock his Column reached
Keenaroor and in obedience to orders which
transmitted from Mootoor proceeded to occupy
Callangoody which the Enemy had abandoned
Two Natives were slightly wounded on the
Service.

The Column under my
orders found the Road through the Jungle at
Cattumboor blocked up with thorns, and was
fired on near its entrance from a Bamboo
within the Jungle the situation of which had
been described to me I detached a party to turn
the flank of the Enemy while their attention
was drawn by the fire of Cannon in front and
succeeded in driving them from their Post with
some loss on their part which might have been
greater had not successive of strong thorn fences
which covered their Barriers retarded the progress

of

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of the attacking party — Favored by this delay the Enemy drew off their Guns but being soon followed they did not attempt to defend another Barrier which they had prepared in the same manner for resistance — on approaching nearer a distant fire was opened on the Column from the Bank in front of the Village but similar dispositions being made the Enemy retired — before the party which moved towards their flank could reach the place — The fire throughout was ill directed and the effect proportionably trifling — Lieut. Col. Inglis Staff surgeon was the only person wounded —

From the feeble resistance Persevered at Moolloo, Imagined that Lieutenant Colonel Sprys attack had been successfull and on advancing to Cattaroad which I did by the Moolloo Road, as soon as I had fixed on a situation for the Camp deposited the Knapsacks of the Troops and given some slight refreshment I found

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found him in possession of the place — The extreme difficulty of the Road great part of which was overflowed with water and the darkness of the night had impeded his march so much that he did not reach the place till eight o'Clock some fifteen from a small party he had met on Sherwood had given an alarm to the Sheregar Chinna Mundoo then on his march to oppose the attack which had commenced upon his Barriers — Returning with the utmost speed to Caliancoil he reached the place barely in time to remove his Family before our Troops appeared — The confusion occasioned by the various attacks made at the same moment from different quarters greatly diminished the resistance of the Enemy on all, and they fled in every direction apparently without concert or arrangement for their future junction —

The principal Chiefs took the route of Mangalum with few attendants the

Troops

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Troops were too much fatigued to pursue them—

I have dispatched Expresses to

Major Macaulay and to Captain Blackburne

whom I had previously acquainted with my

intention and requested to take positions favo=

=rable for Co operation to inform them of my suc=

=cess and urge them to the most vigorous exer=

=tions to seize, or dispense such of the Rebels, as

might appear in the vicinity of their positions—

I shall immediately send detachments to

Mangalam and Coiley kotah on the Southern,

and Eastern, sides of Caliancoil to Co operate with

Major Macaulay, and Captain Blackburne, in

those quarters, and I shall continue to occupy a

station on the western side, and the rest of

Caliancoil to cover the Pioneers employed on open=

=ing the Roads which from that Center diverge

in every direction and to support the detached Corps

as circumstances may require—.

I have proclaimed a Reward

for

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for the apprehension of the chief Rebels proportioned to their relative importance and offered pardon to such Shoogars and Peons as within fifteen days after the receiving the Offer with threats of vengeance should they continue longer in Rebellion and with the notification of the most exemplary punishment to all Inhabitants or others who in any manner harbour or assist the Rebels or acknowledge their authority—

Nineteen Peices of Cannon of various Calibers have already been found in Collected with a quantity of ammunition as soon as an exact Return can be prepared it shall be transmitted for the information of Government—

I have caused a Reward of one hundred Pagodas to be paid to Mahommed Khalleb the Mussulman who conducted the party under Lieutenant Colonel Spry and I shall hereafter recommend him to the consideration of

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of Government for some permanent provision as he
is advanced in years I have ordered the payment
of small rewards to others whom I had directed
to accompany the Detachment to supply his place
in the event of accident to him —

Captain Munro having been
appointed Secretary to His Excellency the Com-
-mander in Chief I have given him permission
to proceed to the Residency and I request the
Right Honorable the Governor in Council to
confirm my nomination of Captain J. Marshall
to act as Major of Brigade Vice Munro from the
date of Captain Munro's removal in General
Orders —

A Convoy of 3000 Bags of Rice —
which I had ordered from Nellore to Chalaverarm
under Escort of the 1st. Regiment of Cavalry and the
Peons of Chapore I have now directed to be lodged
with a supply of arrack in Balaicoil — To that
place I shall allot a temporary Garrison as I
have

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have done to Pernaumbaly and to Shalaveram — As the Troops stationed there are subject to daily calls for Field Detachment and to all the expence and inconveniences of actual employment on the Field I have directed them to retain their several Establishments and to continue to draw Batta on the same manner as the Troops in camp — This I trust the Right Honorable the Governor in Council will approve and sanction by communication to the Military Auditor General.

A small party of the Punjalum-coochy Rebels have assembled in the Tinnevelly Province where the 2d Regiment of Cavalry which has been long detained from want of Pay at Tinnopoly can reach its destination I trust this Rebellious Party will be easily, and rapidly dispersed.

I have the honor to inclose an Extract of the orders I have this day issued, as they express my sentiments on the Conduct of the Detachment

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Detachment under my Command

Campat
Mootoor

2d. October 1801

I have the honor &c.
(Signed) P. A. Agnew
Lieutenant Colonel Commanding
Southern Districts.

P. S. I enclose copy of a letter I have
just received from the Chief Surgeon of the De-
tachment and beg to second his request — the
various Detachments I have been compelled to
make and the Posts at which such have been
left under an addition of medical assistance
exclusively necessary particularly since 100 Sails
absence from severe indisposition / and
wounds which has disabled 100 Sepoys for
immediate active service.

(Signed) P. A. Agnew
Lieutenant Colonel Commanding

Extract

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Extract of Detachment Orders by
Lieutenant Colonel Agnew

Cairnpr 2d October 1801.

D. O.

Lieutenant Colonel Agnew is happy
in the opportunity afforded him by the event of the
movements of yesterday to express his fullest
approbation of the conduct of all the Officers and
Troops employed in the several Columns of
attack.

To Lieutenant Colonel Spry
his particular thanks are due for the Precision
rapidity and energy with which he executed the
orders he had received for the surprize of Kalian-
coil under all the Disadvantages of a nights
march thro a very intricate and deffcult
Country.

Lieutenant Colonel Agnew is
much indebted to Lieutenant Colonel Innes
for the arrangement and execution of that Post

of

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of the General Plan which was committed to
his direction and he offers his thanks to the officers
and Soldiers of Lieutenant Colonel Innes's Column
and of that which acted under his own immedi-
-ate orders, for the promptness and Gallantry
with which they charged, and drove the Rebels
from the various Barriers at which they attempt-
-ted to oppose the progress of the Troops

Captain Marris having been
appointed to the office of Secretary to the comman-
-der in Chief is permitted to proceed to the Presidency

Lieutenant Colonel Agnew feels it incumbent on
him to express in the fullest manner the obliga-
-tion he owes to that Officer for the able assistance
he has on every occasion derived from him in the
Course of the Service on which he has acted as his
Major of Brigade

A true Extract
Signed A. Marshall
Adjutant No 13th

To

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To Lieutenant Colonel Agnew

Commanding Southern Field Detachment

Sir,

I beg leave to represent to you the necessity of some more Assistant Surgeons being immediately ordered to join the Detachment under your Command as I find the number we have at present are not sufficient to attend the sick of the different Corps in consequence of the small Detachments that are continually moving about.

I have the honor &c.

Camp 3d October 1805

Signed John Inglis
Staff Surgeon

To Josiah Webbe Esqr
Chief Secretary to Government

Sir,

I have the honour to report for the information of Government that two Grenadier Companies of the 2d Battalions of the 12th Regiment Native Infantry, being ordered this morning to escort

From Dr Dupuis the Capture of two sons of Wallis — murder and their execution the same Offence for the Capture of Thirlo Tomby and murder by Lolly Tomby sons of

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of Vella murders have been repaid to the Troops who apprehended them several reports have been received from the Detachment sent in a Southern direction and appearances justify an expectation of a speedy termination of the warfare—Venguru Perumaddie & Tavey has been captured—

explore the Jungle from Cabaneil were led by the track of a Camel and some Horses to suspect that a party of the Rebels were at no great distance—One of the companies followed the Path and surprized a party concealed in a recess of the wood; they fled with precipitation but were pursued with great rapidity through Paths discernable only by the Arms and other incumbrances dropped by the Enemy; after some miles pursuit several were taken and amongst them two Sons and other Relations of Vella Marden— The halt which their capture produced gave time for the escape of their Father, who was there known to have been with all his family at no great distance and whom from the intricacy of the Jungle the Party—s pursued to a very considerable distance in vain—

I am not without hopes of—s securing this Chief of the Rebels as from infirmity he is not equal to much personal exertion at present

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is without conveyance slightly attended and —
buthened by all the Families and children of
the Family who accompanied him in Flight in the
Jungles

After Identifying the persons
of the Prisoners I caused them to be executed the
power and activity of the parties in this Rebellion
appearing to me to render them the most
proper subjects for an example at the present
Crisis —

It is an encouragement to the
Troops to stimulate their exertions on similar
occasions and as a proper reward for every me-
-ritorious Service I have caused the sum offered
by Proclamation for the Capture of Heera —
Tomby and Moolly Colly Tomby Sons of Vella
Nundoo to be paid to the Relatives of the Company by
whom they were apprehended —

I have received the most favor-
-able reports from the Detachment I have sent

in

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on a Southern direction and trust that the very
numerous warfare which has for some time distracted
this Province will be brought to a speedy conclu-
sion.

I have the honor &c
(Signed) P. A. Agnew
Lieutenant Colonel Commanding
Southern District

Camp at
Moloor
4th October 1801

P.S. Vengunna Pena Woodia Saver is this
instant brought Prisoner to Camp

To Josiah Webbe Esqr
Chief Secretary to Government

Sir

Since the above I have the
honor to report to you the Capture of two sons of
Vella Tumdoo and that Vengunna Pena Woodia
Saver was Prisoner, Detachments have been actively
employed in pursuit of the Rebel Chiefs yesterday
on intelligence of them haunt in the woods two
parties hold them in chase for a considerable
distance

From Dr Do
Detachments are
actively employed
in pursuit of the
Rebel Chiefs —
Transmits mi-
nutes of the exa-
mination of
Vengunna Pena
Woodia Saver &
recommends that
his life may be
spared — The
Cobah Sheregar
who had guilty
the cause of the
Rebels had been
dispatched with a
party of peons in
pursuit

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pursuit of the Robber Mitapen - Transmits Returns of ordnance and Stores found in Calamasil -

distance but from the intricacy of the Jungle and celerity of their flight the Chief Rebels and their Family though seen escaped - some Horses, and Palanquins were taken -

Yesterday caused a Board of Officers to assemble to witness and record the exc- -amination of persons called to prove the Identity of Vengum Pena Woodia Favey - In the course of questions he so strongly stated the nature of his situation under the Controul of the Sheroga his total want of power and authority and that he had voluntarily come towards our Camp in the intention to surrender himself the moment the dispersion of the Rebels on the capture of Calamasil allowed him to do so with safety All of which was confirmed by the concurrent declaration of persons certainly not friendly to him that I have Resolved to ask the orders of Government before I determined on his fate and indulge a hope that although a proclaimed

Rebel

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Rebel his life may be spared — He has been
it would appear an instrument in the hands
of Villains who used his name to sanction their
atrocities but as guiltless of active Rebellion as
he was destitute of influence or power — Inclose
for the information of the Right Honorable
the Governor in Council a minute of his exa-
-mination and the declarations of those called on
to speak to the facts —

The Collah Shervagar who
recently quitted the Rebels has been long a Chief
Minister of the murderous authority — as he asked
for pardon and on former occasions had by his
influence saved the life of the present Zemindar
who was much interested for his safety At his
request received him with assurances of forgiveness
and I have now dispatched him with a party
of his People into the Districts on the borders
of Ramnad to seize if possible the Robber Mitchan
and the person whom the murderer has proclaimed

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As Nayab of Ramnad

The Detachments I have advanced in every direction report to me that the Inhabitants of the Country are crowding to submit to the authority of Regular Government — what I have observed leads me to think the force of the Rebels broken dispersed and dispirited — and that there most sanguine hope at present is to Evade pursuit and find security in concealment —

I have the honor to inclose a Return of Ordnance and Stores found at Calia-coil — much Powder has since been found and destroyed in the Jungle, by the detachments passing through it —

I have the honor &c.

(Signed) P. A. Agnew

Lieutenant Colonel Commanding

Southern Districts.

Camp

Camp at Mooloor

6th October 1801.

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Camp at Mootoor

5th October 1801

In consequence of Orders from Lieutenant Colonel F. S. Agnew the following Officers assembled with him—

Captain Sir John Sinclair

Captain T. Marshall

Mr Geo. Hughes — Interpreter

Lieutenant Colonel Agnew states that he has assembled this Court merely for the purpose of Identifying the person of one who was made Prisoner yesterday, and who is supposed to be one of the Principal Rebels—

Arman is brought forward who says that his name is Venguiva Perea Woodia Taver commonly known by the name of Dheeraay Dorayr—

He is asked whether he is the person in whose name the Arrudoo has been acting as Sherogar? — and says that he Arrudoo made

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made use of his name that he had no authority
the Prisoner having suspected all power.

Being asked if he has seen
or heard of the Proclamation of the 6th July last
he says that he has not heard or seen any
thing respecting the ordinances of Government
that the management of the Revenue and Ecc=
-presses he has nothing to do with.

On the Proclamation being
read he says that he has never before heard
the purport of it, and that he has never on any
occasion joined with the Prisoner in taking arms
against the Company.

Cotah Sheregar Shroffer
and Chinnaman, Merchtely in the Service of
the Sheregar say that the Prisoner was not
his own master, but kept under restraint and
obliged to go wherever the Prisoner ordered
him.

The Cotah Sheregar recently

and

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and eminently confidential person on the Service
of the murders on being questioned respecting
the assertion of the Prisoner "that he has been
entirely under restraint and prevented accord-
ing to his own wishes" — says that the Prisoner
was at all times under so much restraint as this
not absolutely a prisoner, that he must go —
where ever he was ordered and that he could
not at any time have made his escape even
if he had been disposed to attempt it —

The Prisoner states that had
he been conscious of any guilt he certainly would
not have come to give himself up which he did
the moment an opportunity offered having
been on Balasore Coast when it was surprized he
escaped to Dooley & thence from thence to Shecundy
and yesterday to the Environs of the Camp where
he was seized by Tondiman's people —

It appears from the above
assertions corroborated by the Endorsee of Silas

Shenogan

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Sheroga[illegible] and several others that the Prisoner is the person specified in the Government Proclamation that Vengurra Peria Woodya Tavee leagued with Vella Mundo and Chinna Mundoo but as all his escortions appear to have been by compulsion and as all the Evidences agree in saying that they have not on any occasion known him use his Exertions in opposing the authority of Government & encouraging the escortions of others — The Board think it necessary to record that such declarations have been made before them —

Lieutenant Colonel Agnew informs the Board that under these circumstances he will defer the decision of this matter until a reference is made to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council —

(Signed) P. A. Agnew
Lieutenant Colonel

Return

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Return of Ordnance and Stores found in the Fort of Calliarcoil.

Articles	Nos.
Axes Felling Country	64
" Grubbing Ditto	284
Carriages Guns	9
" Limbers	4
Cartridges cloath filled from @ 6 to 1/2 Pounder	236
Cartridges shotted Musket	14,000
Gun Powder Country lbs. about	500
Grape quilted 6 Pdr 2	5
" " 3 Dittos	25
" " 1 Ditto	19
" " 1/2 Ditto	29
Iron Country cast lb.	600

Lead

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Articles	Nos
Lead Pig Pieces	9
Moulds for casting musket Balls	5
Mannotics	70
Matchlocks	75
Ordnance Guns Iron 9 Pdrs	5
" " " 8 Ditto	5
" " " 7 Ditto	3
" " " 6 Ditto	2
" " " 5½ Ditto	2
" " " 4 Ditto	5
" " " 3 Ditto	4
" " " ½ Ditto	2
Ordnance Swivels Country 5½ Prs	3
" Guns Brass 3 Ditto	5
" " " 5 Ditto	5
" " " ½ Ditto	3
Swivels	

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Articles for

Ordnance Swivels	Country	1/7 Pcs	1.
Shot Iron Round Cast		6 Dia.	86.
" "		3 Dia.	163.
Boat of Sizes from 2 to 4		12 Dia.	580.
Screws Elevation			1.
Shells Empty		5½ Inch	1.
" Grenades			5.
" Lanterns Brass			9.
Shovels Wooden			24.
Spades			7.

(Signed) John Sinclair.

Captain 2d Batt. A. Comg. Gs.

To Josiah Webbe Esqr

Chief Secretary of Government.

Sir,

On the 7th Instant I received intimation

that

From Dr Dr Reports that a party of Rebels under the command of the Son of Shiva Ajah by Polygars had posted themselves from Trafalgar

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Tripatore Lieutenant Colonel Innes having been ordered to march with his Detachment to Dandegul he has moved from — Mootoor to occupy a more central situation for directing the pursuit after the Chief Rebels Captain Blackburne met him on his arrival at Hulsoor

That a Party of the Rebels consisting of the Pungalum-
-dy Poons and their Chiefs joined by the sons of
the Veerapatchy Poligar had passed in some force
northwestward from Tripatore — Immediately de-
-tached a reinforcement to the Garrison of Perawnally
to enable the Officer Commanding there to make
Detachments, and pushed off a lightly equipped
party to scour the Jungles in the direction of
Tripatore —

Prior to the arrival of the rein-
-forcement for that Garrison the Officer Comman-
-ing Perawnally reported to me that 1000 Poons,
chiefly of Pungalumuwuthy were within 8 miles
of his Post, that they were conducted by the sons
of the Veerapatchy Poligar, and that it was said
to be their intention to seek refuge in the Veera-
-patchy Hills Immediately on receipt of
this letter I warned Lieutenant Colonel Innes
to be in readiness to march with his Detach-
-ment and on the Evening of the 8th transmitted

him

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I sent positive orders to proceed forthwith to Dindigul

The Intelligence I had received before

received was last night confirmed by an official

Report from Nuttam of the 8th when the party of

the Rebels on their route to the Hills were within

three miles of that Post having passed north of

Perawmally through the Country of the Veerapoor Polygar

and by Coscowchy towards Nuttam.

The 2d Regiment of Cavalry

Arrived on the 8th Instant at Dindigul on its

march South, the orders I had transmitted to

Major Barrow's directed him to proceed with all

expedition to Madura but I am not without hope

that the information there received at Dindigul

of the direction taken by the Rebel Party may

have induced Major Barrow's to think himself

justified in deviating from his instructions and

to act immediately to intercept them.

Lieutenant Colonel Innes is this

day at Tripatore on his route to Dindigul and

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I have moved from Mootoor to occupy a more convenient situation for directing and assisting in the pursuit of the Chief Rebels who are still I believe in the Jungles of the Southern Frontiers of Shevagunga— some Ferrahes and Children of the Family of Vella Mundoo were besieged yesterday.

Captain Blackburne whose parties are ranging through the close country surrounding Shangnessy, Shawcottah and Shevegoody, met me on my arrival here and I shall concert with him the means to be pursued to give to our joint search every probability of success.

I have the honour to be

Camp Keelanore 20th October 1801.

Sir
Your
Most obedient
Humble Servant
Signed J. A. Agnew
Lieutenant Colonel Commanding
Detachment

To

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To Josiah Webbe Esqr

Chief Secretary to Government

Sir,

I have the honor to report for the information of Government that Shevely Toomby Son of Chinna Murdoo and Mooloo Sawmy his son two of the most active of the Rebel Chiefs of Shevagunga and Keeta Veera Kunja Naick the Chief of the Cahdulgoody Rebels were yesterday made Prisoners the two first mentioned with many Females and Children of the Family by a party I had directed to scour the Jungles, the latter by a Detachment of Captain Blackburnes force

Shevely Toomby Mooloo Sawmy and Keeta Veera Kunja Naick having been identified were executed this day. The Rewards offered by Proclamation for their apprehension have been paid —

The party which under the Punjalamcourchy Chiefs proceeded towards Veerapatchy

From Do Do Shevely Toomby Son of Chinna Murdoo and Mooloo Sawmy his son and Keeta Veera Kunja Naick the Chief of the Cahdulgoody Rebels have been made prisoners and executed — The Rewards offered for their apprehension had been paid the Rebel party had made good their passage to the Veerapatchy Hills but he apprehends no serious consequence to the tranquility of the Country. The advanced party of Lieut. Grant Colonel Innes Detachment will reach Dendigul this day.

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veerapatchy, have I believe made good their passage
to the Hills, Major Dawsons with the 2d Regiment
of Cavalry attempted to intercept them but without
success — I have however little apprehension of
any serious disturbance to the tranquility of the
country as Mr Hurdis had received intimation
of their approach and prepared his Peons to oppose
them the advance of Lieutenant Colonel Innes's
Detachment will reach Dendigul this day and
at this season it will be difficult if not impos-
sible for any body of men to subsist in the
Hills where no previous arrangement has been
made for their support

I have the honor &c

Camp near
Keendamonicum
October 12th 1801

(Signed) F. A. Agnew
Lieutenant Colonel Commanding Southern Divn

To Josiah Webbe Esqr
Chief Secretary of Government.

Sir,

I have this day received from
Lieutenant

From Dy Dpo
In consequence of the
reports from Dindi-
gul and Veera-
patchy regarding
the progress of Distur-
bances in that
quarter

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quarter he has resolved to detach from the Southern Provinces the greatest force he can spare to join Lieutenant Colonel Innes requests to be informed of Lieutenant Colo Innes is considered to be under his orders while acting in the Province of Dendigul & his intention to request General Budges to replace a part of the Force which he has detached to join Lieutenant Colonel Innes by a reinforcement from Trichinopoly.

Lieutenant Colonel Innes and from the Collectors of Dindigul letters which state the progress of disturbances in the Dindigul, and Veerapatchy Districts in such alarming terms, and the force of the Rebels as so much more formidable than was under the reported circumstances of that Country, I could have supposed it possible for them to collect in so short a period that I have Resolved on detaching every man I can spare from this Country without endangering its safety to join Lieutenant Colonel Innes

The Detachment Do mentioned the Malay Corps, and the Division of the 1st Battalion of the 11th native Regiment with one hundred Pioneers shall in consequence of this Resolution proceed immediately for Dindigul— I had previously authorized Lieutenant Colonel Innes to detain the 2d Regiment of Cavalry if he deemed the services of that Corps necessary and sent the Division of the 1st Battalion 4th Regiment

of

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of Native Infantry serving under my orders to join him —

Where I detached Lieutenant Colonel Innes to Dindigul I gave him my orders and directed him to report his Proceedings to me — He informs me by a letter of the 12th Instant requesting further Reinforcement that he has reported to Government and Major General Budges" As it is desirable that no disunions should arise between Officers on the question of Command I beg to be instructed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council if my Command of Lieutenant Colonel Innes and his force ceased on my detaching him to the Dindigul Province — I will furnish every aid I can give for the operations there without delay, but I am desirous to know the extent of my Command that I should Judge it necessary, I may personally direct the operations for which I am held responsible.

The immediate junction of the

Inhabitants

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Inhabitants of the Veerapatchy District with the small body of defeated Rebels who fled towards the Hills points out the impolicy of trusting to appearances of tranquility where the seeds of disaffection have been deeply rooted — I therefore consider the maintenance of an efficient force in the Maravar and Tinnevelly Districts for some time to be indispensible to their security and shall immediately request Major General Bridges to replace a part of the force I have detached to Lieutenant Colonel Innes by a Reinforcement of native Troops from Vellore Polygar

I have the honor &c &c

Camp near Kandaanaicum

16th October 1801

(Signed) F. A. Agnew

Lieutenant Colonel Commanding

Detachment

Read the following letter from Lieutenant Colonel Innes

To

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To Josiah Webbe Esqr

Chief Secretary to Government

Sir

I do myself the honor to enclose

From Lieutenant Colonel Innes — Transmits copy of his letter to major General Bridges informing that Officer of his arrival at Dindygul and of the movements since which he left the Detachment under Lieutenant Colonel Agnew considers himself again acting under the Special Orders of Government he conceives this — more of correspondence to be regular

copy of my letter of this date to Major General Bridges and of the one it refers to, for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council and I hope my doing so direct will meet — his approbation as I now consider myself again acting under the Special orders of Government for the security of the Province We but I shall continue to report to Lieutenant Colonel Agnew — agreeably to his desire all material occurrences

I am sorry my information does not enable me to give that satisfaction I could wish to Government as to the numbers of the fugitive Rebels who have entered this Province but beg to assure that no active or Zealous exertions of mine shall be wanting to do it speedily and I have no difficulty in stating it as my opinion

That

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that they will not be able to extend their influence
or depredations to any serious extent several of the
Rebels have been taken by the Cuttyor Peons in attempting
to pass through the country in small parties to join
their leaders.

I have the honor &c &c
(Signed) Jas. Innes
Lieutenant Colonel Commanding
Field Detachment &c &c

Camp at
Dondigul
13th October 1801

To Major General Bridges
Commanding the Southern Division

Sir

In consequence of orders received
from Lieutenant Colonel Agnew on the 9th Instant
my parties scouring the Eastern part of the Caliaroor
Jungles were called in and marched to
morning from Anouringody with the Detail
of the 5th Regiment of native cavalry under Major
Leonard 100 of His Majesty's Scotch Brigade 80 of His
Majesty's 12th foot 2 do Battalion 15th Regiment Native
Infantry

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Infantry reduced to 600 effective men 100 Pioneers
6 Lbs Guns and 1 five and a half Inch Howitzer
on my arrival at Vavarnally I learnt that the
fugitive Rebels had actually made their way good
into this Province. I therefore immediately sent
express for the Company of the 2d Battalion 1st
Regiment to push forward to Dendigul and moved
myself with the Cavalry and two hundred Se-
-lected Sepoys the whole arrived by yesterday even-
-ing after a march of 76 miles. I made this
pressed movement in the hopes of anticipating the
Rebels, failing in that, to encourage the Inhabitants
by the approach of the Detachment to them and
and protection, and to awe those of them, who
may be ill disposed but of this number I believe
there are very few.

Major Burrows with his Regi-
-ment of native Cavalry and 120 Sepoys are now
posted at Toddiwumbo and marches tomorrow
morning for Dindawumbo where he will be joined

by

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by my two flank Companies and the whole will proceed the morning of the 13th to occupy a position — west of and near Veerapatchy from thence he will detach a Troop to your Captain Popres at Tyaw- -goody — The purpose of these two parties is to con- -cumscribe the Rebels in their depredations and — Communication with the Country, and above — all to prevent their escape till I can move with the rest of the Detachment which will be the 15th if possible — The Rebels will then be acted on on three points and must either take to the Hills, stand an attack at Veerapatchy, or attempt to me their escape by dispersing through the Jungle along the Hills — In any case I trust it will be unfortunate to them, but I have to lament that my force in Europeans and native Infantry is not more considerable — Lieutenant Colonel Agnew informed me that if he found the Rebels had made good their way to the Veerapatchy — Hills he would speedily reinforce me but for this

I cannot

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I cannot wait some thing must be done immediately to frustrate the views of the Rebels — I hope my conduct in ordering the detention and employing the 2d Regiment of Native Cavalry will meet your approbation. I beg to assure you it should not have been done, did I not decidedly consider it to be a measure necessary to the good of the general Interest. If 200 Sepoys could be immediately pushed on to this place from Cuchinopoly, to wait my orders, they might be usefully employed and I shall not be detained a moment longer than their services are actually required on this quarter.

If it can be done I request that another Officer may be sent to that part of the 1st Battalion 13th Regiment doing duty under Captain Jones he is wanted.

Camp at Dindigul
19th October 1805

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient
humble Servant
Signed Jas. Innes Lieutenant
Colonel Commanding the Detachment
and the Provinces of Dindigul

P.S. I beg a supply of arrack for the Europeans may

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may be forwarded to this place with as little delay as possible.

(Signed) Jas. Innes

A true Copy. Signed. Jas. Innes

To Lieutenant Colonel. Agnew.

Commanding &c. &c. &c.

Sir.

The party from the Detachment under my Command which I mentioned in my letter from Perumaly marched this morning early from Puttam. The Cavalry came in with me to this place an hour ago and the Infantry will be up in the course of the Evening. The remaining part of the Detachment cannot be here until the day after to morrow, owing to the extreme badness of the Road.

I am sorry to inform you the fugitive Rebels anticipated my movements and are in possession of the western side of the Veerapatchy side of the Hills and commenced their depredations

&c.

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so that the communication is cut off from that quarter, nor can I get learn any thing further of Captain Jones's party than that he returned towards Pyagoody but this not from himself

Major Burrow's Commanding the 2d Regiment of native cavalry has halted here on the Requisition of the Collector and I have approved the measure as absolutely necessary for the safety of this Province and shall employ him as I find the service requires it. This Must will the more readily meet your approbation as I understand every thing in the Southern Provinces remains tranquil

You are acquainted with my strength in native Infantry and the enfeebled State of my Battalions from the effects of fevers caught in those very Wells, they are about to be again employed in and that a greater number as well as Europeans for the extensive operations that will be required should the Rebels gain ground

will

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will be necessary, therefore I need say no more to you on this head.

I must do the Bed Howitzers com=plete being with me so soon once for the present I shall do the best I can with the means I have so soon as the Troops I have, are a little refreshed.

Campal
Dindigul
12th October 1801 2. P.M.

I have the honor &c

(Signed) Jas. Innes Lieutenant Colonel Commanding Field Detachment

and in the Province of Dindigul

A true Copy. (Signed) Jas. Innes

The following Letters from the Resident at Tanjore are Read and ordered to be Recorded.

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

Sir,

I have the honor of writing to you on the 8th Instant, to inform you that I had ordered the Zemindar of Shevagunga to repair to my

From the Resident at Tanjore Reports the arrival of Mayor Lennox — Zemindar of Shevagunga with his Camp

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camp—It is probable that he will remain a few days longer in the neighbourhood of Ardandy—In the mean while he will employ his Detachment in such operations as may be most conducive to the general object of the Campaign He has surprised and completely dispersed a party of the Rebels He has promised the same allowance of Ballads to Londin Swamy troops serving with his Detachment as may be granted to the party of the same troops serving with Lieutenant Colonel Agnew.

may Encamp at this place as expeditiously as possible.

He arrived in Camp this morning escorted by two hundred and fifty Peons in the Service of Tondiman who has promised a further reinforcement of Four hundred and fifty on the Course of tomorrow.

I caused the line to fall in, and Saluted Vijaya Tewar as he passed, and received him with those marks of Distinction which I thought the best calculated to make a strong impression of the reality of the elevation upon the Rebellious Provinces in the neighbourhood.

Vijaya Tewar behaved with great propriety expressed his Gratitude to the Government in the strongest terms and desired me to offer to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council the most positive assurances of his unlimited Zeal and Fidelity and of his perfect Obedience.

Lieutenant Colonel Agnew cannot conveniently

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conveniently at present detach a Force from
his Army of sufficient strength to open the com-
munication between us or cover our junction
and he agrees in opinion with me that the Detach-
ment under my command unsupported is not
equal to the attempt.

I shall probably therefore
remain a few days longer in this neighbourhood
where I shall be usefully employed. I hope in
conjunction with the Zemindar to bring
back some of the revolted provinces to their allegi-
ance and from whence I shall be able to keep
in check the Depredating parties of the Enemy
who lurk in the Jungles of the Shevagunga and
Ramnad Provinces from ten to twenty miles in
our front and sometimes threaten an Irruption
into the remote parts of this Country.

Having received intelligence that
a party of this description in number between
two and three hundred were posted in a thick

Jungle

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Jungle about twelve miles from Cudangy I detached the whole of my Irregulars on the night of the 9th Instant under the Command of Meadows Serjeant with orders to take a circuitous Route and fall upon the Rear of the Post, while I detached a party of Europeans Sepoys early the next morning to the Skirts of the Jungle in its front to divert the Attention of the Rebels and cover the Retreat of Privates Sergeant if he should meet any Reverse of Fortune.

The Rebels were surprized and several of them killed but in consequence of the extreme Thickness of the Jungle the greater number made their Escape, the party however was Completely dispersed and our Detachments returned to Camp on the 10th with no other Loss than three Sepoys slightly wounded.

I have taken the Liberty of promising the same allowance of Batta to Tondeman's people serving with the Detachment under my

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my command as that which may be reserved by
the party serving with Lieutenant Colonel Agnew
I shall therefore request you will move the appro-
bation of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council.

Campbat
Ardangy
12th August 1808

I have the honor &c &c
Signed William Blackburn
President and Capt. Commanding

To Josiah Webbe Esqr
Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St George

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge
the receipt of your letter of the 8th Instant
Having communicated to Lieu-
tenant Colonel Agnew your instructions regard-
ing the cooperation of the Detachment under
my Command, he was of opinion that our junc-
tion could not be effected immediately without
exposing the Tanjore Country to the incursion of
the Rebels

Lieutenant

From Do Do &c.
acknowledges receipt
of letter dated the
8th Instant Lieut.
Colonel Agnew
of opinion that the
Junction of their
Corps cannot be
immediately effected
the Incursion of
Shevagunga Chiefs
prevents Lieutenant
Colonel Agnew's
Corps escorting By
a Detachment
of Cavy — The
Commissioners had
given advantage-
ments for the
Loans of money
collected here
on account also
a Remittance
Batta

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Lieutenant Colonel Agnew

informed me in a letter which I received yester-

day that he proposed to send a Detachment to

Sheerum for supplies on or about the 21st Instant

and requested to know that the Commander of

Shewagunga should avail himself of the opportunity

of proceeding to that Camp.

The Commander was soon

ready and marched from Ardangy at 10 o'Clock

Yesterday, escorted by a Company of Sepoys

and nine hundred of Tondiman's best Troops,

all to be under the charge of Captain Lucas

of His Majesty's Regiment. Dewan Row who

at my request, obligingly consented to accept the

Command of the Detachment with the Commander

and Conducted by the Route of Summerudo Linta

past Colonel Agnew's Camp.

Previous to the Departure of

Wyah Thaver I received from him a receipt for

the Sums of money which I had paid to him and

deposited

Fort St George 20th October 1805

Sir

I am directed by the Governor in Council to transmit you the enclosed Copy of a Letter from the Collector of Tinnevelly, and to request that you will be pleased to cause the Sum of Star Pagodas Three Thousand Five Hundred to be paid into the Treasury of this Government from the Amount of the Bills drawn upon you by Mr Cherry.

I am Sir
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) Geo: Buchan
Secy to Govt

To
The Paymaster General

Fort St George 20th October 1805

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Secy to Govt

To
The Paymaster General

Fort St George 20th October 1802

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in the present month and serve the gentlemen as receipt
to the Land Creditor. I request the Right Honorable
the Governor in Council will be pleased to direct the
Land Creditor to give me credit for the amount.

I have the pleasure to inform
you that the Province of the Sunpoor Country
is in a state of perfect Tranquility, and that
the parties which I have daily detached into the
Shevagunga and Ramnad Provinces have been
uniformly successful, and have compelled the
Rebels to retire to a considerable distance in con-
sequence of which the Chiefs & Dessauds of both
have gladly acknowledged the authority of Government
and entered them severally by burying Provisions
in the Camp and undertaking the offices of
dangerous Task of conveying letters between Lieutenant
Colonel Agnew and me.

I have the honor &c
Signed William Stackhouse
President & Co[mmissioner]

To

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To Josiah Webbe Esqr

Chief Secretary of Government

Fort St George.

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that Major Sandeman of Skevaginga's corps marched on the 21st Instant at Sunrise, and joined a Detachment from Lieutenant Colonel Agnews Corps under the command of Lieutenant Colonel Innes,

Succeeded at 6 P.M. Lieutenant Colonel Innes yesterday at 6 P.M. by an orderly who informed me that the Troops under his Command on Monday morning would proceed effectually to cover his larger convoy and to regain the reinforcement with the Europeans on the Detachment under my command early at the succeeding morning of my receiving a letter from Lieutenant Colonel Agnew dated at Shevaroy on the 20th Instant

From the Resident at Tanjore Would have had power a Detachment from Lieutenant Colonel Agnew Corps under the command of Lieutenant Colonel Innes to Marche had and all the Europeans of the Detachment to either them to have repaired Lieutenant Colonel Innes to send to have a Company of Sepoys Enclosed the copies of Letters from and to Lieutenant Colonel Innes and the copy of a letter from Lieutenant Colonel Agnew to the Adjutant of the Troops under his command

Sent St George 20th October 1808

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Instead of which he requested me to take from Each Regt as few Europeans Officers enough to carry on the Duty and that one fourth of the Soldiers were on the Hospitals.

Directed the Commanding Officer of the Detachments from the respective Regts to march immediately to Surrey and to place himself under the orders of Lieutenant Colonel Innes Captain Allan marches at 10 PM last night and will reach Shiraree on the 22nd of this Inst.

Sent to Lieutenant Colonel Innes to explain to him the exact State of the Detachment under my Command and the respective Regts under of requesting him to send to me a Company of Sepoys to replace the Europeans with whom I shall transfer him the strength of the party sent to join Lieutenant Colonel Innes as follows Capt Dyce's Sepoys Lieut Bogue's Do Lieut Burgess Gunners Recruits 2 3 4 115 all

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As the Departure of the Europeans left the Detachment under my Command without an European Officer except the Surgeon of Brigade and Dr with only one hundred rounds of Powder on the Line the Stipulation Made with Lieutenant Colonel Innes will not I hope be deemed unreasonable by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council

I have the honor to enclose Copies of the Letters which I have passed between Lieutenant Colonel Agnew and Innes and me upon this occasion

I have the honor You Sir Your most Obedient Humble Servant William Blackburne Resident and Captain Commanding Detachment

To Captain Blackburne

Sir

I do myself the pleasure to address you from Shiyalee this evening at the

Carnyporam Adangy

26th August 1801

Captain Blackburne

Sir

25th

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Fort St George 20th October 1808.

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23d and reached this place yesterday evening — The
State of the public Cattle and taking charge of the
Stores will not allow me to march before the morning
of the 27th — I shall then proceed to Tripatoor in one
march if I find the battle equal to it, or if not delayed
by opposition from the Enemy —

In either case I shall encamp
half way and march again the next day — The
Troops under my command are by no means
sufficient effectually to cover so large a Convoy must
less, if attacked on my return, which I have every
reason to believe will be the case, if therefore you
could spare me your Europeans it would be —
rendering an essential service not only on this
occasion but to Colonel Agnew's Detachment —
where they are much wanted — if this cannot be
done a smart Division towards Tripatoor will
be useful indeed if you could proceed by the direct
route to that place so as to be there before me
it would remove every difficulty for if the Enemy
to
take

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Fort St George 20th October 1806.

Take post at Tripatoor it will be a Serious Obstacle to me you can easily return by this place to your present Situation.

Shall write this far. when your letter of yesterday was put into my hand.

The Salt and Grain are Sunderstand arrived but not the letter you mention to have written me.

My Route from hence will be to Tripatoor as above and thence directed to Sherweb.

Shall desire Captain Buvelf to follow such directions as he may have received from you. Wayah Taver will proceed with me.

Camp at Trimum

25th August 1806.

I am Sir
Your most obedient Servant
Sgned Jas. Innes Lieutenant
Colonel Commanding Fuelds
Detachment &c.

P.S. Your letter is just delivered the needful shall be done respecting the receipts

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Receipts

Honble Sir Signd. William Blackburne

President and Captain Commanding

Detachment

My Dear Sir

I yesterday received Duplicate of your letter of the 15th your letter of the 12th and Duplicate of that of the 8th with a postscript stating very efficient reasons for preferring at that time the direct route for junction of our force to that by Trinomalee. My letter of the 21st would inform you of my situation and Instructions and that the want of Provisions would oblige me to move myself or make a strong Detachment towards Trinomalee. I determined on the latter and Lieutenant Colonel Innes moved on the 23d and must reached Trinomalee this day. I hope Moyak Taver will join him there, and that the force now sent will insure the safety of the articles which will be sent thence for Camp the Total

want

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Fort St. George 20th October 1805.

want of Communication with the Country either for Supply, or Intelligence exposes me to heavy inconvenience, the Enemy knowing every motion of mine while those only they make on my presence are known to me.

Last night they Cannonaded our Camp for a few minutes from a distant Jungle but withdraw their Guns before a party could get under Arms to push towards them.

If they repeat the Game to they may be less fortunate as my plans for their movements are prevented by the want of a Post where I could leave my heavy Guns Stores and Provisions in Security. Shenaulo requires an Army to occupy it and gives no Security. I must find a situation that does for rapidity and unencumbered movements alone can lead to success in this kind of warfare. If the Powers followers can procure me information of the position of the Enemy's parties, I may act on them with

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Fort St George 20th October 1805

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with effect but without intelligence little can be
done very Kraporean & the others the inhabitants are strangers
to the country Sordivan's people have not em-
-ployed
I hope they have magnified the
the impediments between Tripado & and Thei-
-ruem If on Innes's return I can make
a march on two in the direction you wish I will
but the general destruction of forage and impossibi-
-lity of my dispensing with a small Stock of Bullocks
till a chain of Posts is established and Communi-
-cation secured Prevents my operat-
-ions down to the wards of my Table
You reasoning on the subject
of the Pallyms Shrogars is perfectly just and our
want of Succes against Cadracoil may induce them to
return to their former connections I hope the best
[Signed] P. A. Agnew

P.S. Innes Sickness Prevents Hardly Horses
enough to carry on the duty and ½ of the Europeans

on

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Fort St George 20th October 1808

Copy

Captain Blackburne

Vice Major

Pridaux

Lieutenant Colonel Innes

Vice Vice Lt. Colonel

Sir

In consequence of the urgent wish you have expressed for the Services of the European Detachment under my Command I have directed them to march immediately and hope they will join you tomorrow morning when I inform you that the departure of these Europeans will leave my Detachment without any European Officer except the Surgeon proper and that my whole force will be far less effective than a single Battalion of Sepoys you will be sensible of the propriety of their and submit the propriety of restoring to which is that my return for Battalion

Sir

Fort St George 30th October 1805

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Sir

I have the honor to inform you that the Detachment of the 2nd Battalion 1st Regiment of Native Infantry under the Command of Captain Lieutenant Lucas, marched from this Fort on the 28th Instant, and that I have appointed Captain Lieutenant Lucas to the Command of the Detachment of the 2nd Battalion 1st Regiment of Native Infantry, ordered to Arcot, in the room of Captain Lieutenant Lucas, who is directed to join his Corps.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) William Blackburne
President and Captain Commandg

A true Copy
(Signed) William Blackburne
President and Captain Commanding

Lieutenant Colonel Innes
&c &c &c
Camp

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the Receipt of your letter dated this morning.

I have sent the Sepoys Horses belonging to the Detachment under my Command to join you agreeably to your Request.

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It will not be possible for me to proceed to Tripatore according to your suggestion but I will make an endeavour to procure you a Conveyance by marching into the heart of the Palaymaad District

The most direct Road from me to Tripatore is only eight miles less distance than the Road by Trinomaly and a great part of the proposed Through Jungles impracticable to Guns

Conveyance

Trinomaly 25 August 1801

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient
humble Servant
Signed William Blackburne
Resident and Captain Commanding
Detachment

A true copy
Signed William Blackburne
Resident and Captain Commanding
Detachment

To Josiah Webbe Esqr
Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St George

Sir

I have the honor to inform you that my proposal to Lieutenant Colonel

Signed

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under the command of Lieutenant Colo. Innes and the remainder of a company of the 49th Battalion 12th Regiment sent by Lieutenant Colo. Innes to replace the Europeans of His Majesty's 49th Regt. Brigade Major Evans's Copy of a Letter from that Officer.

Innes to make a Diversion on his favor I marched on the Evening of the 24th to Kenistenow

-gah with sixty Two Indians two field Pieces eight &

twenty-two Seacocks excluding my Commissioned

Officers and all the Irregulars Wt. I wrote Lieut.

-enant Longhs a Corps raised by Mr. Collector

Innes Commanded by Tinendawn and the

Principal Chiefs Pollygans of whose Zeal fidelity and

Gallantry on the Service of Government I have

the most satisfactory proofs.

On the 27th in the morning

the Detachment marched through Skaneadtah

to a Village on the Estagnara called Kenadenon

on the Line between Skaneadtah and Tiyadon

four miles of this Road passed through a thick

Jungle and had been carefully blockaded with

three Barriers which however were removed by

the Pioneers of the Detachment very expeditiously

On my arrival at Kenadenon

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Heard that three thousand more were posted
at the village of Kundadivo eight miles on the
left in order to oppose the march of the Detach-
ment to Sheriveda a small party from the
Body appeared on the skirts of the Pettah on the
left of the Camp and were immediately driven
back and pursued a considerable distance by Mondo
Singhs troops.

Also learnt from the friendly
Shanogars of Palaypaud that Chinna Mondoo
the Purryaturreawehy Rebel and a large force
were actually in the District prepared to oppose
the Return of Lieutenant Colonel Innes to Shermadevi

By my Dispatches to the Shanogars
of Palaypaud I desired to conclude that I was
Resolved to force my way through the Jungles and
attack the Rear of Chinna Mondoo's Troops whilst
Lieutenant Colonel Innes engaged them in
front they deprecated the attempt as rash and
impracticable and urged many reasons

Convenient

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convince me that it would end in the destruc-
tion of the Detachment. Left them in their
error, and after their Departure Purnea Guides
to shew me the Road to Kundadee and actually
sent a party of Pioneers and irregulars to clear
it of obstructions by this artifice split the en-
emy at Kundadee on the defensive and
prevented them from molesting me which was
a point of some consequence to the success of my
principal object.

= Visited Purnea one of the friendly
Shenagars of Palayna and informed me that Cherma
Pandoo who had long suspected their communi-
cation with me, supposed that I should not
have ventured into the Districts unless I had
been assured of their effectual Co operation and
had actually detached a large Body of Troops
from his Camp with orders to march directly
towards Kundanoor and destroy with fire and
Sword every Village that should have joined the
Detachment

Copy

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Detachment under my Command on Shewroy =
ray dispositions to do so = Received undispa=
tches from different Shevagurs to the same effect
with this additional that their inability to assist
or suffer the Vengeance of invaded people to fall
there to join his Detachment with their followers.

An express Peon received authen=
tic Intelligence that Lieutenant Colonel Innes =
had marched from Tinnivelly early in the morn=
ing =

My object now seemed to have =
been in a great degree effected and prudence forbad me to push it any further = I had drawn
from Lieutenant Colonel Innes's opponents a
considerable Body to a distance of twenty miles =
from Tinjadore to which place it was not possible
for it to return in time or with strength to act
against him in the Conflict impending which
would probably commence in a few hours =

There could be no doubt that

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as soon as the party at Hurridadure should hear
of the near approach of Invaders Troops on my
Right Flank they would sally from their post
and attack me on the left — I should then be
placed between two fires, with very inferior num-
bers and upon very unfavorable ground where
a defeat would be distructive to me and a
victory could only enable me to accomplish my
Retreat —

I detached a party of irregu-
lars on the Road to Hurridadure with orders to
advance slowly and retire rapidly at a pre-
concerted signal the Detachment was move
Arms at two P.M. and an half an hour
moved off silently on the Hurridadure Road
for a few hundred yards when it turned to the
left and regaining the Road to Ondangy repassed
the Stream without the least opposition and
reoccupied at day break the Ground it had
marched from on the evening of the 24th —

On

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Fort St George 20th October 1801.

On my return to Ardangy I had

the pleasure to meet a Company of the 1st Battalion 12th

Regiment under the Command of Lieutenant —

Green which had been sent by Lieutenant Colonel

Innes to replace the Europeans of His Majesty's

Scotch Brigade.

I received a letter from Lieutenant

Colonel Innes by Lieutenant Green a copy of which

I have the honor to inclose —

Lieutenant Robertson of Hutchinson

Majesty's Scotch Brigade is also arrived and has offered

his Services with the Detachment under my

Command in the event of opportunity of joining his

Company may occur.

I have the honor to be Sir &c.

Campsmear

Ardangy

20th August 1801

Signed Hillcarrol Blackburne

President and Capt. Commanding

To Captain Blackburne

&c &c

Sir,

Your favor of yesterday covering &c.

Letter

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Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Clyppen and your two letters of same date by Captain Jones I have the pleasure to receive and feel myself obliged by your ready attention to my wishes respecting the Detachment

The Europeans now have sent from me under Captain Jones — The Servis will certainly be benefited by it tho the alternative of my keeping them forces obliges me to send you a Company of Sepoys which indeed I find myself every hour less able to spare the preparations made on the high road from Polygar-cary to Tapatore to oppose us being very formidable ones such as must hazard on some measure the safety of so large a convoy as attends with-The Reports from Candyman and Wayah — Towns people state that between Trundoo all the Sons the Convoy with at least five thousand men are present and have been busy in re establishing the Post of Darwoota with which Hyder destroyed as much as possible but the natural Strength of it remained, our Cattle have got more

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Fort St George 29th October 1805.

herefor the want of Straw or other forage and not again of rice to be purchased which has distressed our followers exceedingly added to the general want of other Bazar Articles, are not very unexpected as assigned the Cause, I must however now intimate to you as I proposed should it only be a short distance.

I most sincerely wish you success in any effort you may make to draw off the attention of the Rebels from this Detachment.

This will be delivered you by Lieutenant Graves in charge of the 2d Company 2d Battalion 12th Regiment ordered to march this Evening to join you. The Bearer who the accompanied Captain Jones has been directed to return with Lieutenant Graves.

I have &c.

Signed James Jones Lieutenant &c
Commanding Fort St George Detachment

Signed William Blackburne
Resident and Captain Commanding

To

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Fort George 20th October 1808

To Josiah Webbe Esqr

Chief Secretary to Government

Fort George

Sir

I have the honor to inform Government that on the 27th Instant Intelligence was received that a Rebel Chief called Pullaar, who had long superseded the Authority of the Rajahs of Cannanore & Kurumbranad had advanced to the Borders of Tanjore with a large body of Followers which Obliged the Rajah of Cottiote to send a Detachment of Sepoys to oppose them

On the 29th Instant Lieutenant Moorhouse Brigade Major with four Companies of Sepoys and a Division of Pioneers with Instructions to surprize if possible and cut off Pullaar and his party

Lieutenant Moorhouse marched at three P.M. and after hours arrived at a Village called Thorgamboor twenty five Miles distant from

Ordangy

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Ordered on which the first measure to expect to find the
party he was in search of the Mengo nation he found a
only one man a Brother of Seattoo whom he compelled
to serve as a Guide and who conducted him to a Village
called Wanatee five miles from Mengo where
Seattoo and seventeen of his followers were posted
Lieutenant Madame finding the
Rebels armed and prepared for action he Lieutenant
on the Heads of both the Villages of Warriors as
ordered charged immediately and routed them
Completely Fifty of the Rebels were left dead on
the plain many more have been killed in
attempting to cross the Cherokee River by seven were
taken Prisoners with the Lieutenant Madame and
his Lieutenant Squaws were at Chickamaw this morn-
ing early having marched twenty miles on forty two
hours.

I am sorry to inform you that
Seattoo escaped, He fled upon the first relation of his Brothers
and the rest of the Prisoners arrival

Your

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Duplicate for the Return via Lisbon

Polligars Sutton

Major the honorable Geo. Elphe

Camp near

Tanjore Wellesley Lt Colonel

Arcanum 25th August 1808

Major and Adjutant General

To Josiah Webbe Esqr

Chief Secretary to Government

Fort St George

Sir

In compliance with an urgent

Lord Pembroke request from Sandranna conveyed to me by order of Lord
the Lieutenant of
a conference
which had passed
with Sandranna
on the subject
of Reflections passed
by Lieut. Colonel
Agnew Commanding
the 2nd with
respect to the
best plan of
operations to be
pursued against
the Rebels
Shevagunga

proceed to Sandranna's Camp for the purpose of delivering at a

Polligar Audience a letter from Sandranna and the answer

Assistance from the Hospital

Sandranna appeared much dis-

-pleased and explained the cause immediately he was

-formed that when he heard that Lieutenant

Colonel Agnew was sent Troops for as much pleas

-ure as to Compliment him, He remained the Encamp-

-ment Officers on their appearance behind the Camp

Tanjore

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time passed some very severe reflections on the be-
=haviour of the Party which had joined him formerly
at Pullarry in burning that they had now receiv=
=standing with the Rebels and were determined to do
Same
Him no harm Sheriff man said it was impossible
to describe the affliction into which this Intelligence
had thrown him If this was the opinion of
Company's Officers his hopes of gaining the Approbation
and favour of Government by the most prompt Zeal-
lous and decided efforts in their Cause would be
entirely precluded and he might possible be held
up hereafter as deserving censure rather than re-
=ward and preferment instead of Reward He
expressed in the strongest Terms his unalterable
Fidelity, Duty, and obedience to the Company and
said he was not so weak and absurd as to forfeit
his claims to their protection owing from a long
Series of services by keeping any terms with Rebels
who was an enemy to mankind such who
was not entitled to set down on his presence and
who

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who had personally and deeply offended him— He requested me to explain to him the cause of the unmerited reflection which had been cast upon his Troops and intimated to me to write immediately to the Right Honorable the Governor to assure him of my zealous and common his Lordship of his undeviating fidelity and obedience and zealous attachment to the Company—

I told Sandiman that I was as much surprized as he could be at the reflection upon his Troops imputed to Lieutenant Colonel Innes by him and that I had received many letters from Lieutenant Colonel Agnew in which the Sandiman Troops mentioned but never with disrespect and that I had never before heard from any Quarter the slightest imputation on their Loyalty Courage and obedience— I thought it was not difficult to account for the mistake which had happened— The troops which Sandiman sent to join Lieutenant Colonel Innes at Arnattam were

drafted

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drafted from the Regular force of his country. The party of nine hundred which he had sent to my camp as an Escort to the Zemindar of Shevagunga had been carefully selected from the Body stationed near his own person — The difference in the appearance of these two parties was considerable, and Lieutenant Colonel Innes could not fail to observe it — The Remarks which he would naturally make on the occasion and his expectations of more important services from the latter party than he had received from the former being conveyed to the Zemindar through the medium of a native Interpreter may have appeared to him in the light of a Reflection upon the Loyalty of a Body of Troops which Lieutenant Colonel Agnew had expressly desired might be sent back to him.

As I was convinced that this would be found to be the real state of the case I requested Government to dismiss his anxiety and rest satisfied that as his conduct had merited so

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I had obtained the decided approbation of the Right Honorable

the Governor in Council &c

Sir Ralph Abercromby said his mind was

made relieved by the observations that made but

he should declare no real satisfaction until he had

been assured by his Lordship himself that he consi-

-sured to look upon her with approbation and

favor.

The attendants were then di-

-rected to withdraw and Sir Ralph entered into a

long discussion of the operations of the Campaign in

which he displayed considerable knowledge of the Rebels

and their Resources and discovered the most ear-

-nest wish for the speedy and complete

extinction of the Rebellion. He said that although

Lieutenant Colonel Agnew's failure in his attack a-

-gainst Colombo and subsequent Retreat would

greatly excite the hopes and confidence of the Rebels

His Return if speedy would destroy all those hopes

and plunge them into the deepest despondency by

displaying

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displaying the fixed determination of the Government
to subdue there no time he said should be lost as
well from a view to impress this conviction upon the
minds of the Rebels to the greatest advantage as to
save the troops from the approaching rains.

Mundoo had always confidently
expected that Lieutenant Colonel Agnew would make
his attack from the westward and in consequence
all his hordes of Grain his magazines of Arms and
Ammunition, his valuable effects and the families
of himself and all his people were deposited and
concealed in the Jungles East and North East of
Calamnoor To the Eastward also the sea was open
to him for his supplies of Saltpetre &c and the
Province of Ramnad yielded him recruits and
Pensions of various kinds upon these grounds
Sandeman said he ventured to suggest the propriety
of a strong Detachment to the Eastward of Calamnoor
to cut off the Communication of the Rebels with the
Sea and the Province of Ramnad and to press upon
and

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and penetrate into the Jungles above alluded to. If this measure could be adopted he thought the war might be at an end in a fortnight for unless these families were in danger the followers of Murdoo would instantly desert him if they did not secure him & deliver him into the hands of the Company.

In the mode of carrying on the war which he had recommended might be essentially promoted by the Services of his people he intended to send to Lieutenant Colonel Agnew five hundred more of his best remaining troops. He entreated me to request Lieutenant Colonel Agnew to put these men forward on all occasions and particularly when he was about to penetrate into the Jungles where he was confident they would behave in such a manner as to exhibit them to the approbation of His Lordship.

He thanked Lord Cornwallis for the extraordinary aids which he had already given to the public Service and for those which he further meditated

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meditated and assured him that I received with no less satisfaction the suggestions he had offered on the most speedy and effectual mode of terminating the war — I told him I had reason to believe that Lieutenant Colonel Agnew's opinions and plans nearly coincided with those suggestions which I should immediately communicate to him and which he would receive I well knew with thankfulness and pleasure —

I left out on my return immediately after the conference which lasted four hours and arrived in Camp at Sun set —

Camp near Pulangy
4th September 1801

I have the honor &c
Signed/ William Blackburne
President and Captain Commanding

To Josiah Webbe Esqr
Chief Secretary of Government
Fort St George

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you

that

From Dr Buchanan's
that the District
of Coimbatore
abounded the
cause of the Rebel
was returned to

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Its Allegiance
State having
sent a considerable
number of irregular
Troops to Command
to preserve that
Country from the
Ravages of Murder
he has great ex-
pectations that
ere short time
the Country from
the frontiers of
Sanpoor and
Shevagunga to the
Coast of Carnad
will be restored
under the authority
of the Collector
&c. the measures which he
has taken for
securing the
families of diffe-
rent absentees
to the interests
of the Company
Transmits the
Copy of a letter to
the Collector of
Darbungore and
of his answer
relative to the
State of affairs in
the Northern
District

I had on the 10th Instant detached Seven hundred irregulars unto the District of Sorbonad in Shevagunga which all the situated within fifteen miles of the frontiers had disregarded my offers of pardon and Oblivion treated my Summons with disrespect and continued to supply the Rebels with a considerable Body of Troops — I gave a List of Villages which were the most deserving of punishment to Tircondaun the Chief Commanding the party and directed him to plunder and burn them as an example to the rest Two Villages only were treated with this Severity, when the Inhabitants of the District flocked to Tircondaun in Crouds intreating him to suspend the further execution of his orders untill they could repair to Camp and give me satisfactory assurances of their repentence and return to their allegiance — Tircondaun granted their request and having directed them to proceed to Camp without delay advanced within Ten miles of Shevaulie and then turning to the

Eastward

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Eastward proceeded agreeably to his orders to join a strong Detachment which had sent into the Province of Ramnad.

Forty of the principal Inhabitants of Sarbai had come into Camp on the 11th Instant — They endeavoured to excuse themselves from their dread of murdoo Resentment acknowledged that many of their people were leaving with him and assured me solemnly that they had recalled them all and that they would certainly return, when they were informed of the Danger to which their property and families were exposed in consequence of their misconduct — I dismissed the Inhabitants with assurances of pardon and protection if their promises were fulfilled and with threats of the most exemplary punishment if within three days all their people did not quit the standard of the Rebels and return to their respective Habitations.

Lieutenant

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Lieutenant Mactaurés extraordinary

march of the 29th. ultimo and successfull attack

of the Rebel post at Warrow made so strong an

impression on Murdoo's remaining partizans in

the province of Ramnad, that they kept continu-

ally moving never remaining two nights in the

same place and from the oppressions they exercized

on the Inhabitants by forcing from them supplies

of Grain and other Articles wherever they halted,

they encreased very considerably the solicitude of

the Province to be restored to the Blessings of security

and protection which it had enjoyed under the authority

of Government.

I had for some time past me-

ditated an expedition into Ramnad in order to

Accomplish this desirable Object and adopted mea-

sures which ---- appeared to me effectual for

the security of this Frontier during the absence

of this Detachment but I had proposed to defer

my march until the renewal of offensive operations

by

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by Lieutenant Colonel Agnew should occupy the principal attention of the Rebels and enable me to regulate the movements of the Detachment so as to Co operate with his plans.

I was however very unwilling to suffer the impressions of Terror which the Rebel parties in Ramnad has received to subside and I was equally anxious to afford that Protection to the Inhabitants which they had earnestly Solicited, by frequent Deputations to Camp several Chiefs of Ramnad and their followers had abandoned the Cause of the Rebels and were daily resorting to Camp in Considerable Numbers, and by recent Intelligence which I had received of the Actual Situation of Trurdoo, I had reason to believe that his force was too much reduced to enable him to detach any material part of it to oppose my operations in Ramnad.

Under the influence of these Considerations I detached on the morning of the

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12th Instant eleven hundred Irregulars under the
Command and Authority of an able Revenue Servant
of Mr Lushingtons whom I directed to clear the
Province of the remaining parties of the Rebels esta-
blish a Catcherie and appoint subordinate officers
to the management of the Talooks which might
be brought under his charge—I sent orders to Ton-
dauon to join the manager with his party of
seven hundred, and having received intelligence
that Murdoo had ordered a thousand men to
march from his camp and make an effort for
the recovery of Ramnad I detached on the 13th
Instant the Major of Brigade Lieutenant Maclaine
with the Cavalry of the Detachment four hundred
Sepoys and the Pundrecottah Polligars to reinforce Mr
Lushingtons Manager and take the Command of
the whole party I also directed the rest of the
Sayour Polligars viz number five hundred who
were posted on the Frontier of Ramnad near the
Sea to advance and place themselves under the orders

of

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of Lieutenant Maclaine —

All these praties have joined, and

I have the most confident expectation that ere two —

days the whole of the Province from the Frontiers of

Tanjore and Shevagunga to the Fort of Ramnad

will be effectually and permanently reduced under the

Authority of the Collector —

Having received Intelligence that the

families and effects of several of the principal Chiefs

and their followers who remain attached to Mundoo —

were concealed in the Jungles that separate Ton-

-diman's Country from Shevagunga I sent a List

of their Names and places of Concealment to Tondi-

-man and Requested him to besiege the Families

immediately and confine them in the Fort of Tri-

-chinopoly informing him at the same time that I

should send them to Trichinopoly in three days if

within that period their connections did not —

abandon the Service of the Rebels and return to their

Allegiance —

I have

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I have received the most satisfactory assurances from Tondiman of his readiness to prevent from the service I required and of his having sent out parties to execute it — I have no doubt of the complete success of their measure, and anticipate in consequence an immediate and fatal desertion from the Rebels.

The Collectors Detachment of Pattucottah is in quiet possession of all the Districts of Shevagunga extending north, and East, from Palymaud excluding Shanvottah.

Some of the Villages of Palaymaud have returned to their Allegiance and shewn a Degree of Steadiness under all circumstances which entitle them to particular consideration the rest continue wavering under the impression of fear of our attachment to Tondiman.

To these I have sent a Summons which I have assured them shall be the last giving them three days to return to their duty and threatening them on the event of their Contumacy with

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the severest effects of the Resentment of Government

within the periods limited Respect Lieutenant Colonel

Agnew will march and the Return of a part of the

Detachment on Teernmad will enable me to carry my

threats into execution—

I have the honor to inclose copies

of a letter to Mr Collector Lushington and his Answer.

I have the honor to be &c &c

Camp near

Arangy

15th September 1805.

(Signed) William Blackburne

Resident and Captain Commanding Det.

To

J. R. Lushington Esqr.

Collector

Salamcottah

Sir

I have the honor to inform you

that in consequence of a Rumour which Circula-

ted through the Northern parts of the Provence of

Marrawar I have been waited upon by the Head

Inhabitants of all the principal Villages and

by several Chiefs and their Followers who have

deserted the standard of the Rebels and thrown

themselves

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Themselves as the enemys and foreigners of the Govern and

It Should is the Determined intention

of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to extend

mercy and forgiveness to those misguided in all cases not

marked by extraordinary guilt. I have not hesitated

to promise pardon and protection to all who appeared

to me deserving of favor on which I flatter myself Polwill

meet upon cheerful Consideration.

This morning two Chiefs Shamy

Shroogar of Pennacottah and Moolor Shroogar of

Moolor Came into Camp with fifty followers remarkably

well Armed they state that they quitted the Service of

Tippoo in Consequence of the summons I had cir-

culated and in hopes of obtaining the pardon and

protection therein held out to them — The express

great contrition for their offences and have earnestly

entreated to be admitted to serve with the Detach-

ment under my Command and to rest their

hopes of pardon on their fidelity and Courage in

the Service — The Brother of the former Shroogar

has

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has long been with me a subject of conjecture with
Mapoondapilly upon our Acquisition of Cotiatam has
performed essential Service — Thoughts both as well
as because I think policy requires the offences of these
men to be pardoned — I am desirous to receive them
but as they have candidly acknowledged that they
have offended you almost beyond the hopes of pardon
I have directed them to remain in a Village in
the Tanjore boundary, and told them that their
fate will depend upon your lenity, and conviction
of their sincere repentance — Beg the favor of a
speedy answer and shall rejoice if it be favorable to their
wishes and mine —

You must decide however in the
manner that may appear to you most conducive to
the good of the Service —

I have the honor to be Sir
Your most obedient humble Servt
Signed William Blackburne
President and Capt. Commanding

Camp near Pudangy
7th of September 1805

Cotiatam has for some time past
been

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been fully restored to the authority of your Commission
and he is also in charge of several villages upon the
northern Frontier of Ramnad.

A true Copy / Signed / William Blackburne
Resident.

Captain Blackburne

President at Tanjore and Captain Commanding
a Detachment.

Sir

I have the honour to receive this morn-
ing your letter of the 7th Instant and beg leave to
Congratulate you upon the success of your exertions
to restore the Inhabitants of the northern States
of Ramnad to some degree of Confidence in the Company's
Protection.

2d The case of the Inhabitants of Ramnad
I have considered from the Commencement of the
Murdous Rebellion to be of the most Urgent and deser-
ved nature — The state of the Military force in these
Districts and the active manner in which it was
employed before Tangatur necessity together with the
necessity

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necessity of preserving the Fortress of the Rammad dutt not to
extend of the Detachment of a single Armed man to
protect the Ryots of the northern Talooks so that from
the first attacks upon Godaliganaud where some of the
Peons who had taken service were successfully —
murdered in order to terrify the Inhabitants and
force them from their allegiance, no efficient mea-
sures could be taken to fortify the minds of the people
against the Poison of Artful persuasion or the Terror
of having their villages visited with fire and sword by
the Pyndarees Adherents —

3d In that State of alienation from the
Company's Protection the temporary submissions by
which the Ryots have preserved their villages from
desolation and themselves from injury will be rather
a matter of satisfaction than of regret provided they
shall now return to their allegiance with sincerity and
Zeal —

4th The sentiments of Lieutenant Colonel
Agnew and of myself upon the subject upon which we
were

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learn more particularly from the letters of which I have the honor to inclose extracts and I have no doubt that Officer will readily grant his permission to the promulgation of his Lordship's pardon of all who may seek the Protection of the Company and manifest by their future conduct that they are deserving of it.

5th There is however one exception which I think should be made in the northern Talooks the conduct of Coonwara Tavor of Raumgarmungalum has been so offensive that he ought to be excluded from the benefit of any Amnesty that may be published.

6th To Permacottah Sawmy.

Shevagar in particular great consideration is due, for it was the information received of the Purdoo's Intrigues from this man through Vycondah Pilly my Amildar of Cottapatam that determined me at a very early period to store the Fort of Lowery with all the Grain of the Southern Talooks and to occupy it by a party of my Peons a

means

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means from which the Service has, and still continues to derive the most important advantage— so far, therefore from feeling any trepidation to direct the Arms of Government against Sawany Sheregar I wait only your assurance of His Fidelity and activity to point him out as deserving of their favour—

7th The force of the Southern Naiks of Ramnad I have never estimated at less than 2500 men of the Military Cast and indeed the whole of the people have been for ages accustomed to some kind of weapon or other — If therefore the determination to abandon the Sheregar be general, and I have much confidence that it is a very small Force from us will be sufficient to hold those Talooks under the Company's Controul now that the principal Rebel Force must be employed in a different Quarter—

8th I beg the favor of you particularly to impress upon the minds of the Inhabitants that

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That languid measures and a wavering disposition cannot secure their welfare: that they must be bold and active in their attachment and resolutely repell any attempts the Rebells may make to enter their Villages That the example of the Poyals of Pallimeera who at first invaded by the company, repulsed the Sherogars Peons from their Villages is worthy of their emulation, and will convince Colonel Agnew and myself they deserve the Company's Protection But that if the smallest Treachery shall be discovered there will be no future avenue to mercy their Villages will be immediately fired, their families seized and though themselves should now escape they will be capitally punished at whatever distance of time they may be apprehended or banished beyond Seas

Trinovelly 11th September 1801

I have the honor to be &c
(Signed) Cushington
Collector of Pally &c

A true Copy
(Signed) William Blackburne
Resident &c

Copy

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To Josiah Webbe Esqr

Chief Secretary of Government

Fort St George

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the Receipt of your letter of the 13th Instant covering an enclosure for Tondiman which I immediately forwarded to him in obedience to the commands of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council

The approbation of Tondimans conduct which his Lordship has been pleased to convey to him will be received by that Chief with the lively sensations of Gratitude and pleasure

I have the pleasure to inform you that I have received a list of above a hundred Families of murdoos adherents many of them of distinction which have been besieged by Tondiman and confined in the Fort of Tremunn or in the Villages near it

I have conveyed this information

From the Resident at Tanjore acknowledges Letter of the 13th Instant with its enclosure for Tondiman he had received a list of above 100 Families of murdoos adherents who had been besieged by Tondiman and placed in custody the Detachment sent into Ramnad has been completely successful

of

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of Lieutenant Colonel Agnew—

The Detachment which I sent under Ramnad has under the judicious and spirited Conduct of Lieutenant Maclaine been completely successful — The whole of the northern and Eastern parts of the Province has submitted to the Collectors authority with Joy and thankfulness The Rebel parties fled with the utmost precipitation, which prevented them from suffering much altho a very active pursuit took place — In their flight they lost about thirty killed and ten taken Prisoners—

Camp near Ardangy 18th September 1801

I have the honor &c
(Signed) William Blackburne
Resident

To Josiah Webbe Esqr
Chief Secretary of Government
Fort St George

Sir

I have the honor to inform you that

From Dr Ds having received Intelligence that murder had entered attack the Detachment on a Rumad he had drawn them with nearly his whole force to Throw this movement baffled

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baffle the designs of the Enemy and they had returned to Cahaveri — after plundering a Town of 2500 Inhabitants in Cadungoody to which the inhabitants of the Rebels in Shevagunga he had reconciled his positions at Ardangy ready to obey the requisitions of the Collector should circumstances render such support necessary —

that in the night of the 18th Instant I received authentic Intelligence that Murdoo had sent off a party of three thousand men under the Command of his son and the Pangalum=
-ary Chief to attack the Detachment in Ramnad under the command of Lieutenant Maclaine —

I march immediately with the whole of my Force, excepting two companies of Sepoys which I left in the Fort of Adangy and arrived at a village called Thoor within a few miles of Mr. Maclaine's post at noon on the 19th —

I halted at Thoor in con=
-sequence of hearing from Lieutenant Maclaine that the Enemy had not made his appearance but had halted at a Village fourteen miles distant and within the Shevagunga Frontier — In the course of the following night I received undoubt=
-ted Intelligence that the Rebel party had —

actually

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actually returned to Calicoib.

Sub Lieutenant Maclaine

to join me with the Regulars and ordered the

whole of the Irregulars in number 2500 to

remain at the Post of Codungoody which had

been very judiciously selected by Lieutenant Maclaine

not only from its natural strength but because

it was favorably situated for watching the mo-

-tions of the Rebels in Sheragunga and effec-

-tually covered from their Depredations the

Eastern parts of the Province of Ramnad.

Having received the most

satisfactory assurances from Mr. Collector

Lushingtons Revenue Officer, that the whole of

the northern, and Eastern parts of the Province

was completely under his charge and authority,

and having placed my irregulars under his

orders and promised him further support if

it should be necessary I marched yesterday

and in the Evening reoccupied my former position

at

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at Ardangy

Camp near Ardangy 21st September 1801

I have the honour to be Sir Your most
obedient humble Servant
(Signed) William Blackburne
President and Capt. Commanding Dett.

To Josiah Webbe Esqr
Chief Secretary of Government
Fort St George

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose a letter which I received from Lieutenant Colonel Agnew late last night and a copy of my Answer dispatched this morning.

As it would be impossible for me to accompany which Lieutenant Colonel Agnew recommends without recalling the whole of the irregulars of the Detachment from Ramnad and as in that case even a period of three days would unavoidably elapse before our utmost exertions could concentre them at a point from which they might be led to the attack unexpected by the Enemy

From Do. Do. Transmits a letter from Lieut. Colonel Agnew with his answer &c. in order to offer the objects proposed by Lieutenant Colonel Agnew he has called forth the Services of the neighbouring Polygars of Shevagunga and requested Reinforcements from Tondiman. This arrangement will prevent the necessity of withdrawing from Ramnad the Detachment stationed in that district.

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Enemy, and as their recall would leave the northern and Eastern posts of the Province of Rammad entirely exposed to the depredations of any Banditti which might be sent to punish their defection from the Rebels I have determined to endeavour to effect the objects which Lieutenant Colonel Agnew has in view by calling forth the active services of the neighbouring rnads of Shevagunga and by requesting from Tondiman a reinforcement of five hundred Peons.

If my requisition be attended with the success which I confidently look for, I hope I may be able to cooperate with Lieutenant Colonel Agnew in the direction he has proposed without any material loss of time and without being under the necessity of withdrawing from the Inhabitands of Rammad that Protection which I have solemnly promised to them and which their prompt and eager return to their duty so justly entitles them to receive.

I have the honor to be &c.

Signed William Blackburne
Resident and Capt. Comg Det.

To.

Camp Ardangy
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To Captain Blackburne

Sir,

All information I receive leads me to believe that the murders and their families are preparing for retreat to Shengyepay in the Jungle near which place they have provided accommodation and lodged Grain and Stores If you can by forced marches surprize that place; and clear its Jungle of that vermin, by your irregulars, destroying what you cannot move or keep, you will render essential service Guard the attempt made on the night of the 18th & 19th Inst. 63 instant, large Stores of Grain are said to be lodged in the Pagoda of Congoady And at Cayagoody the seizure or distruction of which would much annoy the Enemy— If Governors Peons were fit for any thing, they might Garrison the former place— I shall move about the time I wish you to do so.

Camp Okeer 24th September 1808.

I am Sir &c. Signed D. A. Agnew Lieutenant Colonel.

Lieutenant

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Lieutenant Colonel Agnew

Camp

Sir,

Late last night I received your

letter of the 21st and regret that it was not in

your power to give me earlier intimation of the

movement you have desired me to make to day.

I wrote to you on the 17th 18th

and 22d Instant giving you full information

of my operations in the Province of Rammad-

I am afraid you may think I commenced

them too soon but I am sure you will agree

with me that after obtaining possession of all the

Northern and Eastern parts of the Province and

receiving the willing Homage of the Inhabi-

tants it would have been equally disgraceful to

our Arms and cruel to those Inhabitants if

I had neglected any means in my power to

afford them the most substantial protection

and security — For this purpose I have been

obliged

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Obliged to march twice with the whole of the Detach-
-ment under my Command and twice have con-
-siderable parties which had been detached by mundoo
to reoccupy Rammad fallen back upon his main
Body — The following is the distribution of the
Detachment at present at Choor — Thewadiviary
Rasimungalum, Ammotamungalum en Rammad
are two thousand five hundred Poligars includ-
-ing all my best Colleries and all the Sangoes
Polligars — These parties are so disposed that if
necessary they can all join in the course of a few
Hours — The most distant of them however cannot
be less than forty miles from Ardangy — To support
these irregulars and give them confidence I have
detached the whole of the Cavalry and four hundred
of the best Sepoys in the Detachment under the
Command of an European Officer to Owdeangoody
I have three hundred more irregulars who are pos-
-ted in Terbanad and the Talooks of Shancottah
in Shevagunga all the Inhabitants of which

Districts

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Districts and of the mountains are under my protection and all their people who were in the service murdered and returned — The rest of the Detachment and consisting almost intirely of Recruits and the Guns are with me at Ardangy I have remained here as by far the most eligible situation that I could select to enable me to keep in check while I carried on a constant communication with the Palaymad from which I expect to derive great advantage whenever you advance to keep up my intercourse with Tondiman who has done essential service by seizing the Families of several hundreds of mutinous adherents who are daily deserting him and petitioning for their release and to cover the Subdued Districts of Shevagunga which I left my Detachment to protect Mr. Lushington's Revenue Servants on Palaymad informs me that since the commencement of my operations in that Province two thousand of the Inhabitants who

had

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had taken service with mundoo are returned to their
duty and Homes.

Altho I have great reason to re-
-joice in having been able hitherto to protect the extens-
-ive Districts which I have occupied I feel sen-
-sibly concerned that the disposition of my Force —
indispensably necessary to that Object renders it im-
possible for me to make at a moments warning
the movements which you have suggested and
recommended If I were to move in a N. Westerly
Direction I should encrease my distance from
all my Detachments and weaken my position
so much as to endanger the loss of them by a —
sudden and vigorous attack, there is besides no
Gurrwah to Coragoody or Shengyepoy being how-
-ever extremely anxious to make every possible
exertion to comply with your wishes I have sum-
-moned the Chiefs of Palayn and the greatest part
of whom I know will join me with their follow-
-ers as soon as you commence your march and

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I have requested Tondiman to send to me Rs 500 — Additional Peons whom he promised as a Reinforcement to you, but who have not, as I hear, been called for — If my expectations of these aids should not be disappointed, I think I can venture to promise to scour the Jungles of Shengypetpoy and occupy the Village of Canagoody and Canagoody —

If Vundoo should take Refuge in that Jungle he and his family must certainly and easily fall into your hands, not a moments delay shall occur in my efforts to Cooperate with your views which I doubt not be crowned with speedy and complete success —

I Signed William Blackburne
Resident and Chief Fort St. George & Dep.

A true Copy. I Signed I William Blackburne Resd.

To Josiah Webbe Esqr.

Chief Secretary of Government

Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that

From Dr Leyden states having marched with his Detachment to Chandellah and from thence detached a party to Canneady in the vicinity of which place 40 Chattics of Gunpowder were secured — The reinforcements from Tondiman had joined him

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Sirs and had been detached on service most of many a Rebel Chief had been made prisoners

On the 3d and 4th Instant the Detachment under my Command marched to Shancottah,

On the 5th I marched with all the Irregulars and one half of the regular force of the Detachment to the village of Carcoody which is seperated from Shancottah by a large branch of the Shenkeepoy Jungle seven miles in Depth and uncommonly close and strong— From Carregoody I detached a Body of Irregulars into a smaller Branch of the Shenkeepoy Jungle which seperates Carcoody from Shenwalee Had received Intelligence from Lieutenant Colonel Agnew that ammunition was concealed in this Jungle the Inhabitants of Carcoody pointed out the place and forty large Chatties of Gunpowder were seized together with a small quantity of Grain which I destributed amongst the Troops—

Having ascertained that there were no parties of the Rebels between Carregoody and Shenwalee which are only seven miles—

Distant

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distant from each other Returned to Shawcollah

at the evening.

The five hundred Peons, which

I had requested Sondaman to supply, arrived at

Kellenolly on the 3d Instant agreeably to my

directions and on the 4th joined me at Shawcollah

by a circuitous Route through the District of

Salagrad I detached there yesterday to conve-

-coody, with orders to seize and occupy the Hill

and Pagoda if their succes I have no doubt -

having received information that a very small

party of the Rebels is in posession of the Hill

at present.

Last night I detached a party

of Pollygars and Colleries into the Shenkenpoy -

Jungle having received Intelligence that a

Rebel Chief called Nana Moodoo nay and his

followers were concealed in it at the Distance

of six miles from camp, and apparently with

a view of watching the motions of the Detachment

My

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My party returned this morning with the Rebel Chief and his Son and his Purveipal Servants prisoners together with eight of his followers the rest of whom favored by the Darkness of the night and the thickness of the Jungle made their escape

The communication of the Rebels with the north Eastern parts of the Shankonoy Jungle is now completely cut off and I shall immediately advance towards the south western extremity of it carefully examining it as I proceed.

Camp Shawcottah 7th October 1801

I have the honor to be &c
(Signed) William Blackburne
Res.t Captain Commanding Detachment

To Josiah Webbe Esqr.
Chief Secretary of Government.
Fort St George

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that

From Dr Duke has directed the troops of His Excellency the Rajah of Tanjore to proceed to Tanjore in order to attend at the celebration of

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of their Dufsenah Feast - Their conduct had been highly satisfactory The Rajah has defrayed every expence incident to their equipment for the field

That in consequence of the total Defeat and dispersion of the Rebels and the near approach of the Dufserah feast I have directed the Troops of His Excellency the Rajah of Tanjore serving with the Detachment under my Command to proceed to Tanjore immediately that they may have the gratification of attending His Excellency in his procession to the printed Choultry which will take place on the 16th Instant

It is my duties due to the Officers and men on His Excellency Service who have been with me from the commencement of the Campaign to acquaint you that their conduct has uniformly merited and received my full approbation.

His Excellency has defrayed every expence incident to their equipment for and Service on the field

I have the honor to be &c

Camp Annafudy 12th October 1801

(Signed) William Blackburne
Resident and Capt. Comng. Dett.

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Read the following drafts of letters

to Colonel Agnew Lieutenant Colonel Innes and

Captain Blackburne

To Lieutenant Colonel Agnew

Commanding the field force on the

Southern Provinces

Sir,

1 I have receivd your several

letters noticed in the margin and am directed

to transmit to you the determination of the Governor

in Council on the several points referred to His

Lordship

2 The Governor in Council has

great pleasure in observing the prudence and

discretion of the several operations of the Troops

under your Command previously to the attack

on Valiancoil and entirely approves the several

measures stated in your dispatches now acknow-

=ledged

3 The Governor in Council trans-

mitted

18 August
24th Do
5th September
7th Do
10th Do
19th Do
24th Do
1st October
2d Do
4th Do
6th Do
10th Do
12th Do
16th Do

To the Officer commanding on the Southern Provinces acknowledging the receipt of his several letters and approving the measures therein stated - supplies of money for the use of his detachment have been ordered from the different Collections to the Southward and from the Revenues in Mysore and he will send the Paymaster to accompany the Detachment as long as may be necessary - The approbation of Government to be communicated to Colonel Stuarts Major Macaulay and Lieutenant Grimes for their conduct - The reasons assigned for detaining

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an armed vessel to intercept the supplies intended for the Rebels approved — The assurances of pardon which he holds held out to the Rebels of Shimevelly and Caldalgoody approved — The plan and execution of the attack of Calaneed highly honourable to himself and the troops under his command and the Boards sentiments thereon have been communicated to the Honorable Court of Directors — His subsequent arrangements likewise satisfactory — The rewards offered for the apprehension of the principal Rebels and the recompence granted to Mahomed Khulleel approved and authorized His promotion of Captain Marshall to be his Majr of Brigade confirmed for the reasons stated by him & the parties forming the Garrison of Calaneed and Penalty to be continued on fuller allowance Orders have been issued for suspending the proceedings and Authorizing the detachment authorizing him to remit the sentence of death demanded against Mungunna Pura Nodia Chetty and approving his reasons for treating with lenity the Rebels Chieftain — The return of Entrance Duty

- Omitted immediate orders to the Collectors of all the Southern Provinces including the Baramahal to furnish money for the use of your Detachment and further orders have been issued to the Paymaster = dersey in Mysoor for the purpose of rendering a supply of money from that station for the De= = partment of the Paymaster in Canara — The Governor in Council trusts that these supplies will remove the apprehension of pecuniary diffi= culty — His Lordship in Council is however convinced that you should have experienced any inconvenience from the absence of the Paymaster and desires that you will direct him to accom= = pany the Detachment as long as it may be ne= = cessary for him to do so.

4th The Governor in Council has derived great pleasure from his observation of the Zeal and vigilance exerted by Colonel Mac= = leay Major Macaulay and Lieutenant Greeves and His Lordship direct you to communicate

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Gov.r Calvert at Calaveras has been transmitted to the Military Bd.s approving the alacrity with which he detached Lieut.t Colonel Innes to Dindigul and enclosing for his information copy of a letter to that Officer. The conduct of Captain Blackburne noticed in terms of approbation.

to those Officers his approbation of their Conduct.

The Governor in Council entirely approves the reasons assigned for stationing an Armed Vessels for the purpose of intercepting the supplies of Grain and Ammunition to the Rebels and His Lordship authorizes the expence incurred on that account.

The Governor in Council approves the assurance of pardon which you published to the Rebels of Tinnevelly and Canara Goodly with the exception stated in your letter of the 21.th ultimo.

7.th The Governor in Council has observed with the greatest degree of pleasure the Able disposition of the Troops described in your letter of the 2.d Instant for the attack of Cahoicoil the Spirit and judgement with which the place was executed is highly honorable to yourself and the Troops under your Command, and the Governor in Council entirely concurs

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on the sentiments you have expressed of the conduct of the officers and men employed on that service

His Lordship has also had very sincere satisfaction in communicating those sentiments to the Honorable the Court of Directors

3. The promptitude of your subsequent arrangements for making the greatest advantage of your success at Calvarcoil is highly satisfactory to the Governor in Council — His Lordship approves the rewards you have offered for the apprehension of the principal Rebels, and authorizes the disbursement of the money to the persons who may be successful in taking them

9 The Governor in Council also approves the reward you have granted to Mahomed Khulliall for his services on the occasion, and will be disposed to give a favorable consideration to his pretensions upon your further recommendation

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10th The Governor in Council confirms your nomination of Captain J. Marshall to be your Major of Brigade in the room of Captain Munro from the date of Captain Munro's removal in general orders.

11th The Governor in Council concurs in the expediency of keeping the small parties which from the Garrison of Calicoot and Permally in constant readiness to move and to furnish Guards His Lordship therefore confirms your recommendation for keeping those parties on field allowances in common with the rest of the Detachment employed on this service.

12th Orders have been issued for increasing the Detachment under your command.

13th In consideration of the circumstances stated by you and of the examination of Vengauny Pouia Moodiar Taken the Governor in Council authorizes you to remit

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the Sentence of death denounced against him as a
prescribed Rebel — The Governor in Council also —
approves your reasons for treating with lenity the
Collah Kherogavs

14th The return of ordnance and am-
munition taken in Cattiwar has been transmitted
to the Military Board with orders for the disposal
of those articles

15th The Governor in Council entirely
approves the alacrity with which you detached
Lieutenant Colonel Innes in pursuit of the Rebels
into the Province of Dindigul and His Lordship
has had the satisfaction of receiving from Lieu-
tenant Colonel Innes a report of the zeal and
activity with which your orders been obeyed by
the Detachment under his command — The
Governor in Council approves your intentions of
supporting the operations with Spirit in Dindigul
but from more recent intelligence — His Lord-
ship is sanguine in his expectation that the tran-
quillity

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-quillity of that Province will not be disturbed to
any Considerable extent by the incursion of the
Rebels.

16th For the purpose of preventing
any inconvenience from the want of provision
on the motive of the command vested in Lieu-
-tenant Colonel Innes a letter has been trans-
-mitted directly to that Officer of which Enclose
a Copy for your information and guidance.

17th The Spirited and active Co ope-
-ration of Captain Blackburne with the force
under his Command is extremely honorable to
that Officers character, and the Governor in Council
considers him to have rendered very important
services during the campaign.

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21st October 1801.

I have &c
(Signed) P Webbe
Chief Secretary to Govt

To Lieutenant Colonel Innes.
Commanding a Detachment

Sir,

To the Officer commanding a Detachment in the Province of Dindigul Ackenow-ledging receipt of the above

Para 1. I have received your letter of the 13th

and

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Letter of the 13th Instant and approving the activity with which he pursued the rebels into the Detroit Province he was entirely authorized in returning to that province to report his proceedings directly to the Governor in Council and that he should by the orders of that Office until the completion of the present service Empowering him to bring to trial by summary process all persons who may be taken in Arms against the Company's authority also to bring to trial by the same mode the prisoners already taken

and am directed to acquaint you that the Right Honorable the Governor in Council approves the Activity with which you pursued the Rebels into the Province of Detroit.

2d Under the existing orders of the Governor in Council you were entirely authorized on returning to the District of Detroit to report your Proceedings directly to his Lordship in Council, considering the extensive combination of the Rebels in the Southern Provinces and the necessity of pursuing them with the utmost degree of vivacity, the Governor in Council deems it necessary to apply the whole field force in the Southern Division to that purpose it will be incompatible with these intentions to obstruct the operations of the Troops by adhering to the usual division of Provincial Commands the Governor in Council therefore directs you to consider Lieutenant Colonel Agnew to be vested with

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The General Command of the field force in the Southern Provinces, and that you will obey his orders until the completion of the present service shall enable His Lordship in Council to dispense with the arrangement.

3d I am directed to assure you that this order is founded on no deminution of the confidence reposed in you by the Governor in Council but that his Lordship in Council continues to entertain the same sentiments of approbation which he has hitherto expressed of the zeal, talents, and discretion with which you commanded the forces in Dindigul.

4th In the further prosecution of this service against the united body of Rebels the Right Honorable the Governor in Council authorizes you to bring to trial by a summary process and to punish with death if necessary all persons who may be taken in Arms or in opposition.

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opposition to the Honorable Company's authority or
who may be aiding or abetting the Rebellion now
existing.

5th. The Governor in Council also
authorizes you to bring to trial by the same means
the Prisoners already in open Rebellion and
directs you to transmit the proceedings to the
Presidency for the confirmation of his Lordships
in Council.

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21st October 1801.

I am &c &c
(Signed) J. Webbe
Chief Secretary to Government

To Captain William Blackburne
Resident at
Tanjour

Sir,

I have received your several letters
noted in the Margin and am directed to trans-
mit to you the orders of the Right Honorable
the Governor in Council on the points in which requires
his Lordships determination.

The

12th August
24th Do
26th Do
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31st Do
13th September
16th Do
21st Do
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12th Do

To the Resident at Tanjour acknowledging receipt of his several letters. His conduct in the command of the Detachment entitles him to the approbation of the Governor in Council and has been reported to the Honorable Court of

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of Directors—The manner in which the Troops of His Excellency the Rajah of Tanjour have acquitted themselves of their duty highly satisfactory and it is the intention of the Right Honorable the Governor to express his sense of His Excellency's conduct on this occasion, approving the attention paid by him to the Polygars Rayas Taxes and the advances of money made to him approving the rate of batta authorized by him to Sirdarmans Troops conformity the rate of pay granted to the Collenies and stating that of the Bibbendy Sepoys at 12th per month during the time they may have been employed & is now at liberty to resume his station at Tanjour and to discontinue the field charges of the detachment under his command.

The Governor in Council has felt the greatest degree of satisfaction in observing the uniform spirit of zeal, and activity which has distinguished your exertions to protect the frontier of Tanjour and to assist the operations of the force under the Command of Lieutenant Colonel Agnew, the vigilance with which you have watched the Rebels and the promptitude with which you have moved to frustrate their designs are entitled to the approbation of his Lordship in Council while the success of your Arrangements for conciliating the minds of the well affected Pollygars is a convincing proof of your qualifications to discharge the duties intrusted to you.

I am therefore directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to express to you his Lordships entire approbation of your conduct in the command of the Detachment and to inform you that the Governor in

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Council has communicated to the Honorable the Court of Directors His Lordships Sentiments of the Services which he considers you to have rendered to the Company.

The Governor in Council also feels great satisfaction at the manner in which the Troops of His Excellency the Rajah of Tanjore have acquitted themselves of their duty on this Service, and the personal Conduct of His Excellency is entirely conformable to the principles of the alliance established between him and the Company — It is the intention of the Right Honorable the Governor to express to His Excellency His Lordships sense of his conduct on this occasion in the mean while you will assure the Rajah of his Lordships entire approbation.

The Governor in Council approves the attention paid by you to the Polygar Woyah Taver and the advance of money made by you for the defrayment of his expenses, orders

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have been transmitted to the Department of audit
for the registr[illegible] of the arrount -

The Governor in Council also
approves the rate at which you have authorized
Batta to be paid to the Troops of Sondurrary -

The Governor in Council con-
firms the rate of pay stated in your letter of the
27th July last for the Cattenes whom you have
engaged for the Service and will expect your report
on the arrount of pay to be fixed for mootoo Sengen.

On a reconsideration of your
letter dated the 24th July last to the Collector of
Tanjore on the subject of the pay of Sibbendy -
Peons the Governor in Council authorizes their
pay to be fixed at one Pagoda and twenty four
fanams per month during the time they may
have been actually engaged on Service -

The Surveys which has attended
the operations of Lieutenant Colonel Agnew's force
appears to have rendered the returns of your -
Detachmen

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Detachment immediately practicable if therefore no objection should exist to that measure of which the Governor in Council is not aware. His Lordship directs to resume your situation at Tanjore and to discontinue as soon as may be practicable the field Charges of the Detachment, under your Command and of the Sibbendies and Establishments attached to it.

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I am Sir
(Signed) J Webbe
Chief Secretary to Government

Approved and Ordered to be dispatched.

Read the following letters from the Officer Commanding in the Province of Tanjore.

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

From the Officer Commanding in the District of Tanjore
Reports his having received Accounts from the Poonamalee Commandant that a party in the service of the late Dhoondiah consisting of 400 men had attacked and cut up a party in the service of

Sir

I have to request you will state to the

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of the present Zemindar and state the arrangements he had in consequence made His orders for withdrawing the detachments from Conapore and Coondapoor to Gungo had not at the time of this last account been carried into effect but they were then at no great distance on the vicinity of the former post and from their as any sickly state at this appeared proper that Brown and himself to entertain a Body of Malabar Peons for the defence of that Country as the expence for the Carriage of Grain and Ammunition has been retrenched from Mr Paymaster Mowry's accounts requests directions as to the mode in which this charge is to be paid and the arrangement carried in future

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council that

Yesterday received accounts from the Poonsew

Zemindary that a party of Peons in the service of

the late Zemindar amounting to 400 men had

assembled and attacked a party in the service of

the present Zemindar the whole of whom it is

said were killed or wounded and that several

Villages were set on fire, Immediately directed

Major Dallas with the 1st Battalion 10th Regiment

to march thither which I conceive will very soon

restore tranquility.

The sickly state of the 6th Bengal

Regiment has on this occasion obliged me to call

for a Detachment of the 1st Battalion 19th Regiment

to take up the grounds at Palpoor vacated by

Major Dallas the detail of the 1st Battalion of the

9th leaving a Detachment at Hetchapoor has been

ordered to Puddanapore to relieve the Detachment

of the 1st Battalion 10th Regiment which will join the

Head Quarters of the Battalion.

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In my letter of the 14th Instant I notified to you that from the unhealthy situation of the Posts of Sanapore and Codumdah I had withdrawn those Detachments at Gooty but at the time of my last accounts from Goomsur my orders had not been carried into effect the Detachments were then at now Gaum in the vicinity of the former Posts they have / as well as the Bengal Troops / suffered very much by sickness — From this circumstance it has appeared to Mr. Brown and myself proper to entertain a Body of matchlock men for the defence of that Country —

No carriage for musquet ammunition having been sent with the 6th Regiment from Bengal on my arrival in the District Bullocks for that purpose were furnished by Mr. Murray the Paymaster but the Military Auditor General at Fort St. George having retrenched that charge Mr. Murray

has

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has applied to the Deputy Paymaster of the
Regiment for payment of it as I received no In-
structions on that subject I request you will
do so good as to obtain the directions of the Right
Honorable the Governor in Council as to the mode
in which this charge is to be paid and the arr-
angements carried into future.

I have the honor to be &c
Signed B. Marley
Lieutenant Colonel Commanding the
District of Ganjam.

Camp near Ganjam
19th September 1801.

To Josiah Webbe Esqr
Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St George

Sir

Since I had the honor to address
you on the 19th Instant it does not appear that
any further outrages have been committed on
the Goomsoor Zemindary nor have the forces that
had been reported to be assembled there, ever
ventured

From Dodor's
further outrages have
been committed on the
Goomsur Zemindary
since his letter of the
19th Instant - He has
reason to think the
force of the Rebels was
exaggerated and
Major Wallace having
arrived on that
Country with the 1st
Battalion 1st Regt
army.

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any farther hostile attempts will probably be prevented — as soon as the Collector shall have completed the arrangements for employing a Body of Matchlock Peons for the defence of the Poonsee Country it is his intention to withdraw the regular Troops to more healthy situations — The directions of Government for carrying into execution the Sentence of the Court on the Rajah of Shanna have been obeyed Mr Bates has intention to comply with an application from the Officer commanding in Wynaad to send a Native Garrison from that District with its Complement of Artillery men — He has directed the Post master at Gunjam to lay a Post from thence to ask & until the pleasure of Government be known

ventured near the army of our Rajah I have reason to believe that the strength of the Rebels was much exaggerated however Major Dallas with the 1st Battalion of the 10th Regiment being now arrived in that Country will I am convinced prevent any further hostile attempts, which I request you will be pleased to notify to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council —

Adverting to the great increase of sick in the Corps from the Detachments that during the rainy Season have been stationed there and which may hereafter be attended with serious Consequences it is my intention as soon as Mr Brown has completed the arrangements for employing a Body of Matchlock Peons for the defence of the Poonsee Country to withdraw our regular Troops to more healthy situations a measure which I trust will meet his Lordship's approbation —

I have had the honor to receive

your

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Your Letter of the 7th and directions of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council for carrying into execution the Sentence of the Court on the Prisoner Thomas are carried into effect.

Having received an application from the Officer Commanding in Vizagapatam to send thither a Six Pounder which formerly came from that District with its complement of Artillery men I shall comply therewith as it does not appear to me to be attended with any detriment to the Service in this District.

The delay I have frequently experienced in Communicating with the Detachment at Ashta and which may be attended with bad consequences to the Service has induced me to direct the Postmaster at this Station to lay a Post to that place from Ganjam for a time until the pleasure of Government is signified which I hope will be approved and confirmed.

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I have the honor to be &c.

Ganjam (Signed) P. B. Marley

22d September 1801. Lieutenant Colonel Commanding

the Detachment of Ganjam.

Resolved to inform Lieutenant

Resolutions on the foregoing letters. Colonel Marley that the Board approves the several disposition of the Troops under his command reported in the foregoing letters.

Resolved to direct that the Deputy Paymaster of the Bengal Regiment may pay to the Paymaster of the District the amount of the expence incurred in transporting the Regimental Stores — and it is directed that the Paymaster of the District shall defray all charges of a General nature connected with the Detachment.

Ordered that Lieutenant Colonel Marley be informed that the Board Approves his motives for returning the Guns to Vezagapatam and for posting a Cappel from.

Ganjam

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Read the following letter from the Offr
Commanding in Malabar.

To Josiah Webbe Esqr

Chief Secretary to Government.

Sir,

I beg the favor of you to inform the Right Honorable the Governor in Council that on my arrival at Cannanore I found the Commandants Quarters in such bad order as not to be habitable till some repairs were made & not agreeable to the 5th Paragraph of the orders of Government bearing date the 2d April 1801 I ordered the Superintending Engineer to make the repairs Absolutely necessary to cover me from the weather and ordered a Committee of Survey to report on the state of the House, and further repairs necessary to make it a Comfortable dwelling — The Report of the Committee accompanies this letter & such Request you will lay before the Right Honorable

From the Offr Com. in Malabar Dated 2nd January 1802 states that on his arrival at Cannanore he found the Commandants Quarters not habitable and that he had accordingly ordered the Superintending Engineer to make such repairs as were absolutely necessary — Transmits the report of a Committee of Survey held on the Quarters and hopes that what has been done will be approved and such further repairs as may be deemed necessary authorized

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Honorable Lord Clive who I hope will approve what has been done, and authorize such farther repairs as may be deemed necessary for the Comfort of the command.

I have the honor to be
Cannanore. /Signed/ J. Stevenson
August 13th. 1801. Colonel

Proceedings of the Committee of Survey reassembled by order from Colonel Stevenson for the purpose of reporting on the repairs which have been made on Emergency to the Commanding Officers Quarters also to examine the present state of those Quarters and what further repairs are necessary to make them Comfortable.

Cannanore August 11th. 1801.

Present.

Lieutenant Colonel Bailie President
Captain Dufty
Lieutenant Bentley Henderson
/in the room of Captain Spiers/ and
Wilkinson.

} Members.

The Committee having examined

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The repairs made upon Emergency by orders of Colonel Stevenson are of opinion that they were necessary and are well executed— The Bills of the Superintending Engineer for the months of June and July Amounting to for the former Star Pagodas 142. 13. 64 and for the latter Star Pagodas 93. 20. 63 bear the usual Signature. #

upon honor for expences incurred in new — #

Tyling the Verandaa of the upper Bungaloo — #

Centuring the railing and matting and matfiarries of it, in making a railing to the Communication from the lower Quarters to this upper apartment which from its being very narrow was insecure/ In paving the lowever offices and making a Door to the passage to the magazine to prevent any Communication to this latter from the yard of offices— In Building a stable for the Commanding Officer of temporary materials and in removing the Posts of an old Bungaloe

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from the upper Rampart to the lower near the Commanding Officers Quarters as the Post only of this Bungalow have been erected the Committee recommended that it shall be completed as the expence will be but trifling and it will be a great Convenience to the Commanding Officer during the necessary repairs of his Quarters and afterwards as an Office for the transaction of public business — The Committee have to observe that part of the repairs made by the orders of Colonel Stevenson upon emergency in the months of June and July were unnoticed in the repairs recommended by the Committee —

The Committee having examined the Commanding Officers Quarters are of opinion that in order to render them in any degree habitable with comfort they require alteration and a complete Repair —

The house is subdivided by thick walls as at present the windows half

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filled with Planks and Oyster shells constitutes extensive but gloomy &c and unwholesome Quarters which though very many Respects well calculated for the Residence of the Officer Commanding are the Provinces carry an appearances disproportioned to his Rank and exposive of the necessity which exists for his occupying them as other Quarters are not procurable. The roof from the nature of the covering being of Flat Tyles without Chunam is not water proof and though on the annual Repairs upon the shifting the Tyles such battens as were found decayed were replaced it yet appears that there must be some defect more serious in the Roof as the wall immediately over the principal interance has received the water which now drips through it and endangers the wall for several feet the Committee have no means of ascertaining how long this part of the wall of the house has been in its present state — as

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when they last assembled upon those Quarters the
monsoon had not commenced and thus defect-
did not appear and from their present attentive
examination of them they recommend the
following alterations and repairs as necessary
to the Comfortable accommodation of the
Commanding Officer and the Security of the
Building—

Alterations—

That the Bed Room at
the west end of the Hall shall have two
windows opened into the Adjoining wing for
the purpose of admitting the Seabreeze which
is now excluded that two arches with venetion
Doors shall be opened in the wall which devides
the room from the hall and that the four
windows of this room shall have venetion
frames made for them— that the two doors
from the front and rear in the hall shall
be converted into arches with venetion Doors

and

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and that venetian frames shall be made for the eight windows of this room that the two rooms now at the East end of the Hall shall be thrown into one apartment, two arches in the wall which divides those rooms from the Hall, and putting up a partition wall with two corresponding arches at the opposite end of those rooms to cut off the passage to the Rampart and the upper Bungalow and that the arches and two windows of this Room shall have venetian Doors and windows as there is no verandah in the front of this House the Committee recommend that a Verandah of Sotas and Barrabo's Cudjans be erected, as necessary not only to the Comfort of the Inhabitants of it, but to the Security of the wall which is now exposed to injury from the violence of the monsoon.

Repairs.

The Committee recommend that as soon as the weather will permit the repairs of

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of this House shall be uncovered and the State of it accurately escertained — It does not appear to the Committee that any essential repairs have been made to this House since we have had possession of the Fort of Cannanore and as the Committee have full experience of the unpracticability of rendering a roof, water proof by a covering of Flat Tyles without Chunam they recommend that when those Tyles are relaid they shall be either be added in Chunam or well pointed.

(Signed) John Baillie
Lieutenant Colonel Resident

Resolved that the Military Board be directed to authorize the repairs which may be necessary to the quarters of the Commanding Officer at Cannanore.

Read the following letter from Bombay.

To

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Fort S.t George 20.th October 1801

To the Right Honorable Lord Clive

Governor &.c Council at

Fort S.t George

My Lord,

1.st We have the honor to forward the enclosed copy of our Proceedings on an application from our military Auditor General to proceed to S.t Helena for the benefit of his health.

From Bombay. Forwards copy of their proceedings on an application from the Secretary Auditor General to proceed to St Helena for the benefit of his health in order to evince the necessity of the Deputy Aud.r Major Walker's return to Bombay.

2.d These papers are submitted to your Lordship in Council to evince the necessity of the Deputy Auditor Major Walker now a member of the Malabar Commission repair-ing to this Presidency without delay, in the event of his choosing to avail himself of the situation he holds in this Department and eventually of our, and the Honorable the Court of Directors selection of him to be Colonel Frews successor.

3.d We have therefore to request your Lordship's Council will be pleased to issue your

Orders

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Bengal

Orders on the occasion to Major Walker to whom our Secretary has also written on this subject

Bombay Castle 21st September 1801

We have the honor &c
(Signed) Jonn Duncan
" J. Carnac
" Wm Page

Extract from the minutes of Council under the 18th of September 1801

Read the following letters from the Military Auditor General with enclosure

Honorable Sir

Being desirous to proceed to the Cape of Good Hope or Saint Helena and to make some stay at one or other of those places for the benefit of my health I am induced to take the liberty of soliciting the Indulgence of twenty months leave of absence from this Office to commence from the final Departure of the Europe Ships. Hawkesbury from this coast / without prejudice to my present situation in the Service and that during such absence my

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my Attorney here may be permitted to draw monthly
the personal pay and allowances attached to my
Station —

The Certificate by the medical
Board required by the Regulations of the Service to
accompany application for Furlough is herewith
enclosed and in support of the request respecting
the personal pay and allowances not being forfeited
by absence I humbly beg leave to submit whether
the case of Major General Balfour may not be
Considered an applicable precedent — Reference in
that instance was made to the Supreme Government
whose opinion upon it is contained in a letter
from Mr. Sub Secretary Shortbell at Fort William
to the late Secretary here Mr. Moore dated the
28th of march 1796 or rather an opinion formerly
Communicated by Mr. Secretary Hay was Confirmed by Mr. Shortbells above mentioned letter
upon a Second reference from hence.

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Bombay

Military Auditor

Genl.s Office the 10th. of September 1801

I have the honor to be &c.

(Signed) James Kerr

Military Auditor General

(Signed) William Sandwith Surgeon

We the undersigned members of Bombay Certify that Colonel James Kerr Military Auditor General on this Establishment is in an ill state of health and Solemnly and Sincerely declare that to the best of my Judgement a change of climate is absolutely necessary for his recovery and therefore recommend that he may be permitted to proceed to Cape of Good Hope and eventually to Europe

Bombay

10th. September 1801

(Signed) Willm. Sandwith

General Hospital Surgeon

We the undersigned members of the medical Board of Bombay Certify that we have examined into Colonel James Kerrs ill State of health and we are of opinion that a change of Climate is absolutely necessary for his recovery and Therefore recommend that he may

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may be permitted to proceed to the Cape of Good Hope

and eventually to Europe.

Bombay Signed/ William Mair

10th September 1801 Helenus Scott

Considering the Office held by

Colonel Kerr to be essentially of a civil nature

the Board do not view the military precedent quoted

by him as applicable and must accordingly be

guided by the only regulation in force that they

deem duly opposite to the nature of the applica-

tion as contained in a Resolution of the

Bengal Government of the 5th February 1793 trans-

mitted to and adopted by this Presidency on the

5th march following of which Colonel Kerr is to be

furnished with a Copy for his information and

advised that Government are willing to allow

of his proceeding to the Cape or St Helena, on

the terms and for the period thereon prescribed -

Colonel Kerr's answers to this communication is

desired that Government in the event of his

proceeding

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proceeding may be no time in making the ne-
cessary arrangement for the office of Auditor &
General during his absence.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Govern
General in Council on the Public Department

Agreed and ordered that a
person on the Honorable Company's Estab-
lishment proceeding by permission of the Board
to the Cape of Good Hope for the recovery of their
health shall be allowed to resign the Service
from thence and continue their Voyage to
Europe in case the latter should be thought
advisable but that they shall be restricted
from drawing any allowances after their
embarkation in Bengal subject however to the
exception of the Death of the party awaiting
himself of such permission on the passage between Bengal
and the Cape on which case his allowances will
be continued to the period of his decease upon
certificate from the Commanders of the ships of

the

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The date of the Casuality on if such person should not proceed from the Cape to Europe — six months being allowed for his stay at the former his allowances will be drawn on his return to this Presidency — If however after a Residence at the Cape of the duration above mentioned he shall not have recovered his health and shall find it necessary to proceed to Europe he will be entitled to his allowances to the above period upon Certificate of his Residence at the Cape from some public Officer of the Dutch Government —

This Extract

(Signed) H. Brownrigg

Sub. Secretary

To

We are of opinion that the Regulation respecting the Honorable Company's Civil Servants proceeding by permission of the Board to the Cape of Good Hope for the recovery of their health is very proper and that it be

adopted —

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Adopted at this Presidency and made public

The Honorable Jonathan Duncan Esqr

President and Governor in Council.

Honorable Sir,

On Answering your Secretary's Communication of yesterday of the Resolution passed in Council upon my letter of the 10th Instant I have the honor to reply that due consideration to circumstances privately connected with the subject cannot be attended to in declining to accept the alternative you have been pleased to offer me but at the same time I beg leave to say that should the cause of the application for leave of absence as described in the enclosure with my said letter exist in the same degree as at present when the Marchioness / on which steps accommodations for myself and family have been engaged / may be about to sail I shall no doubt be deserous to avail myself of

the

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The recently established Rules respecting Furlough
for the military Servants of the Honorable Company.

2d. With all deference however I
must here take the liberty to represent to you that
whether I go or stay the presence and services of
an efficient Deputy on this Department are
equally necessary for affording all practicable
security to a proper discharge of many of its im-
portant duties because this I may perhaps from
urgent motives be obliged to resolve contrary to
medical advice on remaining on the Coromby after
the Departure of the Ships of the Season I cer-
tainly cannot now so confidently as heretofore
rely on being able to give the daily close personal
attendance in office which I have hitherto been
in the habit of doing, and which I deem neces-
sible either on my own part as Principal
or by a Chief Assistant who may be competent from
Civil or Military Rank to transact business
directly with Government and the public Departments
under

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under it on any occasion of my being unavoi-
dably prevented doing so otherwise the same
inclination which I have formerly evinced to
meet the wishes of Government and Contribute
to the views of the deserving Officer who on the
1st of January 1792 was appointed my Duty
and nominated my successor would still ope-
rate with me to yield ready assent / so far
as might depend on my voice / to a further
delay in his joining the Office.

I have the honor &c

(Signed) James Kerr

Military Auditor General

Bombay
Military Auditor
General's Office
19th September 1801

A true Extract

(Signed) J. Hallett

Assistant to the Secretary

Resolved in conformity to the foregoing
Communication that Major Walker be directed
to proceed to Bombay.

Read the following letters from
Hes

Resolution thereon

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His Excellency Admiral Rainier

The Right Honorable Lord Clive

Governor of

Fort St George.

My Lord,

I have the honor to acknowledge

From Admiral — Rainier acknowledges receipt of yours of the 20th inst. takes the communications into consideration will be governed by circumstances & transmit to Admiral Duncan that he should proceed with the ships under his orders to the Malabar Coast but is not informed how soon they will be ready to sail & the number & description of ships left from Bombay

upon Lordship's letter of the 21st. current and to acquaint your Lordship that in consequence of not receiving any answer from your Lordship to my letter of the 27th July last previous to my late arrival here I was necessarily led to offer the protection of His Majesty's Ships stationed in the Government of Bombay for some of the Honorable Company's ships which I had learned from private information they were about to dispatch to the Malabar Coast to take in their Homeward bound Cargoes and sometime before my letter could have reached that Government and I received their application under date of the 27th ultimo to the same effect I was therefore

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therefore constrained under that circumstance to require that the Ships from hence should proceed with the Suffolk to join those on the Trincomalee coast in order to extend the protection of that Ship to both Detachments which might have been attended with some inconvenience to the Ships from hence and particularly the one on Board whom the Prisoners are to be embarked but as I am informed there is likely to be some further delay in the dispatch of the above Ships from Bombay and as it will be in my power to provide them with Convoy to the Cape I have the satisfaction to acquaint your Lordship that I am come to the determination to order His Majesty's Ships Suffolk to proceed with the Convoy direct from this Road to the Cape touching at the Cape for water and refreshments as soon as the Shallow and Ships will be ready with all such Ships of His Majesty's subjects or his allies as may choose to

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to avail themselves of her protection. Captain Malcolm will receive any directions to attend to particularly to the security of the Stores agreeable to your Lordships requisition.

Arrogant Madras Road 30th September 1801

I have the honor to be &c.
(Signed) Peter Rainier

The Right Honorable Lord Clive
Governor of
Fort St George

My Lord,

In reply to your Lordships applic-
ation for a supply of Salt Provisions from Fort St
Georges Stores for the ships under your Lordships com-
mand I have the honor to inform your Lordship
that I have received the necessary orders to the Ho-
norable Board to deliver to the proper
Officer 186 Hogsheads of Salt Beef containing
Eighty eight thousand eight hundred pounds it
not being convenient to the victualling of the
Squadron

From Do. Do. States that the necessary Provisions have been issued to the Naval Commander for the supply of a certain quantity of Salt Beef for the purposes mentioned in the Letter to him of the 21st Instant.

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Squadron to Spare any of the Salt Pork as our Stores are deficient in that article.

Arrogant Madras Road I have the honor to be &c.

30th September 1801 (Signed) Peter Rainier

The Right Honorable Lord Clive

Governor of

Fort St George

My Lord,

I have the honor to inform

Your Lordship that I am about to proceed to Sea

Report for the information of Government the intended disposition and employments of the ships of the Squadron under his command

with the Ships Majesty's Ships

Victorious

and

Arrogant

leaving the Fox to remain for the protection of the Road to the end of the month and then to join me at Ceylon unless I may suppose they have not Stood Onize before I proceed to that Port.

Hes

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His Majestys Sloops

Irresistable

and

Albatross

proceeded last night on convoy the former to
Masulipatam and to look after the French
Privateer who has already captured two ships
in the Bay and both subsequently to cruize off the
Sand Heads whether

La Sybelle

will follow after having seen her convoy as far
as Ackeen and look into the Road the

Leopard

may be likewise possibly following the same station
whose Captain will be the Senior officer

I shall take care to apprize
your Lordship of any future motions should
they be of sufficient consequence to engage your
Lordships attention

Captain Aitchison of the Sloop

has

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Has my direction to make known to you Sir Edward the purport of his orders —

Victorious

Thames Madras Road 19 October 1801 Signed Peter Rainier

Lord Clive states to the Board his intention of despatching the following letters to Admiral Rainier —

To His Excellency
Vice Admiral Rainier
Commander in Chief of all His Majesty's Ships and Vessels in the East Indies

Sir

I have had the honor to receive your Excellency's two letters dated 30th ultimo — & regret the pressure of public business has prevented me from acknowledging at an earlier period of time —

I now do myself the honor of offering my acknowledgements for the ready —

To Admiral — Charles Offers Acknowledgements for the ready 2d Ans which His Lordship pays to His Lett: which requested with assent to the away of His Majesty's Ships Suffolk and to the supply of said provisions —

attention

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Mentions which your Excellency has been pleased to pay to my request with respect to the convoy of His Majesty's Ship Suffolk and to the supply of Salt Provisions required for the public Service

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21st October 1801

I have the honor &c.
(Signed) Clive

To His Excellency
Vice Admiral Rainier
Commander in Chief of all His Majesty's Ships and Vessels in the
East Indies

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Excellency's letter of the 19th instant and am much obliged by the communication of your Excellency's disposition of the squadron under your Command

To which the Captain returns the proper answer

2d I shall avail myself of that knowledge as far as circumstances may render it necessary and shall not fail of transmitting to you

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upon Your Excellency any occurrence of sufficient importance to attract upon Your Excellency's attention

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I have the honor &c
(Signed) Colvin

Read the following letter from the special Agent for supplies
Lewis Webbe Esqr
Chief Secretary of Government

Sir

The Right Honorable the President in Council having resolved to alter the destination of the Transports Ariary and Asia and having directed me to transfer the Cargoes of those ships to the Garrison Storekeeper of this place in order to do so with some regularity it was found expedient to reland the whole of the supplies shipped by me on account of the secret expedition

The Right Honorable the President in Council having placed an entire confidence

From the Special Agent for supplies stating that on the destination of the Transports Ariary and Asia having been altered it was found expedient to reland the supplies shipped by him on account of the expedition to the Red Sea and complaining of the irregular and defective condition in which the supplies were landed from the Ariary

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Conscious in my care and fidelity in procuring and dispensing those supplies the chief object of my attention has been, that the Troops serving in a distant hostile country should suffer no disappointment as far as the means lay with me in quantity of the articles supplied — I have therefore spared neither pains nor labour in discharging this part of my duty —

In calculating the supplies from the Transport Mary, Pondered 26 I my duty to lodge a serious complaint against the management on board that ship, for the irregular and defective state of the supplies retained that is does not appear to me the smallest care has been taken to secure the property or attention given to preserve in good Condition the supplies sent on board that ship —

In lodging this complaint, it is not with a view of stating the actual amount of the articles of Provisions lost or that have

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an object not so considerable as to deserve the notice
of Government for the care and attention
which ought to be given to supplies destined for
Troops serving in a distant Country, where there
could not be the smallest prospect of replacing them
under the present circumstances I am of opinion
from what I have experienced that a very con-
siderable part of the Cargo of that ship from
she sailed to the Red Sea would have been lost
from damage and deficiency — As there are
objects of no small importance so far as they
may at any time affect the operation of Troops
I consider it my duty to state them —

I have the honor &c
(Signed) Co. Corner
Special Agent.

Fort St George
2d. October 1801.

Ordered that the following letter be
dispatched to the Marine Board.

To

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Fort St George 20th October 1803

To Ernst. William Tallofield Esqr

President &c. &c. &c. Members of the

Marine Board

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to transmit to you the Copy of a report from the Special Agent upon the subject of the Stores injured on Board of the Transport Priory in consequence of the want of care on the part of the Pilot

An negligence of that discretion could not fail of producing great inconvenience and to have frustrated the intention for which that ship was engaged The Governor in Council therefore desires that an enquiry may be made into the Circumstances of the case in order that the penalty of the Charter party may be enforced

The special Agent has been directed to afford you information on the subject

To the same Boards
Transmitting
Copy of a report from
the Special Agent
on the subject of the
Stores injured on
Board the Transport
Priory from
want of care and
desiring that an
enquiry may be
made into the
circumstances of
the case in order
that the penalty
of the Charter party
may be enforced
The Special Agent
had been directed
to afford the neces-
sary information on the
subject

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Subject of his Report

Fort St George

21st October 1805

I have the honor to be &c.

(Signed) J. Webbe

Chief Secretary to Government

Read the following letters from Lieut-

-tenant Colonel McNeile

To Josiah Webbe Esqr

Chief Secretary to Government

Sir,

Repeated solicitations from the

Pondicherry compel me to request your for the in-

-formation of the Right Honorable the Governor

in Council that notwithstanding the sentiments

which his Lordship has been pleased to express of

(Mr. Kinchants conduct in seizing and im-

-prisoning for a long period) the Pondicherry

Butchers yet that Gentlemen still withholds

the property of those people to the great distress

of the men themselves and no less inconveni-

-ence of the settlement as Sheep which they

had

From Lieutenant Colonel MacNeile Reports that the Commercial Resident at Cuddalore still withholds the property of the Pondicherry Butchers notwithstanding the sentiments which had been expressed to Mr. Kinchant regarding his conduct.

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had purchased and gave for and for which payment
they have receipts are still withheld from them
by Mr. Kinchant and are probably by this means of
but little value comparatively to what they were
in the condition when purchased

Madras
12th October 1805

I have the honor to be &c
(Signed) Hard. McNeile
Lieutenant Colonel

Resolution Public Consultation

Resolved to inform the Commercial Resident at Cuddalore that the Board has been informed with much surprize that the property detained by them from the Dutchess at Pondicherry has not been restored and to warn him that in the event of any further delay in restoring the property or in compensating the loss of those persons occasioned by his detention of their property the Board will not fail to signify its disapprobation of his conduct ordered that Mr. Kinchant be required immediately on the receipt of these orders to transmit an acknowledgement

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Acknowledgement from the persons of them having received full indemnity.

To Josiah Webb Esqr

Chief Secretary of Government

Sir,

I have the honor to request you will be pleased to represent to His Right Honorable Governor in Council that on my being appointed to superintend the Pay Department at Cannanore in April 1798 the arrears of allowances which the late Paymaster Mr. Cunningham had been always in the habit of drawing was paid at the moment to his Executors Mr. Cully but it now appears that the allowances drawn by Mr. Cunningham amounted to 200 Pagod as per month more than the regulations Auditor had been authorized to admit and in consequence a retrenchment stands against me merely as assigned the Disbursements for April &

From Lieutenant Colonel Wilson Note— Requests that the amount of a retrenchment standing against him on account of arrears of Salary &c. drawn by the late Paymaster at Cannanore may be transferred to the debit of Mr. Cunningham's Estate as the money was received by his Executors and as the account as Paymaster may get closed.

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of 26/ Pagodas which as I had no knowledge of
the over charge of Salary drawn by Mr. Cumming-
-ham and as the Cash was received by his Exe-
-cutor I Must to the Candour and Justice of
the Right Honorable Governor that his Lordship
will be pleased to direct the Military Auditor
General to transfer the Amount from my
Debt to that of the estate of the late Paymaster
which will be matter of no inconvenience as
his accounts as Paymaster &c. of Cumbapnam are
not yet closed and it will relieve me from a
loss the hardship of which must be obvious to his
Lordship.

I have the honor &c.
Madras
14th October 1805.
(Signed) Danl. McNeile
Lieutenant Colonel.

Ordered that the foregoing Letter
Cancelled be referred to the Military Auditor General for his
opinion.

Read the following letter from
the

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The Secretary to the Government at Fort William

To Josiah Webbe Esqr

Chief Secretary to the Government

Fort St George

Sir,

I am directed by the Honorable Vice President in Council to transmit to you Three accompanying Copy of a letter from Lieutenant Colonel Munday Commanding the 6th Regiment of Bengal Native Infantry at Ganjam with Copies of the Enclosures referred to in that Officers Letters and I am to request you will lay these papers before the Right Honorable the Governor in Council with the recommendation of the Vice President in Council, that his Lordship in Council will be pleased to give directions for such temporary Assistance being afforded to the Sick of the Regiment from the medical Establishment of Fort St George as may be necessary.

I

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

Mad 23d September 1801 Signed L. Hook.

Secretary to Govt in Mily Dept

Captain L. Hook

Secretary to Government

Military Department

Fort William

Sir.

Considering the accompanying B letter from the Surgeon of the 6th Regiment to require immediate attention it appears to me necessary as His Excellency the Commander in Chief is absent from the Presidency, that it should be submitted to the Honorable the Vice President in Council, which I request you will take the earliest opportunity of doing.

I have also to request you will state to Government that at Ashta where the Pension the Assistant Surgeon to the 2d Battalion of the 6th Regiment is at present posted

the

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The number of Sick by the last return is 332.

Wounded ours ... Catamarans —

Deduct two ... as above two Exceptions that the Brave-

quel state of the Country is such as to render it

unlikely that the service of the Corps should be required

in the Field.

Camp near
Ganjam
September 15th 1801

I have the honor to be Sir
Signed J.B. Morley
Lieutenant Colonel Commanding the
District of Ganjam

To Lieutenant Colonel J.B. Morley
Commanding in the District of
Ganjam

Sir

I have the honor of presenting
you with the weekly Report of the Sick belonging
to the 6th Regiment N.I. now in the Camp
Hospital at Ganjam, and beg leave to call your
very serious attention to the extreme sickly state
of the Corps with the extraordinary number
admitted

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Admitted and Casualties during the last week my individual exertions are very far inadequate to the necessary Care, and attendance, on such a multitude of Sick, many of them have got severe fevers Dysenteries and the most dreadful ill conditioned ulcers Fever Rebels which often run on to gangrene and mortification — as it has been judged expedient to appoint Mr. Perrier to do duty with the Detachment now at Ashta I do earnestly request Sir you will have the goodness to represent to His Excellency the Commander in Chief the Calamitous situation of the corps and the absolute necessity there is, for additional medical assistance and to solicit that an assistant Surgeon may be immediately appointed to the 1st. Battalion of the 6th. Regiment and ordered to join by the first opportunity.

Camp at Ganjam I have the honor to be &c.
14th September 1801. (Signed) John Henderson
Surgeon 6th Regt N. I.

Weekly

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Weekly Report of the Sick in the Depots

Hospital Camp near Ganjam Monday the 14th

September 1801.

	Stations	Commissioned Officers	Hospital Mates	Surgeons Assistants	Sergts	Tindals	Privates	Total	Absentees	Discharged	Deaths
1st Battalion 6th Regt		2	1	1	4	2	420	430	15	1	60
2d Battalion 6th Regiment		5	1	1	9	2	485	503	57	13	4
Total		5	2	2	13	4	905	933	72	14	6

Signd J. Henderson

Surgeon 6th Regiment B. N. I.

True Copies/ Signed. S. Hoole

Secretary to the Government Military Dept.

Ordered that the Medical Board be directed to make an arrangement for furnishing the 6th Regiment Bengal native Infantry with Medical Assistance from this Establishment.

Read.

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Read the following letter from the Town Major.

To the Right Honorable Lord Clive

Governor &c &c &c

My Lord.

I have the honor to inclose for your Lordships inspection the original Bills Amounting to 163 £ 17 for a set of musical instruments and music for the Garrison Band of Fort St George ordered by the late Town Major with your Lordships sanction and paid for by his Agents in England on the 22d February 1801 from which period the amount is due to the estate of the late Major Grant and I request that your Lordship will have the goodness to order it to be discharged in such manner as your Lordship shall think proper

I have the honor &c

Signed M Wilks

Town Major

Town Major's Office
Fort St George
5th October 1801

Ordered

From the Town Major Enclosing Original Bills for a set of musical Instruments and music for the Garrison Band at Fort St George which the late Town Major was authorized to provide and the value of which has been paid by his agents in England.

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Ordered that the foregoing Bills.

Orders thereon — Amounting to £163.17. for which 26 Instruments be transmitted to the Military Auditor General with Orders for the payment of the amount.

Read the following letter from the

Paymaster at Vellore

Josiah Webbe Esqr

Chief Secretary to Government

Fort St George.

Sir,

Thirty years Residence in India has so much impaired my constitution

From the Paymr's Letter Requests permission to resign appointment in order to make the necessary arrangements for a voyage to Europe

that a voyage to Europe has become absolutely necessary and having many accounts to settle with the Office of Audit previous to my quitting India I request permission to resign my appointments of Paymaster of Vellore and its dependencies and to remove to the Presidency

I have the honor &c

Vellore 11th October 1801

(Signed) T. H. Shardon

Paymaster

Resolved

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Resolution thereon

Resolved to accept the resignation of Mr. Brandon and to permit him to proceed to the Presidency.

The President proposes the appointment of Mr. William Linley to be Paymaster & Wellcome and Mr. John Kenworthy to succeed the late Mr. Brodie as Garrison Storekeeper of Fort St George.

Approved and ordered accordingly &c.

Read the following Petition

To the Right Honorable Lord Clive

President and Governor in Council &c. &c. &c.

Fort St George

Petition of the Widow of the late Master Carpenter stating her distressed situation occasioned by the death of her husband and soliciting the means of support for herself and family. The facts stated in the petition certified by the Town Major.

The humble Petition of Ann Paterson Widow of the late Robert Paterson Master Carpenter in the Honorable Companys Service and attached to the Chief Engineers Department at the Presidency

Humbly Sheweth

That upon Petitioners Husband

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Came out to India in the year 1781 on the Duke of Athol Indiaman which was accidently blown up in Madras Roads and was one of the number that miraculously escaped — ever since that period he was employed in the Honorable Company's service at the particular recommendation of the then Chief Engineer in which situation he conducted himself with unblemished integrity and zeal, that his immediate superiors for the time being were perfectly satisfied with his irreproachable conduct upon Petitioner has to regret the absence of Major General Ross and Colonel Gent at this time who certainly would have borne ample testimony to his deligent and faithful services such was his regid adherents to a conscientious conduct in life that he has left your unfortunate Petitioner and four helpless orphans survivors of ten children in a situation of extreme distress as fault not imputable to him as the salary he received from the Honorable Company was

barely

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barely sufficient towards the maintenance of himself and the numerous Family he had to support with becoming decency — Deprived by his ever to be lamented death which happened on the 25th of June last of the means of present as well as future support your Petitioner however unwilling is compelled thro motives of sad necessity humbly to submit her unfortunate and truly deplorable case as well as that of her father's children one of them being born dumb to the humane and benevolent consideration of your Lordship in council in perfect reliance that as your Lordships Government is distinguished with numerous acts of munificence and benignity towards the distressed families of such of the Honorable Company's servants who by their length of service have fallen victims to the Climate that the same indulgence will be shewn to your humble Petitioner by granting her such a Pension as may enable her and her orphans to subsist upon and to give such education

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To the Chaplain as to make the necessary enquiries
of Society and the Community — and to report the Circum-
stances as in duty bound —

I have the Honor
to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servt
(Signed) Anne Paterson

I hereby certify that I have
made a particular enquiry into the facts stated in
Mrs Paterson's Petition and have reason to believe them to
be founded and do certify that the present circumstan-
ces of Anne Paterson and her family are correct-
ly stated that she is a woman of respectable —
Character, and according to the best information
I have been able to obtain is entirely deste-
tute of the means of subsistence —

Fort St George
8th October 1801

(Signed) M. Wills
Town Major

Resolved to continue to the widow
of the late Master Carpenter the pay of her late —
husband not exceeding eight Pagodas per month.

Fee

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The Secretary reports to the Board the

The death of Major Gen.l ... reported

death of Major Thomas Lethbridge of the 1st Regiment ...

Native Infantry at Prince of Wales Island on the 12th

August last ...

Clive

Whitehill

" Greer

" Oakes

" Hallofield

W. J. Hermann
Sec.y

Office Fort St George 20th October 1801 Passed
Before the Governor and Members
present

Fort S.t George — October 1805.

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Diary

Sent the following Letters.

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To Mr John Kinworthy

Sir,

To Mr John Kinworthy appointing him Garrison Store-Keeper at Fort St George in the room of Mr Brodie deceased

I am directed to acquaint you that the Right Honorable the Governor in Council has been pleased to appoint you to be Garrison Store-Keeper of Fort Saint George in the Room of Mr James Brodie deceased, and to desire that you will proceed to take Charge of that Office with-out Delay.

Fort St George
21st October 1805.

I am &c.a &c.a
(Signed) J. Webbe
Chief Secretary to Government

To Mr William Linley appointing him Paymaster and Garrison Store Keeper at Vellore, vice Skardon resigned.

The same to Mr William Linley
Paymaster and Garrison Store Keeper
at Vellore vice Skardon Resigned

Sent the following Letters enter-ed in Mr B. Nos 62, 63, 64, 65, 66.

To the Military Auditor General.

To Lieutenant Colonel Brunton

Referring

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Fort St. George — October 1805.

Referring for examination an additional Estimate of Cash required by the Military Paymaster General.

To Major General Campbell

To Major General Campbell — The request contained in his letter of the 16th Ultimo has been Recommended to the favorable consideration of the Honorable Court of Directors.

To the Spicial Agent.

To Lieutenant Colonel Corner — An enquiry has been ordered to be instituted into the causes of the injury sustained by the Stores embarked on the Maryland directing him to afford to the Marine Board such farther information as may be necessary.

To the Paymaster at Vellore.

To Mr. Skardon — Accepting his Resignation of the Office of Paymaster at Vellaur and directing him to transfer charge of it to Mr Sankey who has been Appointed to succeed him.

To the Collector at Nellore

To Mr. Travers — Informing him that Syed Cofeem and the other Commissioned

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Officers in the Service of the late Nabob Station-
-ed in the Nellaur District should have been
furnished by him with Certificates to en-
-title them to the provision intended for them
by Government Syed Cossem has therefore
been directed to attend him for that pur-
-pose.

Sent the following letters.

To C. R. Crommelin Esq.r

Acting Chief Secretary to the Government

at Fort William

Sir,

To the acting Chief Secretary at Fort William and Secretary at Bombay Enclosing an abstract from the Charter party of the transports engaged at the Presidency of Fort S.t George for the Service in the Red Sea and stating the recommendation of the Governor in Council that such of their transports as

I have the honor of inclosing an abstract from the Charter party of the Trans-
-ports engaged at the Presidency of Fort Saint George for the Services in the Red Sea, and am directed to request you to state to the Honorable the Governor in Council the Re-
-commendation of the Right Honorable

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may arrive in Bengal and Bombay and which are liable to be discharged at those Presidencies may be discharged accordingly.

the Governor in Council that such of those transports as may arrive in Bengal and which are liable to be discharged at that Presidency may be discharged from the Company's Service.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) J. Webbe
Chief Secretary to
Government

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To the Same to the Secretary at
Bombay

Names of Transports	When taken up for the Service	For what time engaged	Time to run	Where discharged	Rate of Freight	Advance made on account of Freight	Due on Account of Freight	Grand Total
Anna & Elizabeth	25th March 1805	6 Months from date	None	at Madras Calcutta or Bombay at the will of Government	Sp$ 15/. 19-10 or AR 5500 p^r mun^m	four Months Advance		
Griffin	3d March 1805	Do	Do	None	at madras only	2500 Pagodas or 8750 Arcot R^s p^r mun^m	four months	
Earl of Mornington	4th April 1800	Do	Do	None	at madras only	2500 Sp^s p^r month	the whole six Months in Advance	
Lady Clive	10th June 1800	Do	Do	None	at madras only	2500 Sp^s p^r mun^m	the whole six months in Advance	
Commerce	12th may 1805	Do	Do	Until 12th Nov^r	at madras Calcutta or Bombay	15/. 19 10 Sp^s or 5500 Arcot R^s p^r month	four months in Advance	
Brig. Alexander	3d may 1805	Do	Do	Until 3d Nov^r	at madras Calcutta or Bombay at the will of Government	1000 Sp^s p^r mens^m or 3500 Arcot R^s	four months in Advance	
Mary	13th August 1805	Do	Do	Until 13th Febry next	Do	Do	Do	3000 Sp^s or 10500 Arcot R^s p^r mun^m	four months in Advance	
Asia	12th August 1805	Do	Do	Until 12th Febry next	Do	Do	Do	1750 Sp^s or 6125 Arcot Rupees	four months in Advance	

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To Lieutenant General Stuart

President &c.a Members of the

Military Board

Gentlemen,

To the Military Board Receipt of their several letters acknowledged - the Garrison Store-Keeper, authorized to dispose of the paddy in Store, by retail Sale, the Elephants considered by the Agent as fit for the Service to be received on his returns - Authority has been given for passing the several bills and advances of money Recommended by them - Enclosing Copy of a Letter with the papers accompanying from the Military Board at Fort William Received in Consequence of their reports on the accounts sent from Bengal, Dated

Para 1st I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the Receipt of your letters dated 25th September 2nd & 12th Instant with their Respective enclosures.

2nd The Governor in Council Authorizes the Garrison Store Keeper to dispose of the Paddy in Store by Retail Sale at the Market price of the day under such Checks as you may deem it expedient to establish.

3rd The Governor in Council desires that the Elephants considered by the Agent to be fit for the Service may be received on the Returns of that Officer.

4th The Office of Audit have been Authorized to pass the several bills and Ad-

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dated 22nd April and 4th November 1805 Enclosing Copy of a letter from the Secretary to the Government at Fort William and desiring them to state the quantity of Port fire paper required for the use of this Presidency — Enclosing return of the Stores taken at Caliarcoil, with instructions for their disposal — also Copy of a letter from Columbo and desiring them to report their opinion whether any further supply of Elephants is required — Enclosing reports of Surgeons required at Masulipatam and Tinnivelly Cotah, and authorizing the evacuation of them, if judged requisite — Copy of a letter from the Town Major enclosed

Advances of Money Recommended by you.

5 I have the honor to enclose for your information Copy of a letter from the Military Board at Fort William with the papers accompanying it respecting the Accoutrements sent from Bengal to this Presidency Received in consequence of your Reports on those Accoutrements dated the 22nd April and 4th November 1805.

6 I am directed to enclose the Copy of a letter from the Secretary to the Government at Fort William and am directed to desire that you will State the quantity of port fire paper required from Bengal for the use of this Presidency.

7 I have the honor to enclose a Return of the Ordnance and Ammunition taken at Caliarcoil by the Detachment under the Command of Lieutenant Colonel Agnew, and am directed to desire that Orders

may

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inclosed, with orders that the repair required to the Draw Bridge "Jew" of the S. Thome curtain of Fort St. George may be authorized - also Copy of a letter from the Officer Commanding in Malabar with directions that the repairs necessary to his quarters, may be Authorized

may be issued for the disposal of those Stores in conformity to the instructions lately issued for the disposal of the Ordnance and Ammunition in the several posts of the Carnatic —

8 I have the honor to enclose the Copy of a letter from the Secretary to the Government at Columbo and am directed to desire that you will report your opinion whether any farther Supply of Elephants is required from Ceylon for the Service of this Presidency —

9 I also enclose reports of Repairs required at Masulipatam and at Timmery Cotah which the Governor in Council Authorizes to be executed if you shall judge them to be Requisite —

10 I enclose the Copy of a letter from the Town Major and am directed to desire that the Repair required to the Drawbridge

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and Machinery of the St. Thome Curtain of Fort Saint George may be Authorized.

I also inclose the Copy of a letter from the Officer Commanding in Malabar and am directed to desire that the Repairs necessary to his quarters may be Authorized.

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I have the honor &c. &c.
(Signed) J. Webbe
Chief Secry to Govern.t

To Lieutenant Colonel Brunton
Military Auditor General

Sir,

To the Military Auditor Genral Acknowledg: the receipt of letters from the Deputy Military Auditor General The report on Mr Towns's claim, will be refund to the Court of Directors The regulation for preventing the receipt of

Para 1st I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to Acknowledge the Receipt of the Letters dated 9th 11th and 19th Instant from the Deputy Military Auditor General.

2nd The report on the claim of Mr. Stephen Towns to participate in the Off Reckoning fund will be Referred to the Honorable

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To the Court of Directors...

3. The Governor in Council is con=
=cerned under the circumstances Stated by
the Muster Master of the Baramahal that
his Lordship is not at liberty to Relax the Re=
=gulation for preventing the Receipt of batta —
and house Rent at the same period of time —

4 The Governor in Council does not
consider the details of troops Stationed at —
Poonamally to form a Separate Corps and
therefore directs that the Application of Major
Scienton for Superior batta may not be Com=
=plied with.

5 The Governor in Council has Ob=
=served with great Satisfaction the Assiduity
and attention of the Deputy Military Auditor
to the duties of the Department during your
Absence His Lordship considers the Deligence
of Captain Bruce to be highly Commenda=
=ble, and has expressed to the Honorable

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of batta and house rent at the same time, cannot be relaxed in favor of the Muster Master of the Baramahal the application for Major Scienton for Superior batta is not to be complied with. Notwithstanding the attentions of the Deputy Military Auditor to the duties of the department during his absence; and favorable mention has been made of that Officer to the Court of Directors Enclosing abstract from the Carter party of the transports engaged for the Secret expedition with a Receipt of the Master of the Ann and Elizabeth for an advance of

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money made on account, by the Government of Bombay, the amount of which he will deduct from the bills of the Owners, the transports Mary and Elizabeth having been employed for the service of the Molucca Islands, he will authorize payment of the freight until he shall be informed of their discharge, and carry the amount to the head of "Expedition against the Dutch Settlements" Desiring him to report his opinion on an inclosed application from Lieutenant Colonel Macneile, also on an inclosed demand of Lieutenant Pulham for the

the Court of Directors his approbation of the punctuality with which that Officer completed the Military Statement at an early period after the close of the Official year.

6 I inclose for your information an abstract from the Charter party of the transports engaged for the Secret Expedition, together with a Receipt of the master of the Ann, and Elizabeth, for an Advance of Money made on Account by the Governor in Council at Bombay. The amount advanced at Bombay you will deduct from the bills for freight to be presented by the Owners at this Presidency.

7 The transports Mary and Elizabeth, having been employed for the service of the Molucca Islands the Expence of engaging those Vessels is to be carried to the Head of Expedition against the Dutch Settlements.

8 You will authorize payment of the freight until you shall be informed

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of the discharge of the transports from the pub=
lic Service.

the Batta of Commander of His Majestys Armed Brig Amboyna — Enclosing Copy of a letter from the Town Major with the Original Bills for musical instruments for the band of Fort St. George also Copy of a Petition from the Widow of the late Master Car=penter and desiring that the pay of her husband may be con=tinued to her until further orders — Enclosing Copy of a letter from the Commissary of Stores at the Presidency with the original papers therein mentioned, in order that the adjustment may be made of the Money advanced by

9 I enclose Copy of a letter from Lieutenant Colonel McNeile and am directed to desire that you will report your opinion on the Application of that Officer.

10 I also inclose for your examina=tion and report a demand of Lieutenant Pulham for the batta of Commander of His Majestys Armed Brig Amboyna Received from his Agents.

11 I am directed to inclose Copy of a letter from the Town Major with the Origi=nal bills Amounting to £ 163. 17. for musical instruments for the band of Fort Saint George which you will pass for payment.

12 I am directed to inclose the Copy of a Petition from the Widow of the late Master Carpenter, and am directed to desire that the pay of her husband not exceeding 8 Pagodas

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by the Govern-
ment of Bom-
bay to Mr
Conductor
Dennison —
Enclosing
extracts of
letters from
and to Lieu-
tenant Colonel
Agnew, relative
to Charges
authorized
to be incurred
by that Offi-
Also extract
of a letter
from the Offi-
Commanding
in Ganjam
and desiring
him to issue
the necessary
orders for
Regulating
the Charges
of the Paymaster
in that dis-
trict for the
Supply of
Bullocks for
the 6th Bengal
Native Regi-
ment. —

Pagodas per month may be Continued to him
until further Orders. —

13 I inclose Copy of a letter from
the Commissary of Stores at the Presidency
with the Original papers thereinmentioned
in order that the Adjustment may be made
of the Money advanced to Mr Conductor
Dennison by the Government of Bombay

14 I inclose for your information
and guidance extracts from letters from and
to Lieutenant Colonel Agnew Relative to the
Charges which the Governor in Council has
Authorized to be incurred with the Detach-
ment under the Command of that Officer.

15 I also enclose for your informa-
tion extract from a letter from the Officer
Commanding the forces in Ganjam together
with the determination of the Governor in
Council and am directed to desire that you
will issue such Orders as may be necessary

for

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for regulating the Charges of the Paymaster in that District for the Supply of bullocks for the 6th Regiment of Bengal Native Infantry.

I have the honor to be
Fort St. George
22d October 1805. (Signed) &c. &c. &c.
J. Webbe
Chief Secry to Govt.

To Lieutenant Colonel Marley
Commanding the forces in the Province
of Ganjam

Sir,

To the Officer Commanding the forces in the Ganjam District — Acknowledging receipt of his letters of the 19th and 22d Ultimo and Approving the dispositions of the troops under his Command, as therein reported —

Para 1st — I have had the honor to Receive your letters of the 19th and 22nd Ultimo —

2nd — The Right Honorable the Governor in Council Approves the several dispositions of the troops under your Command as Reported in those letters.

3rd — His Lordship in Council Determines that the Deputy Paymaster of the Regiment

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The Deputy Paymaster of the Regiment to pay the Amount of the expence incurred in transporting the Regimental Stores, to the Paymaster of the District who is to defray all Charges of a general nature. His motives for returning the Gun to Vizagapatam, and for posting a Cappal from Ganjam to Ashta. Approved.

Regiment may pay to the Paymaster of the District the Amount of the expence incurred in transporting the Regimental Stores. The Paymaster of the District will of course defray all Charges of a general nature connected with the Detachment.

The Governor in Council Approves your motives for Returning the Gun to Vizagapatam, and for posting a Cappal from Ganjam to Ashta.

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I am &c. &c.

(Signed) J. Webbe

Chief Secry to Government

Sent the following letters entered in M. B. Nos 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80.

To Bombay

To Bombay. Major Walker has been ordered to proceed to Bombay in conformity to their desire. Their letter reporting the dispatch of the Transport, Ann, and Eliza-

beth

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Elizabeth, from Bombay to this Presidency Ac-
=Knowledged.

To the Secretary at Bombay — To M.r Rickards Acknowledging
Receipt of his letter with an enclosed Receipt
for Money Advanced on account by the Govern-
=ment of Bombay to the Master of the Ann
and Elizabeth.

To the Chief Secretary at Colombo — To M.r Arbuthnot Transmitting
the Copy of an account valuation of all Ordnance,
Ordnance Stores &c.a on the Island of Ceylon on
the 1.st November 1798 with the Copy of a State-
=ment of Ordnance, and Military Stores, Captured
from the Dutch and Remaining at Trincomale
and Ostenburgh on the 1.st November 1798.

To the Board of Revenue — To the Board of Revenue The Col-
=lectors in the Province of Vizagapatam to be Au-
=thorized to comply with the rendents of Cash
of the Superintendant of the Stud.

To the Medical Board. — To the Medical Board Enclosing
Copy of a Letter from the Secretary to the Go-
=vernment.

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Government of Fort William and desiring that the 6th Bengal Native Regiment may be furnished with Medical Assistance from this Esta=blishment.—

To the Offic. Commanding in the Ceded Country.

To Major General Campbell— In Reply to his letter of the 12th Instant Ac=quainting him that the Board will post=pone the consideration of the Appointment of a Deputy Paymaster in the Ceded Country.

To the Offic. Commanding the forces in Malabar.

To Colonel Stevenson. The Mi=litary Board have been directed to authorize the Repairs reported to be Necessary to the Quarters of the Commanding Officer at Cannanore.—

To the Mili=tary Paymas=ter General

To Mr. Roebuck— Receipt of Several letters acknowledged— The Books con=taining the names of the French Pri=soners of War have been transmitted to the Hono=rable Court of Directors and the extra expence incurred in preparing them, Authorized.

The

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the Collectors in the Southern Division have been instructed to transmit their Surplus Revenue to the Paymaster of Lieutenant Colonel Agnews Detachment The Paymaster in the ceded Country Authorized to furnish himself with the Articles of Furniture Required for his Office — The Collectors in the Vizagapatam Province have been Au= =thorized to comply with the indents of the Su= =perintendant of the Stud for money The Paymas= =ter at Seringapatam, permitted to Visit the Presidency —

To the Account= ant General

To Mr Woolf Directing him to give credit to the Presidency of Bombay for the Sum of 5,500 Rupees advanced by that Govern= =ment to the Master of the Ann, and Elizabeth, and also for the Sum of Rupees 3102 advanced to Mr Conductor Dennison —

To the Civil Auditor

To Mr Smith Enclosing Ex= =tracts of a letter from the Resident at Tanjour with Directions for bringing to Account the

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Sums advanced by that Officer, to the Polygar of Shevegunga.—

To the Resident at Cuddalore

To Mr. Kinchant Expressing Surprise that the property detained by him from the Butchers of Pondicherry has not been restored and warning him of the consequences of farther delay.—

To Major Alexander Walker at Calicut.

To Major Walker Desiring him to proceed to Bombay in conformity to the Communication he will have Received from that Government nominating him to the vacant Office of Military Auditor General.—

To the Acting advocate General

To Mr. Williams Enclosing Copy of a letter with its enclosure, from the Offiar Commanding at Tranquebar and Desiring him to State his opinion on the case respecting Captain Wamberg.—

To Mr. Terrence Gahagan.

To Mr Gahagan The Board are not at liberty to impose on the Company

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the expence of his passage money without the
Authority of the Court of Directors.

23rd Received the following letters
entered in M. B. Nos 81, 82.

From the Town Major — From Captain Wilks, Tow=
=wards for Sanction an Abstract and
Vouchers for 13 Months pay due to a
Gunner of the 1st Battalion of Artillery
who had Returned from Amboyna.

From D.o D.o — From Dillo — Dillo Trans=
=mits bills with their corresponding Vouch=
=ers Amounting to Pagodas 162: 40: 9 for
Articles furnished to the troops lately
embarked for.

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At a Consultation

Present

The Right Honorable Lord Clive

Governor and President

Lieutenant General I. Stuart

Commander in Chief

Friday 23rd October 1805.

William Petrie and
Ernst Wm. Tallofield } Esquires

Minute of last Consultation Read and Approved.

The Commander in Chief lays before the Board the following Memorandum

Memorandum

Memorandum from the Commander in Chief Recommending that Lieutenant Graves of the 3d Regiment Native Infantry be appointed Quarter Master of Brigade of the Detachment under

5th Captain Welsh of the 3d Regiment Native Infantry having Requested permission to Resign the Post of Quarter Master of Brigade to the Detachment Serving under the Orders of Lieutenant Colonel Agnew, the

Commander

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under the Command of Lieutenant Colonel Agnew viz Captain Welsh who requests to resign — Recommends that Lieutenant Robert Hughes be appointed Adjutant to the 2nd. Battalion 1st. Regiment Native Infantry — Recommends that the necessary promotion be ordered to take place in consequence of the decease of Captain R. Leigh of the 16th. Regiment Native Infantry — Captain James Hall being transferred to the non effective Establishment the promotions occasioned by that event in the Corps of Artillery are recommended to take place. States a claim preferred by Ensign C. F. Solfrey to be promoted to the Rank of Lieutenant —

Commander in Chief Recommends that his Request be granted, and that Lieutenant Greaves of the same Corps be nominated to succeed Captain Welsh in that Appointment from the 2nd October 1805.—

2nd The Commander in Chief Recommends that Lieutenant Robert Hughes be appointed Adjutant to the 2nd. Battalion of the 1st. Regiment Native Infantry Vacant by the promotion of Captain Lieutenant Richard Barker.—

3rd In consequence of the decease the 17th. Instant of Trichinopoly of Captain Richard Leigh of the 16th. Regiment Native Infantry, the Commander in Chief Recommends that the subjoined promotion be Ordered in that Corps Vizt.

To 16th. Regiment Native Infantry

Captain Lieutenant Donald McDonnell to be Captain of a Company v. Leigh. Date of Commission 18th. October 1805.—

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Eldest Lieutenant William Bags
to be Captain Lieutenant Vice McDonnell,
Date of Commission 18th October 1805.

The Commander in Chief re-
commends that the undermentioned promo-
tion be ordered in the Artillery Corps in con-
sequence of the transfer to the non effective
establishment of Captain James Hall Vzt.

Artillery

Captain Lieutenant Michael
Beauman to be Captain of a Company Vice
Hall date of Commission 22nd October 1805.

Lieutenant Robert Taylor
to be Captain Lieutenant, Vice Beauman,
date of Commission 22nd October 1805

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The Commander in Chief informs
5. the Board that Ensign C. F. Tolfrey of the 5th
Regiment Native Infantry has preferred a
claim founded upon his Appointment as a
Cadet for the Season of 1799, to be promoted
to

Mahomed Yazid Subidar in the 2nd Regiment Cavalry having lost his Commission which is stated to have been dated 3rd December 1790= the Commander in Chief states = his opinion that the statement of the Subidar is Correct and recommends that a fresh Commission may be granted to him

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to a Lieutenancy, and in support of such claim has Referred to the 2nd Paragraph of Government General Order of the 26th May last, which Paragraph from not mentioning the Date of the Honorable Court of Directors Dispatch leaves in doubt the Season of which Ensign Tolfrey is the Youngest Cadet.

Should however Ensign Tolfrey's claim appear to the Board well founded, the Commander in Chief Recommends that he be promoted to be a Lieutenant Date of Commission 15th July 1800.

6th The Commander in Chief Submits to the Boards Consideration the following Circumstance.

During the late operations against Doondiah Waug Mahomed Fozil, a Subidar in the 2nd Regiment Cavalry lost his Commission, and from the greater part of the Records of the Regiment having also been

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been lost it is impossible to ascertain the precise
date of that Commission. The Subidar asserts
that he was received as such from the Nabob's
into the Companys Service in December 1790,
and although no Document in which his name
appears can be found in either the Adjutant
Generals or Town Majors Offices, yet from the
Orderly Books it is found that in the Month
of December 1790 a Detail (including a Subidar)
of Men Received from the Nabobs Service was
Ordered to proceed to Vellore and afterwards
to join a Troop Commanded by Cornet Hep-
=pen. Mahomed Fazil States that he was the
Subidar of that Detail, which from many
corroborating Circumstances there is Reason
to believe true and Accordingly lays Claim
to an increase of Pay as Subidar from length
of Service.

The Commander in Chief there-
=fore Recommends that a Commission of Subedar
bearing

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bearing date December 3rd 1790 be granted to Subidar Mahomed Fazil.

23rd October 1805. (Signed) C. Stuart.

Resolutions and orders on the foregoing Memorandums.

Resolved that Captain Welsh be permitted to resign the post of Quarter master of Brigade to the Detachment under the Command of Lieutenant Colonel Agnew and that Lieutenant Greaves be appointed to that Situation according to the Recommendation of the Commander in Chief.

Resolved to appoint Lieutenant Robert Hughes to be Adjutant to the 2nd Battalion of the 1st Native Regiment Vice Barker.

Resolved and Ordered that the promotions Recommended in the foregoing Minute be Ordered to take place.

As it appears on Reference to the General Letter containing the Appointment of Ensign Tolfrey that the claim of that Officer to Rank as a Cadet of the Year 1799 is not Supported

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supported by the Orders of the Honorable Court of Directors it is Ordered that no Change shall take place in the Rank of that Officer.—

Ordered that a new Commissi=on be granted to Subedar Mahomed Fazel bearing, dated 3rd December 1790.

Read the following Letter from the Secretary to the Government at Fort William.

To Josiah Webbe Esqr.

Chief Secretary to the Government at Fort St. George

Sir,

From the Secretary to the Government at Fort William Transmitting the Copy of a dispatch from the Governor of Prince of Wales's Island, forwarding the extract of a letter from the Resident at Ambryna, who reports that

I am directed by His Excellency the Most Noble the Governor General in Coun=cil to transmit to you the enclosed Copy of a dispatch from Sir George Leith Lieute=nant Governor of Prince of Wales Island.—

His Excellency in Council having Reason to believe that the Expedition against

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that a second expedition has proceeded against the Island of Ternate and referring the Conduct of the Resident at Amboyna to the consideration of the Governor in Council.

against the Island of Ternate mentioned in that dispatch has been undertaken by the Resident at Amboyna without due Authority for that purpose from the Government of Fort Saint George, His Excellency directs that the enclosed Copy of that Dispatch be Submitted to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council in order that His Lordship may take such Notice of so unwarrantable an extension of Authority on the part of the Resident at Amboyna as the Necessity of the case may appear to his Lordship to demand.

I have the honor &c. &c.

(Signed) A. B. Edmonstone
Secy to Government

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

Sir,

Herewith I have the honor to

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enclose for the Information of His Excellency the Most Noble the Governor General in Council, Extract of a letters from the Resident at the Moluccas under Date the 15th of May and Received by me Yesterday by the Sylph from Amboyna.

Fort Cornwallis
Prince of Wales Island
the 27th June 1805.

I have the honor &c. &c.
(Signed) Geo: Leith
Lieutenant Governor

Extract of a Letter from R. T. Farquhar Esqr. Resident at the Molucca Islands to Sir George Leith Bart. Lieutenant Governor of Prince of Wales Island dated Amboyna the 15th May 1805.

I think it incumbent on me to inform you, that the acquisition of the Dutch Settlement on the Island Ternate, having been considered as an object of great Political moment to the British Interests at the Moluccas and Expedition proceeded from this port.

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Port on the 22d Ins.t January last, under the joint
Command of Colonel Burr and Captain Astle
In consequence of the failure however of that
Armament, another has been equipped, which
left the Sound the 2d Ultimo and we are duly in
Expectation of favourable Accounts of our ope-
rations on that Quarter.

A True Extract

(Signed) W. Co. Phillips

Secretary to the Lieut.t Governor

True Copies

(Signed) A. B. Edmonstone

Secretary to Government

Lord Cline lays before the Board

the following draft of a letter to the Vice Pre-
sident in Council at Fort William.

To the Honorable G. H. Barlow Esq.r

Vice President in Council at

Fort William

Honorable Sir,

To Bengal Pol.t Department

We have had the honor

to

Acknowledged

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to Receive the Orders of His Excellency the Most Noble the Governor General in Council communicated in the letter from the Secretary at Fort William to the Chief Secretary at Fort Saint George dated 4.th August 1805.

2.nd We have the honor to inform you that We Received with the greatest degree of Mortification the intelligence of the Attack which by an unwarrantable extension of power the Resident and the Officer Commanding the forces at the Molucca Islands had Resolved to attempt on the Dutch Settlement at Ternate The expediency of that measure had been brought into discussion at an early period of time after the Conquest of those Islands the Reasoning urged by Lieutenant Colonel McNeile the Officer Commanding the forces at that time determined him to resist the invitation of the Officer Commanding His Majestys Ships

Knowledge receipt of letter from the Secretary at Fort William dated 4.th August - the conduct of the Commanding Officer at the Moluccas Islands in attacking the Lieutenant Ternate having entirely adverse to the orders of this Government, it has been judged expedient to treat that Officer, and to adopt a new System for the future administration of affairs at the Moluccas Islands. The arrangement explained, and a Copy of the instructions furnished to Colonel Oliver enclosed - It has been found necessary to raise a Corps of Volunteers from the Native Establishment at this Presidency for the purpose of applying the best

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best practicable
Remedy to the
errors committed
at Amboyna
On the same
Grounds the
Vice President
in Council is
earnestly re-
quested to
Strengthen
the Marine
Battalion
from the port
of Calcutta
Recommend
to their Consi-
deration, the
expediency of
furnishing
from Bengal
Supplies for the
Moluccas Islands
which it will
be necessary
to augment in
proportion with
the force to be
Stationed there

Ships on that Station and the instructions
transmitted in consequence to the Officer
Commanding the forces were entirely founded
on our Approbation of Lieutenant Colonel
M.c Niles prudent Conduct, and decreed to
the object of Securing the Possessions al-
ready acquired by great Britain in the
Eastern Seas.

3 Our approbation of Lieutenant
Colonel M.c Niles conduct was Commune=
cated to the Commercial Resident in Charge
of the Civil Authority at the Moluccas or
Islands.

4 We were therefore wholly unpre-
pared to expect a deviation on the part of
the Authorities at Amboyna from the System
of Government which we had prescribed for
these Moluccas Islands and we have consider'd
the Resolution of the Commercial Resident
in Concert with the Officer at present Com=
manding

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Commanding the forces to equip an Armament
for a foreign expedition without previous
Authority from us, to be totally incompat-
-ible with the general principles of Subor-
-dination.

5th Under these impressions it was
impossible for us to preserve our confidence
in the future Administration of the Autho-
-rities now at Amboyna; and we have
deemed it to be our duty to supersede the
existing System for the Administration of
Affairs at the Molucca Islands.

6 The inconvenience of a divided
Authority in those distant possessions has
been frequently stated here and will be obvi-
-ous to the Vice President in Council. We
have availed ourselves therefore of the ne-
-cessity of changing the Authorities at the
Molucca Islands to introduce an uniform
System of Government, and for this pur-
-pose

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purpose we have vested the Chief, Civil and
Military Authority in the same person,
and have confined the Duties of the Com-
mercial Residents to the investment of Spices
and to other Commercial Objects under the
Authority of the Board of Trade at Fort
Saint George.

7 In conformity to this plan of
Arrangement we have appointed Colonel
James Oliver of the Military Establishment
of Fort Saint George to the Charge of the Civil
and Military Authority at the Molucca Is-
lands Colonel Oliver proceeded on the Ho-
norable Companys Ship Princess Charlotte
to assume the exercise of the Duties entrusted
to him and We have the honor of inclosing
for the information of the Honorable the
Vice President in Council a Copy of our
Instructions to that Officer.

8 The failure of the first Attempt

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and the Success of the Second Attack on the
Settlement of Ternate have been attended
with consequences of equal inconvenience
to the Security of our possessions previ=
=ously acquired on the Molucca Islands
these consequences in a great measure
foreseen by the Officer Commanding the
Forces induced Colonel Burr to offer
extraordinary Rewards to the troops of this
Establishment to Remain at Amboyna
and Compelled him to the unjustifiable
measure of Raising a Corps of Malays
without Authority from us.

9 The diminution of the force
and the extension of our possessions has
rendered it indispensably necessary
for us to Raise a Corps of Volunteers
from

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from our Native Establishment for
the purpose of applying the best Re=
=medy in our power to the errors com=
=mitted at Amboyna.

10 On the same grounds we
Require in the most earnest manner
that the Vice President in Council will
endeavour to encrease the Strength
of the Marine Battalion, now Serving
at Amboyna, by every practicable
means from the port of Calcutta.

The Augmentation of the force at the
Molucca Islands will Require a
proportionate Augmentation of the
Supplies Requisite for the mainte=
=nance of our Authority in those Islands

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the Communication between Calcutta and Amboyna is more frequent than that from Fort Saint George and will enable the Vice President in Council to furnish Supplies with more facility and with less expense; than may be practicable at Fort Saint George We have therefore the honor of Recommending this Subject to the consideration of the Vice President in Council, and Request to Receive a Communication of such Orders as he may in Consequence deem it expedient to issue.

We have the honor to be

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&c. &c.

(Signed) Clive

&c. Council

Approved

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Approved and Ordered to be dispatched

" Clive

" Ttwart

" Jno Pitts

" Chs Mansfield

W J Thomas
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Diary

Order of Council

Military Department

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Received the following letter from the Military Auditor General

The Right Honorable Lord Clive

President and Governor in Council

Fort St. George

My Lord,

From the Military Auditor General transmitting his report on an additional Estimate of Cash for the Current Month.

Having examined the additional Estimate for the Currant Month, which accompanied a letter from the Chief Secretary to Government under date the 21st Instant I have the honor to report that the Amount thereof Viz.t Twenty One Thousand Nine hundred and Ninety Nine Pagodas Forty One fanams and Thirty three Cash (Pag.s 21999.41:33)

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is unobjectionable, and to be issued from the General Treasury at the Presidency being Required for the purpose of discharging Bills Drawn on the Military Paymaster General by the Paymasters above the Ghauts, and of the Detachment serving at Hydrabad and for the payment of Arrears of Subsistence due to the Officers of Six Companies of His Majes-tys 74th Regiment.

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I have the honor to be &c. &c. &c.
(Signed) J. Brunton
Military Auditor General

Ordering the Sum of Pags. 21,999.44.33 to be issued to the Military Paymaster General, on account of the additional Estimate enclosed in his Letter of the 19th Instant.

In consequence of the foregoing Report Ordered that the Sum of Twenty One Thousand Nine hundred and Ninety Nine Pagodas Forty One fanams and thirty three Cash (Pagodas 21,999.41.33) be issued from the Treasury to the Military Paymaster General on Account of the Additional Estimate enclosed

in

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in his letter of the 19th Instant:—

By Order of the Right Honora-

ble the Governor in Council.—

Signed/ J. Webbe

Chief Secretary to Government

Received and Sent the following

Letters entered in M. B. Nos 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89.

From the Military Board

From the Military Board Recom-

-mend the payment of a Bill Amounting to

Pagodas 19. 27: 41 for Repairs executed to the

Barrack of Arms at Angarapa, and a Bill

of Lieutenant Franck for building 2 Gun

Carriage Sheds at Chettledroog being Pago-

-das 1403: 10: — —

From the Military Paymaster Gennal

From Mr Roebuck Forwards pa-

-pers transmitted by the Paymaster at Vellour

in Support of an Additional Estimate which

had been objected to in the Office of Audit.—

From Ditto Ditto Forwards Copy

of a Letter from Mr Paymaster Gordan to-

-gether

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together with the Certificate therein enclosed
Certifying that his Accounts as Paymaster
at Masulipatam are adjusted Requests the
delivery of the Securities entered into by Mr.
Gordon for the period he was Paymaster
at Masulipatam.

From Do Do — From Ditto Ditto Forwards State-
ment of the Expences of the Madras Army
for November 1805 together with Copies of
the Subordinate Paymasters Estimates as
Vouchers to the same.

From the Acting Chief of Police at Pondicherry — From Monsieur De Courson
Father Benoit Chief Capuchin at Pondicher-
ry Requests that the Interest due on a Bond
of this Government in his favor of 1000 Pagodas
may be paid to him. Reports the death of
Captain Grenier Prisoner of War
and the destitute Situation of his Widow
and Family.

For the Military Audr General — To Lieutenant Colonel Brunton.
Enclosing

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Enclosing Copies of two letters from the Town Major with the enclosed bills which he will pass for payment Enclosing Sundry Extracts of letters from the Military Board with the original bills therein mentioned and directing him to authorize payment of the bills and advances of money Recommended by that Board.

To the Military Paymaster Genral —

I. Mr. Roebuck Transmitting Copy of the Military Auditor Generals report on the additional Estimate forwarded by him on the 19th Instant and Acquainting him that the Sum of Pagodas 21099: 41: 33 has been ordered to be issued from the Treasury on his Application.

From the Offic 25 Commanding the forces in Malabar Provinc

Received a letter from Colonel Stevenson entered in M. B. No. 90. Wherein he is Relieved from the Duties of President of a General Court Martial at Seringapatam. proceed to execute the Orders of Government for disarming the Natives of Malabar.

will

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will employ the troops under his Command
in the most Active Manner to apprehend
the Psychy Rajah.

26 Sent the following letter sen-
seredim Nos. B. Nos 91, 92, 93.

To the Military Auditor General — To Lieutenant Colonel Brun-
ton Referring to his examination Copy
of a letter from the Military Paymaster
General with enclosures Respecting an
Additional Estimate of Cash required
by the Paymaster at Vellour.

To Ditto Ditto Referring
for examination the General Estimate for
the ensuing Month.

To the Paymaster at Vellour — To Mr. Finley Enclosing
a Deposit, and two Security Bonds to be
executed by him in consequence of his
Appointment.

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At a Consultation

Present

The Right Honorable Lord Clive
Governor and President
Lieutenant General James Stuart
Commander in Chief
William Petrie and
Ernst William Tallofield } Esquires

Friday the 27th October 1805.

Minutes of last Consultation —

Read and Approved —

The Commander in Chief lays before the Board the following Memorandum

Memorandum

1st The Commander in Chief informs the Board that in Consequence of the Complete State of the greater Number of the Corps of the Army, he Considers it unnecessary that the employment of Lieutenant Macdonald in Recruiting at Hydrabad for the Army shall

Memorandum from the Commander in Chief states his intention in consequence of the present efficiency of the Corps of the Army to give orders for discontinuing the Recruiting Service at Hydrabad after the 15th of next month —

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The Proceedings of the Medical Board of the 26th Instant laid before the Board — An Application from Lieutenant Colonel Dallas for leave to proceed to the Presidency on account of ill health laid before that Board —

shall continue after the 15th of next Month and Notifies his intention of Accordingly Ordering a discontinuance of that Service from the abovementioned Period —

2nd. The Commander in Chief lays before Government Proceedings of the Medical Board in Meeting of the 26th Instant, and Recommends that the Arrangements which they have proposed for furnishing Medical Assistance to the Bengal Regiment Serving in the Circars, and to the Garrison of Chrode may be adopted. —

3rd. The Commander in Chief also lays before the Board an Application which he Recommends may be Complied with, from Lieutenant Colonel Dallas Commanding Vellore, for permission to proceed to the Presidency for a few days on account of ill health. —

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27. October 1805. — (Signed) J. Stuart

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To the Right Honorable Lord Clive

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

My Lord,

Sudden ill health having caused the Medical Gentlemen at this Station to Recommend my immediate Removal to the Coast for a few days I have to Request your Lordship permission to proceed to the Presidency.

I have the honor &c. &c.

(Signed) Thos Dallas
Lieut Col Comm Vellore

25th October 1805.

Resolution & Order thereon

Ordered that a Communication be made to the Office of Audet of the intention of the Commander in Chief to Order the discontinuance of the Recruiting Service at Hydrabad, in Order that all extraordinary Charges on that Account may Cease Accordingly.

Resolved that permission be

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To be given to Lieutenant Colonel Dallas to be absent from Vellaur on account of the ill state of his health, and that he be authorized to leave such instructions as may be necessary for the guidance of the Officer next in Command with Regard to the Fort and Garrison.

The Board proceeds to read and pass Orders on the following Proceedings of the Medical Board.

From the Medical Board Recommending that Mr Surgeon Dunbar and Mr Assistant Surgeon Graves doing duty in the District of Ganjam may be ordered to afford Medical Assistance to the Bengal Native Regiment lately arrived in that province Recommending an allowance of 20 Rupees per Month be granted to the Garrison Surgeon at Cuttack. Recommended

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We have the honor to Acknowledge the Chief Secretarys Letter with enclosures under date 22nd Instant Representing the Sickly State of the Bengal Native Regiment Stationed

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nd request
hat this per-
mission may
e sanctioned
nd extended
to 4 Months
Recommend
that Mr Hay
be permitted
to act at the
Dispensary
until Mr
Gordon's return
and that Mr
Assistant
Edwards be
ordered to do
duty at Trivde
during the
Absence of
Mr Hay.

Approved

Stationed on the Ganjam
Dustrict and deserving
that further Medical As-
sistance should forthwith
be furnished for that
Corps.

We therefore recom-
mend as the only prac-
ticable mode at this Sea-
son of the Year, of fulfil-
ling the intention of Go-
vernment, that Mr Sur-
geon Dunbar and Mr
Assistant Greaves two Me-
dical Gentlemen of this
Establishment on the
Spot be directed to afford
every Assistance in their
power to the above Corps
while the extraordinary
Number

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Number of Sick may ren-
-der their attendance ne-
-cessary.

We Recommend that
an Allowance of 20 Pagodas a Month be
granted to the Garrison
Surgeon of Cochin Agree-
-ably to what has already
obtained for other prin-
-cipal Stations on the
Malabar Coast, and in
Conformity to the 11th
Paragraph of the exist-
-ing Medical Regula-
-tions.

Approved and Ordered

Read a Letter from
Mr. Richardson Head
Surgeon of the Southern
Division Representing
the

The Southern Field
Detachments being a-
-bout

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about to be broken up the difficulty and em-
Resolved that it is barrassment under which
unnecessary to make the labours for want of
the increase of Establishment Office establishment
-blishment Recommended by the Medical Boards in the Medical
Board. Store Department in
consequence of the great
Number of Troops at
present employed on
Field Service in that
Division.

Having maturely
weighed Mr Richard-
-sons arguments on
this subject We have
no hesitation in ad-
-mitting the necessity
of the same Office Es-
-tablishment being
Allowed

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allowed for the General
Hospital at Trichi-
nopoly as has already
been appointed in
Mysore and the North-
ern Division.

Mr Gordon Super-
intendant of the Dis-
-pensary Appearing
in a Consumptive State
and Requiring an im-
-mediate Change of
Climate was recom-
-mended to proceed
to Sea without delay
as had he waited for
his Application &c
-tainer. the necessary
Sanction through the
Regular Channel the

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opportunity of a Ship
might have been lost
We accordingly with
our advice and permis-
sion embarked on the
24. Instant on Board
His Majestys Ship Vic-
torious and We recom-
mend that his leave
of absence may be ex-
tended to four months,

Ordered that Mr Assist- That agreeably to Mr
-ant Surgeon Hay proceed Gordons Nomination
to His Station and that Mr Assistant Hay who
Mr Assistant Surgeon has not yet proceeded
White now doing duty to his Station at Emode
at the Presidency do duly be permitted to Act
-ty at the Dispensatory at the Dispensary
during the absence of until Mr Gordons return
Mr Gordon: and that Mr Assistant
Edwards

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Edwards be ordered to do Duty at Errode during the Absence of Mr. Hay.

(Signed) James Anderson
Physician General

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2d Member Medical Board

By Order of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council,

(Signed) I Webbe
Chief Secry to Government

Read the following letters.

From the Military Auditor General.

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

My Lord,

From the Military Auditor General - Forwarding a letter

1 At the Request of Colonel James Stevenson of the Cavalry, I have the honor to

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to lay before you a Letter from that Officer, ad-
dressed to your Lordships in Council on the
Subject of a Retrenchment made from the Dis-
bursements of Mr. W. H. Gordon Paymaster in
Mysore, and to State the following Circum-
stances connected with it.

2 Government having been pleased to
permit Officers in the Command of Brigades
in the Field to draw the same Allowance as
sanctioned by the Marquis Cornwallis in the
former War upon a List Certified by the Adju-
tant General of the Army of the Officers entitled
to Receive it by Commanding Brigades, on
this principle the Paymaster in Mysore was
instructed to discharge Bills for this Allow-
ance on their being countersigned by the
Deputy Adjutant General the Brigadiers al-
lowance therefore drawn by Colonel Stevenson
for the Months of February and March was
objected to for want of the Requisite Signature
to

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to the Bills, and that cause was particularly
Specified in the Retrenchment, on Re-audit
the Charge was not admitted, because the
Reasons Assigned on Retrenching it, were
not Removed, Colonel Stevenson now grounds
his claim on the circumstance of the Ca-
valry Brigades still Remaining under his
Command, altho' composing the Garrisons
of Chittledroog to which I beg leave to Ob-
serve that the Allowance in question was
not I presume intended to be granted to
Officers in Command of Garrisons, and Can-
tonments, and has never been Admitted to
Officers so Situated.

Mil.y Aud.r General's Office I have the honor &c. &c.
Fort St. George 26th October 1805 (Signed) J Brunton
Mily. Auditor General

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

My Lord,

I am Advised by the Auditor
General

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General not to address your Lordship on the pre-
sent Subject unless I can adduce good cause
for sounding my Claims and as it is not my
disposition to give unnecessary trouble I hope
your Lordship will be assured that I should
not have drawn the Allowance in the first
instance, or make this Reference, if I did
not think the Charge was just and sanctio-
ned by the promotion and Appointment which
your Lordship was pleased to confer on
me to the Command of a Brigade of Ca-
=valry.

The Brigadiers appointed by the
Officer Commanding the Army in the Field
Continued to draw the Allowance so long as
the Brigade continued embodied.

It therefore appeared to me that
the Established Brigadiers Appointed by
your Lordships Order were entitled to Bri-
gade Allowance so long as the Brigades
existed

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existed; if they did not draw Table Allowance &c.
or some other equivalent on account of any
other Temporary Duties that your Lordship
might please to Order thereon.

The accompanying Bills for
Brigade Allowance are for a Time that Held
the Command of the Fort, and Garrison, of Chille-
droog during which time I Received no equiv-
valent from Government for Such Allowance
Under those Circumstances I
hope your Lordship will give my Claims a
favorable Consideration and be pleased to
Order the payment of my Bills.

Seringapatam (Signed) J. Stevenson
16th October 1805. Colonel

Order thereon

Ordered that the Military Au-
dator General be informed that the Board
Confirms his interpretations of the Orders
respecting the Allowances of Brigadiers in
the case Stated by Colonel Stevenson.

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Read the following letter from the Secretary at Fort William.

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

Sir,

From the Secretary at Fort William — Requests that 6-18 pounder Brass Guns may be sent from Fort St. George to Fort William

I am directed by the Honorable the Vice President in Council to request you will inform the Right Honorable the Governor in Council that in consequence of His majestys Ship Romney having been supplied from the Arsenal of Fort William with two 18 pounder brass Guns this Presidency is at present left without a Single Gun of that Calibre, and that it is the wish of the Vice President in Council that His Lordship in Council would be pleased to give directions for sending to Bengal by the earliest opportunity Six of the Nineteen 18 pounder Brass Guns in the Arsenal of Fort Saint George.

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Fort William
the 8th October 1805

I have the honor &c. &c.
(Signed) L. Hook Secry
to the Government Mily Dept.

Resolution thereon

Resolved that the Military Board be directed to take measures for sending to Bengal six 18 pounder brass Guns by the earliest safe Conveyance.

Read the following letter from the Secretary at Columbo.—

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

Sir,

From the Chief Secretary at Columbo—Ensign Robert Barry of the Ceylon Native Infantry having been Appointed Adjutant to the Detachment of that Corps serving on the Coast, requests that he may receive the allowances accordingly—

His Excellency the Governor having been pleased to appoint (in G.O. a copy of which I have the honor to enclose) Ensign Robert Barry of the Ceylon Native Infantry to be Adjutant to the Detachment of that Corps now serving on the Coast vacant by the Death of Ensign Develin, I am to request

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request by His Excellencys desire that you will communicate the same to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council in Order that His Lordship may be pleased to give Orders that Adjutant Barry may Receive the allowances from the day Succeeding Mr. Dewelins decease.

I have the honor &c. &c.

Columbo 12th October 1805.

(Signed) Robt. Arbuthnot
Chief Secry to Government

Resolved Accordingly that Orders be given for the payment of Adjutant Barrys Allowances from the date of Ensign Dewelins decease.

Resolution thereon.

Read the following letters from Lieutenant Colonel Agnew and from Lieutenant Colonel Innes.

To J. Webbe Esqr.
Chief Secretary of Government

Sir,

I have the honor to report for the information

From the Officer Commanding a field Detachment in

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in the Southern Provinces - Reports the Seizure of Sheveghanum the Second Son of Chinna Mundoo; and of his Wife - a Detachment of Tondimans Peons had taken the fort of Varapour the Poligar. Bomi Naig had escaped.

Information of Government that Shevigha-
=num the Second Son of Chinna Murdoo
and one of the most active Leaders in the late
Rebellion was yesterday Seized by one of
my Detachments The Wife and some other
Females of the Family of Chinna Murdoo
were also secured by the Peons of the Zemindar

A Detachment of Tondimans
Peons Surprised and took the Fort of Vara=
=pour on the 15th Instant but unfortunately
Bomi Naig the Poligar who was the direc=
=tor and leader of the Attack on Nuttam by
the adherents of the Murdoos escaped

Camp near
Kandamonicam 17th October 1801.

I have the honor &c.a &c.a,
(Signed) P. A. Agnew Lieut.Col:
Commanding Southern Districts

To Josiah Webbe Esq.r
Chief Secretary of Government

Sir,

From Do Do Learning that

Having this morning Received
Accounts -

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accounts on which I can rely although not directly from Lieutenant Colonel Innes, that he has attacked the fugitives on the Veerapatchy Hills with success, & transmitted my Orders to the Officer commanding the Division of the 14th Native Regiment then on its march to Reinforce him, to change the direction of his Route and proceed to Toomachee Naig Pollam, for the purpose of intercepting such of the Rebels as might attempt to escape in that direction by the passes through the Western Hills.

I have the Satisfaction to report the Capture of Woodianen the Second Son of Vella Murdoo.

I have the honor to enclose a Copy of the Proclamation which on the 2nd of October I thought it expedient to issue, and which I hope the Right Honorable the Gover=nor in Council will approve. The Rewards held

that Lieutenant Colonel Innes had attacked the fugitives on the Veerapatchy Hills with success he had detached a division of the 14 Native Regiment to intercept their Flight in the direction of Toomachie Naig Pollam Reports the Capture of Woodianen Second Son of Vella Murdoo Encloses Copy of a Proclamation he had issued the offers of Pardon and reward had produced the most desirable success - The Appearance of insurrection in the Southern part of Tinnevelly had subsided - the Maravar Chiefs had delivered up several of those persons who had Concealed the fugitives from Panjalamcottah - A party had just brought in Vella Murdoo prisoner.

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held out to stimulate exertion in seizing the Persons of the principal Rebels, have produced the Capture of a great proportion of their Number, and I believe no Sheroogar or Person of note in the Shevagunga District has neglected to avail himself of the proffered Pardon to those who made their Submission within the limited time.

The Part of the 1st Regiment of Cavalry Serving under my Orders proceeds to-morrow to the Southern part of the Tinnevelly District. The Appearance of insurrection there has Subsided, and the Marawar Chiefs on learning the Fate of the leading Rebels taken in this District, delivered to the Collector of Tinnevelly Several of those who had concealed the fugitives from Panjalumcourchy and aided them in exciting the Southern Marawars to insurrection.

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

(Signed) P. A. Agnew Lieut.t Coll.

Commanding Southern Districts

P.S. A party had detached in consequence
of intelligence which had obtained of Vella
Murdoo's place of concealment has succeeded
in making him a Prisoner.

(Signed) P. A. Agnew

Lieut.t Colonel Commanding.

Proclamation by Lieutenant Colonel
Agnew Commanding the Forces in the Sun=
=newelly Ramnad and Shevegunga
districts, to the Inhabitants of Shevegunga
and the Neighbouring Countries 27th October 1805.

Whereas the Rebel Chinnah
Murdoo and the other Rebels connected with
him have escaped from Calliarcoil and
are now concealing themselves in the Sun=
=glesit is hereby notified that the undermen=
=tioned Rewards will be given to such persons
as

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as shall seize and bring in alive the indi-
-viduals hereafter Named, and that the Half
of those Rewards shall be paid to such
persons as shall produce them dead. Viz.t

Fifteen hundred Cully Chuckrums each, for

Chinna Murdoo

Vellah Murdoo and

Pangalumcourchy Sheva thah Naiker.

One Thousand Cully Chuckrums each, for

Sheva thah Tomby
Sheevagnanam
} Sons of Chinnah Murdoo

Mootoo Samy (Son of Sheva thah Tomby)

Cura thah Tomby
Woodiarnen
Muley Cooty Tomby
} Sons of Vella Murdoo

Shekundee Nenguem Periah Woodiah Tavee

Mootoo Cirapah Tavee, the Usurper of the Rammad Rajum

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The Panjalumcourchy Woomey Comara

Sawmy Naiker and

Varapoor Dominaiker

All public Officers Sheroigurs

and Peons hitherto in Connexion with the

Rebels are hereby informed, that if we them

fifteen days from the present Date they Sub-

-mit and deliver themselves up to the Com-

-pany's Authority, their lives shall be Spared:

but that in failure thereof a price shall be

put on their Heads.

All Inhabitants and every other

Description of Persons are hereby Apprised

that Submitting to the Authority of the Rebels

or Affording them in any Shape protection

and Assistance will Subject them to the severe

punishment.

A True Copy

(Signed) P. A. Agnew

Lieut. Colonel Commanding

&c

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To Josiah Webbe Esqr.

Chief Secretary to Government

Sir,

From the Officer Commanding the field Detachment in the Province of Dindigul transmits Copy of his Letter to Major General Bridges - Reporting the Success of his Detachment in dispersing the Rebels -

I had the honor to address you on the 13th Instant, and now do myself the pleasure to transmit Copy of my Letter of this date to Major General Bridges for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council. I am happy in having it to say, that I found the depredations of the Rebels very inconsiderable indeed the Inhabitants having made Appearance of submission to their Orders, which they could not refuse, of the few days they were here, and which I am convinced proceeded in a great measure from dread of immediate punishment with the exception of the few Villages within the Hills, who appear to have taken an active part from inclination but who I have no doubt will abandon the Interests of the Rebels

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should they be among them, the moment they
know the turn against their Interests.

I have the honor &c. &c.

Camps near
Veerapatchy
16. October 1805.

(Signed) Jas Innes Lieut Colo
Comm.g Field Detachm.t &c.

To. Major General Bridges
Commanding the Southern Division

Sir,

Having added 30 Europeans to
the party under Major Burrows mentioned
in my letter of the 13th I moved from the right
of the 14th and next morning early marched for
this place. Major Leonard with the Rest of
the Detachment under my Command march-
ed at the same time from Dindigul which
I reached the day before, but was to halt
halfway between that place and Veerapatchee
and join me next day.

On my Appearance at one Oclock
on the plain of Veerapatchie a party of 200 of
the

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the Rebels was observed going into the Cocan-
try to make collections / my Approach not being
expected from the Eastward / they were imme-
diately charged by a small Cavalry of Horse
but they got to the Hills to the Westward and
made their escape by respassing the Jungles
where it was impossible for the Horse to follow
them the attempt was made and my Infan-
try both Europeans and Sepoys were unable
to get up in time. At 3 Oclock in the After-
noon we were in possession of Veerapatchy
after having been Obliged to employ the
two Cavalry Guns Smartly for some time
to clear the River and Skirts of the Village
of a body of about 500 of the Rebels when the At-
tacking party Advanced consisting of 40
Europeans and 130 Sepoys under Lieutenant
Macarthur of His Majestys Scotch Bri-
gade covered by a like number of the latter
and the two Guns. The Village was carried im-
mediately

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immediately as well as the Bank to the S.W.
of it after Receiveing a heavy fire; but the Repe-
tition of it was prevented by a Smart Charge
Independent of the Smallness of our Numbers
the Troops were unequal to any further exer-
tion from along fatiguing march and
the want of Water which is not to be pro-
cured but by digging for it in the River and
that so scanty, could not have sent a Sup-
ply of that necessary Article even to the
first Barrier, and for the want of which
I suspected the Rebels would not want our
Attack this day, when the rest of my De-
tachment came up. The Party had Orders
towards Sat the Bank as the usual Posts
were Occupied Strongly by the Rebels
One Sepoy and one Horse only wounded yes
terday.

Having observed Many
few of the Rebels Remained towards the
Evening

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Evening on the Coul Delle a Rock which
Commands the Carmen Delle Barriers
and the ones that Stood higher up, and Suspect-
ing they would Come down for Water and pro-
vesions during the Night Directed the Rif
lers of the 2nd Battalion 43d Regement to pro-
ceed through a Close wood on the face of
the Hill and endeavour by all means to pos-
sess themselves of it which they did with-
out Opposetion soon after Day brake. The
party in the Village so soon as the Rocks
was gained pushed forward and was equal-
ly fortunate in establishing themselves
in the Road or pass up the Hills, the Re-
bels having before their Approach taken
themselves off Some grain, Bugar Stuffs
& Horses, some Bullocks and three Tents
having been left behind were Captured - So
that if the Krinapool's have gone to the Hills
they must be greatly distressed. I have not

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yet any certain information of the direction
of their flight but have Reason to believe they
have seperated and certainly their force much
diminished most of the Kootuns men who from
the dread of immediate punishment and to
save their Villages, joined the Rebels have
Returned to their homes. The Rebels were
very active the few days they were here, for
they had nearly Reestablished the great
Stone Coormendelly Barrier and on which
they must have many hands employed Seve-
ral Villages who were not active in obeying
the Commands of the Rebels have been wanton
-ly put to death which has done their cause
no good. I have sent parties out in all directions
to search after the fugitive Rebels and have
no doubt from present appearances should
the Principals even make their escape
that the Country will very speedily be brought
into perfect tranquility our success has ren-
-dered

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rendered any Reinforcement from Trichino-
=poly unnecessary.

I have ordered Captain Nagle with
the party under his Command to the Dindigul
Valley to keep all quiet there, and to apprehend
the fugitive Rebels should they attempt
to pass that way from these Hills to the pro-
=vince of Tinnevelly.

I have every Reason to be Satis-
=fied with the Conduct of the Officers and Troops
I have the honor to Command, on this, as well
as many other occasions where their ex-
=ertions have been Required - my Orders have
been invariably carried into effect with a
Spirit and Zeal highly honorable to them.

Camp near Veerapatchy 16th. October 1805.

(Signed) Sam. Innes
Lieut. Colonel Comm.g
Field Detachment &c.

True Copy
(Signed) Sam. Innes

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To Josiah Webbe Esqr

Chief Secretary to government

Sir,

From Do Do Forwards a Copy of his Letter to Major General Bridges reporting the apprehension of the Omaty and the dispersion of his adherents. Considers the Troubles on the Province of Dindigul to be entirely suppressed- proposes leaving a respectable force near Kurapatchy and proceeding with the rest of the Detachment to the neighbourhood of Dindigul, and to discharge as much of the Field Equipage as may be advisable- States having offered a Reward of 2000 Rupees for the Apprehension of the late Polygar of Kurapatchy-

1 It is with real Satisfaction I do myself the honor to inclose Copy of my Letter of this date to Major General Bridges for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, and to assure that the Civil Authority is perfectly Reestablished in this province for I consider the apprehension of the Omaty with so many of his adherents as a complete finish to the Southern Troubles at least so far as relate to this Province.

2 After the different parties I have sent out, have executed the Duties entrusted to them which I hope will be in a few days, I propose leaving a respectable force in a healthy Situation near this, and proceeding with the rest of the Detachment to the Neighbourhood

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Neighbourhood of Dindigul, there to wait
the honor of the further Commands of Govern=
=ment and in the mean time to lessen expen=
=ces by discharging as many of the Grain, Gun
and Extra Ammunition Bullocks and
Lascars as I may deem advisable.

3 I have taken on myself to
offer a Reward of Two thousand Rupees for
the Apprehension of the Son of the late Poli=
=gar of Veerapatchy and trust to the Appro=
=bation of Government. I did it being perfectly
convinced it was a necessary Measure at
the moment of my Return to stifle the
late troubles in this quarter, in which I
have as usual been ably assisted by Mr.
Collector Hurdis.

Camp at Veerapatchy 20th October 1805.

(Signed) Jas: Innes
Lieut Colonel Commg
Field Detachment and the
Province of Dindigul

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To Major General Bridges
Commanding the Southern Division

Sir,

I had the honor to address you on the 16th and having in the best manner possible guarded the passes from the Hills in this quarter early on the morning of the 17th I detached the 2nd Regiment of Native Cavalry under Major Burrows with the exception of 100 men under Captain Jones scouring the Western Districts towards Delli to take post at Shankulum near Canneavaddy at the most Commanding point to watch the Rebels should they attempt their escape by the Opposite (eastern) side of the Hills He Received information at three O'Clock the same day, that the Palamcaurchy and 300 Adherents had descended and were moving off towards the Valley followed by some of the Canneavaddy Peons, who had picked up six and Killed six more of the Insurgents and immediately marched in pursuit,

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continued it to Ballegunta, where the Country became close and unfavorable to Cavalry and finding his Horses unable to get on, he Returned to Attoor, having marched fifty One miles, and the Horses 26 Hours without Grass or Grain - but he was Satisfied from the exhausted State of the Rebels, having been three days on their Legs and without food that they could not escape falling into the hands of the many parties after them - and Have the pleasure to Acquaint you Last night I Received information from Mr Collector Hurdis that Bmay the Panchaloumcaunchy Chief with Sixty five of his men were taken by the Sirkar Peons under Nuttee Cawn in the Valley that 35 were killed and the Rest dispersed but the pursuit was continued after them, so that I have but little doubt the whole will be taken or destroyed. Captain Nagle with the Division of the 1st Battalion 1st 15th 4th Regiment under his Command, is gone to

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the Valley where every thing remains quiet, and I have the particular Satisfaction that all is perfectly restored to order in this quarter so that there is not the least necessity for more Troops to be sent to this Province, those, Lieutenant Colonel Agnew had ordered to join me, I directed not to proceed but to wait his further orders. The 2nd Regiment of Cavalry will march in a few days to Madura agreeably to that Officers instructions to me.

I have not yet been able to obtain any certain information of the Son of the late Polygar of Veerapatchy and Moloo Vera the Predaun; but it is certain they are wholly dessisted and have fled

are said Kings in the Hills, or in the Jungles near them; Parties are sent in search of them there, and in every quarter nothing can now be apprehended from their influence after their late efforts and disappointments.

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(Signed) Jas Innes Lieut.t Colonel Comm.g Field Detachm.t and in the Province of Dindigul.

(A True Copy)

(Signed) Jas Innes

The following draft of a Letter to Lieutenant Colonel Agnew is Read and Ordered to be despatched.

To Lieutenant Colonel Agnew

Commanding the forces in the Southern Provinces

Sir,

To the Offic.r Commanding a field Detachment in the Southern Provinces Acknowledging Receipt of Letters of the 17th and 19th Instant and expressing Satisfaction at the Success of his arrangements the Proclamation published by him on the 2nd Instant approved and Payment of the Rewards promised

Para.s 1st I have had the honor to Receive your Letters of the 17th and 19th Instant and am desired to express to you the great Satisfaction with which the Right Honorable the Governor in Council has derived from your continued Success in the Suppression of the Rebellion in the Southern Provinces.

2nd " The Right Honorable the Governor in Council entirely Approves the Proclamation

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in that proclamation to the persons who may secure the Rebels authorized or expedient to except the troops from the benefit of the Rewards proclaimed - all the principal Rebels who have been taken and who may yet be taken; to be brought to immediate Trial and punishment the Board having received Separate Reports from Lieutenant Colonel Innes, Containing satisfactory intelligence of the troops under his Command, subordinate to & subject to that Force the Boards Application of this Consideration

published by you on the 2nd Instant and authorizes the payment of the Rewards stated in that Proclamation to the persons who may secure the Rebels although His Lordship in Council has no doubt of the Zeal of the Troops, in the execution of your Orders for the Apprehension of the Insurgents He does not deem it expedient to except the Troops from the Receipt of the Rewards proclaimed on the event of their Success in securing the persons of the Rebels.

3rd The Governor in Council Directs that Chinna Murdoo, Vella Murdoo, & may, and also the principal Rebels who have been taken, and who may yet be taken shall be brought to immediate Trial and punishment after the

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the identity of their persons and their participation of the Rebellion shall have been Ascertained.—

4th The Right Honorable the Governor in Council having received separate reports from Lieutenant Colonel Innes dated the 16th and 20th Instant containing the most Satisfactory intelligence of the Success of the troops under his Command and I am directed to desire that you will Convey to that Officer the pleasure and Approbation with which the Right Honorable the Governor in Council has observed the Zeal Spirit and Activity of the Officers and troops under his Command.—

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

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(Signed) J. Webbe Chief Secretary to Government

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Captain Floyer appointed for Command at Pondicherry

The President proposes the appointment of Captain Augustus Floyer to Command at Pondicherry

Approved and Ordered accordingly

The death of Lieutenants Forster and Lieutenant Leigh reported

The Secretary reports to the Board the Death of Lieutenant Baynton Border of the 1st Battalion 2nd Regiment Native Infantry at the Presidency on the 16 Instant and the Death of Lieutenant Richards Leigh of the 1st Battalion 16th Regiment Native Infantry

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Infantry at Trichinopoly on the
27th Instant.

" Blair

" Wharton

" Wm. Rose

" E. B. Faithfield

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