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incurred for purchasing, repairing &c. of Camp Equipage,
presuming that a tent will last two years in
the Field and 3 years in time of Peace and calcu-
lating on certain data with respect to repairs which
although they appear to me very high I will
not venture to say are not correct and it is proposed
that the war and Peace Tent allowance to Officers
should not exceed the present actual Expense
incurred by the Company —

The following observations —
arise from an attentive consideration of the
subject of His Lordships Minute. It is well
known that for several years past the menacing
conduct of Tippoo Sultaun, his actual preparations
for War, and negotiations with the French Republic
avowedly hostile to the British Possessions in
India, have made it necessary for the army
under this Presidency to be kept in a state of
readiness for war as far as the Finances of the
Company could attain that object, by this means
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not only the Company's resources under this Presidency were absorbed on the ruinous Expence of an War Establishment but even a part of the surplus Revenue of Bengal was appropriated to the same purpose. The brilliant atchievements of the British army in the intire conquest of Mysore having fortunately removed that object of implacable hostility, it is not justifiable to assume that our situation for many years to come will be analogous to the periods on which many of the Right Honorable the President's positions are calculated. It is admitted that the Conquest of Mysore has not produced absolute tranquillity, that the Rebellion of Doondiah, the reduction of the turbulent Chieftains in Malabar, the revolt of the Southern Polegars and the Establishment of the Company's authority in the Ceded Districts have hitherto employed a considerable part of the army on actual service and it is probable that until Peace is restored to Europe it may not be found expedient to reduce any

any considerable part of the present Military Establish-
ment. I trust however there is no solid ground for
apprehending that we shall long be restricted
by those or similar Causes, and that we may look
forward with confidence to a period not very remote
when we shall enhance every advantage which
was foreseen and calculated upon from the unri-
valled strength of our Empire in the East whenever
a reduction of Military Expense takes place it is
to be supposed that it will chiefly be directed
to that part of the Military Expenditure which
provides for extensive military operations and for
the Equipment of a great Force with a heavy train
of artillery, and large quantities of ordnance
Stores — Small Detachments may be called
forth for the suppression of temporary disturbances
but even these under the Circumstances of progressive
improvement in this Government there is reason
to hope will seldom be required —

The calculation of Field
Equipage

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a Military force is required to provide Draft and Carriage Cattle for the use of the Army and that when they are lost upon actual Service they cannot be supplied but by such means as Government alone possesses. when I recollect the difficulties, at times almost unsurmountable, which have been opposed to the most vigorous exertions of Government in procuring the necessary Cattle for the Equipment of an army, that expences have been incurred far beyond the ability of Individuals to support, and that even the utmost stretch of power and influence has failed in keeping up the necessary Establishments diminished by the contingencies of War, I can never subscribe to the opinion that Individuals could under such circumstances have found the means of keeping up their Equipments. It is not sufficient that the army is enabled to take the Field with promptitude and to make its first movements with celerity, if the Individuals to whom is entrusted

entrusted the charge of keeping up the necessary number
of Cattle do not possess the ability of supplying others.
for those that may be lost in the course of the Cam-
paign. In considering the minutes of the adjutant
Genral I shall have occasion to remark upon the
incompetency of the Measure itself, waving every other
objection, to effect the proposed object of giving celerity
to the movements of an army in the Field.

In the doubt which I have —
expressed of the ability of Individuals to keep up
their Equipments - I am considerably confirmed
by observing that Genral Sydenham, Lieutenant
Colonels Close and Richardson suggested their
apprehensions upon this head in their report of the
28th of November 93, although they had at that
time in their contemplation the rates and regula-
tions published by Marquis Cornwallis which
were more ample than those now proposed and
I concur in opinion with the Chief Engineer that
the Public Service may suffer essentially by the

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prejudice to the health of the officers by constantly being under Canvas and that few of the officers in general have fund of their own for Building Quarters.

The present adjutant General of the army rests a considerable part of the strength of his arguments on the assumption that the army will be in the Field every other year or that, in other words, for a period of years to come, Time will be equally devided between Peace and war which holds out such an melancholy prospect for our Indian Empire that I trust there is no foundation whatever for so discouraging a conjecture; I do not observe that any of the other members of the Military Board have concurred in this opinion on the contrary I have much pleasure in remarking in the report of the Committee composed of General Hyden Lawrence Colonels Close and Richardson that they extend the probable period of tranquillity to three years of Peace to one of War and I have still more satisfaction in observing that this opinion

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from those respectable authorities was given before the Conquest of Mysore — It is unnecessary to notice that there exists at this time from every view that can be taken of our Political situation in the East, a superior influence and security to what it was in the months of November 1798, the most solid grounds of expectation of progressive prosperity and permanent tranquillity when Peace shall be restored to the Mother-Country on Europe:-

The reasoning of the Adjutant General appears to me ingenious, candid and conclusive, against the Building system and it is peculiarly applicable to the State of the Contingent Finances at this Presidency. He judiciously — observes that Building a fort a State or for the Public can never be justifiable except when that State or Public has a surplus Capital unemployed and that the House Rent paid — exceeds the interest which the State might receive for such Capital. When the State is

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to think of Building by adding to that Debt
by further loans at an exorbitant Interest and
he shews that the money laid out upon the Building
System would have cost the Company 10½ P Cent
P Annum agreeable to the Government Advertise-
ment dated the 15th December 1800. I am concerned
that I cannot offer the same opinion of Colonel
Agnews reasoning in favor of the superior advan-
tages possessed by individuals over the Public for
keeping up their Camp Equipments. I confess they
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sions are by no means supported by incontrover-
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will generally apply the fullest extent of their
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tion, that the resources of Individuals were as
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of the Public and where the failure will fall so heavily upon the Public it may not be deemed expedient to risk so much upon a theoritical experiment. From the experience I formerly had & understand the prices of the materials and of labor have increased since that time I am of opinion that Colonel Agnew's estimate of the price of Tents -- considerably too low and the allowances proposed to be given to the Officers will not be adequate to the provision of Tents and the expence of Carriage. I am also of opinion from respectable information and from my own experience that the Calculations in regard to the lasting of Tents is erroneous, for I am convinced that Tents constantly pitched and exposed to the Vicissitudes of Weather will not last 8 months. I am aware that in the view of the Subject this opinion will make against my own argument, but on the other hand if my Estimate is just it gives considerable weight to the opinion I have given that the proposed allowances are inadequate to

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to the objects in view.

The Adjutant General and the Gentlemen who support his arguments lay great stress upon the importance of improving the celerity of our Field movements and this evident from the general tendency of their reasoning that their attention has been chiefly confined to a State of actual war and to the situation of an army in the Field, for the arguments in general will not extend to fixed Establishments or to times of tranquillity, but even on the grounds of celerity of movements the undertaken Grounds has shewn that the expectations will be fallacious, as the Officers only are held in immediate preparation for Field Service and he very judiciously remarks that unless a Plan shall be adopted to effect the same object for the Troops, no operations of any importance can commence unless some arrangements are made for moving at the same time with the Troops the Field

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and Battering Train, ordnance Stores, and Provisions

For the army—

It appears from the Statement of the

Auditor General that only 2,965 Bullocks were required

For the Carriage of the Tents of the officers with the

army which invaded Mysore in 1799, which —

makes but a small part of the number of this

description of Cattle that were required For the

Public Service in that memorable Campaign,

amounting in the whole to upwards of 60,000 — The

Plan is defective in another point of view, as

the Auditor General remarks, For even when

an officer is supplied with the Tent and

Carriage he has still to prepare For the conveyance

of his Baggage, and Colonel Brunton is of —

opinion that officers cannot furnish themselves

with Camp Equipage and Carriage in the Field

for less than the rates established by Marquis

Cornwallis, any diminution of which he thinks

would prove of serious inconvenience particularly

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to the junior officers of the army. The Auditor General concludes his minute in these words. "I repeat again with confidence that in my judgement the benefit which will accrue to the service by placing the officers of the army only on Tent allowance will be doubtful and the addition of Expence certain — as I have had many opportunities of considering the subject now under discussion with particular attention, when assisted by the opinions and extensive information of that valuable and Zealous Public Officer the late Major General Sydenham, I hope I may be indulged in quoting at some length from his minute which has been sent up with the other Papers from the Military Board; not only because the opinions are in strict conformity with my own, but because I think the Right Honorable the President in Council will consider them of much weight in forming his resolution upon this subject. General Sydenham observes

That

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that as the resources of Individuals must decay them
in time of War they must either be exposed to destruc-
and inconvenience by which their health and consequently
the service would suffer, or Government must always
have a depot of Tents at hand for them which would
be continuing the present system at an increase of
Expence, and that the Public can always make
up Tents cheaper and better by contract than an
Individual Officer. The experience of 3 years when
I made up Tents for the whole army supports this
opinion of General Sydenham, but in the observations
I have now the honor to submit to the considera-
tion of Government on this part of the subject it
is necessary I should observe that I do not confine
myself to the prices then paid or to the terms of
the present Contract, but to the conviction I entertain
that Tents may be made up for the Public by the
means of the Commercial Residents at a much
less expence and of far better materials than
formerly. The experiment, as it has been made

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confirms my opinion. General Lydenham observes that young officers have no resources for providing Tents to meet contingencies; that the first expence would be considerable and if their Tents are lost or taken they have not the means of obtaining a further supply. In this predicament the Public must either assist them, by keeping a store of Tents to meet such contingencies or the health of the officers and the Public service must suffer. If the present system is abandoned and each individual officer is to procure from his own resources the means of conveying his Camp Equipage how is he to accomplish this when employed upon Expeditions by Sea and when landed in the Country of an Enemy.

It is well known that when officers take the Field they have the utmost difficulty in procuring Servants to go with them and are frequently subjected to considerable embarrassments in defraying the Expence of their Equipment, which

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which difficulties I apprehend will be greatly —
increased should the proposed change be adopted.
General Lydenham shews that the failure of the
System for providing Bullocks by agency previous
to the invasion of Mysore by the army under the
Command of General Harris did not arise from
any radical defect in the System itself but from
the circumstances which led to its entire desertion, and it is with particular satisfaction that
I recollect having recorded a similar opinion
on the Paper which I delivered in upon the —
Disputes of the Bullock Department in the
Month of 1800. Upon a general View of the
Subject he is of opinion that the additional —
Expence will be at least 30,000 Pagodas Pr —
annum and that the granting Tent allowance
to the Officers would not materially accelerate
the Equipment of an army for the Field, and
therefore could not produce any essential advantage
even if the Officers should be satisfied with the
rates

rates proposed / If the Public Buildings, appropriated at present for Quarters to the Officers, are to be sold by Public auction it is not to be supposed that they will produce a fiftieth part of what the Buildings and repairs have cost the Company, — which heavy loss must at least be admitted. as no inconsiderable objection to the new system and even if this System should be adopted, I sincerely hope Government will not consent to the certain loss which will arise from this mode of disposing of the Public property. These Quarters should be retained by Government at the disposal of the Commanding Officer of the Station to accommodate any officer willing to occupy them, on the terms of keeping them in repair; this would without expence afford a resource, which certainly ought to exist, for the accommodation of officers who under the pressure of sickness may be obliged to quit the Field and repair to the nearest Garrison for such quarters

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In perusing the various Papers upon this subject which have been transmitted by the Military Board I should be inattentive to the merits of Colonel Agnew, if I passed over without remark the great attention, indefatigable research, and accurate investigation which are conspicuous in the minutes, Estimates, and Statements of this Officer, although I have not had the good fortune to see the subject in the same point of view with him. I am by no means the less disposed to acknowledge and respect his judgement and Experience. I have read with particular attention the last report from the military Board, but as I cannot concur in the principle data on which they have given their opinion decidedly in favor of Fort Marlborough I am still under the necessity of differing essentially from the report on the results which are drawn from those premises. The estimated saving of Pagodas 56,962 arises from calculations which cannot be otherways than uncertain

uncertain and on a question of such magnitude the
public will require stronger Evidence in support
of the new System than I have been able to discover.
The Military Board express their doubts of the
accuracy of the present expenditure and these
certainly must exist in the mind of every man
who considers the subject. The Public Funds
are repaired and replaced by so many different
persons as various services may require, and
in such a piece meal way that it is I believe
nearly impossible to ascertain the real expence
to Government. The Military Board assume
that the whole number of Officers will avail
themselves of the permission of the Court of Directors
to be absent on Furlough at one time. In this
opinion confirmed by the experience of the past.
In the Statement of the Military Board they
calculate upon the increase in the rates of House
Rent proposed by Lord Clives to Field Officers and
Captains, as if this increase made a part of the
present

present existing expence, this I apprehend, is not correct, as the expence has never been incurred and was only proposed by Lord Clive as a part of a general Plan which the Military Board do not approve.—

I have confined my observations to the Papers now under consideration and have quoted no opinions or Authorities except what appear upon record, but I feel some apology to be necessary for differing in opinion with the Commander in Chief whose acknowledged experience in the Military Service of this Country will give his opinion every advantage over mine, I think it necessary to add that besides the support which I derive from the opinions of two of the Members of the Military Board and the late adjutant General of the army, I have had an opportunity of consulting some of the most experienced Officers in the Service — whose general observations upon the Subject —

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will strongly confirm my objections to the new Plan. Upon the whole I am of opinion that the solid objections to the introduction of the new system are not equally opposed by probable advantages to the Public, that these advantages notwithstanding the able and ingenious argument with which they are supported are at best doubtful and problematical, that the increase of Expence is certain and inevitable and that under all the circumstances of our present situation and the most probable conjectures with respect to the future, it will not be expedient to adopt the measure recommended by the Military Board, but as all the proceedings upon this subject are to be transmitted to the most Noble the Governor General for His Lordships information I request that these observations which I have thought it my duty to record, may accompany the reference —

I Signed/ Wm. Petrie

Remarks of the Commander in Chief Reviews the objections of Mr. Petrie to the system of Tent Allowance

Although I continue to hold the most decided opinion upon the expediency of the plans proposed by the Military Board for granting a fixed tent allowance to officers in peace and war, in lieu of providing barracks in peace and tents and Carriage in war; my respect for the sources from whence the objections proceed which have been stated in opposition to that plan, renders me unwilling that the measure should be definitively adopted without endeavouring to remove them

In reviewing the objections recorded by Mr. Petrie, I shall seldom advert to the proofs which appear to me to apply to them above the observations proceedings now before us, because although these statements and arguments have produced no perfect conviction on my own mind, they have failed to make a corresponding impression on the judgement of Mr. Petrie. it will therefore be my principal object

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object to apply the test of experience and the evidence of facts to the consideration of the question, collecting as far as I am able the principal objections under distinct heads in the order of their importance; and omitting those objections which apply to the former plan of the Right Honorable the President because that plan was framed on the supposed accuracy of the former hurried report of the Military Board now proved to be erroneous, because it was avowedly proposed for investigation and discussion; and because I understand his Lordship to be perfectly satisfied with the result of that discussion, which has terminated in the plans of the Military Board now submitted for our adoption — These objections may most conveniently be classed under two distinct heads — those that apply to the principles on which the calculations are founded; and those that object to the practicability of the plan —

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The first objection one point of importance applies in a certain degree to both of these heads Viz. that the benefits of the plan would be doubtful, and the expence certain—

It is now about 20 years since the consideration of the plan of rent allowance long established in Bengal was first presented to my mind. I have not failed to avail myself of the knowledge and observation of the first authorities from that Presidency, and I understand it is universally admitted as the result of a long experience, that the practical benefits are not doubtful, and that the plan is confessedly economical—

I have already stated to the Board that although I have not gone through the labor of reviewing the calculations I have carefully examined the principles on which they are framed, and I profess my firm conviction of the fidelity of the report of the Military Board it will be nugatory to oppose to these statements

matured deductions the former hypothetical report
of a Committee of that Board. the elaborate minute
of the Commander of Artillery written in the
avowed defence of that report disarms animadver-
sion by the confession that it was hastily prepared
and it is known that the Circumstances under
which it was produced rendered an adequate
investigation utterly impracticable. If the
former Adjutant General of the Army continued
to be an advocate of that report, I should hesitate
on such a subject to differ in opinion with
that able and respectable Officer but I am
enabled to state to the Board that Lieutenant
Colonel Close has examined the present plan
of the Military Board, and that it has
received his unqualified approbation. The
3d member of the former Committee, Lieutenant
Colonel Richardson has voted for the plan
in his place at that Board.

The objections of Mr. Petrie

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to the principles of this plan as far as I have been able to collect them from his observations are the following —

1st That because the present expense cannot be ascertained the calculations are therefore "uncertain" — But the calculations have been formed on ascertained expenses, the expences which could not be ascertained are not included, the real expense of the present system is therefore more than that assumed as the foundation of the calculations, and the result necessarily more favorable to the proposed plan —

2d That the calculations are formed "on the increased house rent as if it made a part of the present system"

Every Government furnishes — Barracks for the Officers, or grants an allowance to enable them to provide for themselves, it will be unnecessary to make any remark on the present house rent, (the same to an Ensign and to all the

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the superior ranks? The necessity of doing some thing either of building Quarters or of altering the present plan forms the origin of the whole discussion, and the moderation of the proposed rate has not once been called in question it is therefore perfectly fair to contrast the plan of the Military Board with that which must necessarily have been adopted if tent allowance had been rejected —

3d "That in consequence of the distinction of the Mysore establishment we may look to an "peace establishment, and the reduction of that "part of the Military expenditure which provides "for extensive Military operations" one this subject I have the misfortune to hold a fixed opinion distant indeed from that of Mr. Petrie —

The history of ages evinces, that the only rational means of preserving peace is to be prepared for war — If ever the army in India should be placed on a peace establishment we shall

shall have more than risqued the existence of our empire in the East; but I should view with infinitely less concern an eventual reduction in the numbers of the army than any invasion on the efficiency of the remaining part —

4th That the calculations are formed "on one year War and one years peace which "affords but a melancholy prospect if well-founded".

It is true that the calculations are founded on one years war and one years peace, but it is also true that a certain portion only of the army is supposed to be in the field during the year of war. The subsidiary force of Hyderabad forms some thing more than 1/5th of the army constantly in the field; the foundation of these calculations amounts to the supposition of some thing more than 5/6 Constantly in the field; and I will venture to assume that an average portion of the army

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more than sufficient to compensate the difference between 15th and 16d has been employed on the field in our own provinces during the last 20 years, independently of foreign War which I should sincerely desire but cannot rationally hope to exclude from the Calculation. I am therefore Compelled to infer that the deviation from probability in this as well as every other part of the estimate has been made in favor of the public —

The observations which apply chiefly to the practicability of the plan state "generally" that the proposed allowances are inadequate — I will admit that the arrangement is framed on principles of rigid Economy but I am satisfied that Economy will accomplish all that is proposed — adverting however to the general scale of allowances, and to the necessity of Circumspection in the public expenditure, if I were to concede to the supposition even all

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all that is demanded, it would still be satisfactory to combine the necessary sacrifice of individual allowances with the attainment of public efficiency.

Several objections arise out of the assumption that the expectation of increased efficiency will be fallacious

1st. That the Carriage of private tents and of the ordnance and grain Departments are not provided for — The former of these objects has been reported by the Military Board to be under their consideration; the 2d is attained in a great degree by the Mysore stud; the single department which remains to be provided for is fluctuating in its nature, and cannot fail to be adequately equipped whenever the public energies shall be exclusively applied to its efficiency.

It may here be observed in answer to another branch of this objection that it was not so much the bulk as the unconnected state of the tents Carriage department which absolutely defied all

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all effectual superintendance, and rendered it for ever inefficient.

2d. "That Officers cannot provide "themselves or keep up their equipments, and "that young Officers have no resources for procuring "tents or building Quarters." Mr Petrie resting "on the Coincidence of his Sentiments with those of the late Military Auditor General, declares that he can never subscribe to the opinion that individuals can accomplish these objects so well or so cheaply as the public.

Few persons can retain a higher respect than I do for the memory and useful labors of the late Auditor General; but in appreciating his sentiments on the present subject I may without derogating from the veneration which accompanies the remembrance of a departed friend, be permitted to observe that the want of practical experience in field operations is observable throughout the whole of

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of his opinions

2d The best answer to these speculative reasons will be found in the Statement of a few simple facts.

1st Young officers in Bengal have long found resources for providing tents, keeping up their equipments, and furnishing quarters on their first arrival in the country, no difficulty has been found of, and on the establishment almost the only tolerable quarters are those which are the property of individuals: such are all the quarters at Hyderabad, at Arcot, at the Mount, and at many other stations, no officer of standing will ever neglect those personal comforts which are necessary for the preservation of his health

3d At the period of time when Marquis Cornwallis proposed that allowance to the army His Lordship had recently found indispensable to destroy his battering train and

and the greatest portion of the ordnance Stores for want of cattle to move them. Has he not ordered marches were performed by employing the inmoveable remnant of all his public draft cattle to remove one half of the Camp Equipages and Stores, while one half of the army and its equipments stood fast until the same troops should be repeated by the same Cattle? under what precise Circumstances, unable by the exertion of his unrivalled Military Talents, and the powers of his great mind to provide for the exigencies of the public Service, he Lordship proposed to the Zeal and affections of the Officers of the army to relieve them from the inconvenience & embarassing of all the public Establishments and it is not unknown that the whole army (with exceptions so few as not to merit notice) did actually provide their respective equipments on an enemys Country at the distance of 300 miles from the Presidency, and did effectually keep

keep up those exertions during the remainder
of an arduous War —

3d On Lord Cornwallis's first —
movement from Bangalore to Seringapatam,
when it was found impracticable to augment
the resources of the Public Department — the
Officers of the army transported at his Lordships
request the greatest part of their Stud destined
for the siege and it is consistent with my own
knowledge, that the Gentlemen of my family
(and certainly many others) exclusively of the
resources obtained by abandoning their personal
conveniencies, procured additional Cattle —
without difficulty (when the public departments
sought for them in vain) and were restricted
on the account of their assistance to the publics
not by what they could have accomplished,
but by what they could afford —

4th Thirdly gloriously conquest of —
Seringapatam found the army crippled in its
Carriage

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Carriage from the necessary circumstances of the siege, and scarcely a Corps in the army was capable of being put into immediate motion, on this occasion this subsidiary force of Hyderabad was placed without previous preparations on its present footing of tent allowance for Officers and men, and moved in three days with a more perfect equipment than I have ever seen provided by the public.

Mr. Petrie objects to the sale of the present quarters because they will not fetch one fiftieth part of the sums expended on their erection. This is doubtless a powerful argument against the Continuance of the present system, but ought not in my judgement to operate against realizing for the public whatever sums those buildings may yet be capable of producing.

Mr. Petrie concludes his observations by recommending that the Ledgers

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should be referred to the consideration of the Governor General in Council, I am not however aware that the Court Money has ever expressed a wish to enter into the complicated details necessary to a due consideration of this subject, nor has it been customary to trouble the Secretaries Board with matters exclusively relating to the internal arrangements of the Government. It appears from the records, that the consideration of this subject had already occupied the period of twenty one Months, and I earnestly deprecate any further delay.

I have thus endeavoured to afford such explanations as I trust may remove at least some part of the objections which have occurred to the Hon.ble Court. I am not however so sanguine as to suppose that either this or any other possible system would entirely exempt from misrepresentation. Experience the only source of certainty appears to be

in its favor. for Mercst we must be content to
judge of expediency by its usual measure, the
balance of advantage and disadvantage.

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I have &c
(Signed) J. Stuart

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Although it was not my intention to have added any further observations to my Minute of the 19th Instant on the subject of Tent allowance, yet as the Commander in Chief has in his subsequent Minute done me the honor to notice particularly my objections to the principles of that system, and in a manner which demands my grateful acknowledgements, I hope I shall be excused for adducing some further observations and to express any regret that on this occasion I find my judgement still at variance with on authority which I have ever respected and on former occasions have considered with so much advantage to myself.

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Mr Petries Minute — admits further observations connected with the system of Tent Allowance —

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2 I can never admit the inference, that because a System which may have been found to be practicable and Economical on a Bengal must therefore be so on the Coast, and on the present question, if the Roads are ever so well established, they cannot in my Opinion be fairly used in Argument for adducing a Similar situation under the Presidency, because the allowances granted to Officers in Bengal, under the Head of Tent allowance, is greater than that now proposed to be given to the Officers upon the Coast, although it is well known that every necessary of life, the price of labor and of Manufactures is much cheaper in Bengal than at Madras or the Presidency under the Government of Bengal. Because I believe it seldom occurs that any Corps or Troops have been actually employed under the Presidency where their Tents have been for the Field they have not been sufficient to contain and to rapid

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rapid marching and they possess the most valuable advantage of Water Carriage on most of their Provinces by which mode of Conveyance their Field Equipments are subjected to little risque of actual loss or of wear and tear upon actual service. The Officers therefore are that Establishment find it practicable to fulfil their Engagements and the Public service is not likely to suffer by their failure

3 I am sorry that I cannot admit the argument drawn from the inadequacy of the present allowance for Horses Rent to have much weight in this consideration of the subject, for admitting, and even by me means disposed to deny it, that the allowance is disproportioned to the object, any representation for an increase would have been unnecessary as I should before the considerable augmentation which was made a few years ago to the allowance

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allowances of the army than at the present
period and therefore it certainly does not follow
as an inevitable consequence that an encrease of
House Rent must be given if Tent allowance
is rejected.

4 In the 3d. Part of the Comparison
and first Minute Observe Lord Cornwallis
has been misunderstood. The Expeditions
alluded to were great Equipments
of Battering Train, Ordnance Stores and
such a Stock of Provisions as has been carried
into the Field on the late and former Mysore
Wars. The probability of similar preparations
is evidently no argument from the present
State of British India and no calculations
or System ought to be founded on such an
improbability.

5 Inconsiderable as the weight
of any observations, compared to that of the
Commander

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Commander in Chief on all Malabar Subjects,
and however much I am disposed on the
present discussion to concede many points
to his superior judgement, I cannot suppress
the difference of opinion which I entertain
upon the very important considerations which
are implicated in the following words of
General Stuarts Minute "The History of
"ages evinces that the only rational means of
"preserving Peace is to be prepared for War.
"If ever the army in India shall be placed on a
"Peace Establishment as it will have ever been
"when invited the resentment of our Enemies and the
Public -

6 The object of every just and
wise War is to procure a permanent Peace and
general Security, and the reductions of Public
Burthens so indispensably requisite to the
Stability of the State and the welfare of the
People is not amongst the least valuable
blessings

blessings of Peace such were the objects of the enlightened measures which directed, and the gallantry of the Army which executed, the reduction of that Power whose existence was incompatible with our Security. That brilliant Event, succeeded by more recent Procedures which have procured an unrivalled accession of Power and Territory to the British Empire in India, render the hope no longer visionary, that on the restoration of Peace to Europe, a general and lasting tranquillity will succeed to the local and temporary revolts which have recently disturbed a part of the Company's Possessions. Melancholy indeed, and unprofitable must be the situation of every Government so fallacious the prosperity, and transitory its blessings, which is always to be in a State of Hostile Disbursements, and if the restoration of Peace brings with it no reduction of

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Expence and no other Security than what is procured by merely a Cessation of Hostilities with the full and entire continuance of that which is scarcely less destructive to our State, namely the continued calls upon its resources for the Expences of a War Establishment — As General Stuart observes, the History of Experiences that the only rational means of preserving Peace is to be prepared for War, but it is on the contrary the misfortune of this Nation that I have the misfortune to disagree with the Commander in Chief although it is admitted that we should at all times be well prepared for War in this Country, it does not follow that we should therefore on time of Peace have our whole army upon a Field Establishment —

If the System of Fort allowance is adopted it must be given to the whole of the army in Peace and War, for our one

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has ever supposed that any Officer can possibly exist under the arrangement in time of War — unless he has Rations in Store, and to meet it will doubtless subject even with this advantage he can fulfill his engagements so as to procure his existence in an active war, contrary to this system it not adopted it may be justly expected that Government will be still more remiss of providing for any event likely to produce such a step at the same time effect a considerable reduction by putting the Officers of each Corps on Straight not be considered as Field Allowance or any allowance of Batta Rent Carriage they could not be lodged on Subsistence cannot remove them from Home on this the Army may not ultimately prove should Circumstances so do on all Occasions, the Officer of Pioneer having drawn upon Indents as Quarters which Government has found it difficult to procure.

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7 I do not clearly comprehend the object of the calculations with respect to the portions of the army which the Commander in Chief supposes to be always in the Field, for if the system of Tent allowance is adopted the whole of the Army is always in the field as far as relates to the provision of Tents and the carriage of them

9 From the commencement of the war of Lord Cornwallis's I am evident that the Tent allowance then granted to the Officers was found to be inadequate although these allowances were greater than the Military Board now recommends. It is true that the Officers did then generally and much gallantly exceed to the prejudice of Marquis Cornwallis's reasonable certain allowance for the Carriage of their Camp Equipage, but it is to be recollected that all those Officers had Tents such as they were, the property of Government which were given to them gratuitously, so that they

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they were exempted from the exchance of purchase and Sadiamly to provide for the Carriage, it was however ascertained at the end of the year that the Officers sick duffoo amounts pecuniary loss by having acceded to the proposalm of their Noble Commander and His Lordship judged it reasonable and expedient to continue the allowance for the provision of Carriage, for the period of 6 months after their return into quarters, which after all, have been informed by some Officers, did not fully indemnify them for the expences they had incurred. If this was so, I do not think we have much encouragement to hope for any superior efficiency in the Officers of the Army in any future active operations against an Enemy in the Field, for fear of the pecuniary part, will have a great, to a sufficient as to make savings from present allowances to meet future Disbursements — But admitting after all this some pecuniary advantage may

meet

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result to the Articles, which Convinced all present
Reasons, by the adoption of the new System, the
objections, or at least doubts, will still exist,
for enhancing ~~may also~~ that the Expence
and irresponsibility of Officers is greater than
their combined Care, Skill, and Attachment
often expending much money on the Army
to no State of inactivity may be objected to
resort to the old System which was also found
employed —

10 Council Assembled Present

Any objection or Strong argument appearing to the
Conference of the present System of Government
Quarters for the Officers of the Army
understood to my own Knowledge, if the Conference
will not take for Objected to the proposed
Alteration of the present Quarters, not to be Introduced
they were to be procured or Built as best suit
unfavourable from that part of my Knowledge of
Country

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because there could be no competition at such a Sale, that many valuable Buildings would be lost to the Public and that the expectation of advantage from such a measure was — fallacious and illusory This was however not my sole objection to this part of the Plan as I endeavoured to explain in my former — minute, and whatever may be the fate of the question of Tent allowance I anxiously hope that Government will retain the right of appropriating the Public Quarters under the probable exigencies of the Public Service —

11 Although from long experience in the Knowledge, ability, and Zeal of the late Major General Lydenham I had great reliance upon his opinions, yet my conviction which the Commander in Chief refers to, did not altogether rest on the coincidence of that Officers sentiments with my own, but on the collateral opinions of other Officers

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and from my own experience on the provision
of Draft and Carriage Cattle, and of the Convey-
ance of Field Equipments Grand Master
remarks is doubtless just with respect to the
late Auditor General, but it will not apply
to his Predecessor Colonel Abercrombie whom
I believe a Man of profound investigation
and a very correct Calculator, and whose
practical knowledge was inferior to few
Officers of this Army of those laborious investi-
gations of the Subject he was convinced that
the System of Tent allowance was inad-
missible upon this Coast, not only because it
subjected Government to accumulated Mus-
ter expence but because he considered the advance
of Batta as proposed to be derived from it as doubt-
ful and therefore bad, and that in the event of
an active War, Officers would never be able
to endure themselves under it and remain
effective in the Field: consequently they must
either

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either shrink or inevitably fall off from their duty, or call upon Government to encrease their allowances so to exonerate them from the burthen.

It may be observed in answer to my reference to Colonel Malcolm's opinion that when he wrote he was not instructed the subject then proposed to produce the saving on quarters and House Rent, but it is well known to others as well as to myself, that this Officer always understood that if Tent allowance was given, (although such quarters as existed might be given up to Officers) no House Rent would be allowed to such as might not benefit by the distribution of Quarters.

Although I observe that the Chief Engineer has by his high Estimates of Public Buildings, drawn discredit and distrust upon every proposition connected with the Building system. I am however decidedly of opinion that Major Munro in the Ceded Districts and

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and the other Collectors on the Stations where the Troops may be Quartered, proposing the means of constructing wholesome Substantial Buildings for both officers and men at a very small Expence, and I can entertain no doubt of their durability from the experiment at Masulipatam when Mr. Topping erected Barracks of this description at a trifling Expence several years ago and which I understand are still in very good repair.

13. Upon the various calculations and Estimates which have been formed in the course of the present investigation, it is not necessary for me to trouble the Right Honorable the President in Council with any further observations or remarks. I entertain many doubts of the justness of the data which they all assume, and which in many cases cannot be conceded without stronger evidence than has yet been adduced. I have been at much pains

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spains to ascertain the average expence of Tent repairs, but I have found such insuperable difficulties in my way, that I am by no means satisfied with the result of my calculations. I believe the expence for repairing Tents in 1798/99 does not stand in the Public accounts at more than 1730 Pagodas; the ensuing year the expenditure is considerably less. but in the 9 months of the last year the charge for repairing Tents is nearly 9000 Pagodas — I have been assured by a respectable authority that under the present arrangement about 4000 Pagodas may be taken as the annual average of this Expence. From the best materials of calculation which I can procure the total Expence of Tentage to Officers in the Field for one year may be taken at Pagodas 1,76,000 and the annual amount of House Rent —

at

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at ——— Pags. 108,840.

from which we must deduct
for ⅓ of the Officers who may
be absent in Europe or receiving
Full Batta in certain Situa-
tions ——— 21,768.

87,072

Deduct for ⅛ of the Officers
supposed to be supplied with
Public Quarters ——— 10,884

Remains Pagodas 76,188

14 From the only accounts to which
I can refer, the average of repairs to the present
habitable Quarters cannot be estimated at more
than 4000 Pagodas per annum—

15 On a subject which has produced
such different conclusions, from Authorities every
way respectable, I should think my opinions
entitled to little consideration if I was to—
betray an obstinate adherence to those opinions

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or an unbecoming confidence in the correctness of my own judgement, when I find myself opposed by Officers of great ability and knowledge and by the Commander in chief who has long been convinced of my respect for his opinion and experience. Under those impressions, which I really feel, I cannot however avoid considering the adoption of a System founded upon the present strength and disposition of the army, and on calculations established on the principles of perpetual Warfare, to be inexpedient at this time, when there is reason to believe that a general Peace in Europe cannot be far distant and that changes may ensue in consequence of that event, which may render some of the strongest arguments in favor of the new System altogether inapplicable.

16. Before I conclude I must correct the mistake which I observe the Commander in chief has fallen into in stating that I

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I recommended a reference upon this subject to the consideration of His Excellency the Governor General in Council, which has, I apprehend, proceeded from a hasty perusal of the concluding part of my Minute, for my words do not convey that sense; they are as follow, "But as all the proceedings upon this subject are to be transmitted "to the most noble the Governor General for "His Lordship's information I request that "these observations, which I have thought it my duty to record, may accompany the reference." It is evident therefore that I do not recommend the reference, but assume it as a fact, in consequence of my having understood from a Conversation with the Right Honorable the President, that it was his intention, to submit all the Papers relating to the subject of Tent allowance to the consideration of the Governor General in pursuance of instructions received from his Excellency; His Lordship has however since explained to me that those instructions

instructions direct the Governor of Fort St. George
to proceed immediately to the Investigation of the
subject of Tent allowance, but do not prescribe
any reference to the Supreme Government
any minute was delivered in
before I received this subsequent information,
but as the Honorable the Court of Directors
in their General Letter of 22d May 1800 have
thought proper to direct, in express terms, that
the measure of the Tent allowance shall not
be adopted by this Government without a —
reference to them, I of course, conclude that
all the various Papers, Matements and —
Proceedings which are now under consider
=ration, will be transmitted to them by the
first opportunity, and that their final orders
will ultimately decide the question —

Signed/ Wm. Petrie

To

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To the Right Honorable Lord Clive

Governor in Council

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My Lord,

From the Military Board Report upon the Establishment for the Conveyance of the Camp Equipage and Regimental Stores of the army, by Contract with Commanding officers of Corps - as proposed in their Report under date the 2d. November last - forwarded Minute recorded by the Military Secretary General on the Subject of this Report -

We have now the honor to submit for the consideration of your Lordship in Council our opinion upon the subject of an establishment for the conveyance of the Camp Equipage and Regimental Stores of the Army, by Contract with Commanding Officers of Corps - as proposed in our Report under date the 2d November last - Considering that the expediency of such an establishment is indisputable, provided the measure can be effected at an expence not exceeding the disbursements of the present Systems, we forbear to recommend our Plan by any display of the advantages which must result from the adoption of a general Tent allowance to men and officers - These advantages in a general point of view are such as must be obvious to every one, and we

we are persuaded that nothing but the Want of proof of the amount of present expenditure, (the acquisition of which has been attended with much difficulty) or an exaggerated opinion of the expences attendant upon the establishment of a permanent general Fort allowance, could have prevented a resort to that measure many years ago. The particular advantages of the System as it affects military operations, are of the highest importance and will no doubt, be fully explained to your Lordship in Council by our President, in his Capacity of Commander in Chief. - under this expectation it will be presumption in us to attempt to detail them; and it is therefore our intention to confine ourselves in this report to a pecuniary view of the subject.-

2- The enquiry which in our Letter of the 3d. November we reported to your Lordship that we had instituted with a view of ascertaining the advantages or disadvantages of the System under

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under Consideration, has been attended with a
much more favourable result than we at that
time expected, altho' we never doubted that the
Plan we then recommended would be found
to be more economical than the present mode of
providing Camp Equipage and Quarters for the
army — It is therefore with much satisfaction
that we find ourselves enabled to prove from
Statements of the actual disbursements for one
year, (the last expensive of four years preceding
the present period) that the Establishment of a
permanent and general Tent allowance to men
and officers, will be less expensive to the public
than the very incompetent system now in force

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We have the
honour to submit to your Lordship's consideration
the following Statement of Sums disbursed for the
Quarters, and Camp Equipage of the Men, and
Carriages of Regimental Stores of the army for
one year, contrasted with the Expence of Tent
allowance

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Allowance for the army		
Pay and Batta to Lascars employed with the Camp Equipage &c. of the Men	39,315: 25: 60	
Cost of Tents expended	15,250 — —	
Repair of Tents	2,127: 62: 7	
Hire of Bamboo Coolies	1036: 7: 22	
Subsistence of Elephants employed with Camp Equipage of the Men	377: 26: 68	
Carriage of Supplies of Tents from arsenals to arsenal	6,000 — —	
Repair of Sepoy Barracks	5,694: 1553	
Proportion of demunition of Lascars off Reckonings if Tent allowance is granted	2,000 — —	
Tent allowances paid to the Subsidiary force	3,000 — —	
Hire of Bullocks employed with Camp Equipage of Men and Regimental Stores	2,324: 30: 36	
Cost of Intrenching Tools issued for Tents of the Men	2,000 — —	
Carried forwards	2,28,887: 14: 6	

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Brought forward 2,28,887. 11. 6—

Amount of proposed Contract as herein after detailed. } 2,28,120——

Saving which will accrue from the Establishment of a Contract } 13,767. 11. 6

4 The Statements from which the sums abovementioned have been taken as the present expenditure, were either compiled from the records of this Board, or obtained from the officers of the Military Auditor General, Military Paymaster General, Paymasters in Mysore, and Agent for Public Cattle, consequently no doubt of their accuracy can exist — but as from a want of sufficient distinction between the several heads of Military Expenditure, we were not enabled to state with positive certainty the precise amount chargeable to the — men, it became necessary to assume a part of the general expence as the disbursement on that account — This had been done on the proportions allowed by the printed Regulations, reference

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being had to the Strength of the several Corps in Men and Officers, and we are confident that the proportions allowed exhibit, as nearly as possible, the real Establishment; and, in every necessary, should feel no hesitation in stating it as such to your Lordship in Council. We however prefer submitting to your Lordship in Council, in confirmation of the general ability and economy of our Plans and as a strong proof of the accuracy, not only of the assumed proportions of Expence on account of the Men as above stated, but also of the amount of the next Expenditure on account of Officers on the present System, as assumed in our former report, on account of the disbursements for Men and Officers for one year, taken from the Papers from which our first Statement was compiled, and noting the disbursements for House Rent and Purchase and repair of Officers Quarters as the same at which they are estimated in the Principles of the late Major General Sudensburg stated

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Dated 4th & 8th April 1801, and minute of Major General Ross dated 30th December 1800 which fall far short of what it is on all sides admitted must be disbursed for those purposes.

Pay and Batta of Pascals employed with Camp Equipage	18,633	19	20
Cost of Tents extended	76,331	28	19
Repair of Tents	29,695	44	77
Hire of Bamboo Coolies	28,704	10	74
Subsistence of Elephants employed with Camp. Equipage of the Men	13971	26	68
Ditto of Camels with Officers Tents	4,000	—	—
Carriage of Supplies of Tents from Arsenal to Arsenal			
Repair of Depot Barracks	9,399	—	—
Repair of Store Godown, as estimated by General Ross	5,694	15	33
Demolition of Bazar Office thereof	13347	—	—
of Tent & Materials granted	3587	—	—

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Tent allowances paid Subsidiary force	53,000 — —	
Hire of Bullocks employed with Corps Equipage	46.695. 25. 72	
Houses Rent at the present rates as estimated by Major General Clydenhaus	6497 — —	
annual Donations for repairs and purchase of Quarters as stated by Major General Ross	2037 — —	
Establishment of Intrenching Tools issued with Camp Equipage	3200 — —	
	4.71.975. 30. 3.	
Amount of Contract	21520 — —	
Amount of Tent allowances to Officers proposed in letter 3d November 1801	20620 — —	
	42.140 — —	
Saving which will accrue from granting Tent-allowance to officers and Commissariat	30.235. 30. 3	

5 Your Lordships will at once perceive the coincidence between the amount actually disbursed for

for the officers in one year as now stated, and the sum assumed as the annual expenditure on that account, in our former report, Viz.t 2,40,000 Pagodas, since it will appear that of 2,28,887: 14: 6. the expence for the men, be deducted from 47,973: 30. 3. the expence incurred for Officers and Men, there remains as the expenditure for officers 243.038.15.77- affording at once a proof of the accuracy of the data on which our calculations were founded, as well as a strong presumption of the correctness of the proportions of actual disbursements assumed as the expenditure on account of the men in the former part of this Report.-

6. In the above Statements no- change has been admitted on account of the proposed increase of House Rent, but an addition of 14,000 Pagodas will be perceived in the Estimate of Tent allowance to the officers of the Nizams Detachment, which exceeds 32,000 Pagodas, the sum at which it is now rated, but

but was erroneously calculated in our former report
at only 7,000 Pagodas, this difference, being a part of
the present expenditure; furnishes a new argument
in favour of the Tent allowance to Officers proposed
in our former report, and under the supposition
that if it be not established, the projected increase
of House Rent appears to us indispensable, the
real saving accruing from the adoption of our Plan,
will be shewn by adding to the saving for Officers
exhibited in this report, the sum of 31,000 Pagodas,
as additional House Rent, giving a total of ——
Pagodas 67,468 —— and by adding the same
sum of 31,000 Pagodas to the saving exhibited
in this Report, as arising from the establishment
of a Tent allowance to officers and men the
reduction of expenditure resulting from the measure
we have recommended will be found to be
Pagodas 81,233. ——

Such being the result of our
enquiry on this very complicated subject We
have

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have no hesitation in recommending to your Lordships in Council, as a measure highly beneficial to the public Interest, the establishment of a general Tent allowance to officers and men; to the former agreeably to the Plan already proposed, and to the latter in the following manner Viz.t

First

That from the 1st May next ensuing, being the commencement of the official year — or from such other period as to your Lordship in Council may appear most convenient; the proportion of Camp Equipage allowed by the existing regulations for the men of a Complete Regiment of Native Cavalry and a Battalion of Native Infantry, shall at all times be provided, carried, and pitched, and the regulated Numbers of Bullocks for Carriage of Regimental Stores in the Field be at all times kept up by the Officer Commanding the Corps, under the restrictions regarding musters already proposed for the officers Tents, and such other Conditions as

as may appear requisite—

Secondly That a monthly allowance be granted to the Quarter Master as a compensation for providing and keeping up, in constant readiness for Field Service, the number of Tents allotted by the existing Regulations to the men of a — Regiment of Light Dragoons, and a Regiment of European Infantry, and for maintaining at all times in readiness for Field Service with the Corps, the proportion of Bullocks allowed for the conveyance of the Stores carried with the abovementioned Corps respectively; These Tents and Bullocks to be subject to muster as above stated, and to such other rules and orders as may be established for the regulation of this Department—

Thirdly That for the Conveyance of the Camp Equipages of the Regiments of Light Dragoons and European Infantry, an establishment of Elephants shall be maintained by Government These Elephants to remain as at present under charge

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Charge of the agent for Public Cattle, but to be kept near the Head Quarters of each Regiment, in order to facilitate the movement of the Corps at a short notice, and to be obtained only by Indent of the Officer Commanding the Regiment under orders of march, addressed to the agent for Public Cattle, and passed under the Countersignature of the Secretary to the Military Board or his Deputies.

7 The Expences of the System above recommended is as follows.

2 Regiments Light Dragoons at 165 Pr. Month as Pr. annexm	Rupees	3,960 — —
7 Regiments Native Cavalry at 180 each Pr. Month as Pr. annexm		15,120 — —
2 Battalions of Artillery at 660 Pr. Month as Pr. annexm		1,050 — —
9 Regiments European Infantry at 320 each Pr. Month as Pr. annexm		30,720 — —
38 Battalions of Regulated Native Infantry at 280 each Pr. Month as Pr. annexm		1,27,680 — —

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Subsistence and Pay of attendants for 78 Elephants for the Carriage of Comp.a Equipage for 6 Regiments of European Infantry, 13 to be allowed to each Regiment, at 25 Pagodas each P.r Month — which Sum exceeds the expenditure of last year, taken on an average of the Cost of the whole Establishment. is P.r annum ... 22,400 — —

D.o D.o for 14 Elephants for two Regiments of Light Dragoons, seven to be allowed to each Regiment, at 25 Pagodas each P.r Month, is p.r Annum ... 4,200 — —

Total ... 26,120 — —

N.B. In framing this Statement it has not been deemed necessary to provide more Elephants than are required for the conveyance of the Camp Equipage of six of the Regiments of European Infantry, as it is supposed that, at least, two Corps must continue permanently in the Garrisons of Fort St. George and Seringapatam, notwithstanding that

this however it is not supposed that any reduction in the quantity of Camp Equipage can be admitted, as every Corps in the Country will be required to move occasionally, and it is considered as a more economical Plan for the public to keep every Regiment constantly supplied with the means of moving by the Method above detailed, than to go to the cost of keeping in their Arsenals a limited supply of Tents for occasional purposes—

9 Should your Lordship in Council determine on the adoption of the Plan now recommended, the following arrangements will become necessary—

1st That the Officers Commanding Corps and Quarter Masters shall be permitted to purchase the serviceable private Tents remaining in the several Arsenals, if they shall desire so to do, the new ones at the Contract Price paid by the Company, and those which, though returned serviceable, have been above three Months in store, at

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at a Valuation to be fixed by such Committee as may by your Lordships in Council be nominated to appraise them.—

Secondly That no future Provision of Barracks shall be made for the accommodation of Native Troops, but that when not encamped they shall be lodged at the expence of the Commanding Officer— and that buildings for the reception of the arms and Stores of a Corps of Infantry, and for the arms, Stores, and Grain of a Corps of Cavalry, shall be the only ones to be provided at the Expense of the Company — It is supposed however, that when a Corps may be quartered where the Company now have Barracks, they may be allotted with the permission of the Military Board to any of the Corps in Garrison, on condition that the Officer Commanding that Corps shall engage to keep them in repair during the time they are so occupied.—

Thirdly That the whole Establishment of Peons Lascars and the Supernumeraries employed with

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with Camp Equipage shall be discharged the Service — with exception of such as by long Services are entitled to be pensioned — This it is supposed will provide for the Syrangs and many of the Tindals — but as many others may have strong claims on the Service, altho the Period of their Servitude does not entitle them to a provision from the Company, it is with deference submitted to your Lordship in Council, that they may be allowed to enlist as Sepoys, retaining a claim to the Pension or Invalid List from their length of service as Lascars — This Indulgence will, we have no doubt, secure a considerable supply of excellent Recruits to the Service, and will obviate in a great Measure the hardships to which the proposed arrangement must unavoidably subject some few Individuals —

10 It may be necessary to explain to your Lordship in Council that we are induced to recommend carrying on Bullocks the Tents of

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of the artillery by Contract with Quarter Masters of Corps, from a Consideration of the great number of Tents allowed to those Corps and their dispersed State throughout our Army in the Field, which would render it difficult to carry the Tents on Elephants, as from the Number of Tents which these animals are capable of carrying, such of them as might be attached to a Corps of artillery would be subjected both to risk and fatigue in traversing an Encampment to collect such a number of Tents as would form a complete Load previous to commencing a march, besides which the great inconvenience which would be felt by the Men from exposure to the Sun whilst waiting for the Tents at a new Encampment, would seem a sufficient reason for preferring that species of Carriage which has been allotted above for the Camp Equipage of this Corps.

It recently remains for us to state that in addition to the Tents of Corps, it will be necessary to keep up a certain Establishment of

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of Camp Equipage of various kinds for the Hospitals of an army or large detachment, for the reception of Prisoners of various Ranks and discriptions, and for the Meetings of Courts martial Committees &c.c. — this number must however be very — limited, and will be the only parts of the Camp Equipage of the army, the provision of which will rest with the Public — and as it is probable that they will be very seldom used, they will be — maintained without inconvenience, and at reduced Expense. —

12 The Period which has been — selected for framing our Statement of the actual Expenditure for the Camp Equipage &c.c. Departments on the present System was the year comprized between the 30th. April 1800, and 30th. April 1801. — a retrospect to the expense of the three — former years, or an examination of the actual Expenditure of the Period which has elapsed since the 30th. April 1801 — will furnish — an — incontrovertible

incontrovertible proof, that that period has been the least expensive to the Public, of any of the four last years — and that consequently the result of a similar comparison of our Plan with the Expenditure of any of the other three, would have been attended with a result more favorable to our proposal. as however the Service which ended in the defeat of the Rebel Dhoondiah took place within that period, we deem it necessary with a view to prevent any misconception to which that circumstance might give rise, to state for the information of your Lordship in Council, that most of the Corps employed against Dhoondiah belonged to the Subsidiary Forces, and that the remaining part were equipped, most of them previous to the 30th April; and all of them furnished with Tents provided antecedent to that period; and which consequently are not charged in the Statement of Expenditure of Camp Equipage —

13 At the request of the Secretary
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Auditor General will forward Copy of a Minute recorded by that Officer on the Subject of this report.—

We have the honor to be

&c. &c.

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18th January 1802.

/Signed/ J. Stuart
" Jn Richardson
" E. Trapaud
" J Brunton

Military Auditor Generals Minute on the Letter of the Military Board to Government dated 18th January 1802 on the proposed System of Tent Allowance being established for the Carriage of the Camp Equipage and Regimental Stores of Corps.—

I gave in a Minute to this — Board, dated the 9th of last April, expressive of my sentiments at large on the System then — proposed of granting Tent allowance to the officers of this Army only; and I have read with very — particular attention the letter of this Board now

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proposed to be sent up to Government, enlarging the System of Tent Allowance in a very material degree, in as much as it goes to provide for the Carriage of the whole Camp Equipage of the men, and Regimental Stores of Corps. the adoption of which both as it regards Officers and Men, the Secretary to the Board makes it appear, by actual calculation, that the Public will save the annual Sum of Pagodas 81,235. — great pains appears to have been bestowed upon the calculations which have produced this favorable issue; and I lament exceedingly, that my long absence from indisposition, and press of business in my office after my return prevented my bestowing a portion of my time on the same important object, not that I doubt the accuracy of the calculations in question, but that I am fully aware that the different items which constitute the expence of the Cost, Carriage and repair of Camp Equipage, are so widely dispersed and disseminated, as to render it extremely difficult to bring together in the aggregate such Calculations as are to be depended upon as a basis

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basis for the formation of a system, which if hereafter found to be erroneous, will inevitably involve the Public in a certain and very considerable expence, and I am the more warranted in stating this opinion, as from my official situation I am intimately acquainted with the difficulty of contracting heads of Expenditure with correctness, from accounts not previously made up, expressly to exhibit that particular information—

Besides in order that the celerity movement should be complete in all its branches it appears to me that some Provision should be made for the Carriage of sick; in framing the Regulations for the subsidiary Force, this particular item was duly attended to, and if introduced into the System now proposed, which is incomplete without it, would form an addition of expence in itself so considerable, as in my opinion to prove almost an insurmountable bar to the effecting of the present purpose, the expence of the number of Doolies

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allowed by the Regulations for a complete European Corps, is per month Pagodas* 1484, — and that drawn for a native Corps with the Subsidiary Force, is — per month Pagodas 180 —

Keeping therefore the whole of this important Subject within my View, whilst such obstacles occur and deficiencies exist, I cannot consistent with the public Station I fill, give my support to the Plan proposed —

I am also confident as far as I am capable of judging, that the Season is past which requires the adoption of a System tending to accelerate the movements of our Army, the Most formidable of our foes whose possessions bordered upon ours, has long ago ceased to exist, whilst he lived so near a neighbor with the hostile disposition he held, it was an object of the first importance to be prepared to move at a moments warning — expense was not a consideration to be placed in competition with the danger to

* Pagoda Vizt. Dooley for every Man, at 14 Pagodas for Dooley —

to which we were then exposed but with his death our fears in that quarter have subsided, and the local situation of the subsidiary force, together with its complete preparation in all respects for immediate Field Service, affords us a degree of Security with respect to other native Powers that we cannot now be easily surprized, and the minor sort of warfare we are only now liable to be subjected to, is not of that importance as to call for the adoption of Regulations, the issue of which with regard to Expence is so hazardous and doubtful, and more particularly when such long intervals of peace may with the strictest propriety be confidently reckoned upon.—

However general the satisfaction may be at the Establishment of the rates of Tent Allowance now proposed for both the officers and Men, and which will no doubt last as long as we shall remain in Peace, yet I have no hesitation in foretelling; that when the hour of trial shall arrive

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arrive on distant and protracted service, the Allow-
ances proposed to be granted will be complained
of, as inadequate to the purposes for which they
were intended, and innumerable remonstrances
setting forth particular grievances will be the
result, and contribute more to retard than
accelerate the public service.

It further occurs to me in the
event of the adoption of granting Tent allowance
to suggest the necessity there will be, for the
establishment of rigid rules and regulations for
the conduct of the Department in all it's branches.
both with respect to the Public, and as it regards
the convenience of the Troops, particularly that
Officers Commanding Corps shall be obliged to
make Monthly Returns of all the Camp Equipage
to the Quarter Master General of the Army; each
several Return to bear upon the face of it a
Solemn declaration on Honor, that the whole of
the items specified in the Return are faithful
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and correct, and that the Corps is ready to move at a moments warning.—

It may also be expected, that as I have withheld my support to the present proposed System, that I should suggest some mode of obviating the perplexities which at present exists, regarding the House Rent which should be allowed to officers, and the manner in which Quarters should be provided for the Men, on these points. I have no hesitation in giving it as my opinion, that the sum of Pagodas 5 to Subaltern officers per Mensem, 7 to Captains, and 10 to Field officers of every description at Out Garrison where there are no public Quarters, are allowances sufficient for those particular purposes; and at most Stations below the Ghauts, Barracks for the Men are already in existence and only want partial repairs, and in almost all the Frontier Stations of consequence, where Troops are quartered in our new acquisitions, public Buildings of various

various descriptions ought to be found capable of being
converted into Barracks, at a moderate expense to
the Public—

I request a Copy of this Minute
may accompany the Board's Letter to Government—

Military Auditor Generals Office Fort St. George 18th January 1802— (Signed) J. Brunton
Military Auditor General

It did not occur to me until I
had completed my Minute, in order to have had the
observation introduced in it's proper place, that in
the Plan proposed, no notice is taken of the manner
in which Casualties are to be supplied, in the event
of the whole or part of the Tents of a Corps being captured
by the Enemy, or destroyed by accident; circumstances should render
it necessary, for an Officer Commanding to order the
whole of his Tents to be destroyed, or whether any
remuneration is to be made by the Public in such
cases, according to the existing mode of supplying
Camp Equipage; in cases such as I have enumerated,
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the Officer Commanding can either supply deficiencies from the Camp Depôt, or direct a supply to be furnished from the nearest Station, or failing in these resources, he may order the Camp Equipage of the whole Army to be equalized and distributed accordingly, which I believe was obliged to be the case after the affairs of Sattimungalum and Shaore, had every Officer Commanding Native Troops at that time been Contractors, many Corps, must have been without covering altogether—

(Signed) J. Brunton
Mily. Audr Genl

A true Copy
(Signed) John Macleane
Secretary Military Board.

Minute

Minute of the Commander in chief submitting further Circumstances with regard to the System of Tent allowance—

It was not my intention in submitting to Government the final report of the Military Board regarding the System of Tent allowance to offer any further opinions on a question that had already undergone

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Undergone so thorough an investigation, and had
been defended and opposed by so many arguments —
But finding it necessary to notice some circumstances
connected with that report, I shall again make a
few observations on this subject —

2 The principles on which the Military
Board have formed their conclusions are derived
from an examination of actual expenditure and
from an estimate founded on the justest reasoning
of the expences of those Departments whose charges
could not be ascertained by any reference to Public
records — The calculations of the Board are in
most instances incontrovertible; and where they
rest upon data that can be called in question,
they have invariably been taken at the lowest
amount: By these calculations it appears that
the adoption of the system of Tent allowance will
occasion a saving to the Public of Pagodas 2,335 per
annum, admitting that some errors may have
entered into the Statements of the Board, they
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could not have produced so great an amount of
saving, equal to one fifth part of the proposed
disbursements. The Military Auditor General
has expressed in a minute which he has recorded
upon the subject, "That he does not doubt the
"accuracy of the calculations in question; but is
"fully aware that the different items which constit-
"tute the Cost, Carriage and repair of Camp Equip-
"page are so widely dispersed, and disseminated
as to render it extremely difficult to bring together
"in the aggregate such calculations as are to be
"depended upon as a basis for the formation of a
system" — Nothing could confirm in a stronger
manner the truth of the calculations of the
Military Board, nothing can illustrate with
more clearness the advantage of the system which
they propose than this observation of the Military
Auditor General. For if the disbursements of the
present system are so dispersed as to render it
an insurmountable difficulty to ascertain them,
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it follows incontestably that the Military Board have not been able to collect all the present expences, and that their report of them falls short of their real amount. If the Military Board have already collected items of actual expences sufficient to — demonstrate the saving of the Seat allowances dispensed it may be concluded that were all these widely dispersed and diskriminated items to be discovered they would far exceed any calculation of them that the Board have made.—

3 The Military Auditor General states, as an additional argument to shew that the present expences have not been collected, "That "from his official situation he is intimately — "acquainted with the difficulty of extracting — "heads of expenditure with correctness from — "accounts not previously made up expressly "to exhibit that particular information." This remark, although tending to support the calculations of the Board is inapplicable to the present

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present question — For in the Letters from the Military Board to the Paymasters, &c. &c. requiring Extracts from their disbursements relative to the expences of the present system, the purposes for which those Extracts were demanded, were stated; and the most particular instructions were conveyed to furnish the most accurate and authentic information that could be obtained. —

It is an additional argument in support of the statements of the Military Board, that the Auditor General, who it is supposed should be conversant in the system, and acquainted with the minutest branches of Public expenditure, is unable, although he disapproves of the proposed plan of Tent allowance, to invalidate any one of the calculations on which it is founded. He indeed insinuates his suspicion of the accuracy of these Calculations; but it is a suspicion unsupported by any circumstance that could give it respectability or weight. —

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5 The Military Auditor Generals fears of the Company being ultimately led into greater expence should the calculations of the Board prove erroneous will therefore appear to be imaginary, and Groundless. The reduction of the expence is proved to be one fifth of the sum to be disbursed on future, and the mistake which could occasion that saving must be too palpable to escape so accurate an accountant as Lieutenant Colonel Brunton.

6 The Military Board have made no report relative to dooties, because they were not authorised by Government to enter into a consideration of that branch of Military equipment. A general System of Tent allowance, and a provision for conveying the Sick, were undoubtedly considered as distinct and unconnected. The former is essential to the prompt movement, and the accommodation of the men, the latter is not so. Tri Corps. on marching from

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from their quarters generally leave their sick behind them; and it is seldom that occasions for Doolies occurs before the Paymaster, or officer of supply, has been able to furnish them. Such of the men as fall sick on the first marches before Doolies are provided, can be conveyed on Elephants, on the spare Cattle of the Camp equipage Department, or by any of the various means so often employed in the wars of this Country when no doolies were at the public disposal. As the actual charges for Doolies have not been exhibited by the Military Board as a part of the present expenditure; the supposed expence of that establishment cannot in justice be urged as an objection to what the Board have proposed with respect to Camp Equipage. The present regulations regarding Doolies are I believe susceptible of improvement; and I accordingly intend, to enter into a consideration of them, and to suggest such Alterations as may conduce to the efficiency of

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of this branch of our Military equipment.

7. I am ignorant of the grounds upon which the Military Auditor General has been able to judge, and to advance his opinion regarding our foreign relations, and the continuance of a Peace in this Country: The consideration due to such opinions must depend upon the accuracy of the information on which they are founded; and I apprehend that few members of this Board, and much less a subordinate Officer, in charge of a Department of accounts, can posess a sufficient knowledge of the Political affairs of India and of Europe to hazard a positive assertion respecting the length of Peace which we are to enjoy. But if this were a proper occasion for a speculative opinion on that important question, I am neither prepared to concur in the confident assertions which have been hazarded on this subject, nor to encourage the fatal security which they are

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are calculated to produce—

The nature of our power in India,

and the jealousy, which it may be supposed is

entertained of our encreasing prosperity, teach

us the necessity of omitting no opportunity, and

neglecting no means of strengthening, improving,

and perfecting our Military System. To obtain

these advantages would be desireable and —

necessary, even although attended with an —

encrease of expence, but when instead of addi-

tional charges this very important end can

even be accomplished with a considerable &

certain saving to the Public it ought undoubtedly

to be adopted. From unavoidable circumstances

our troops are so scattered that an invading

Enemy might cut them off by detail before they

could assemble. In such a situation, what-

ever can conduce to facilitate their movements

and junctions must be highly advantageous

and in a Military View entirely indispensable.

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I am perfectly aware of the solid advantages which the public Interests derive from the establishment of a subsidiary force at Hyderabad; but it is a dangerous fallacy to consider this force at our absolute disposal, and I am concerned to notice a second time arguments of a political nature introduced at a Subordinate Board. It is to me manifest that whether we consider foreign wars, internal insurrections, Public oeconomy, or Military efficiency, the system of Tent allowance in all these respects will be found highly beneficial.

The sufficiency of the proposed allowances for the purposes intended has been demonstrated already by so many statements, calculations, and arguments, that I can not help expressing my surprise at its being still disputed. If these fail in producing conviction the sense of the army may be considered as a fair Criterion by which we may

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form a judgement concerning this Point. Those officers who have had much experience, who have been long in the Field, and have seen Service under all its various circumstances, and such persons only are qualified to judge on this point, are invariably of opinion that the allowances are adequate—

10. I would be happy to support the proposed system of House rent, if I thought it adequate to the object for which it is intended, or in any manner advantageous to the Public. It has already been repeatedly stated that all Governments either supply their officers with accommodations, or grant them an allowance sufficient to enable them to supply themselves— The former plan is inconsistent with the state of our finances; the latter on the proposed terms is in itself insufficient for its purpose, and it leaves the army in the same state of defective equipment, and the Public subject to the same expences, inconveniences, and risques, that are experienced

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expervenced under the present System. A reference
to the Statement which accompanied the last report,
of the Military Board, of the state of the Quarters
and Barracks under this Gobernment will shew
that the existing quarters in our antient posseſsions
are not in a condition to relieve the Public
from any material portion of the house rent, —
if eventually adopted. In the Mysoor Country, the
ceded Districts, the Provinces of Malabar, Canara
and Coimbatore, there are neither quarters, nor
Barracks, nor houses. The officers in those Coun-
tries understanding that a plan is under discussion
to provide accommodation for them, coiver —
themselves for the present at their own expence,
and the records of this Board will shew that
Government are pledged to the officers of several
of the chief Stations under this Presidency to —
adopt an adequate plan for relieving the incon-
veniences which they now suffer —

So far as the insulated proposition

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of a general house rent bears on the question of the efficiency of the army, its effects, although of a negative discription, are calculated to destroy it, the System which is now recommended by the Military Board, independently of its utility in accelerating the movement of Corps, will enable Government without any additional expence excepting Batta for a few days, to adopt a routine of regular reliefs of the various Battalions composing the army. This Plan has obtained in Bengal for many years and its advantages are eminent. It consoles the native Soldier, on leaving the spot of his nativity, with a hope of returning to it at a limited period. It weakens the force of the local prejudices, and local attachments of the Sepoys, and engages what remains of these affections in the favor of a device that provides for their regular return to their families, and their friends.

Should the proposed plan of

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of the military Board receive the final approbation of Government proper regulations for its execution will undoubtedly be framed, and enforced. It has occurred to me that it would improve that plan were the officers holding contracts for the provision and Carriage of the Mens Tents, directed to draw their Contract allowance in proportion to the Strength of their Corps. This regulation will produce a saving to the Public; it will incite officers to complete their Battalions; and prevent their deriving any advantage from the weak state of their Corps

13 I have concluded the observations that I judge it necessary to offer on this occasion. I am too sensible of the advantage of oeconomy to propose a plan which would increase the expences of Government; I am too much interested in the efficiency of the army to recommend any arrangement that would be inadequate to the end in view. It is on the grounds of

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of Public economy, and Military efficiency; grounds which as far as I can be ascertained by accurate calculations, long experience, and just reasoning have been established on the surest basis, that I support this measure. I consider it as highly conducive to the security of the Empire; and I trust that the Board after the necessary examination and reflection, will coincide in my sentiments.-

22d. January 1802.

(Signed) J. Stuart

Madras 26th. January 1802.

Mr. Petrie's Minute briefly to the preceding Minute of the Commander in Chief.-

As the principal objections to the permanent Tent allowance to Officers, which I have explained in my two former Minutes, will generally apply to the principles of the more extended Plan recently submitted by the Commander in Chief to the Right Honorable the President in Council, it will not be necessary for me, upon this occasion, to recapitulate those objections and shall less to enter into a minute examination of calculations founded upon data which in my opinion are either

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either assumed without sufficient evidence or —
rest upon the results of comparisons without —
having satisfactorily established the analogy —

I have however read with
much attention the Minute of the Commander
in Chief, the report of the Military Board, with
the separate Minute of the Military Auditor
General, and declining all further discussion
on the subject as it relates to the efficiency
of the Army for Field Service, the celerity of
its movements, and the facility of its operations
on all which I readily submit to the superior
authority, the experience and knowledge of the
Commander in Chief — I shall confine myself
at this time to the consideration of the question
as it may affect the Military Expenditure
at this Presidency —

One obvious remark has con-
stantly occurred to me in perusing the various
proceedings of the Military Board, and the
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Separate Minutes of the different Members who have argued in support of the new system, that even the disputed result in favor of the proposed change, arises from a comparison with the present System under all its existing abuses, imperfections, and irregularities, whereas at the same time it is well known to every officer of experience in the army that Tents made up of far better materials, with better Workmanship, and of equal dimensions can be procured upon much cheaper terms than the prices at which they are now charged to the Company, and it comes within my own knowledge to say that this difference of Expence will be from 25 to 30 ℔ Cent if the Tents are made up at our Northern Settlements. I have also reason to believe that a very considerable reduction of Expence might be effected in the Conveyance of the Tents of the Army, and in the care of them when in the Field and when laid up in Store in the Garrisons. It is the abuses and not the principle of the present System

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System which are so justly complained of, and I must continue to think that the object is of too great importance and magnitude to be entrusted to — Individuals — That Government should (as after all it must be) ultimately responsible for the Field Equipments of the Army, and that the Servants of the Public appropriated for this specific purpose, are more competent to the discharge of this duty than Individuals acting for themselves or the Commanding Officers of Corps who have — many other more urgent duties to attend to, than the provision and Conveyance of the Tents of the men under their Command —

I have carefully examined the calculations and Statements of the Expenditure under the present System, inserted in the last report from the Military Board: on the calculations I have nothing to observe for the reasons above mentioned, nor have I any doubt of their arithmetical correctness, but I see good grounds for

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for questioning the accuracy of many of the charges on which the general result is formed. Having kept the general accounts of expenditure upon every description of Military Stores under this Presidency for near three years and having lately referred to those of a more recent date I may be allowed to suspect the correctness of certain Statements which from my own knowledge of those transactions I think it hardly possible to ascertain with any satisfactory precision. This remark applies particularly to the repairs of Tents which in the statement of the Military Board are taken at no less a sum than Pagodas 21,270 per Annum; an Estimate so far exceeding, nearly in the proportion of three to one, all the Statements I have ever seen upon this charge, that I am convinced there must be some mistake in collecting the items, and which opinion I am the more

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disposed to entertain from similar mistakes having occurred in my own statements of the same articles formerly, and in the statements of other officers who acted with me at that time. The great source of error arises from the charges of one year running into the accounts of another the items which ought to come under this head are to be searched for in fifty different accounts and are frequently brought forward at a time when they cannot be entered in the accounts of the year to which they properly belong: for the most part the repairs of the three last months of the year are brought into the accounts of the next and it frequently happens that the Cloth and the Pay of the workman are charged at different periods. Tents are often returned into Store from actual Service and are not repaired until several months afterwards when some other Equipment may call for every repairable Tent that can be supplied. I do not understand the reasons which are assigned for selecting

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Selecting the year 1800/1 with a view to ascertain the actual annual Expenditure for the repairs of Tents, as it appears that the Tents which had been damaged in the preceding Campaigns were repaired in the course of that year. Although I entirely concur with the Military Auditor General, that it is extremely difficult to bring together in the aggregate such calculations as are to be depended upon as a basis for the formation of a new system I can by no means acquiesce in the inference which has been drawn from this part of the Auditor Generals words, because inaccuracy in the arrangement of these Items, may as well produce an over Estimate as an under-Statement.

It is obvious that the State-ment in the report from the Military Board is only applicable to a complete war Establishment and if the system is to be founded on such principles it precludes all expectation of deriving any advantage from

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from even the short intervals of Peace which it has been admitted we may sometimes enjoy in this Country.—

Having in my former minutes fully explained my conviction of the certain and considerable increase of expence to the Company, by the adoption of the proposed Plan I have now only to add that the extension of the measures to the whole army, exhibited in the last return from the Military Board, and in the Minute of the Commander in Chief has not altered my former opinion; and that I think it must appear obvious to every one who considers the proposed arrangement, that the advances to Officers Commanding Corps on account of their Contracts must produce a very considerable drain from the Public Treasury which the Finances of the Company can very ill afford.—

I have viewed this subject with perfect impartiality and with deliberate attention: if there was a bias in my mind, it would have inclined me to favor a Plan so warmly recommended by the Commander in chief but as the result of all my enquiries and of every investigation in the examination of this proposed measure, has invariably presented a great increase of Expence, and as the order of the Court of Directors appear

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appears to me positive for a previous acquaintance before we adopt the System now recommended, I could not consistently with my Duty have adopted a different line of conduct. I do not know that I could have strengthened my arguments by adding any thing further upon this subject, and certain I am that it was not my wish to add more than what I thought indispensably necessary for me to say —

I shall now conclude all that can ever probably be requisite for me to remark upon this subject, by recording my sincere wish that the Operation of this Plan, if it is adopted, may from its complete success refute every argument I have used against it, and prove that my apprehensions have been ill founded as far as my individual exertions can contribute to its full efficiency, they shall be Zealously directed to conform every hope and expectation of the Military Board and the Commander in Chief —

I have &c
Signed Wm Petrie —

Ed. Wm Strange

" Stuart
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Received and Sent the undermentioned

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From Messrs. Chase Chinnery and

From Messrs Chase and Co.

Mr Donall submit for payment a Demand due to

the Owners of the Alexander —

From Lieutenant Colonel Brunton

From the Military auditor General

reports the Net advances to the Military Department

for the Month of October 1801 together with the

amount admitted upon the Disbursements of those

Paymasters whose accounts have been audited for

October 1801 submits an abstract of the advances

to the Military Department and the amount

admitted for the Quarter of a year ending 31st

October 1801 states a delay on the part of the

Paymasters in Madura and Malabar in the

transmission of their Accounts —

To Captain Wilks directing him to

To the Town Major

appoint the Officers lately dismissed from the Artillery

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3d of the intention to send them to Europe by the Ships now under Dispatch —

5th Send the following Letters —

To William Petrie Esqr.

President & Members of the Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

Para 1— The Governor in Council having taken into consideration the letter of the Collector in Tinnevelly submitted with the letter of the Board of Revenue dated the ... I am directed to inform you that under the circumstances connected with the state of the province of Tinnevelly which guides the Collector in the arrangement made by him for the liquidation of the arrears of the troops of His Highness the late Nabob, His Lordship in Council concurs in that arrangement, and desires that the Collector may be authorized to include in

To the Board of Revenue concurring in the arrangement made by the Collector at Tinnevelly for the liquidation of the arrears of the troops of the late Nabob and discovery that he may be authorized to include the amount of the discharge or Meiroz Long Charges — Three days of Culture on public Officers mentioned or in the Estimate Station to be paid proportioned to the period they are due on account of which they pay all these must under this description to be regulated. The temporary employment of the late Nabobs Troops was proper but to be disbanded so soon as it shall be practicable any further provision for the Nawab of Tinnevelly than the allowance of a pension agreeably to his rank as a Meliting Officer cannot be granted. The claim of

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of Captain Hamilton will be referred to the Court of Directors — The Collector of Tinnevelly to Dispose of the horses mentioned in his Letter in the most advantageous manner. —

5th in his disbursements as a Military charge the sum of Pagodas 5,136.13.24. paid by him to the Troops —

2— His Lordship in Council authorizes the disbursement of the farther sum recommended by the Collector on account of the claims of a — Rafsaldar and other Native troops amounting to the sum of Pagodas 2181.23.30; together with the — arrears of the Fouzdar and other public Officers — mentioned in the Collectors letter amounting to Pa= -godas 346.5.20- provided that those arrears are due on account of Military pay; but desires that the claims for the payment of fees, or any allowances not of a Military nature may be rejected. —

3— The Governor in Council considers the temporary employment of the Troops of the late Nabob in Tinnevelly for the reasons stated by the Collector to have been entirely proper; but in con= formity to the principle which has been observed in the other provinces of the Carnatic, I am directed

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to desire that those troops may be disbanded so soon as it shall be practicable —

4 — His Lordship in Council regrets that consistently with the rules which have been observed in other cases of a similar nature, he is not at liberty to make any further provision for the Phouzdar of Tinnevelly than the allowance of the pension to which he may have been entitled as a Military Officer in the Service of His late Highness the Nabob agreeably to the Orders which have been issued on that subject; and the Officer Commanding the troops in the Southern provinces has been already directed to inform Captain Hamilton that the Governor in Council is precluded from admitting his claim to arrears of pay without the sanction of the Honorable Court of Directors. —

5 — In consideration however of the recommendations which have been stated to His Lordship

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Lordship in Council, respecting Captain Hamilton

I am directed to desire that he may be informed that His Lordship in Council will take an early opportunity of submitting his claim to the consideration of the Court of Directors.

✓ 6. His Lordship in Council desires that the Collector at Tinnevelly may be instructed to dispose of the horses Mentioned in his letter in the most advantageous manner.

I have the honor &c &c

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(Signed) G. Buchan
Secy to Govt

To Lieutenant Colonel Brinton
Military Auditor General

Sir

Para 1

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 27th Ultimo, and am directed to return the Statement of Retrenchments from the accounts of the late Commissary of Provisions

To the Military Auditor General—Returning the statement of Retrenchments from the accounts of the late Commissary of Provisions at Tanjore with the records annexed to it. Enclosing Copy of G.O. published by the Officer Commanding in Mysore which is here

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have been approved and confirmed, desiring that authority may be given for the advance of 800 Rupees to Lieutenant Munt of the Bombay Establishment and desiring that he will authorize the payment to Major Ogg of the usual allowances while he officiated as Judge Advocate of a General Court Martial.

Provisions at Amboyna with the decision of the Governor in Council on the Retrenchments.

2 ✓ I am directed to transmit to you the enclosed Copy of General Orders published by the Honorable Colonel Wellesley which His Lordship in Council has approved and confirmed.

3 ✓ The Governor in Council is pleased to desire that authority may be given for the advance of eight hundred Rupees to Lieutenant Munt of the Bombay Establishment under the circumstances stated in the enclosed copy of a letter from that Officer.

4 ✓ His Lordship in Council desires that you will authorize the payment to Major Ogg of the usual allowances while that Officer officiated as Judge Advocate of a General Court Martial at lately held at Seringapatam agreeably to the enclosed bill.

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I have the honor &c &c
(Signed) G. Buchan

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To Cecil Smith Esq.r

Accountant General

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor in Council to enclose the Copy of a letter from the Commercial Resident at Anjengo explaining the circumstances under which an advance of one thousand Rupees was paid by him on account of the passage to England of Lieutenant Smith of this Establishment, who was permitted to proceed to England on sick certificate on one of the Indiamen under dispatch from the Coast of Malabar; and His Lordship in Council desires that an adjustment of the charge may be made in the books of this Presidency.—

I have the honor &c &c

(Signed) G.n Buchan

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To the accountant General enclosing Copy of a letter from the Commercial Resident at Anjengo and desiring that the Advance of Passage money to Lieutenant Smith therein referred to may be adjusted in the Books of this Presidency.—

Sent the undermentioned letters entered

on M.B. N.o 7. f. 9.—

To Colonel Pater informing him that

the Commandant authority

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authority has been given for the disbursement of the pay due to the Native Officers specified in the list transmitted with his letter of the 27.th Ultimo —

To the Town Major

To Captain Wilks — informing him that the Sub Treasurer will on his application pay the amount of the Effects of the late M.r Bray — and desiring him to make an arrangement for the remittance of it to England —

To the Paymaster at Omadua —

To M.r Thursby — desiring him to state the cause of the irregular transmission of his accounts to the Office of Paymaster General —

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Received the following letter

To Lord Clive &c. &c. &c.

Governor and President in Council

Fort S. George.

My Lord,

From the Governor of Ceylon reports the arrival at Manaar of five Companies of the Malay Regiment lately serving on the Coast. the seven Companies of the Native Regiment of the Madras Establishment will be

I was informed last Night of the arrival at Manaar of the five Companies of my Malay Corps lately on the Coast and beg leave to return your Lordship in Council my most grateful

acknowledgments

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will be shortly re-
lieved from Trincomale
=malee — expressive sa-
=tisfaction at the terms
in which the conduct
of the Malay Troops
has been noticed by
their Government —

6th Acknowledgements for sending them —

As soon as they shall have been brought under the Eye of Major-General Mac Dowall, have received their Clothing which is nearly ready for them and been reunited with the rest of their Corps here, which will be performed with all possible Expedition they will be sent to Trincomale to relieve the seven Compa-=nies of your Native Infantry now there, who would have been sent to you sooner had the Garrison of that important Fortress been strong enough to have allowed of so large a Detachment without extreme Danger —

I have been highly flattered with the handsome Terms in which your Lordship in Council has been pleased to Mention the Behaviour of that new formed Corps, and trust that the service which they have seen will render them still more capable of contributing their full share to the General Defence and Strength of our Indian Possessions —

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January 24th 1802

I have the honor; &c &c

(Signed) Frederic North

A true Copy

(Signed) George Arbuthnot

Dep.y Sec.y to Govt

Received and Sent the undermentioned

letters entered in M.B. No. 10–11–

From the Town Major.—

From Captain Wilks—forwards a—

✓ letter from Mr. Mandeville soliciting to remain—

in India—

To the Military Board.

To the Military Board—enclosing Copy

✓ of a Paragraph intended to be inserted in the next

dispatch from England and desiring that the com-

=manders of the extra Ships recently arrived may

be called upon to account for the Muskets and

Ammunition supplied to them.—

R.

Received and Sent the undermentioned

Letters entered in M.B. No. 12–13–

From the Town Major

From Captain Wilks—forwards a letter

from Mr. Lawson soliciting to be permitted to remain

at

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at Madras until the next Dispatch —

To the Sub Treasurer

To Mr. William Jones enclosing Copy of a letter from the Town Major and informing him that it has been resolved to restore to the family of the late Mr. Bray the value of his Effects and desiring that the amount may be paid accordingly to the Town Major

At a Consultation

Present

The Right Honorable Lord Clive

Governor and President

Lieutenant General James Stuart

Commander in Chief

William Petrie and Mungo Dick } Esqrs.

Tuesday the 9th February 1802 —

Minutes of last Consultation read and

approved —

The Commander in Chief lays before the Board the following Minute —

Minute of the Commander in Chief recommending the further Retrenchment of different Military charges

"Sir. Since I submitted to the Board my

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my Minute of the 19th Ultimo revising the Staff appointments under this Presidency I have noticed some allowances proper to be discontinued which escaped my observation at that period—

2 The Officer Commanding the Cadet Company at Chingleput draws Pagodas 37.28 pr. Month as Table Money— This allowance formerly granted to Officers specially appointed to the Command of Chingleput should not be bestowed on the Officer Commanding the Cadet Company who receives

37.28 — additional pay in that situation— I therefore recommend that it may be discontinued—

3 Captain Caldwell of the Corps of Engineers is employed upon revenue duties and receives a fixed Salary from the Revenue Department— This Officer

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Officer is not entitled to any encrease of
his Military pay from his situation in
a Civil employment. I therefore am of
opinion that the full Batta which he
draws at present should be reduced to half
28.5.20 Batta which is allowed in all situations.

4 At Manulipatam a public
establishment of 52 draught Bullocks is
maintained by the Paymaster at the
Monthly expence of Pagodas 115.36. This
Establishment intended for a Brigade of
Guns and Tumbrils may in my opinion
be dispensed with as the Public Esta-
blishments of Cattle in Mysore are suf-
115.36. ficient for the purposes of the Service

5 As there is no Engineer at
Vellore. I recommend that the Engineers
Office establishment, at present drawn
for by the Commanding Officer at that
40.28. Station may be discharged

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6— I also recommend that the Engineers Establishment in the Barramahal may be discharged it is unnecessarily extensive, and is not required at present as there is 20 Engineer in that District—

Acc. 6. 72—

7— From the Engineers Establishment at Seringapatam it appears that 1 Writer 1 Head Mastry, 12 Bricklayers 8 Carpenters, 3 Smiths 3 Hammermans 3 Bellows Boys and 4 Coolies may be retrenched without inconvenience to the Public Service, and I accordingly recommend that they may be discharged when works are ordered to be executed at Seringapatam the requisite number of Artificers can be hired for the occasion—

134.34.40.

8— I Recommend that the Engineers Establishment at Vizagapatam where there is no Engineer and no work, may be discontinued—

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9 I recommend that the follow-
-ing retrenchment may be made from the
Engineers Establishment at Masulipatam

	One Writer		8 Pagodas
	One Conicoply		4
	Allowance for Stationary		2
	Five Carts		37. 25 "
	Two Maistry Bricklayers		6 " "
	One Smith		2. 36 "
	One Carpenter		2. 36 "
	One Bellows Boy		" 30 "
	One Chickledar		2 6 "
79. 3 "	One Head Maistry Bricklayer		4 24 "
	Three Water Bailers		6 18 "

10 I also Recommend that one
Carpenter and one Smith may be discharged
from the Engineers Office establishment at
6. " " Trichinopoly

Total 563.40.52 11 I have not as yet obtained
sufficient information relative to the mode
of

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of subsisting the Cavalry horses to en=
=able me to carry my intention into =
effect of recommending the abolition of
the situation of Grain Agents to the
Regiments of Cavalry, but this I shall
bring before the Board at a future
opportunity—

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Resolutions thereon

(Signed) J. Stuart

Resolved that the recommendation
of the Commander in Chief for reducing the charges
specified in the foregoing Minute be adopted and
that Orders be issued accordingly for carrying the =
Reductions into effect—

Resolved that a Copy of the above =
Minute be transmitted a Number in the Packet
to the Honorable Court of Directors—

Read the following Memorandums
laid before the Board by the Commander in Chief=

Memorandum

1 The Commander in Chief notifies to the
Board

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Memorandum of the Commander in Chief Notifies to the Board the deaths of Lieutenant Colonel Graham and Major G. M. Geppe and recommends that the necessary promotion be ordered, in consequence Recommends that the request of Lieutenant T. Bell of the 13th Regiment N. I. to resign the Company's service be granted, submits Certificates of the appointment of Specified Gentlemen to be Cadets on this Establishment recommends that the Cadets of Cavalry be promoted to Cornets and the Cadets of Artillery be promoted to Lieutenants submits a Certificate of the permission granted to Lieutenant S. White of the 1st Regiment N. I. to return to India submits to the Board for signature Certificates for granting Lord Clives pension to the Widows of the late Captain Fennell and of a deceased Soldier, Submits applications together with Surgeons Certificates from Major General Bridges Major Rowley and Captain Pitchforne for permission to return to Europe for the recovery of their health

Board the decease of the undermentioned Officers —

16th Regt N. I. Lieut Col. J. Graham 31st Jan 1802 at Trichinopoly.

19th Do — Do — Do — Major C. M. Geppe 26th Jan 1802 at Masulipatam

And in consequence recommends —

That the subjoined promotion be ordered in the —

Army Viz.

✓ Eldest Major of Infantry William ✓

Wilson from the 15th Regiment Native Infantry to

be Lieutenant Colonel, Vice Graham deceased: date

of Commission 1st February 1802 —

15th Regiment Native Infantry

✓ Eldest Captain John Hunt to be — ✓

Major, vice Wilson: date of Commission 1st February 1802

✓ Captain Lieutenant Joseph Stonard ✓

to be Captain of a Company, vice Hunt; date of

Commission 1st February 1802 —

✓ Eldest Lieutenant F. K. Aitkill to be

Captain Lieutenant, vice Stonard: date of Commission

1st February 1802 —

19th Regiment Native Infantry

Eldest —

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1 / Eldest Captain John Malcolm to be
Major vice Gepp deceased; date of Commission 27.th
January 1802.—

1 / Captain Lieutenant D. C. Kenny to be
Captain of a Company; vice Malcolm: date of Com=
=mission 27.th January 1802.—

1 / Eldest Lieutenant Sutton Taylor to be
Captain Lieutenant, vice Kenney; date of Commission
27.th January 1802.—

2.nd / Lieutenant T. H. Bell of the 13.th Re=
=giment Native Infantry having requested permis=
=sion to resign the Honorable Company's Service, the
Commander in Chief recommends that Lieutenant
Bells request be granted.—

3.rd The Commander in Chief lays before
the Board Certificates of the appointment by the
Honorable Court of Directors of the undermentioned
Gentlemen to be Cadets in the Corps of Cavalry
Engineers or Artillery and Infantry upon this Esta=
=blishment and recommends that they be admitted
accordingly

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accordingly — Viz.t —

Cavalry

Mess.rs Stephen Martin

" Patrick Mathew

" Charles Turner

Engineers or Artillery

Mess.rs Thomas Kinsey

" George S. Goreham

Infantry

Mess.rs John T. Gibson

" John Ardah

" Alexander Fraser

" Ambrose B. Perkins

" John Mathew

" Henry Swayne

" Thomas Grut

" Thomas Thompson

" Charles Hall

" Willm Robertson

" C. F. Poole —

John

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Mess.rs John Johnston

" John Warburton

" Thomas S. Palmer

" Daniel Kennedy

4 The Commander in Chief recommends that the abovementioned Cadets of Cavalry be promoted to Cornets, date of Commission 20th of July 1801, that Mr. Thomas Kinsey and Mr. G. S. Gorcham be appointed to the Corps of Artillery and promoted to Lieutenants: date of Commissions to be settled hereafter—

5 Lieutenant General Stuart submits to the Board also a Certificate of the Commission granted by the Honorable Court of Directors to Lieutenant Sohon Rebate of the 11th Regiment Native Infantry to return to India without prejudice to his Rank upon their Military Establishment of Fort St. George (and Recommends that Lieutenant Rebate be received accordingly—

6 The Commander in Chief lays before the Board for Signature Papers for granting Lord Clives Pension

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Pension to the Widow of the late Captain Fennell of Artillery and to the Widow of a deceased Soldier of Infantry.

The Commander in Chief lays before the Board applications, accompanied by the necessary Surgeons Certificates from Major General Thomas Bridges of Infantry, Major R. Howley of Artillery and Captain T. Techborne of Infantry for permission to return to Europe for the recovery of their health, and recommends that they may be complied with.—

(Signed) J. Stuart

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To the Deputy Adjutant General of the Army

Fort S. George

Sir

I have to request you will lay the enclosed Letter from Lieutenant Thomas H. Bell of the 2nd Battalion 13th Regiment Native Infantry before the Commander in Chief, and I beg to recommend his wish may be complied with.—

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I reported in my Letter of the 15th of last Month Lieutenant Bell being absent without leave at Muster the 15th and he only returned yesterday unable to offer an excuse for his delay - Besides this, his conduct has been so extremely unbecoming the Character of an Officer in his dealings with Merchants &c and in other respects, that I could not in justice to the Service and the Corps he belongs to in particular avoid bringing him forward, and so sensible is Lieutenant Bell of this as well as what must be the consequence if brought to a Court Martial, he has earnestly entreated I would not expose him by placing him in arrest, but wait the result of his application to resign the Service otherwise it might irreparably injure him with his friends - I have complied and trust to His Excellency's approbation - Lieutenant Bell is not allowed to do duty -

Dindigul
1st February 1802

(Signed) James Innes Lieut. Colonel
Commanding 2d Batt.n 15th Regiment
and Dindigul

P.

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P. S. Lieutenant Bell having been returned absent without Leave. The Commander in Chiefs authority is necessary to his arrears of allowances for last Month being drawn.

/Signed/ S. Innes

To Lieutenant Colonel Innes

Commanding 2d. Battalion 13th. Regiment N. I.

Sir,

Circumstances rendering it necessary for me to quit My situation in the Service, it is therefore My wish to resign the Commission I hold in the Honorable Company's Madras Establishment. I have therefore to Request you will make the Requisite application to the Commander in Chief in Order to His Excellency communicating the same to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, and I hope Government will be pleased to receive and sanction My Resignation as Requested as soon as possible.

Dindigul
31st. January 1802

/Signed/ T. H. Bell Lieutenant
2d. Battalion 13th. Regiment N. I.

This

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This day appeared before me Maria Tresa Fennell who voluntarily maketh Oath on the Holy Evangelists and saith. That she is the Widow of Baker Fennell deceased, late a Captain of Artillery in the Service of the Honorable United Company of Merchants of England Trading to the East Indies on the Madras Establishment, that She was lawfully married to the said Baker Fennell as appeareth by a Certificate of the same presented to me, and this deponent further saith that the said Baker Fennell her late husband departed this life without leaving her in property either real or personal to the value of one Thousand Pounds Sterling—

Sworn to before me at Tranquebar this 8th day of January 1802—

(Signed) M. T. Fennell
Relict of the late Captain Baker Fennell of the Madras Artillery

Sworn to before me the eighth January 1802—

Witness
(Signed) P. M. Cafsen
H. Munro

(Signed) V. A. Borgen
Judge at Tranquebar

Rec'd

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This is to Certify that Lieutenant
Baker Fennell of the 2d Battalion of Coast Artillery
was publicly and lawfully married to Miss Maria Thomas
Galway Daughter of the late Major Galway in the
Nabob's Service on the 15th day of August in the year
of our Lord One Thousand seven hundred and Ninety
Two by me

(Signed) Christian Pohle
Protest. Missionary &c

The above according to the
Missions Church Register
Trichinopoly the 28th of Decr 1801

Produced the eigth of January 1802

before me

(Signed) P. A. Borgen
Judge at Tranquebar

1796 Marriages

George Wright and Mary Smeathman were
Married in St. Marys Church Fort St. George
on the 1st day of October 1796

(Signed) Richard Leslie Chaplain

In presence of
A. Sutherland
Neal Gellen

J. Wright

M. Smeathman

I hereby Certify the above to be a true
Extract

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Extract from the Register of Marriages in S.t Marys
Church Fort S.t George on the Coast of Coromandel in
Fort S.t George the East Indies —
24.th October 1801

(Signed) W.m Kerr Chaplain

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

My Lord,

My health being considerably im-
paired by a long residence in India and being
subjected in consequence to bilious disorders of a very
serious Nature which the accompanying Opinion
of the Surgeons at Trichinopoly shewing the ne-
cessity of my changing the climate will confirm
to your Lordship, induces me to request leave of
absence in Order to Reestablish it and that your
Lordship in Council will permit me to proceed on
the Honorable Companys Ship the Charlton to England for
that purpose —

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I have the honor &c &c

(Signed) Thomas Bridges

&c

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We James Richardson Head Surgeon and James Dalton Surgeon do hereby declare on Oath that We are of Opinion that it is absolutely necessary for Major General Thomas Bridges to go to Europe for the Recovery of his health occasioned by frequent attacks of Bilious obstruction brought on by the heat of the Climate.

Sworn before me at Trichinopoly this 27th Day of December 1761

(Signed) James Richardson
Head Surgeon
James Dalton
Surgeon

(Signed) W. Hawkins

To the Right Honorable Lord Clive

Governor in Council &c &c &c

My Lord,

The impaired state of my health occasioned by a constant Service in the field for the space of Twenty Two Years obliges me to take the liberty of forwarding the enclosed Certificate, hopeful that your Lordship in Council will be pleased to grant me permission to proceed to Europe for the recovery of

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of my health

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4th February 1802

I have the honor &c &c

(Signed) R. Hawley

Major 1st Battalion Artillery

Hydrabad 7th December 1801

We Alexander Kennedy and George

Are Surgeons in the Honorable Companys Service

do hereby declare on Oath, that we are of opinion it

is absolutely necessary, that Major Richard Hawley

of the Artillery, should leave this Country and go

to Europe for the Recovery of his health

Sworn to before me at

Hydrabad this 22d day of

December Anno Domini 1801

(Signed) A. Kennedy

Staff Surgeon to the subsidiary force

George Alve Surgeon

to the Residency at Hyderabad

(Signed) I. A. Kirkpatricke

Resident

To the Right Honorable Lord Clive

Governor in Council

My Lord,

I have the honor to request your Lord-

=ship will be pleased to permit me to return to Europe

for

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for the recovery of my health the necessity of my

Return is attested on the accompanying Certificate

I have the honor &c

Madras

6th February 1802

(Signed) Thos. Tuckburne

Capt. Madras European Regt

We Thomas Thackeray Surgeon and John

White assistant Surgeon do hereby declare on Oath

that We are of Opinion it is absolutely necessary

that Captain Thomas Tuckburne of the Madras

European Regiment should leave this Country and

go to Europe for the Recovery of his health

Sworn this 7th of

February 1802 before me

(Signed) Thomas Thackeray Surgeon

John White Asst Surgeon

(Signed) R. Yeldham

Resolved that the promotions recom-

mended in the above Memorandum be ordered to

take place —

Resolved that Lieutenant Tuckburne

permitted to resign the Honorable Company's Service

according to the Recommendation of the Commander

in

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in Chief.—

Resolved that the Gentlemen who have produced Certificates of their appointment by the Honorable Court of Directors to be Cadets on the Military Establishment of this Presidency, be admitted into the Corps to which they have been respectively appointed.—

Resolved that the Cadets of Cavalry be according to the recommendation of the Commander in Chief promoted to the Rank of Cornets, and that Messrs Kinny and Gorehame be appointed to the Corps of Artillery and promoted to the Rank of Lieutenant.—

Resolved that Lieutenant John White be received on the Strength of this Establishment according to the Certificate produced by that Officer containing the permission of the Court of Directors for his return to India.—

Resolved that the Pensions of the late Captain Fennell of the Artillery and of George Wright Private Soldier be admitted on Bond Clines fund, and that Orders be issued for the payment of the pensions

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pensions due to them—

Resolved that Major General Bridges Major Richard Hawly and Captain T. Fichborne be permitted to proceed to Europe for the recovery of their healths—

Memorandum

1 Captain Nuthal of the 6th. Regiment of Cavalry having produced the prescribed Certificate of two Surgeons upon Oath and applied to proceed to Europe for the recovery of his health. The Commander in Chief accordingly recommends that his application may be complied with—

Memorandum by the Commander in Chief to lay before the Board the Certificate of the ill state of health of Captain Nuthall and recommends that his application to proceed to Europe be complied with—

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(Signed) J. Stuart

We William Ord Surgeon at the General Hospital and John Underwood Assistant Surgeon Native Hospital do hereby declare on Oath that we are of Opinion it is absolutely necessary that Captain Thomas Nuttall of 6th. Regiment Native Cavalry should leave this Country and go to Europe for the recovery of his health—

(Signed) William Ord Surgeon

J. Underwood Asst. Surgeon

Sworn at Fort St. George Madras this 12th. February 1802—

(Signed) B. Sullivan

Resolved

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Resolution thereon.

Resolved that Captain Nuttall be permitted to proceed to Europe for the recovery of his health

Read the following Letter from the Military Auditor General—

The Right Honorable Lord Clive

Governor in Council &c &c &c

My Lord,

At the Request of the executors of the deceased Mr. George Nelson, formerly Paymaster at Chicacole &c I have the honor to refer to your Lordship in Council the Retrenchments outstanding against the Estate of the deceased, after recorded in my Office for adjustment and final order.

From the Military Auditor General— Refers for decision the retrenchments outstanding against the Estate of the late Mr. George Nelson after recorded

Military Auditor
Generals Office
Fort St. George
9th January 1802

I have the honor &c &c

(Sign'd) James Brunton
Mil'y Aud'r Genl

Ordered to lie on the Table

The following letters from the Commanding Officer at Malacca are Ordered to be recorded in this Consultation, and to lie on the Table—

To

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To Josiah Webbe Esqr.

Chief Secretary to Government

Fort S. George

Sir.

I have been under the necessity of ba-
-nishing from hence one of the principal Malay-
Inhabitants named Achmit Bordman whose treache-
-rous conduct of late has caused much alarm in this
place. As at this Season of the Year We have not
an opportunity to send this Man to Madras and
finding it to be necessary for the tranquility of this
Settlement that he should be removed with as
little delay as possible I put him on Board the
Honorable Company's Cruiser Mornington on the 18th
Instant which Ship was fortunately at that time
lying here and bound to Bengal By that Ship
I addressed a letter to the Chief Secretary to the
Supreme Government fully stating for the information
of His Excellency the Most Noble the Governor General
the Nature of Achmet Bordemans conduct which induced
me

From the Commandant at Malacca states the circumstances under which he banished an Italy Inhabitant named Achmet Boedeman from Malacca & he had been sent to Bengal

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me to the Measure of sending him from hence. In
Order that the Right Honorable the Governor in Coun=
cil at Fort St. George may be acquainted with this
Mans treacherous behaviour and the conduct of Seve=
ral other individuals belonging to this place who
appear to have taken an active part with him in
a conspiracy framed evidently to destroy the tranqui=
lity of this Settlement and the life of the Captain
of the Malays - I shall beg his Lordships attention
to a detail of some particulars relating to the combi=
nation of these people, and I trust and hope his
Lordship will approve the Measures I have adopted
to secure to this Settlement and its Inhabitants
Peace and Tranquility, the destruction of which
was much threatened by the Councils of these dang=
=ming Characters.

In the Month of September last
Mahomed Boudman Captain of the Malays in
this Settlement absconded from home in consequence
of his being suspected as an accomplice and principal
in

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in the Murder of a Dutchman — On that Occasion Achmet Boidiman who is Brother to the said Captain of Malays, was taken into custody together with some relations and other persons all of whom were suspected of being in the Knowledge of this Murder and of having assisted Mohamed Boidiman in Making his escape. After these people had been confined some time and no positive proof having been obtained to establish their guilt, and as Ibrahimee Boidiman notwithstanding the most Vigilant exertion to apprehend him, have made his escape to the other side of the Peninsula, I liberated from confinement Achmet Boidiman and his relations upon their having found Security for their future good behaviour and taken their Oaths to be faithful and true to the British Nation and not to correspond or communicate directly or indirectly with Mahomed Boidiman or any of his followers nor to leave this Settlement without the permission of the Commanding Officer Notwithstanding these precautions on my part and the Prudentful attention of

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of the Securities Schmit Boedeman left this Settle-
=ment with several other principal Malay Inhabi-
=tants and went to a place some miles distant where
they secretly Met and at several times held conference
with some principal Malay people in whom they had
for that purpose invited there from the interior part
of the Peninsula whose disposition's well known to be
maintained
by some of the Dutch Inhabitants here, are unfa-
=vorable to the interest of our Nation.

At these Meetings it is believed a
correspondence was held with Rhadamer Boedeman
who I suppose a few days ago was at Lingen but
am now informed he is with Armed attendants
within a few Miles of this place where actuated
Boedeman and his friends hold their Councils Sacha
Muhlea and several Captains of Malays who are in-
=formed of these Clandestine Meetings expressed his
apprehension of their being in league with Rhadamer
Boedeman instigated by some of the Dutch to destroy
the tranquility of this Settlement in as much that

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he believed they were meditating to destroy the lives of some principal persons in Malacca In consequence of this Information I desired him to Order Ackmit Boudiman and his Companions to return immediately to their houses to this summons they paid no further attention than sending a verbal message that they would return at pleasure The Night succeeding this message, and while Ackmit Boudiman and his Companions were still out a Man was seen attempting to open the Window of the Room in which Inchee Mahboo the Captain of the Malays usually Sleeps, when the man was discovered he ran off, but being closely pursued he dropped a Blunderbuss loaded with four Musket Balls from which circumstance there can be no doubt but the Murder of Inchee Mahboo was the object in view, and as the man when pursued made his escape to the house of Samaut who was then absent from the place with Ackmit Boudeman There is every reason to believe that Ackmit Boudeman Inchee Samaut and their Companions

were

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were accessary to this attempt made on the life of the Captain of Malays. I therefore arrested the persons of these two People together with two others who were in company with them at their several Meetings, being desirous to obtain the clearest account of this conspiracy and the Nature of their proceedings at the clandestine Meetings convened by Ashmit Boidinian Imche Ismael &c. I have ordered a Committee of English Officers to assemble for that purpose. But with all the care I have taken in Ordering this Committee in whom I can depend for a faithful investigation without partiality or favor for either party I much fear that through the Artifice and advice of the Dutch our exertions to elucidate the matter will be frustrated, and I shall not be able to obtain a full conviction against the Prisoners, but altho positive proof may not be procured of their guilt, yet there is such strong presumptive proof against them that I think it absolutely necessary to remove Imche Ismael and a Man named Imche Karim

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Karrin from this settlement where doubtless if set at liberty they would in combination with the Dutch inflame the minds of the Inhabitants and perhaps raise an insurrection of an alarming nature in the settlement I shall therefore send them by the first opportunity either to Madras or Bengal

I have the honor &c &c

Signed A. Taylor

Lt. Colonel Commanding

To Josiah Webbe Esq.r

Chief Secretary to Government

Fort S.t George

Sir

I have the honor to lay before you for the information of the Right Honorable the Governer in Council an account of my proceedings in the detention of a Danish Ship in the Roads of Malacca and on which subject I should have done myself the honor to address you at an earlier period had not the season of the year precluded the possibility

From the Commandant of Malacca with this proceedings relative to the detention of the Danish Ship Freedenburg in that Port

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possibility of direct communication with Batavia—
Having on the 9th of June last received intelligence
which was not Official of a decree authorizing of war
having been declared between Great Britain and
Denmark and the Settlement of Tranquebar with
all the Danish Ships in Bengal been seized and
taken possession of—I deemed it my duty to lay an
immediate embargo on the Danish Ships Frederiksberg
then in the Roads and which was then ready to have
sailed for Manilla—I therefore appointed a
Guard on Board of the Ship as well to enforce
my Order for embargo as to secure the property
on Board from embezzlement—I forwarded to the
Commander Captain Herbst that every humanity
on my power should be shewn to himself and
Officers, that their private property should be secured
Captain Herbst at my request wrote
to the Officer on Board the Frederiksberg to remain on
the Guard—I sufficient given them permission to
accompany the party to land their papers and

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own property which was done and the Natives secured—

Being desirous to obtain authentic in-

=telligence regarding the Ideas I supplied to Sir George

Leith Lieutenant Governor of Prince Wales's Island

for any information he might have on that subject

who furnished me with an Extract of an Order for

the detention of all Danish Vessels from the Lords

Commissioners of the Admiralty, but at the same

time informed me that he had not received any

official intimation of War being declared between Great

Britain and Denmark, I therefore declared the

Ship under embargo and as at that Season there was

no opportunity of writing to Madras I addressed a letter

to G. H. Barlow Esq.re Chief Secretary to the Supreme

Government for the information of His Excellency the

most Noble the Governor General in Council stating

the above circumstances and begged to be honored

with the Commands of His Excellency on that subject.

In the beginning of July I had the

honor of a Letter from Sir George Leith giving com-

to

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cause to a Copy of the Commission he had received
from His Excellency the Most Noble the Governor=
General respecting the conduct to be observed towards
the subjects and property belonging to their Danish
Swedish and Russian Majesties dated at Fort=
William 7th May 1801 of which I have the honor
to enclose a Copy - No 1 on the 12th July I appointed
Captain Lieutenant William Sayer Thar and Lieute=
=nant Sutherland - Mr Donall (who had been
previously noted by the Officers of the Garrison
to be eventually Prize Agent) to be Prize Com=
=missioners on the part of Government for the
purpose of taking charge of the property, Superin=
tending the Landing of the Cargo, paying the nece=
=sary expences on Landing &c for the Safe keeping of
which I requested the Paymaster to make them
advances from the Honorable Company's Treasury of
such Sums as they might require - Adopted these
Measures from deeming official accounts of Embargo
only being decided and the Most Noble the Governor
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General in Council having Ordered that the property of which possession might be taken under these Orders to be held at the disposal of His Majesty who would hereafter determine on its appropriation.

In my instructions to the Commissioners in conformity to the Orders of the Governor General in Council that the utmost degree of humanity, liberality, and attention, should be manifested towards those persons they might effect I directed that every thing in the Captains and Officers Cabins and between decks claimed by them as should appear not intended for trade to be delivered which was accordingly done and the Cargo completely landed on the 11th July and secured in a house prepared for the purpose when I first detained the Ship I employed Mr. Daniel Ross late Commander of the Carolina Cutter now in the States under him to take the Naval Charge of the Prize Cargo I directed the Commissioners when the Cargo was landed to settle with and discharge them the

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Ships and on Pay being offered them at the same
rate pr Month as had been paid to the Danish
Commander and Officers the Pirates readily accepted
the sum offered - But Mr Ross declined it alledging
that he was entitled to Prize Money should the
Ship and Cargo be adjudged as Prize to the Garrison
which claim I would not admit - The former Com=
=mander and Officers I had released on their Parole
the crew being entirely composed of Natives of
Bengal I permitted a part to Seek employment
elsewhere and the remainder were detained for the
duty of the Ship which I placed under the charge
of a Dutch Pilot an Inhabitant of this place
Captain Herbst and his Officers having
applied for some allowance to be made during their
Stay here I have advanced Spanish Dollrs 500
Five hundred, which proceeding I hope will be
approved by Government and authorized, and I
beg leave to suggest the propriety of granting some

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fixed Monthly allowance for their support — They consist of One Captain and Three Mates, whose former Pay amounted to Sicca Rupees 580 P.r Month

I beg I may be speedily favoured with the Commands on this subject of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council I have likewise the honor to enclose Copies of the Lists of Articles claimed by Captain Herbst and M.r Dagot (N.o 2 and 3) as private property the Articles Marked with a cross have been delivered to them the other Articles being packed up as articles of trade I did not conceive myself at liberty to restore them without some further Orders on the D.o August — they addressed a letter to me (N.o 4) praying a restitution of the whole of the Articles claimed by them to which I replied on the 2d August (N.o 5) declining to take any further steps in the business until I should receive further Orders The Bales Marked H D the initials of another person name, I do not conceive that any part

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can be looked upon as their property and those only claimed by Captain Herbst Marked M.H. which appears from various circumstances to be actually his property. From the various Misfortunes of Captain Herbst I am induced to hope that some thing may be done in his favor for restoring his property.

On the 15th August the Prize Commissioners delivered to me Statements in Triplicate of the Estimated value of the Ship and Cargo, one of which I forwarded to the Chief Secretary of the Supreme Government, one I have directed to be kept for the satisfaction of the Captors should the Ship hereafter become a prize, and I have the honor to enclose one Copy (No 6) for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council.

The Estimate of the Cargo is formed from Invoices &c found on Board. The Ship is estimated at the same price for which She was

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Ditto

was purchased in Bengal with the addition of some repairs and fitting out. In the beginning of this Month I received intelligence from the public Prints of an actual rupture having taken place between Great Britain and Denmark by the Naval action of Sir Hyde Parker off Copenhagen.

Having received no order from the Madras Government on the subject, I have endeavored in every respect to act with caution and to adhere to the Order of the Most Noble the Governor General addressed to the Lieutenant Governor of Prince Wales's Island and I hope my conduct will meet the approbation of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council on this subject. And I have only now to beg that I may be speedily favored with instructions for the guidance of my conduct in this and similar occurrences.

I have the honor &c. &c.

(Signed) A. Taylor

Lieut Col Commandg

To

Malacca

9th September 1801.

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To Sir George Leith Bart

Lieutenant Governor Prince Wales Island

Sir,

In consequence of the hostile conduct of the Courts of Denmark Russia and Sweden the Most Noble Governor General in Council in obedience to the Commands of His Majesty has Ordered possession to be taken in His Majesty's name of all Forts, factories, and possessions and of all Ships and property belonging to the Danish, Swedish, East India Company or the East Indies—

and Russian Majesties or the Danish & Swedish

You will accordingly take possession in the Name of His Majesty of all Ships and Vessels now lying or which may arrive at any of the Ports of Prince of Wales's Island, and of the Cargoes of such Ships and Vessels. and also of all property on Prince of Wales's Island belonging to their Danish Swedish or Russian Majesties or to the Danish or Swedish East India Company—

All Civil Military and Marine Officers

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Officers and all Europeans in the Service of His Danish, Swedish, or Russian Majesty or of the Danish & Swedish East India Company are to be considered as Prisoners of War— You will release on Parole all such of these Officers and Europeans— as from their Rank or Character may appear to you entitled to that indulgence and you will send the remainder of the Prisoners to Fort William by the first opportunity—

You will report the Measures you may take in consequence of these Orders and transmit Lists of the persons who may be taken Prisoners, and Statements specifying the particulars and estimated value of the property of every description of which you may take possession—

The Most Noble the Governor &c. General in Council desires me to add that all the property of which possession may be taken under these Orders is to be held at the disposal of His Majesty who will hereafter determine its appropriation—

His Excellency in Council desires that you

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you will be careful in the execution of these Orders that the utmost degree of Humanity Liberality and attention is manifested towards the persons whom they may effect —

Fort Cornwallis I have the honor &c —
7th May 1801 —

(Signed) G. Barlow
Chief Secy to Govt

A true Copy

(Signed) W. E. Phillips
Secy to Lt Governor P.W. Island

A true Copy

(Signed) A. Taylor
Lieut Colonel

List of Bale Goods, Trunks, Chests, Boxes, Provisions and other Articles on Board the Ships Friedensburg belonging to M. Herbst late Commander of the above Ships —

1 Bale Marked M. H. N.1
2 Do — Do — Do — 2
1 Do — Do — Do — 3
1 Do — Do — Do — 4

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1 Bale Marked M H. ---- N°5

1 Chest --- Do --- Do ---- 6

2 Bales --- Do --- Do ---- 7

34 Do --- Do --- H. B from N°70 to 104

These 34 Bales are mine and Mr Dagats

+6 Bolts of Canvas M. H. Sold to Mr Kiaae but not brought on Shore —

1 Coach not Marked

1 Small Parcel Marked I. N.

6 Small Boxes Marked I. N. } not Numbered

+ 1 Trunk of Piece Goods not Marked or Numbered

+ 1 Do with Powder and Pomatum -- Do -- Do

+ 1 Dressing Chest of drawers in a Box

+ 1 Chest of Glass ware

+ 1 Trunk containing Vinigar Oil and Sauces

+ 1 Bureau containing stockings and other Articles with some Gold and Silver Trinkets and Lace —

+ 1 Trunk containing some Hats &c

+ 1 Do --- Do some wearing apparel and some remnants of Green Cloth —

Large

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+ 1 Large looking Glass in a Box

+ 2 Boxes of Wax Candles

+ About 10 Chests of different Wines, Brandy and other Liquors - and some fruits

+ A variety of Provisions - some sold to Mr Head

+ 1 Silver Gilted Sword

+ 1 Sextant and 1 Quadrant with a Book of Charts

+ 2 Directors and some other Books

+ All the moveables in the Cabin except the Ship Ammunition

+ 1 Large Cask of Rum of the Steerage

+ ½ Pipe of Madiera in Do

+ Tables, Chairs &c &c Do

2 Large Jars on Deck

+ 1 Bathing Tub /

+ A variety of China Ware in one Knives, Forks, Silver Spoons and One dispense

To the contents of this I am willing to make affidavit whenever required

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11th June 1801

(Signed) M. C. Herbst

A true Copy (Signed) A. Taylor Lieut Colonel

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List of Goods belonging to I M. Dayot Marked

H. D. +

N.o 1 to 15.. 15 Bales of Piece Goods

71 to 104- 34 Do between Captain Harbst and Myself

Provisions and Furniture Marked H. D.

N.o 1, One Small Box of Medicines

2 One Do Do of Powder and Pomatum

3 One Do Do of Europe Pickles

4 One Keg of Corks containing One thousand

5 One Chest of Gin containing 15 Square Bottles

6 7 8 9- Four Chests of Brandy- 2 Dozen in each

10 & 11- Two Do of Sweet Oil

12 One Box of Stationary

13 & 14 Vinigar Olives and other Pickles

15- One Chest with 4 hanging Lamps and some Glasses

16- Two Sets of horse Harness in One Chest

17- One Chest Containing two looking Glasses

+ 18= One Chest belonging to the Woman Passenger

19 & 20- Two Boxes of Wax Candles one Dozen in each

Not Numbered

+ One Box of Cheese- - - - - - - - - - 11

One

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+ One Box of Butter - - - - - 8

+ One Chest of different China Ware

+ One Do. of different Glass Ware

One small Box containing some China ware

+ Three Small Boxes containing Lavender
{ Water Hungry Water, Brandy, Bitters &c &c

One Bale with 4 Settringers

One Cot Matrass Pillow &c

One Maund of Sago

+ One Chest of Claret containing 6 Dozen

+ Some Kitchen Furniture

+ One Bureau

+ Five Trunks of Wearing apparel

+ One Medicine Chest

+ One Compass & book of Charts, some Instruments &c

+ One Pair of Brass Barrelled Pistols & one Cutlass

(Signed) J. M. Dayot

Purchased by me for the Country house of
the Governor of Manilla — Marked —
J. N. One Box of Articles for the Bureau

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R. G. One Bale containing 100 Piece Coarse Doreas

/Signed/ J. M. Dayot

List of different Provisions and Furniture purchased by me for Messrs. John and James Rowley

Marked J. N.

No 1 One Small Box of Perfumary

2-3-4 Three Do. - - - of Medicines

5 One Chest of Sweet Oil 30 Bottles

6 One Do. of Pine apple Cheese - - 12

7 One Do. of Olives } 36 Bottles of Cherry Brandy

8 One Do. of Venigar }

9 One Do. of Brandy fruits

10 One Do. of Stationary

11-12-13-14-15 Five Boxes of Prints with frames & Glasses 4 in each Box

16 Tumblers and Glasses 8 Dozen of each

17 Four Sets of Horse Hamess

18 & 19 Two Boxes of Wax Candles 1 Maund each

One Bale with two floor Carpets

One Bag of Coffe 1 Maund

One Bag of Sago ½ Maund

Two

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Two Pair of Brass Barrele Pistols

(Signed) J. M. Dayot

A true Copy

(Signed) A. Taylor Lieut Colonel

To Colonel Aldnell Taylor

Commanding at Malacca

Sir,

We the undersigned M. C. Hubst and J. M. Dayot beg leave to represent to you, that one of us being seventeen and the other Twenty two years labouring in this Country with great difficulty and a continual run of ill luck in the Course of that time together with the Misfortune of the loss of the Brig Bamholm on the 18th May 1799 By that unfortunate in particular having saved nothing from the wreck

The small portion me had insured for sea risk We did not receive till a long time after with a great Many deductions We then with that endeavoured to do our best and so procured some friends to Credit us, to try our fortune once More, and last

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last year undertook a Voyage to Manilla the only Port of any trade here the present situation of affairs allowing us to trade under our Neutral Colours and Passports — This was our second intended adventure to the abovementioned Port, but our ill fate would have it and the information from you that hostilities had taken place between England and Denmark in consequence of which we were detained here with the Ship Fredensberg and here Cargo as well as our private property is now landed in this Fort by your Order —

We therefore beg leave to request that you will be pleased to take our present ruinous situation into consideration, as We are unable to pay our Creditors on account of the goods belonging to us as per Lists already given onto you not being Insured for any War Risk, consequently a jail must be the issue - our only hopes from being totally ruined therefore entirely depend upon your humanity.

The restitution of our private property

which

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which We entertain the strongest hopes to obtain from the goodness of your promises to us when you ordered the Ship to be taken possession of In these hopes

We have the honor &c &c

(Signed) M. C. Herbst

J. M. Dayot

Malacca

2d August 1801

A true Copy.

(Signed) A. Taylor

Lieutenant Colonel

Captain M. C. Herbst & Mr J. M. Dayot.

Gentlemen,

In reply to your letter of the 2d Instant I beg leave to say I think I have to the extent of my power faithfully fulfilled my promises to you when I took possession of the Ships Fredensborg All your property found in your Cabins and between Decks has been restored to you without exception The other property Mentioned in the List I received from you has been found in the Ships hold, every article of which Seems to be packed up as if intended

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intended for a Market, and are Marked with the Initials of your owners Names or that of persons residing at Manilla with the exception of eight Bales and one Chest which are Marked with the Initials of Captain Herbst's name, but even they are packed up as articles of Merchandize for a Market under these circumstances I do not feel myself at liberty to comply with your request until I am honored with His Excellency the Governor Generals Commands to do so, a particular Statement of the Ships and Cargo is now preparing by the Prize Commissioners and will be forwarded by the first opportunity at which time I shall make Known to His Lordship the claim stated in your Letter — and shall be happy to receive His Excellency's acquiescence to it —

I am &c.

(Signed) A. Taylor
Lieut Col Commanding

Malacca
8th August 1801 —

A true Copy

(Signed) A. Taylor Lieut Colonel

Statement

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Statement of the Estimated value of the Ship Fredensberg & Cargo

Sirca Rupees Sundry

IN Three hundred and fifty Seven Bales of
which there is one general Invoice in Danish
Signed "J Nissen" and consigned to Messrs
Johnr and James Rowley at Manilla
Sum of which is 191929 191929

For the above there are likewise Invoices in
English as follows— One headed Invoice
of 210 Bales 4 Parcels 9 Trunks and 2
Boxes Piece goods Shipped on the Fredens-
berg Captain Herbst for Manilla by
Messrs. Fairlie Gilmore & Co. on account
and Risk of Messrs I and J. Rawley and
to them consignes and Signed "Fairlie
Gilmer & Co." One headed Invoice of 52
Bales and Trunks of Piece goods Shipped
by Mr. J. Nissen on Board the Fredens-
berg Captain Herbst bound to Manilla
consignes to Messrs I. and J. Rawley on

Carried forward 191929

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Brought forward ---------- 1010 29

on account and risk of the owners

and signed, "Colvins and Bazet agents

to J. Nelson" One Invoice headed and

Signed as the preceding one for 17

Bales one Invoice headed Invoice of

50 Bales of Piece goods Shipped by

Isaac Malchus on Board the Ship

Fredensberg bound to Manilla on

account and Risk of the Shippers

and goes consigned to Messrs. J and

J Rawley Signed Isaac Malchus

and one headed Invoice of 17 Piece

Goods Shipped on the Fredensberg

Captain Herbst for Manilla Ship

Messrs. Fairlie Gilmour & Co. on ac-

=count and Risk of Messrs. J and

J. Rawley and to them Consigned

MM Nine Bales claimed by Captain

Herbst as his private property for

Carried forward ---------- 1010 29

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Brought forward 101929-

for which there are no regular spar-
=ces but Estimated from a Memo-
=randum Signed by him at 6696-

Twenty five Bales of which there is
an Invoice headed Invoice of Twenty
five Bales of Piece goods Shipped
on Board the Fredenburg on account
and risk of J. Malchus consigned
by Captain Herbst and Messrs.
Dayats without any signatures
and a paper headed consigned to
Captain Herbst from M.r Malchus
likewise without any signatures
but containing the prices of the
goods the sum of which correspon-
=ding with the other Paper amounts to 14828-
Ten Bales of which there is no Paper
but from the Memorandum before
mentioned estimated at 2295 23819

Carried forward 215748-

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Brought forward ——— 215748

GAVD. Nineteen Bales for which there are no
Papers but from Danish Manifests of
Cargo appear to be Shipped on Freight
by Mr Van Deurs consigned to Messrs
I and I Rowley at Manilla and
estimated by Captain Herbst at —— 9000

MD There is one general Invoice in Dan=
=nish without Heading or Signature
for one hundred and four Bales,
the Sum of which is ———— 68991 77991

There are likewise Invoices in English
for 44 Bales of the above with cor=
=responding prices and consigned for
Captain Herbst I. M. Dayot ——
Two Carriages with Harness &c
Estimated at ———— 4000 4000

The Ship Fredenberg with Stores
Estimated at ———— 40000 40000

Carried forward ———— 332739

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Brought forward	337739
Total Value of Ships and Cargo exclusive of all Charges on Shipping, Packing, Insurance or otherwise	Sicca Rs 337739

There are a Number of Small Boxes and Packages for which there are no Papers, being claimed by Captain Herbst and Mr. Dayot as Private property not included in the above.

(Signed) S. McDouall Lieut.t
Prize Commissioner

Wm Farquhar
Captain Lieutenant
Prize Commissioner

Josiah Webbe Esq.r
Chief Secretary to Government
Fort S.t George

Sir,

I beg to enclose Copy of Papers which I thought it necessary to transmit to Fort William for the information of His Excellency the Governor General

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From the Commandant at Malacca forwarding a Copy of the Papers which he had transmitted to Bengal on the subject of detaining a Malay Prow suspected of Piracy.

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I was induced to make the communi-
=cation direct to Bengal as well on account of no
opportunity offering for Madras, as that it appeared
to me my wish of obtaining Orders for the Bom-
=bay Cruisers could only be effected by application
to the Government General —

If I have been incorrect in so
doing — The Right Honorable the Governor in Coun=
=cil will I trust impute it to the best of Motives,
my anxiety to promote the public weal —

I have the honor &c &c

Malacca
10.th December 1801

/ Signed / A. Taylor

G. H. Barlow Esq.r
Chief Secretary to Government

Sir

I deem it incumbent on me to trans-
=mit the enclosed Papers for the information of
the Most Noble the Governor General —

No 1 Intimation from the Master
attendant which finding to be correct, I detained
the

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the Vessel therein Mentioned—

No 2— Translate of my letter to Tun-
-koo Moodoo a Malay Chief and owner of the Vessel
detained with his answer, and my reply—

No 3— Copy of a letter from the prin-
-cipal Chinese and other Merchants of this place—
Soliciting the interference of Government for their
protection against the depredations of the pirates—

I have only to add that these—
Statements are just and that as there appears to
me a necessity for some measures being taken
to repress the insolence of these Pirates and give a
check to their depredations I purpose taking the
liberty on the return of the Intrepid, viper, and—
Comet Bombay Cruisers from Choma to require
of their Commanding Officer, their aid and assistance
for that purpose trusting to meet His Lordships—
approbation and to receive his further Orders on
this subject—

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I have the honor &c &c

(Signed) A. Taylor

Lieut Colonel Commanding

A true Copy

(Signed) A. Taylor Lt. Col Commanding

Lieutenant Colonel Taylor

Commanding

Sir,

I deem it to be my duty to state for your information that the Vessel which came into the Roads Yesterday I find to belong to Tunkoo Moodoo a Malay Chief-tain who I understand has publickly avowed himself a Pirate and announced his resolution to commit depredations on the Proas and Vessels of all Nations – That is, was him, or his people who attacked the Brig Sumatra belonging to this port, who so narrowley escaped capture after a long engagement by her superior Sailing and there is reason to believe that the Brig Bassio, also belonging to this port

who

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who is missing has been captured by his Vessel—

Under these circumstances I beg leave to submit it to your consideration how far it may be adviseable to detain this Vessel, the property of Tunkoo Moodoo until he shall give some explanation of his conduct in answer to these charges—

Malacca
3rd October 1801

I am &c
(Signed) Chs W. Young
Master Attendant

A true Copy
(Signed) A. Taylor Lieut Colonel

Translation of Lieutenant Colonel Taylors Letter to Tunkoo Moodoo dated 3rd October 1801—

After usual Compliments

I deem it proper to acquaint you that in consequence of a Report made to me of a Brig belonging to this place having been attacked by some of your people, as well as that a Number of Pirates have collected at the entrance of the straits and thereby occasioned a stop being put to the Trade I have

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have thought proper to detain your Snow until I shall receive information from you on these subjects and I rely on your acquainting me with the particulars by the first opportunity and of your endeavours to drive away the Pirates as soon as possible so as to leave the Straits clear for trade. That it may be known to the Commanders of Vessels here that they may trafic without molestation, and that Trade may flourish as usual which is our best wishes—

Translate of a Letter from Tunkoo Moodoo in answer to Colonel Taylor's Letter dated the 3rd October 1801—

After Customary Compliments

My Friends Letter I received wherein the detention of my snow is mentioned which by no means alarm me, neither will it enrich you. all the Pirates are my People, I ordered them to cruize of the Mouth of Rhio, to intercept the Buggess Prows, because they had given their aid

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aid and asistance to Rajah Ally and Cerain, and
contributed to the expence of the War against me. They
attacked the Place,* that my friends† put Sultan
Mahomed in profesion of the Buggese are conseguently
my enemies except those that did not join them at
Rhio.

Previous to Rhio being taken, the Sul-
-taun gave me the Government of that place I am
now disgraced, because I had not the Means to
maintain it, but it is a great shame to those‡ who
had the power to prevent it but neglected me, and
perhaps you will feel no remorse in these proceedings—
your good Name is well established throughout all
the Malay Countries and in the Company's Settle-
-ments on Java for your asistance to Sultaun
Mahomed and Myself.

I return you thanks for your caution
to me in regard to doing away the Pirates &c that
the straits might be free for trading Vessels to pass
unmolested. If this be your wish, mine is Tenfold
in

* meaning Rhio
† meaning the English
‡ meaning the Government of Malacca

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in regard to encrease of trade, and if you are sincere in those wishes drive the Buggees from Rhio; for so long as they are there, the Pirates and other bad people will much encrease together with those that will take a part in my present disgrace —

My people had been laying in wait for Nea Sango (a Buggees that had been sent to Malacca with Letters from Rajah Alby to Colonel Taylor) in which Cruize they fell in with a Brig bound to Malacca My cruizers being in want of Provisions went down to the Brig to ask for Rice in which I think there was no harm on hailing her she fired, and my people could not refrain — from returning the fire, on which put back to — Rhio and my people would not follow on account of your goodness to me. for this accident they were sorry. —

Nevertheless to look upon this — accident as a crime. let not the breach be placed to My accounts being myself conscious that I am not —

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not in the wrong, to prove which I sent my Snow with some Cargo, to obtain of you a few necessaries

My Orders to My people now cruizing are, that no Vessels whatever is to be permitted to enter Rhio but let them go to Bullam or any other port, if bound for Rhio they will be considers as Enemies-Therefore I request you will not allow any of your people to enter that port- as I mean to Capture and plunder every thing attempting to enter that place

I have a great Number of Pirates with me and I hope that My people may not fall in with any of your People for fear of the consequence

I return many thanks for your goodness I hope you will not take it amiss that I did not write to you ere now- as I was waiting for your letter Dated from no place according to our time Monday 19th October 1801-

Translate of Lieutenant Colonel Taylors Letter to Tunkoo Moodoos- Answer dated 19th October 1801-

After usual Compliments

I have received your very extraordinary letter

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Letter of the 19.th October in answer to Mine of the 3.rd

October.

You have in that Letter not only assu-
med a dictatorial Style to which the English are
unaccustomed, but you have actually declared your-
self at War with the English. This I could wish
to believe you did not intend, and upon reflecting
you will determine otherwise in this Matter.

The English have always endeavoured to
Maintain peace and amity with all the Neighbour
ing Chiefs nor do they wish to enterfere in any of
their disputes with each other.

With respect to your preventing English
Vessels trading to Rhio, or wherever else they
please I have to assure you that if any English
Vessel shall be molested by you or by any of your
people, speedy and exemplary punishment will be
the consequence of your rashness.

Respecting your Snow which I detained
until you should explain to me your actions and
intentions

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intentions I shall continue to detain her until you shall evince a more peaceable and friendly disposition towards the English or until I shall receive the Orders of the Government General to whom a Copy of your Letter shall be sent—

In the Mean time an Inventory of every Article on Board of her shall be taken with due care and kept ready to be restored to you with the first whenever an alteration in your conduct shall direct it, or as it may be Ordered by the Government General—

True Copies as Translated

(Signed) Alx Taylor
Lieutenant Colonel

To Lieutenant Colonel Taylor
Commanding

Sir,

We the undersigned being Merchants of Manilla, and Natives of its Realms of the Revenue beg leave to represent to you, that they receive [illegible] daily advices of depredations committed on our Trade by

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by a Set of daring Pirates abroad within sight of

Malacca that they are acquiring such strength as

will at no future period acknowledge of the Establish-

ment of Foreign Power that it has already become

unsafe for any Merchant Vessel to pass the

Eastward of Malacca and that more Power to Us

than that possessed by Government speedily adopt some

Measures for the protection of the Trade on the

Straits that it will be unsafe for any Vessels to pass

to their Ports —

Now Sir we cannot but perceive the

serious consequences to the important Eastern Trade

and that under such Circumstances the Revenues

of this place must suffer Materially —

We therefore trust that you will

see the Necessity of taking such immediate mea-

sures for our relief and protection as may be

now found or should you deem a reference to

the Governor General necessary, that you

will lose no time in forwarding his Packets

with

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with the justice and necessity for the representations

Malacca
5th November 1801

We are &c
(Signed) A. Hook
" J. Bellemont
" Keane (Capt Chemise)
" Lekan
" C. H. Young
" Byyagrah Chitty
" M. Killian

A true Copy

(Signed) Alex Taylor
Lieutenant Colonel

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

Sir,

I have the honor to lay before you for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council Copies of several Letters regarding the Danish Ship Fredensberg still under detention in

From the Commandant at Malacca forwards further proceedings regarding the Danish Ship Fredensberg still remaining under restraint in Malacca Road

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in these Roads—

On the 6th November I received a Letter (№1) from the Officers of the Garrison who were powered on the 9th June last requesting me to nominate the Officers voted by us eventually as Prize agents for the Ships Fredensberg to act as such that a Sale of the property might take place—

Fully and perfectly coinciding in the Opinions expressed in that Letter with regard to the danger to which the Ship and Cargo are exposed—I should not have hesitated had I been sufficiently authorized to Sanction the Measures recommended But acting on Copies of Orders for detention only I do not feel myself at liberty to take such a step, more especially having in my letter to the Chief Secretary to the Supreme Government of the 25th of June declared my intentions of returning the Ship and Cargo on the same State as at that time—

On the 20th November I received a Letter (№2) from the Prize Commissioners informing of

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of two large Anchors having been discovered on
Board stowed under the Cargo, as Cartilage from
the circumstance of the Ships carrying Naval
Stores to an Enemy's Port I am of opinion that
a New cause of detention arises against the Ship
and on which subject particularly I beg to re-
ceive the Commands of the Right Honorable
the Governor General in Council —

On the 9th Instant being applied
to by Captain Rannie of His Majesty's Ship
Centurion by letter (No 3) to permit the Prize
Commissioners to supply the above mentioned
Anchors to him immediately, that Ships being in
distress — The being an exigent case and the probable
safety of One of His Majesty's Ships depending
I had no hesitation to comply and directed the
Commissioners to deliver the Anchors, the Purser
of the Centurion granting Bills for their payment
at the rate usually paid for Anchors here —

I have the honor &c &c

(Signed) Alex Taylor
Lieut & Commanding

Malacca
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Lieutenant Colonel Aldwell Taylor

Commanding Malacca

Sir,

We the undersigned Officers who be-
=longed to this Garrison at the time of the Deten-
=tion of the Danish Ship Fredensberg on the
9th of June, beg leave to state for your considera-
=tion, being as we conceive as well as all the Troops
individually concerned in her and Cargo, the dange-
=rous and exposed situation of the said Ship in
these Roads, where she has already, from a severe
Gale of wind, sustained a heavy damage and was
at the same time drove from her Anchors; where
she is not only liable to Similar accidents, but
to total loss, as well from bad weather as from
the possibility of her being cut out of the Roads
by an Enemy. Exclusive of the above reasons permit
us to Mention that she is daily becoming of
less value from exposure to all sort of weather
and that a constant expense is incurring from

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the absolute necessity of keeping people on Board of her &c &c

The Cargo is also landed and housed liable to a variety of accidents from the great dampness of this climate &c —

Some time after her detention accounts reached this of the actual commencement of hostilities between Britain and Denmark on the 2d April off Copenhagen —

We have seen from the Public Papers Advertizements for the Sale of the Danish Ships and Cargoes captured on the Coast of Coromandel, and by the latest News Papers from Calcutta a Government Notification of the Sale of the Warehouses of the Danish Company at Serampore of Captured property —

From what We have above stated we beg leave to suggest the propriety of the Ship and Cargo as soon as circumstances will admit, that the net proceeds arising from such Sales as you may think

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think proper to authorize, be lodges in the Com=
=pany's hands there to remain until a final ad=
=judication takes place on the subject. by the
Measure of thus depositing the amount Sales, it
will be secured either for the Original proprietors
if so awarded, or the Captors, and the disposal
of the Ship at least as soon as it can be done,
will contribute to the Interest of whoever may
share in her.—

In Making the foregoing sugges=
=tions We beg leave to assure you, that we are
actuated solely by what we conceive the common
good, neither is it our wish to involve you in any
responsibility that we will not fully participate
in agreeable to our respective Ranks in the service
and for which if necessary, We hereby pledge
Ourselves, in the event of your sanctioning Lieute=
=nant Mc Donall and Captain Farquhar to
act agreeable to the Majority of votes of the

Garrison

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Garrison on the 25th June nominating them as Prize Agents.—

Malacca 6th November 1801

We have the honor &c &c

(Signed) J. McKerras Major

Wm Farquhar Capt Lieut of Engineers

" John Sinclair Capt Lieut of Artillery

" John Byng Paymaster

" Henry Hampton Lieut Comp 1st Bn

" J. McDonall Lieut & Fort Adjt

" John McDonald Lieut 1st Bn Regt

" Alfred Jones Assistant Surgeon

" Thomas Steele Lieut 1st Bn Regt

" John Taggart Lieut 1st Bn Regt

" J. L. Beggs Dutch Interpreter

" J. Hay Lieutenant 1st Bn Regt

A true Copy

(Signed) Alx Taylor

Lieutenant Colonel Comdg Engrs

&c &c

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To Lieutenant Colonel Taylor

Commanding Malacca

Sir

Having Omitted in the Statement of the Estimated value of the Ship Fredenburg and Cargo delivered to you on the 15th August to include two Anchors found in the Ships Hold, We have the honor to inform you that having landed the Cargo and examining the Cuntlage of the Ship We discovered a number of Guns several of which appear to be serviceable with two large Anchors which we have landed, and find them of a Size much beyond those for the Ships use, being about 3/4 Cwt each sufficient for a large English Frigate. We think it necessary to report particularly this circumstance. As the carrying of wrought Iron Military and Naval Stores and articles useful in the equipment of Vessels to an Enemy's Port is contrary to existing Treaties between Great Britain and Denmark and We are informed that in

Similar

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Similar cases of infringement Vessels with their Cargo carrying the Contraband Articles have been condemned as legal Prize. The Anchors being serviceable and complete with Stocks fitted to each could not have been intended as Cartlage but for sale at Manilla Their value at the usual rate paid for Anchors here is Spanish Dollars 888 or Sicca Rupees 1776—

We have likewise to inform you that on opening a Box containing a Childs carriage we found a letter addressed to J. Rawly Esqr Manilla from Messrs Duckett & Co. Calcutta a paper headed Invoice of goods consigned to Messrs J. & J. Rawly for Sale on Commission from Duckett and Company amounting to Sicca Rupees 2813— The articles consisting of Cloths &c. for linings with Locks hinges screws plated Mouldings. Lamps. plated harness Mounting &c. &c. for fitting up of the Carriages were found packed insides of the Carriages as Articles belonging to them—

We

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20.th November
1801

We have the honor &c. &c.
(Signed) Wm. Farquhar Capt.n Lieut.t
and Prize Commissioner
Sutherland Mc Dowall
Lieutenant & Prize Commissioner

A true Copy
(Signed) A. Taylor
Lieut.t Colond Commanding

To Lieutenant Colonel Taylor
Commanding at Malacca

Sir.

His Majesty's Ship Centurion under my Command having been compelled to return hither in great distress by the loss of her last Bower & Anchors, and those only at Malacca, that will serve to replace them, being the two Anchors said to have been landed from the Fredensberg Danish Ship, detained in those Roads which from their Size, cannot I presume be part of her furniture I request you will be pleased to direct them to be supplied to the Centurion and regular vouchers will

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will be given to procure the payment of their wa-
-ges by His Majesty's Naval Office at Madras.

His Majesty's Ship
Centurion off
Malacca 9.th Dec.r 1801

I have the honor &c &c
(Signed) I. L. Rainier

A true Copy
(Signed) A. Taylor
Lieut.t Colonel Commanding

To Josiah Webbe Esq.r
Chief Secretary to Government
Fort S. George

Sir,

I have been honored with a Letter from the Secretary to Government dated 17.th October last expressing the disapprobation of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council of my conduct in addressing a letter to His Excellency the Governor General on the subject of a Malay prisoner whom I sent to Fort William.

The Nature of the Circumstances which led to this Man being sent to Bengal are of that importance

From the Commandant at Malacca acknowledging the Letter of the 17.th Oct. stating disapproving of his conduct in addressing a letter to the Governor General on the subject of a Malay Prisoner he had sent to Fort William & explaining the circumstances under which he acted. The other Malay prisoners engaged in the Rebellion have been released on furnishing security for their good behaviour now

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importance to the peace of this Settlement that I conceived it absolutely necessary his person should be removed with the least possible delay from hence and as no direct opportunity offered of send=ing him to Madras at that season of the year, and one of the Honorable Company's Cruisers being at that time in these Roads and bound to Bengal I thought it adviseable to send the prisoner thither on that Ship.

In a Letter to the Chief Secretary to Government Dated the 27th of May I have detailed the particulars of Achmet Boidimans conduct which induced me to send him from this Settlement and I trust the contents of that letter will satisfy His Lordship I have not without urgent necessity taken that Step nor addressed the Supreme Government at Bengal and if my conduct has been irregular in that instance it was unintentionally so and therefore I hope His Lord=ship will excuse it.

Notwithstanding

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Notwithstanding the most minute investigation of the Committee of Officers, positive proof could not be found against Intchee Jemaul Intchee Kairrior and the two other persons, sufficient to justify my banishing them from the Settlement.

I therefore upon their producing each two respectable persons as securities for their future good behaviour released them from confinement.

I am glad to say that on the proceedings of the Committee nothing ~~~ appears to justify a suspicion that any of the Dutch were concerned in this affair.

I have the honor to transmit herewith a Duplicate of my Letter of the 27th May. The Original was forwarded by a Vessel going to Bombay the Commander of which was desired to land the Letter at Columbo, or at any Port he might stop at on the Malabar Coast.

I have the honor &c &c

(Signed) A. Taylor

Lieut Colonel Commanding &c.

Malacca

28th December 1801

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Josiah Webbe Esqr.

Chief Secretary to Government

Fort S. George

Sir

I have the honor to acquaint you for the

From the commandant at Malacca

Reports that the two Companies of the 1st Bengal Marine Battalion serving at Malacca had been relieved by the Order of the Governor General in Council by an equal Number of Men from the same Corps—States the necessity of some repairs and of augmenting the Garrison of Malacca—

information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, that having received Orders from the Honorable the Vice President in Council at Fort William under date 28th. November 1801 to adopt the necessary Measures in concert with Lieutenant Colonel Hamilton for exchanging the two Companies of the Bengal Marine Battalion serving in this Garrison under my command for an equal number of Men of that Corps from on Board Ship under the Command of Lieutenant Colonel Hamilton, proceeding with a Military force on foreign Service, a part of the expedition having arrived hence on the 30th. December, the exchange was effected as directed on the 1st. Instant by an equal Number of Men—

I have likewise to inform you of

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a Letter which I have received from C. R. Crommelin Esqr
Acting Chief Secretary to Government dated at Calastee
30th November 1801 by Order of the Honorable the Vice-
President in Council to acquaint me that there is reason
to apprehend that French Ships of War destined for
the attack of the British and Portuguese Possessions in
India may appear in the Indian seas under the mask
of the Portuguese Flag — I am therefore desired by
the Honorable the Vice President in Council to have
constantly upon my guard against such designs; and
to be careful to warn all British Ships of the probable
arrival of French Ships of War in the Indian Seas
under Portuguese Colours;

The first Letter I have thought it
necessary to inform the Right Honorable the Governor
in Council of my having received and obeyed as connec-
ted with an exchange of a part of the force under
my command; and the second as informing me of the
apprehensions and alterations that an attack may be made
on some of the British possessions in India by the
Enemy

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Enemy—I am induced therefore to request that you will be pleased to present to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council that this being an advanced station of the Army and such an one as if in the hands of an enterprising enemy would be highly detrimental to the British interest in India by the annoyance of our trade and from the ruinous condition of the Fortifications, the bad state of the Gun Carriages and the small force to defend the Works, the total loss of the place in the event of attack by a force of Magnitude, may be apprehended, and a very trifling force would be sufficient to land and plunder the Town which is open and exposed in every direction; at present the Number of Troops is barely sufficient for the duties required and keeping a proper look out to prevent surprise the Troops which consist of in Artillery 57 Rank and File European Infantry 113 many of whom are fit only for Moderate Duty—the Detachment of the Bengal Native Infantry landed in room of the Older Soldiers that

came

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came here from Madras are entirely raw Recruits and the Native Infantry formerly in the Dutch service consisting of 94 Rank and File are old and worn out Men originally composed of vagabonds from India entirely in the Dutch Interests open to be tempted with if any Force of the Dutch should appear — I would beg leave thereupon to suggest for the consideration of Government that some increase should be made to the Garrison and to render it more efficient by providing in some way for such of the Men formerly of the Dutch Service as are unfit for Duty of an active Nature and in lieu allowing the two Companies to be recruited here to complete them to the former establishment of 76 Rank and File per Company, which with the Troops now on Garrison and one Native Company of Bengal Native Infantry would be sufficient to garrison this place — Or if no recruiting of the Dutch Troops here can be admitted of, to augment the Garrison by the complete companies from Bengal —

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I now wish to draw the attention of Government to the state of the Works. The Rampart of the Fort is much decayed and in some places rent to the Foundation, the Piles which supported the Fauje Braye are entirely rotted away and the Braye consequently falling daily some part of it into the Ditch which is thereby becoming entirely useless.

The Pettah Lines are likewise in several places fallen down and the Ditch for want of Piles to support the sides almost filled up with Mud.

Having now Mentioned the most Material circumstances regarding the state of defence of the Garrison I shall conclude for the present, but request that you will be pleased to bring these matter into the serious consideration of Government and I hope, should an increase be deemed necessary that the arrangements can be made with facility.

I have the honor &c &c

(Signed) Alex Taylor
Lieut Col Comd

Malacca
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Read the following Letter from the

Commercial Resident at Vizagapatam —

Sobin Chamier Esqr.

Chief Secretary of Government

Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit for the

information of the Right Honorable the Governor in

Council a Correspondence between Mr and Lieutenant

Colonel Durand from No. 1. to 6. with My reply

No. 7 Relative to the Exchange of Gold Silver and

Copper —

From the Commercial Resident at Vizagapatam forwarding the Correspondence between him and the Commanding Officer of the District of Vizagapatam relative to the exchange of Gold, Silver, and Copper

The exchange of the two former cannot

with ease be effected but the Scarcity of Coppers is such

that I am unwilling to enforce the sale of it at the

rate required by the Colonel for the reasons assigned

in my reply to him Viz. that the Company's Coppers

last transmitted only Coined at the rate of forty seven

and three quarter Dubs for the Rupee whereas he

wishes the Shroffs to be compelled to sell them at

fifty

fifty one and forty Cowries—

The Coinage of silver annas would obviate in some degree the difficulty complained of and if such a Measure is approved of by Government care will be taken to do it as Moderate as possible in the first Instance and afterwards those who wanted to Coin Silver would defray the expence—

I have the honor &c &c

Vizagapatam
10th January 1802—

(Signed) R. Malcolm
Resident

Extracts from the Orders of Government Contained in the 10th Section of the Code of Regulation for the Military Establishments under the Head Exchange of Money—

Extracts

1st— The Exchange between Gold and Silver is permanently fixed at three hundred and fifty Arcot Rupees per hundred Pagodas or two Hundred fanams and Sixty Eight Cash per Rupee, and all Officers Commanding Stations Cantonments

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Cantonments, and Forts, are Ordered to take effectual Measures for enforcing this rate of Exchange.—

2nd — The Exchange between Arcot Rupees and Star Pagodas at 350 of the former to 100 of the latter shall invariably be observed in the Northern Circars allowing of Course the usual Diffference of 10 per Cent between the Madras and Star Pagodas in applying that Exchange to the former Coin—

3d — The rate of Exchange shall be observed by the Honorable Company's Revenue and Commercial Servants in the receipts and issue of all Monies on the public account—

4th — Officers Commanding Stations are therefore directed to enforce this rate of Exchange in the Garrisons under their Command by punishing any person whatsoever who shall be found cabalting to frustrate the

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the intention of this Regulation—

True Extracts

(Signed) I. I. Durand
Lieut Colonel—

A true Copy

(Signed) R. Malcolm
Resident

Peter Cherry Esqr

Collector in the 3rd Division of the Province of
Vizagapatam.

Sir,

From the information I have derived from your obliging communications and the Enquiries I have made of the Shroffs and others on the subject—I am induced to believe that fixing a Rate of Exchange lower than which none shall have it in their power to attempt—and founded upon Regulations of Government, and the Medium value of the lowest Coin in use will be the most likely Means to bring about the reform wished for—it being founded on justice and Moderation—for I find

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find that the endeavour to bring the Sheriffs to
approve of themselves any arrangement not suitable
to their own convenience is vain — Nothing but in-
gain and speculation actuating them: Therefore I
am led to hope that fixing a lowest rate of ex-
change, and leaving the Measure to its Natural
operation upon the wants and necessities of the Inhabitants
and the people at large will be productive of the
advantage sought, as the Measure will necessarily
give the Circulation of annas its intended influence
on the Dubs and Cowries —

In this view, and the necessity of
inforcing the Orders of Government which are so
positive on the subject as to leave no alternative
I do Myself the honor to send accompanying this
a Proclamation with its Translation which I re-
request of You to shew the Goodness to cause to
be published in such Manner that no one shall
have it in his Power to plead ignorance afterwards

Sir

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and be so good as to allow it to be deposited with
the Cutwall for General Information—

I have signified therein, that delin-
-quents and offenders against the Regulations of
Government alluded to will be brought before
the Civil Magistrate to answer for their offence
notwithstanding that the Orders of Government to
Officers Commanding stations might induce to imag-
-gine, that authority is thereby vested in them, to
punish such offenders— but reverting to other Orders
and all circumstances, I was led to believe that the
mode I have thus adopted to bring offenders of that
description to the punishment they shall at any
time appear to merit will be more consonant to
and it certainly will prove equally at least, if
not more efficacious since in such a cause it is
equally the Duty of the Civil and Military
Offices to give efficacy to those Regulations
by

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by every Means in their power—

I have the honor &c &c

Chicacole (Signed) I. Durand

the 30th Dec.r 1801 Lieut. Colonel Commanding

True Copy

Proclamation— Chicacole the 30th Dec.r 1801

To All whom it May Concern—

This is to give Notice that. In order

to carry into execution the Regulations of Government

for the Exchange of Money which were Published in

this Town by Beat of Tom Tom the 10th 11th & 12th of

the present Month— the following rates of Exchange

are fixed as the lowest at which any one is to presume

to Exchange the Rupee and its Fractional Parts viz.t

350 Arcot Rupees ——— to 100 Star Pagodas

82 fanams & 68 Cash or 51 Dubs & 40 Cowries to 1 Arcot Rupee

4 Dubs ——— to 1 fanam or 10 Cash

3 Dubs & 25 p.r Cowries —— to 1 Anna the 16th of a Rupee

25 Poonjes of Cowries — to 1 Dub or 20 Cash

12 p.r Poonjes of Do —— to 1 Gaggany or 10 Cash

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The above Fractional Rate are
founded upon the Medium value of Cowries, which never
has been Known lower than 80 Poonjes nor higher than
20 Poonjes for one Dub. Therefore it is hereby further
made Known that any Shroffs, Money Changers, or
others whomsoever who shall be found guilty of using
or attempting to use any Exchange lower than the rates
above Specified will be brought before the Civil
Magistrate to answer for such his delinquency and
Suffer such punishment as he shall be found to merit.

(Signed) J. Durand Lieut. Col. Comt.
at Chicacole

True Copy
(Signed) J. Durand
Lieut. Colonel Commanding

A true Copy
(Signed) R. Malcolm
Resident

To Lieutenant Colonel Durand
Commanding the Troops in the Districts of Vizagapatam

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt
of

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of your Letter of the 3.d and of this date in compliance with the request contained in the former I have confined the Shroffs in the Cutwalls Choultry and have issued a Proclamation Copy of which is enclosed regarding Coppers being converted to any other purposes than in exchange for Rupees Annas &c.

When informed by the Paymaster of the amount he requires from me on account of his Disbursements I shall as you wish give him 1000 Rupees Worth of Dubs at the rate of 54 p Making Total of Dubs 54,500 altho I have not yet received the sanction of the Board of Revenue to the Loss being carried to account to forward the Public Service I so take this on Myself and I hope it will prevent any inconvenience falling on the Sepoys who must however be directed to pass them in circulation otherwise the inconvenience complained of will continue and in fact be worse than heretofore – It is absolutely necessary the rates established here should be enforced throughout

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the District by the respective Collectors as it is peculiarly hard upon the Money Changers in this Place to lose 4 Dubs in every Rupee which at present they do the exchange every where except at this place being at 47½ Dubs per Rupee—

I have been obliged to apply to the Board of Revenue for permission to carry the loss which will be sustained by the issue of 51500 Dubs to the Paymaster to account being no less a Sum than Rupees 84. 10 Dubs having received them at 47½ and in doing this I found it necessary to lay before them our Correspondence and Mutual endeavours to carry into effect the Orders of Government—

As I was not able to effect any thing with the Shroffs confined Yesterday and as they deny having any Copper More than 2 or 3 Rupees worth each in their possession I have been Obliged to remand them to the Choultry—

I have the honor to &c &c

Chicacole
4th January 1802

(Signed) P. Cherry
Collector

True Copy
(Signed) A. Durand
Public

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Public Notice is hereby given to the Shroffs Bânians, Merchants and Inhabitants of every discription in the 3d. Division of the Vizagapatam District that in Consequence of the Orders of Government fixing the Rates of Exchange at the Rates under Specified Viz.t—

350 Arcot Rupees	To 100 Star Pagodas
12 Fanams and 68 Cash or 51 Dubs and 40 Cowries	to 1 Arcot Rupee
4 Dubs	to 1 fanam or 80 Cash
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25 Poonjies of Cowries	to 1 Dub or 20 Cash
12 p.c Poonjies of Cowries	to 1 Pyagany or 20 Cash

As Published under date the 30th. December 1801 all persons were directed to conform thereto and any Person or Persons selling at a lower rate were cautioned not to do so under the most Positive Orders, the Collector finds it necessary in addition to the Orders issued in the Month of August last prohibiting more than 1 Rupee Worth of Dubs being

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being Carried out of the Town of Chicacole by one Person
in one day to Order that no Dubs be sold by either —
Banians Shroffs or others to Brazeirs or Manufacturers
of Copper-Pots Cooking Utensils or Shipping Work
in Copper such as Sentles or Bolts or nails or to
beat into Copper Sheets, or to be used in any way
than as a Coin in Exchange for Silver or other Mer=
-chandize and the Collector further thinks it ne=
-cessary to Publish his determination to punish
in the Most exemplary Manner any Person or
Persons offending against this Order and as an in=
-ducement to people to bring forward Delinquents
of this Nature the Collector promises one half of
the amount Detected or found on the Person offe=
-ding or in the Course of Traffic shall be given
to the informer on conviction of the Parties con=
-cerned, and the Remainder but the disposal of
the Board of Revenue who will direct such fur=
-ther to be given to the informer and such further
Punishment to the Offender or Offenders as
ther

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they shall think fit.

Chicacole
4th January 1802

Signed P Cherry Collector

A true Copy

Signed P. Cherry Collector

True Copy

Signed J Durand Lieut Colo

A true Copy

Signed R. Malcolm Resident

To Robert Malcolm Esqr.

Commercial Resident at

Vizagapatam

Sir,

It appearing a self evident truth that unless the Orders of Government respecting the Exchanges of Rupees are enforced throughout their territories, the efforts at partial points thereof must meet with insurmountable difficulties, and contingencies may Natural operations, destructive of their intentions, which must continue to subject the Soldiery to the hardship of considerable loss upon

their

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their pray at the rate Rupees are issued to them
by Government. I am induced from the conviction
that its establishment will meet with every sup-
-port on the part of their Servants, to communicate
to you what has passed at this Station, and —
finally throughout the 3d Division of this —
District, in Order to evince the absolute necessity
of promoting the same System in yours as such
a Cooperation promises the most beneficial —
and permanent result. you will accordingly
find the same exhibited in the present —
Accompanyments Nos 1-2-3-4 & 5 —

To say More on the subject than
the alluded to Documents convey or indicate —
would I apprehend be prolix without Necessity
I shall therefore conclude with Recommending
the case to your earliest attention as a great —
deal will Naturally depend upon the demon-
-stration of Speedy determination thereon, it
admitting in fact of no hesitation after the

positive

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positive injunctions laid by Government on their Civil and Military Servants as Copies of their Orders sent you herewith in No 1 testify which solely have actuated the Collector in this Division—

I have the honor &c &c

Chicacole
the 5th January 1802

/ Signed / J. Durand Lieut. Colo
Commanding the Troops during
in the Province of Vizagapatam

A true Copy

/ Signed / J. Wissell
Deputy Resident

Lieutenant Colonel Durand
Commanding the Troops in the
Vizagapatam District

Sir.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 5th Instant with the Enclosures from No 1 to 5—

All Orders of Government will be implicitly obliged by me in the fullest sense of the word, where there is a practicability to do so but whether

I

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I could with propriety oblige the Shroffs to sell Dubs at a Cheaper rate than what the Company's Copper last sent me, Coined for, is a circumstance I could wish to submit to my Superiors before any extremity is proceeded to with that class of Men—

Our circumstance it is Necessary to observe that for the Convenience of the Troops and the Inhabitants in general, whom it is my wish to relieve as much as possible from all hardship, the greatest care is taken to bring every Necessary of life to the Market as Moderate as possible, without the possibility of the smallest interference to enhance its value, and regularly every Monday Morning the Prices of every Article in Dubs &c, and Cowries is published to prevent the fluctuation of the Exchange affecting those who can least it by which Means it appears to me that the Soldier receives in every thing he purchases the full value of his Money even when the Exchange of Copper is below the rate you Mention—

For

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The Collector of the Division has Published the Orders of Government respecting the Exchange of Gold and Silver, but has been silent respecting Copper which probably has proceed from its Known Scarcity and the Cost that was coined only affording forty seven and three quarter Dubs for the Rupee, but was there a More general Circulation of Silver Annas or fanam in the District the Complaints relative to the exchange would at once be obviated and create a general benefit to all.

I shall this day transmit a Copy of our Correspondence to Government and request their Order for my future guidance.

I have the honor &c &c

(Signed) R. Malcolm Resident

Vizagapatam
10th January 1802.

A true Copy (Signed) T. Wigett Deputy Secretary

To lie on the Table.

Ordered to lie on the Table

A Clive
Stuart
Jno Shore
H Dundas

Recd 16th Feby 1802
No 110 Depy Secy Thomas

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10th Sent the following Letters

To Lieutenant General Stuart

President &c Members of the

Military Board

Gentlemen.

I have the honor to acknowledge

the receipt of your Letter dated the 14th 19th 22nd

and 26th Ultimo —

✓ The Govenor in Council approves

the Modifications recommended by the Military

Board in the proposed Contract with Mr Cochrane

and the Necessary Communication will be made —

accordingly to that Gentleman for the purpose of

obtaining his Concurrence to the adoption of these —

✓ The Govenor in Council has under

the explanation stated by you given authority

for the payment of the quarterly account of —

the late Garrison Storekeeper amounting to Pagodas

To the Military Board approving the Modifications recommended by them in the proposed Contract with Mr Cochrane and the necessary Communication will be made to him accordingly — authority has been given for payment of the quarterly account of the late Garrison Storekeeper, and for the advance of Money recommended by them to the Agent for supplies to the 26th Regiment of Dragoons — Nothing necessary to make any Change at present — The mode for supplying Barrack Articles at the Out Stations remains on Contract as a letter from Colonel Close regarding the state of the Custom supplies stopped on the Arrival of Money Transports and desiring that they will ascertain the cause to which the low quality of those articles may be imputed &c — may for their consideration

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consideration the enclosed Copy of a Letter from Major Dallas proposing to purchase a Condemned Quarter at Cuddalore — Containing — an Invoice and Bill of Lading for a supply of Smoked Meats shipped on Board the Ship Endymion — Containing Copy of a Letter from the Officer Commanding at Pennamalee who reports that the necessary repairs to the Gun boat may be made —

18th

Pagodas 46944. 14. 28. — and has authorized the Advance of Money recommended by you to the Agent for supplies to the 25th Regiment of Dragoons —

His Lordship in Council directs

It unnecessary to make any change at present in the Mode of supplying barrack articles at Cuddalore —

I am directed to enclose the extract of a letter from Colonel Turner Clues regarding the State of the Winter Casks and Salt Fish Shipped on the Asia and Mercy Transports, and His Lordship in Council desires that you will ascertain the Cause to which the bad quality of those Articles of supply may be imputed —

I am directed to refer for your consideration the enclosed Copy of a Letter from Major Dallas containing a proposal for the purchase of a Condemned Government Bark —

I have the honor to enclose an Invoice

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10th Invoice and bill of Lading for a supply of one Lac of Musket flints Shipped in Bengal on board the Honorable Company's Ship Calcutta for the Service of this Presidency —

I am directed to enclose the Copy of a letter from the Officer Commanding at Poona=malley, and to desire that such Orders may be issued for the repair of that fortress as may be necessary —

I have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) G. Buchan
Secretary to Government

Fort S. George
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To Lieutenant Colonel Brunton
Military Auditor General

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit to you the enclosed Extract of a Minute recorded by the Commander in Chief and am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to desire that — immediate

To the Military Auditor General Cautionary Extract of a Minute recorded by the Commander in Chief and desiring that Orders may be issued for the repairment of the Charges thereon specified. Cautionary permission & Certificate granted to the Widows of the late Captain Farrell, and of Serjeant Wright proceeding Schedule of Letter from the Military

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Military Board and desiring that authority may be given for the payment of the bills and advances of Money therein recommended

10th immediate orders may be issued for the retrenchment of the Charges therein Specified.

I am directed to enclose pension Certificates which have been granted to the Widows of the late Captains Fennell and of George Wright a Private in the Honorable Companys Service and his Lordship in Council desires that Authority may be given for the payment of the pensions due to them respectively.

I am directed by the Governor in Council to transmit to you the enclosed Extracts of Letters from the Military Board Dated the 16th 19th 22d and 26th Ultimo and to desire that Authority may be given for the payment of the bills and advances of Money therein Mentioned.

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I have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) G. Buchan
Secretary to Government

To

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10th

To Colonel James Oliver

Commanding the forces at the

Molucca Islands

Sir,

The Right Honorable the Governor-
in Council having received accounts of the Ratifi-
-cation of the Preliminaries of Peace between
Great Britain and the French Republic, I
am directed to enclose for your information a
Copy of the articles of Peace together with a Copy
of the Proclamation Published in consequence of
that event.

His Lordship in Council being
unable at present to furnish you with any specific
instructions regarding the Measures which it may
be necessary to adopt for restoring the Dutch
Possessions according to the terms of the treaty
I am directed generally to desire that you arrange-
-gements may be made with a view to the

Cession

To the Officer Commanding
the Moluccas Islands - Enc-
-closing for his information
Copy of the Articles of Peace
together with a Copy of the
Proclamation published
in consequence to make
his arrangements with
a view to the Cession of
the Moluccas Islands
at an early period of
time.

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10th Cession of the Molucca Islands at an early
period of time.

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Sam. Sir. Sr.

(Signed) G. Buchan
Secretary to Government

10th Received and Sent the undermen=
=tioned Letters entered in Mil. B. Nos. 14. 15. 16.

From the Military Paymaster General — From Mr. Roebuck — forwards an
additional estimate of Cash for the Current
Month.

To the Military Auditor General — To Lieutenant Colonel Brunton — desi=
=ring that he will prepare in Duplicate the
Statements exhibiting an account of the Staff
appointments and allowances of the Army on this
Establishment for the purpose of being transmit=
=ted to England.

To the Town Major — To Captain Wilks informing him
that the Officers lately dismissed from the Artillery
will be permitted to remain until the next
Dispatch.

Received

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11th Received the undermentioned letter entered in

M. B. No 17. 18.—

From the Military Auditor General — ✓ From Lieutenant Colonel Brunton forwards for the information of the Court of Directors Statements of sums paid on account of Prisoners of War from the 1st May to the 31st October 1801 inclusive.—

From the Military Paymaster General — ✓ From Mr. Roebuck forwards the Duplicates and Triplicates of Certificates granted by him to Mr. Surgeon Thackeray to the period to which he had been paid, and requesting that the former Certificates of the same Nature under Date the 21st September last be returned to him.—

12th Sent the undermentioned letters entered in Mo. B. No. 19. 26. 21.—

To Lieutenant Colonel Brunton Referring to his examination the Additional estimate of Cash for the Current Month.—

To Ditto D.o — To Ditto desiring that Authority may be given for the payment of an advance of subsistence to the 24th April next to thirty two Invalids of His Majesty's

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17.

Majesty's Regiments who are about to be embarked on the Ship under dispatch for England —

To the Commander of the Ship Charlton

/ To Captain Cumberlege — Directing him to receive in charge from the Medical Store-keeper a Box of Damaged Surgical Instruments which he will deliver at the East India House —

13.

Received the following Letter —

The Right Honorable Lord Clive

Governor in Council &c &c &c

My Lord

/ Pursuant to the Orders of your Lord-ship in Council bearing Date 9th Instant I have lost no time in preparing in Duplicate the following Packet Papers for transmission to the Honora-ble the Court of Directors by the Ships now under dispatch, and which have been sent to the Office of the Military Secretary to Government —

1st. Statement shewing under distinct heads the increase and decrease of expence in every branch of the Military Establishment under this Presidency from

From the Military under present Examination Duplicate for transmission to the Court of Directors and shewing under distinct heads the increase and decrease of expence in every branch of the Establishment under this Presidency from 1st Augt 1801 to the 30th April 1802 together with three statements accompanying the same showing all the Staff Appointments under this Presidency with the Pay and allowances of every description and Office Establishments increased to each particular Salaries &c drawn by Civil Servants from the Military Department by Warrants with a List of Covenanted Officers and their allowances accompanied by an Appendix —

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from 1st May 1798 to the 30th April 1801 together with three detailed accounts appertaining to each Year, and Marked A.B. & C.

2nd Statement shewing all the Staff — appointments under the Presidency of Fort Saint George with the Pay and allowances of every Discription — and Office establishments annexed to each including Salaries &c drawn by Civil Servants from the — Military Department together with a List of Ord- -nance Officers and their allowances, accompanied by an Appendix containing details. —

I have the honor to be

&c &c.

(Signed) J. Brunton

Military Auditor
Generals Office
Fort St. George
13th February 1802

Military and Gen.

Received a letter from Messrs Chase

From Messrs Chase & Co —

2nd Co. entered in No. B. No. 22 forward and request payment of the Bill for One Months freight of the Ship Mary —

15th Received the following Letter —

John

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From the Secretary to the Male Asylum forwarding a Memorial from the Directors of the Male and Female Asylums to His Majesty on the subject of such of the Shares of Prize Money belonging to the Honble Compys European Troops employed on the late Expeditions to Banda and Amboyna and Ceylon as may eventually remain unclaimed.

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John Chamier Esqr.

Chief Secretary to Government

Sir,

I am directed by the President, Vice Presidents, and Directors of the Military Male Asylum, to request, that you will lay the accompanying Papers before the Right Honorable the Governor in Council.

I have the honor &c &c

(Signed) W. Shan

Secretary Male Asylum

To the Right Honorable

Edward Lord Clive

Governor in Council &c &c &c

My Lord,

We beg leave, on behalf of the Male and Female Asylums of this Presidency to trouble your Lordship with an application to His Majesty on the subject of such of the Shares of Prize Money belonging to the Honorable Company's European Troops employed on the late expeditions to Banda, Amboyna

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Amboyna, and Ceylon, as may eventually remain unclaimed by them or their Representatives —

We trust your Lordship will see the reasonableness of humbly Soliciting a Grant of the same from His Majesty for the benefit of these Local Institutions, and in that Confidence request you will be pleased to transmit the accompanying Memorial with such Recommendation to the Honorable Court of Directors as it may appear to your Lordship to deserve —

We have the honor &c. &c.

(Signed) T. Strange
" J. Stuart
" M. Dick
" Wm Webb
" John Chamier
" Thos Cockburn
" Wm Harington
" Jn Richardson
" J. Connell
" Jas Anderson
" G. Buchan
" Chas Baker
" R. H. Kerr Sent.

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Sent the following Letter

To Lieutenant Colonel Taylor

Commanding at

Malacca

Sir,

Fort St George The Right Honorable the Governor in

Council having received accounts of the Ratification of

Preliminaries of Peace between Great Britain and

the French Republic, I am directed to inclose for

your information a Copy of the Articles of Peace together

with a Copy of the Proclamation Published in consequence

of that event.

2 His Lordship in Council being unable at

present to furnish you with any specific instructions

regarding the Measures which it may be necessary to

adopt for Restoring the Dutch Possessions according

to the terms of the Treaty I am directed generally to

desire that your Arrangements may be made with a

view to the Cession of Malacca at an early period of

time.

D.d.

3 I am directed to take this occasion

of

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15th Sept. Do
10th Dec. Do
20th Do Do
28th Do Do
11th Jan. 1802

of acknowledging the Receipt of your Letters
according to the dates Noted in the Mar-
gin, and to inform you that the Governor
in Council generally approves the arrangements
Reported by you.

4th

The instructions which have
been Conveyed to you by the Honorable the
Vice President in Council at Fort William on
the subject of the Danish Vessel Fredensberg
render it unnecessary for His Lordship in
Council to furnish you with any further
directions upon that subject until instructions
shall have been received from England
Relative to the Disposal of the Danish proper
-ty detained in consequence of hostilities between
Great Britain and Denmark.

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The Honorable Court of Directors
having Communicated to the Governor in
Council a Copy of his Majesty's Gracious
pardon of the three Malay Prisoners under
Sentence

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15th Sentence of death at Bruceras as stated in your letter of the 23d November 1798 I am directed to transmit to you the enclosed extract of a letter from the Court of Directors on that subject together with a Copy of His Majesty's Pardon and to desire that the Prisoner may according by be liberated from Confinement

I am

Sir

Your most Obedient Servant

Fort St. George
15th February 1802

Signed G. Buchan
Secy to Government

15. Received and Sent the above mentioned letter entered on Mo. B. No. 23 24-25-26.

From the Secretary at Bombay

From Mr Ricketts acknowledging letter of the 7th Instant with intimating that additional Credit had been given at Bombay to Captain Montgomery on account

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Account of the agency for the purchase of Horses

From Mr Richardson

From the Secretary at Bombay

Incloses a Packet from the Secretary to the Military Board at Bombay to the Secretary of the Military Board at Fort Saint George

From Lieutenant Colonel Robertson forwards the Sick Certificate of Lieutenant Robert Millican Adjutant of His Majestys 12th Regiment Foot and requests that the Cost of that Officer for passage Money may be passed

To Captain Cumberlege

Maxwell and Gooch directing them to receive on board their Ships as Charter Party Passengers for England two Men Steerages

From the Secretary at Bombay

From the Deputy adjutant General to the Kings Troops

To the Commanders of the Ships Charlton Calcutta and Sir Stephen Lushington

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Specified in the accompanying Lists—

16. Received and Sent the undermen-

-tioned Letters entered in M. B. Nos 27-28

From the Military Paymaster General

From Mr. Roebuck—forwards

a List of the Persons to whom Lord Clive's

donation has been granted since his letter

of the 13th October last—

To the Military quarter General

To Lieutenant Colonel Brow-

-ton Desiring that he will give authority

for the payment of the usual passage

Money to Conyboro's to Lieutenant

Shute—

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At a Consultation

Present

The Right Honorable Lord Clive

Governor and President

Lieutenant General James Stuart

Commander in Chief

Wednesday the 17th February 1802 —

William Petrie and Mungo Dick } Esqrs

Minutes of last Consultation

Read and approved —

The Military General

The draft of a Genl Ltr to the Honble Court of Directors by the Ship Charlton read & approved —

Letter intended for Dispatch to the Honorable Court of Directors by the Honorable Company's Ship Charlton

being

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being read and Approved, is Signed and Ordered
to be Dispatched.

Clive
Wmart
Jno Petrie
Thos Sutton

Edwd H. Strange

Office of Chief Secy to Govt 17th Feby 1802
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Diary

18th Received the following Letter

To the Right Honorable Lord Clive

Governor in Council &c &c &c

My Lord.

We have the honor to recommend pay-
ment of the following Bills and advances of Cash Viz.t

From the Military Board Recommend payment of Certain Bills and advances of Cash.

No 1 Bill of the Officer Commanding
Chingleput for Repairs executed under authority of
Government to the Barracks of the Cadet Company
at that Station amounting to Pag.s 15.20 - -

No 2 Bill of the Garrison Storekeeper
in Mysore for Gram Stored at Chittledroog amount-
ing to Pagodas 1421.9.2

An Advance of Pagodas 30,550 to the
Agent for Spirituous Liquors on account of a Con-
tract due to Same, and to enable him to complete
the Stock of Arrack previous to the 30th April next
to 250,000 Gallons, which quantity one Lac of Gallons
should be in Store at the close of the Official Year

&c

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No. 1

An advance of Pagodas 2531.15

32 to the Contractor for Military Stores being one

Third of the Estimated Cost of Articles required for

the Service of the Arsenal at the Presidency during

the Quarter ending the 30th April next —

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We have the honor &c &c

(Signed) D. Smith

John Richardson

E. Stratford

J. Brunton

To the Right Honorable Lord Clive

Governor in Council &c &c &c

My Lord.

We have the honor to acknowledge

the receipt of the Letter of the Secretary to Govern-

ment in the Military Department dated the

16th Instant and have according to your direction

directed thereon as well as to institute an enquiry

for the purpose of ascertaining the cause to the

rapid decay of the Salt Fish and Water Casks

Shipped

From &c &c
acknowledging letter of
the 16th Instant and
stating the necessary Orders
have been issued in Con-
sequence Recommend
Payment of the enclosed
Bills of the Garrison
Storekeeper at Mysore

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Shipped on the 21st and Mary Transports may be instructed —

2d ✓ We beg leave to Recommend payment of the enclosed Bills of the Garrison Storekeeper at Mysore —

No 1. For Provision Store for the use of the detachment under the Command of the Honorable Colonel Wellesley amounting to Pagodas 570. 16. 1 —

No 2 For Copper Coin for the use of Ditto amounting to Pagodas 16. 20 — —

No 3. For 6 Arrack Kegs for Ditto amounting to Pagodas 8. 25. 56 —

We have the honor &c &c

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15th February 1802

(Signed) D. Smith
John Richardson
E. Braithwaite
J. Brandon

Order of Council
Military Department
18th February 1802

Received

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Received the following Letter from

the Military Auditor General

To the Right Honorable Lord Clive

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

My Lord

Having examined the additional Esti-
=mate for the Current Month which accompanies
a Letter from the Secretary to Government in the
Military Department under date the 12th Instant
I have the honor to report that the amount thereof
Viz.t Eighteen thousand, five hundred and Eighty
Seven Pagodas Eighteen Fanams, and Twenty Nine
Cash (Pagodas 18587. 18. 29) is acceptable and pay-
-able as follows viz.t

From the General Treasury ... 17587. 18. 29

By Bills on the Military Pay-
-master General ... 1000 .. ..

Pagodas 18587. 18. 29

The above sum is required to make
advances authorized by Government and to dis-
charge

✓ See the Military Auditor General's Report on the additional Estimate of Cost for the Current Month

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18th discharge Bills not included in former Estimates—

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Generals Office
Fort S. George
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I have the honor &c. &c.
(Signed) S. Brunton
Mild Asst General

In consequence of the foregoing Report.

Ordered that the Sum of Seventy Thousand seven hundred and Eighty Seven Pagodas Eighteen fanams and Twenty Nine Cash (Pagodas 70787-18-29) be issued from the Treasury to the Military Paymaster General on account of the additional Estimate enclosed in his Letter of the 10th Instant—

Ordering the Sum of Pagodas 70787-18-29 to be issued from the Treasury to the Military Paymaster General on account of an additional Estimate of Cash—

By Order of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council—

(Signed) G. Buchan
Secy to Govt. Mil. Dept.

Received the following Letters entered in

M. B. No 29-30-31-32-33—

From Colonel Stevenson forwards

From the Officer Commanding on Mutchelaw

a Letter from the Commandant of Cochin reporting the apprehension of Mr Stuart Hall and Mate Lowry on Ordered that Person to be Kept in Restraint until he may

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may receive direction for his disposal —

From the Military Auditor General

From Lieutenant Colonel Brenton —

submits for decision certain Retrenchments Standing against Mr. George Wilson late Paymaster at Vizagapatam in the Departments of Grain, Provisions and Bullock Agency —

From the Secretary at Cuttack

From Colonel Pater Forwards a Description Roll of a Native Commissioned Officer of the late Nabobs not present at the late Muster and requests to be instructed if Pay may be drawn for him —

From Messrs. Chave, Chauncy, and Mr. Dowall forward a demand from the Officers of the Mess of His Majesty's Ship Bruce for victualling certain Officers of His Majesty 75th Regiment —

From the Collector of Ganjam

From Mr. William Brown Submits a Charge made by a Person at Ganjam for the Rent of Godowns occupied for the use of the 80th Regiment Native Infantry —

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Received the following Letter

19th

G. G. Keble Esqr.

Secretary to Government

Fort S. George

Sir.

From the Surgeon of H.M. Ship Sceptre — Stating claim for Medical attendance on the Sick Soldiers sent to the Hospital established on the Island of Onrust off Batavia

Inclosed I have the honor to transmit to you an Order from Henry Ridgeway Bull Esqr. Captain of His Majestys Ship Doedes, and Senior Officer Commanding His Majestys Ships off the Port of Batavia Dated 15th September 1800 to take Charge of the Sick Soldiers &c. sent to the Hospital at the Island of Onrust under my Charge. I also send a voucher with their entries, discharges, diseases, Deaths, and extra-expences &c. incurred — I should have presented the accounts before this, Only the centurion has been so much out of the way all last year, and I had no opportunity till now of procuring the proper Papers which were left at the admirals Secretarys Office On Captain Bulls sailing for England — The expences must — after

19th

appear to the Honorable Government very reasonable considering the situation of the Fleet during our Blockading Batavia every Article of nourishment most exorbitant, dear, and frequently difficult to be procured and they could not be supplied with the Refreshments mentioned on the voucher for a less Sum than 12 Rupees pr Man pr day and they absolutely required every Article of Refreshment that could be procured as the only hopes we had left of stopping the virulence of that dreadful Fever which raged Amongst us which proved peculiarly fatal to His Majestys 12th Regiment

There are now at the Admiral Secretary's Office accounts of Wine and Porter &c. purchased for the Hospital from the American Vessels in Batavia to the amount of near 1500 Spanish Dollars, besides other articles of refreshments that were purchased at a very dear rate) all of which I have to request you will be pleased to represent to the Honorable Government in Order to have the amount Settled

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17.

His Majesty's
Ship Centurion
Madras Roads
17th February 1802

Sir

I have the honor &c &c

(Signed) Wade Shields Surgeon
His Majesty's Ship Centurion

By Henry Lidgbird Ball Esqr
Captain of His Majesty's Ship
Dædalus and Senior Officer
Commanding His Majesty's
Ships off the Port of Batavia

The Epidemic Fever now raging on Board
Dædalus
Centurion
Brazen
Sandbill
His Majesty's Ships as per Margin under my
Orders, and the daily increasing State of the
Sick List renders it absolutely necessary that
the persons infected should be immediately
landed from their respective Ships in Order
to stop if possible the progress of that Malignant
distemper, and to promote their speedy recovery

You are therefore hereby required
and directed to repair on Shore to the Salary of which
taking to your assistance one of the Surgeons Mates
of His Majesty's Ship Centurion who will have my

Orders

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Orders to attend for that purpose, and having prepared and fitted up convenient quarters in One of the Empty houses on the said Island to receive under your care all such Seamen, Marines, and Soldiers of His Majesty's 12th Regiment, as may from time to time be sent for cure from the aforesaid squadron, providing them with such Medicines, Wines, Fruit vegitables, Poultry, and other refreshments as you may be able to procure at this place, and as you may Judge most proper for the Restablishment of their healths.

The Seamen, Marines, and Soldiers will be regularly victualled from their respective Ships with the daily allowance of Sea-provisions, those Articles not being to be procured in the Enemy's Port, and all additional supplies by you will be considered as extra-nourishment

You are carefully to superintend the Receiving and cure of the said Men and to transmit to me Regular Weekly Returns of the number in-

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in the Hospital with the Nature of their Several complaints, the Ships Names to which they belong, time when received, returned, discharged, or dead, and the Number of Days they have been under cure —

For which extra supplies of Wine, Medicines necessaries and other refreshments you shall be allowed at the rate of one and half Madras Rupees ₱ day for each person under cure and an additional allowance for trouble and attendance of Seven Rupees ₱ Day for yourself and two Rupees for the Assistant Surgeon's mate abovementioned.

You are to make out a regular Sett of Vouchers in Triplicate in the prescribed form directed by the Commissioners for Sick and hurt Seamen &c. for the total amount, to be approved by me, and payment made accordingly by the Agent to the Commissioners for Sick and hurt —

Given under my hand on Board His Majesty's Ship Dedalus off the Port of Batavia the 15th of September 1800 —

/ Signed / H. L. Ball

To Mr Wade Surgeon of His Majesty's Ship Centurion

hereby appointed Surgeon to attend the Sick and hurt Seamen &c. Landed at the Hospital on the Island of Onrust

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To

G. G. Noble Esq.r

Secretary to Government

Fort S. George

Sir

Agreable to the Letter which I sent you with the Order from Captain Ball of His Majesty's Ship Dedalus to take charge of the Troops of His Majesty's 12.th Regiment of foot sent to the Hospital Edam / Batavia / under my charge, understanding there is a certain allowance of Batta made by the Honorable East India Company to Surgeons and Assistants employed on Shore attending the Kings and Company's Troops I have therefore to hope from the hard and Sickly Service that I served on at Batavia the Honorable Company may be pleased to take me into consideration and allow me and my Assistant such Sum for the aforesaid Service as their Liberality may Judge fit, and as His Majesty's Ship Centurion is Ordered to proceed to sea on Thursday next, I have to hope the Honorable Company will be pleased to

From Dr ... requests that the addl. Daily allowance of Batta usually allowed to Surgeons on service may be granted to him and his assistant for the period of his attending the Troops on the Island of Cronat

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to Order the account to be Settled before her Sailing or if not convenient to Order the Amount to be paid to Mr. Thomas Hodgson Naval Offier at Madras who will grant receipt for the Same —

I have the honor &c

(Signed) Wade Shield Surgeon

Centurion

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To G. Buchan Esqr.

Secretary to Government

Sir,

Lieutenant Colonel Grant Commanding at Cochin has in consequence of my request secured the person of Mr. I. I. S. Hall at Aleppie a Sea Port to the Southward of Cochin and carried him to Anat Garrison —

From the Officer Commanding in the Southern Provinces Reports the Commandant of Cochin has secured the person of Mr. I. Hall & he has requested that officer send Mr. Hall to the Presidency —

Mr. Hall has there produced another Passport from Lieutenant Colonel Dupont Commanding Cuddalore I Mention this as I have already transmitted to Government One passport from that Office which Mr. Hall forwarded to me on my questioning the validity of the evidently

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altered passport he sent to me from the Town
Major of Fort S. George —

In obedience to the Orders contained
in your Letter of the 29th of January I have re-
=quested Lieutenant Colonel Grant to forward
Mr. Hall to Fort S. George —

Palamcottah
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I have the honor &c
(Signed) P. A. Agnew
Lieut Col Commanding S D

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

My Lord,

I beg leave to recommend to the favor
and protection of your Lordship in Council Lieutenant
Alexander Faer a Young Officer who in Many sue-
=cessive Situations under my Government and
ultimately in the important One of Paymaster for
the Eastern Division of this Poland, has invaria-
=bly distinguished himself by the Correctness and
properly

From the Governor of Ceylon stating that Lt Farrant A Fear of this Establishment and late Paymaster for the Eastern Districts of Ceylon is proceeding to England on the Court recommends him as an Officer of merit

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propriety of his conduct —

The arrangements which have lately

taken place at home concerning this Government having

rendered his further stay here unnecessary, He is —

returning to his duty under your Orders, and I am

sincerely happy in being able to give the most

ample testimony to his Merit —

I have the honor &c

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5th February 1802

(Signed) Frederic North

Received and Sent the following

Letters entered in M. B. Nos 34 35 36 37 38 —

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From Mr Arbuthnot — Requests

From the Chief Secretary at Colombo —

that 20 printed Copies of the New Code of —

Regulations for the Madras Army, may be —

sent to Ceylon —

From Lieutenant Colonel Robertson

From the Deputy Adjutant General to the Kings Troops —

— requests an Order directing a private in the 78th Re-

giment and his Wife to be received on One of the

Company's Ships now under dispatch for Bengal —

From

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From the Military Pay-master General —

From Mr. Roebuck — Forwards an — additional Estimate of Cash for the Current Month —

From Messrs. Chase Chinnery and

From Messrs Chase Chinnery and Mc Dowall

Mc Dowall — forward a demand from the Comman- -ding Officer of His Majesty's Brig Providence for — Batta —

To the Military Pay-master General —

To Mr. Roebuck — Transmitting a — report of the Military Auditor General — and acquain- -ting him that the Sum of Pagodas 17587. 18. 29 — will be issued from the Treasury on his application

To the Military auditor general —

To Lieutenant Colonel Brunton — refer- -ring to his examination an additional Estimate of Cash. —

To Do — Do —

To Ditto — Ditto — desiring that authority may be given for the payment of an — advance of Money to the Agent for Spirituous Liquors. —

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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
Munro Dick } Esqrs.

Saturday
the 20th February
1802

Minutes of last Consultation read and approved

The Commander in Chief lays before the Board the following Minute

Minute

I lay before the Board a letter from Major General Bridges in which that Officer on quitting the Command of the Southern Division has made some observations regarding the state of the Fortifications of Trichinopoly and recommended the removal of the Rajahs of Ramnad and Sylney to Vellore Prisoners the Rajahs of Ramnad and Sylney af-

Minute by the Commander in Chief Submits a letter from Major Genl Bridges regarding the state of the fortifications of Trichinopoly and recommending the removal of the Rajahs of Ramnad and Sylney to Vellore Prisoners of Government Recommends that the Rajahs may be removed to the Presidency and that the Rajahs

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Persons at Trichinopoly may be ordered to Bangalore before the Board whether from the Officers commanding in Coimbatore or the Collector of Dindigul & Country in Rajah's Name or keep of the Collectorate from the Poligars of the Country during the Rains or Persons may be committed to the common Gaol Bangalore the Board a letter from the Agent for Foreign Corps on the Nizam's Service in which he charges Mr Cunningham with the Collection of the Peshcush from the Poligar of Kullapatty & Mr Cunningham with the Collection of Peshcush from the Poligar of Vellodi & Mr Cunningham with the Collection of

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establishments of Artificers and Lascars an advantage which Lieutenant Colonel Dyce did not possess at Madura. A part of those establishments may be advantageously employed in repairing the Breaches and improving the State of the fortifications; and I accordingly recommend that the Officer Commanding Trichinopoly may be directed to allot a certain proportion of the artificers and Lascars attached to the different Departments in his Garrison to the duty of rebuilding the breaches in the Works with such materials as may have fallen down and where no materials of this description can be procured, with mud. By these means the Breaches will be filled up and the injuries usually occasioned by the weather to a place in a bad state of repair will be prevented. But these temporary works will contribute little to the strength of the place; nor can they obviate the necessity of giving a more substantial and durable repair to the fortifications of Trichinopoly when the state of the Public finances will render that measure expedient.

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2 I lay before the Board a Letter from the Officer Commanding in the Province of Canara reporting the Capture of a refractory Polygar of that Country. The Troops employed upon this Service appear to have shewn much activity and perseverance in the pursuit of the Polygar.—

3 I request that a Letter which I have the honor to submit to the Board from the Prize agents of the Army for the property captured during the late War in Mysore may be examined & to the Most Noble the Governor General, and that his Excellency's favorable attention to the circumstances stated by the Prize Agents may be solicited.—

4 I lay before the Board a Letter which I have received from the Agent for foreign Corps in his Majesty's Service in Order that the charges debated therein may be brought to account under their proper heads.

5 The Honorable Colonel Wellesley in order to complete his report relative to the Strength

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and disposition of the force necessary for the security of the Countries within the limits of his Command has forwarded to me a letter communicating his opinion regarding the Number of Troops required for the services of Malabar and Canara, and the Branches in which they should be stationed. I lay a Copy of this Letter before the Board. I have every reason to approve of Colonel Wellesleys opinion on this subject. They are founded on an accurate knowledge of the state of the provinces under his Command and upon just Military principles; and I accordingly beg leave to recommend that I may be authorized to convey the sanction of Government to the disposition which that Officer has proposed.

6. I recommend that Major General Dugald Campbell may be confirmed on the General Staff of the Army etc. Bridges permitted to proceed to Europe.

I have &c

(Signed) A Stuart

Hon

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His Excellency Lieutenant General Stuart

Commander in Chief &c &c &c

Before I quit the Command of the

Southern Division of the Army I beg leave to for-

ward your Excellency with the accompanying state

of the Works of Fortification as they stood immedi-

ately after the Monsoon, the absence of the Engi-

neer on duty is the reason it was not executed in

the usual form, which is called the Tanjore fate

on the Eastern face of the Fort has been shut

up for many years nor have I been able to

learn the cause of its being closed, but I conclude

it has been in time of danger, to render the place

more secure, and left necessary to defend it:

but as circumstances have most probably materi-

ally altered since that period the opening

of it would be a great convenience to the numerous

Inhabitants particularly those living in that part

of the Town, and be likewise the means of keeping

the place much cleaner.

I have

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There are two state prisoners in the Fortress of Trichinapoly, the late Rajah of Ramnad and the Polygar of Pybny, by its vicinity to these provinces they might if by any accident they should make their escape be able to reach their late Countries at so short a Space of time as to allcede all pursuits, and probably by such an event be productive of much mischief. in Order therefore to guard against such an accident and so far to ensure the future peace of these provinces I would strongly recommend that being removed to some distant Fortress

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I have the honor
&c &c
(Signed) Thos. Bridges

Report

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Report of Faufse Bray Wall Fallendown in the Sally Port at Trichinopoly

West side near the Mazrore Gate	No 1 The Tower	35 5
	No 2 Near the South Battery	35 16
	No 3 The Tower	47 16
	No 4 The Tower	16 16
	No 5 Near the Campbells Battery	46 16
South Side	No 7 Curtain	55 15
	No 12 The Tower	36 15
Between	No 16 & 17	120 17
East Side	No 17 & 18 Tower	60 17
	No 19 Battery	27 13
	No 19 Near the Kittadars Battery	35 5
North Side	No 24 The Tower	35 15
	No 25 The Battery	16 5
	No 26 The Tower	36 5

Fallen down on the Rampart

South side	No 31 The Battery	36 20
	No 32 The Tower	65 20
	No 33 The Tower	60 22
	No 34 The Tower	60 22
	No 36 Near the South east angle	46 20

South

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East side Fort Wall

Between N°16 South East angle and

N°17 The Tower ——— 60 22

N°20 Near the Tanjore Gate ——— 60 24

Mudurah Gate New drawn Tonnage wanting

Inchinopoly

January 5th 1802

Signed P. H. Keay
Capt. Acting Dept. Engr.

To. Major General Campbell

Commanding S.F.

Sir,

Lieutenant Lindsay Marched from Bolla-
=pilly on the Night of the 23d Instant in pursuit of
the Poligar of that place Telle Bassapah Nair, and
on the 25th arrived at Mookhampully in the Karnaul
Country, Only a few Minutes after the Poligar had
left it, The pursuit was continued and on the 24th
at Night the Poligar and all his family were taken
at Kooroocondah another Village in the Karnaul
Country. The distances are not mentioned but the
first Village is I believe upwards of 30 Miles from
Bellapilly, the Road so bad that the Cavalry could

not

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not go with the party, they have however marched round by the Busvapoor Pass and may be of great Service in the pursuit of the other Poligar Selly Devaker Nair who is said to have taken refuge also in the Kurnaul District—

M.r Grand accompanied Lieutenant Lindsay and to his activity and good information is the Success of the party principally to be attributed—

I have availed Myself of your permission and have Ordered Captain Stonard to march with One Company of the Kottakollah Garrison to join and take the Command of the Detachment and as Major Munro has informed me that he has directed the amildar of Nujnum to attack and dispossess the Busvapoor Nair, I have desired Captain Stonard to give the amildar any assistance he may require—

I have every reason to be satisfied with Lieutenant Lindsays conduct during the time he

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he Commanded

Cumbum

28th January 1802

/Signed/ W. S. Limarick

Major Commanding Cummum

P. S. I have just seen a Letter from Lieutenant Smythies who Maples the distance to Moohtumpully more than (40) forty Miles

To His Excellency Lieutenant General I. Stuart

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

Sir,

We the Prize Agents of the army for the property captured during the late war in Mysore beg leave to State to your Excellency that by the Orders issued on the 30th December 1799 by the Most Noble the Governor General directing the then Commander in Chief to prevent any further distributions of Prize Money until the Claims of the different Corps and detachments had been decided upon by his Lordship in Council, and as we have not since the above period received any further Official communication on the subject, we are naturally anxious, as the Prize Agents

of

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of the Army to Know the result of his Lordship's de-
termination and whether the public Stores &c
found in the Garrison of Seringapatam are to be
calculated upon that We may with the Balance
of Cash and Jewels Remaining in hand previously
make the necessary arrangements for any further
distribution of Prize while the present Number of
Prize Agents remain near or on the spot. If such
our sentiments meet with your Excellency's approba-
tion we have to beg that you will do us the favor
to represent these circumstances through this
Government or in whatever mode your Excellency may
deem proper, to the most Noble the Governor
General in Council, that should it please His
Lordship we may be honored with a Knowledge of
his decision or any further directions regarding the
premises previous to our final separation we have
also to acquaint your Excellency for the information
of the Most Noble the Marquis, that We have
received from the Honorable Colonel Wellesley a Copy
of

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of the proceedings of a Committee who valued the war-like Stores, the Amount of which is Star Pagodas 419871 Star Pagodas exclusive of the Grain and other articles of provender left in charge of Mr. H. Gordon by Order of Lieutenant General Harris.

(Signed) A. Burgh Prize agent
" Hastings Fraser P. A.
" Chas. Armstrong P. A.

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To the Commander in Chief
of His Majestys Forces on the Coast of
Coromandel

Sir

I have the Secretary at Wars directions to annex to you a Statement of Monies paid by me from the time I have succeeded Mr. Lukin in the Agency of foreign Corps to the several Officers therein named who have embarked to join the Regiment of Meuron in India.

I have the honor &c
(Signed) for Wm. Disney
Wm. Jones

Parliament Street
14th September 1801

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Statement of Monies paid by Mr. Wm. Disney Agent to foreign Corps to the following Offices of the Regiment of Meuron under Orders to embark pursuant to directions from the War Office.—

1801					
March 19th	Ensign Franc. Louis De Meuron 28 Days pay to 24th March 1801		£ 6 10 8		
" "	Dº 184 Dº in advance to 24th September 1801		42 18 8	49 9 4	
" "	Ensign Charles De Meuron 28th Day's Pay to 24th March 1801		6 10 8		
" "	Dº 184 in advance to 24th September 1801		42 18 8	49 9 4	
" "	28th Dº for his accommodation at the Captains Table during his voyage to the East Indias		95 " "		
" "	Ensign Franc. Louis De Meuron Dº	Dº	Dº	95 " "	
" 29th	Ensign Courants Bill 20th March 1801 for 6 Days Pay to 24th October 1801		14 4 8		
May 28th	Ensign Sandoz 2d Dº pay from 24th April to 24th June		14 9 4		
" "	Ensign Lorsenmens Dº	Dº	Dº	14 9 4	
June 25th	Ditto 30th Dº	to 24th July 1801	7 " "		
" "	Ensign Sandoz 30th Dº	to	Dº	7 " "	
July 25th	Ditto for his accommodation at the Captains Table during his passage to the East Indies		95 " "		
" "	Ensign Dorsenmens Dº	Dº	Dº	95 " "	
" 25th	Ditto 31 days pay to 24th August 1801		7 4 8		
" "	Ensign Sandoz 31 Dº	to	Dº	7 4 8	
August 15th	Ditto 31 Dº	to 24th September 1801	7 4 8		
" "	Ditto 91 Dº	to 24th December 1801	21 4 8		
" "	Ditto 90 Dº	to 24th March 1802	21 " "		
" "	Ensign Dorsament 31 Dº	to 24th September 1801	7 4 8		
" "	Ditto 91 Dº	to 24th December 1801	21 4 8		
" "	Ditto 90 Dº	to 24th March 1802	21 " "		
			£ 649 10 0		

Errors Excepted

(Signed) Wm Disney

Wm Jones

To

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To Lieutenant General Stuart

&c. &c. &c.

Sir.

In obedience to your Orders I proceed to state my opinion of the force required for the provinces of Kanara and Malabar and of the distribution of that force.

There ought to be in Kanara one European Regiment and three Battalions of Native Infantry if the British Troops should be withdrawn from Goa; if they should remain at Goa one Regiment and two Battalions will be sufficient for the service in Kanara.

One Regiment and one Battalion ought to be Stationed at Mangalore to furnish the Detachments in the Southern parts of the Province one Battalion at Cundapore if the British Troops are withdrawn from Goa there ought to be a Battalion at Seedasheger.

The Province of Malabar exclusive of

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of Wynaad for which provision has been made in the distribution for Mysore, ought to have one Regiment of Europeans, five Battalions of Native Infantry, and three Companies of artillery, from which detachments might be furnished to Kanara—

Five Companies of Europeans and one Battalion of Natives at Cochin till the Dutch shall occupy that place, one Battalion of Natives at Anjarycan, one Battalion at Calicut, one Battalion at Montanna, five Companies of Europeans and one Battalion of Native Infantry, and three Companies of artillery at Cannanore—

When the Dutch will occupy Cochin and the French Mahé, the whole European Regiment should be collected at Cannanore— The Battalion at Cochin ought likewise to be removed thither, and a strong Detachment from that place ought to occupy Tellicherry—

Till the Pyché Rajah is taken or till the new System of Civil administration has had time to

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to settle it will be proper in my opinion to retain in the service the Battalions of Nair, Tier, and Mopla Sebendies and they might remain in their present stations Viz.t—

The Nair Sebendies in the southern districts the Tier Sebendies at Cotaparamba. The Mopla Sebendies at Pychè—

Many Detachments are required from the Corps stationed in Malabar, but it will be easy to furnish them all and to have a small force disposeable at Cannanore—

Having thus detailed the distribution of the Troops which in my opinion ought to be made in the provinces of Kanara and Malabar I have to observe that there are Troops sufficient for it even if the British Troops remain at Goa—

If they should be withdrawn from Goa there will be one Native Battalion and two Comp.s of artillery/ one of Bombay the other of Bengal artillery/ above the Number required—

The

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The European Regiment the 77th or the 84th may then be moved into Mysore, will make the Number of that description of Troops required in this Country

Camp I have the honor &c

February 8th 1802 (Signed) Arthur Wellesley

A true Copy

Resolution thereon ✓ The Board concurs in the recommendation of the Commander in Chief for a partial repair of the fortifications of Trichinopoly; and it is Resolved that an Extract of the above Minute be transmitted to the Military Board with instructions to issue the necessary order for executing the repairs in the manner recommended by the Commander in Chief.

Resolved that the officer Commanding ✓ the Southern Division be directed to send the Reports of Ramnad and Pitney to the Presidency under a sufficient guard.

✓ Resolved that a Copy of the Letter of the

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the Prize Agents for the property captured at Serin=
=gapatam be submitted to the consideration of His
Excellency the Governor General —

✓ Ordered that a Copy of the above
letter from the Agent for Foreign Corps in His Majes=
tys service be transmitted to the Auditor General —

✓ Resolved that the Commander in
Chief be requested to convey authority to the
Honorable Colonel Wellesley for carrying into effect
the disposition of troops proposed by that Officer
in the Provinces of Canara and Malabar —

✓ Resolved that the appointment of
Major General Dugald Campbell on the General
Staff of the Army, be confirmed —

Memorandum

1st The Commander in Chief lays
before the Board a letter from the Officer acting as
Fort Adjutant of Goaty soliciting the regulated allow=
=ance granted to Fort Adjutants for Candles, Wood &c;
and Stationary, and as the duties with which this
Officer

Memorandum by Ditto — Submits a letter from the Officer acting as Fort adjutant of Goaty — soliciting the usual con= =tingent allowances gran= =ted to Fort adjutants & recommends that he may be complied with

Letter from the Officer in charge of [illegible]

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77th Regiment at Trichinapoly to whom the Commander in Chief recommends that certain specified allowances may be granted—recommends that Ensign G. Maitland of the Madras European Regiment may be permitted to proceed to the Cape of Good Hope for the recovery of his health and to draw an advance of 6 Months Pay—Lays before the Board the Proceedings of the Medical Board on their meeting of the 15th Instant—

Officer is charged in consequence of his situation as acting Fort Adjutant occasions much additional responsibility and expence. The Commander in Chief thinks it just that his application should be complied with.—

2nd The Commander in Chief also submits to the Board a Letter from the Officer in charge of a Detachment from His Majesty's 77th Regiment at Trichinapoly, representing the expences which he incurs in praying and conducting the duties of the Detachment. The Commander in Chief in order to enable this Officer to defray the expences occasioned by his situation recommends that he may be allowed to draw 5 Pagodas per Month for a Conicapoly and Stationary, and 4 Pagodas for a Pay Sergeant while he continues in his present charge.—

3. The Commander in Chief recommends that Ensign G. Maitland of the Madras European Regiment may be permitted to proceed to the Cape for

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for the Recovery of his health agreeably to the recommendation of his Surgeon and authorized to draw an advance of 6 Months Pay as is usual on such occasions.

4th The Commander in Chief lays before Government the Proceedings of the Medical Board in their Meeting of the 15th Instant.

Signed / S. Stuart

Lieutenant Colonel Monypenny

Commanding H. M. 73d Regiment &

Goely

Sir

With every sentiment of respect to the Orders of my superiors I beg leave to address you on the subject of Major General Brathwaite Order of the 2d of August 1800, by which I am now compelled to do the duty of Fort Adjutant of this Garrison in addition to my situation as acting Adjutant to His Majesty's 73d Regiment, which is no duty sufficient employment without the serious addition of trouble

and

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and responsibility attached to the other appointment—

There are now five sects of almost every Corps in the District (61 of the 2d Battalion 15th Regiment Native Infantry) to whom I am obliged to officiate as Paymaster and every other arbitration required from the Officer in charge of the Priory for the time being I am obliged to pay out of My own Pocket. I run the risk of not receiving the same and am exposed to Retrenchment for doing a General duty for which I have not the smallest Recompence or advantage — I likewise must recommend your of the Number of Prisoners in the upper and lower Fort amounting to 43 to whom I am not only obliged to make occasional visits but I am under the necessity of interfering in the arrangements, pray &c I shall only say in addition that I will most chearfully continue to discharge the duties imposed on me by that Order until it shall please His Excellency the Commander in Chief to relieve me from the same or I may be

removed

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removed by any other Means—

It is far from my intention to regust any emolument, but trust it is not intended by the Order that the consequent expences of the situation are to be paid out of my personal allowances—and have to express a hope that I may be reimbursed the expence of stationary and a Clerk by the specific allowance granted to Fort Adjutants laid down in Government Orders of the 25th July 1800—

(Signed) Edward Crofton Lieut.

Act Adjutant His Majesty's

75th Regiment

Gooty

1st February 1802

To Lieutenant Colonel James Robertson

Deputy Adjutant General &c. &c.

Fort St. George

Sir

In consequence of my having been left at this place since the 4th December last in charge of a considerable Detachment of His Majes-ty's 77th Regiment consisting of Invalids sick and

Convalescents

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Convalescents - I took the liberty to make application to Government for an Increase of allowances to defray the expence of a Pay Serjeant, Stationary &c But understanding that what I therein solicitted was contrary to the established Regulations of the Service I hope you will pardon the Freedom I use in requesting that you will do me the favor to represent my situation to his Excellency Lieutenant General James Stuart, in hopes that he will be graciously pleased to authorize the payment of the usual Monthly allowance of Ten Pagodas for Stationary conformably &c also an allowance of four Pagodas for a pay Serjeant exclusive of the Invalids who proceeded to Poonamallee on the 10th December last. I have yet in charge one hundred and fifty six Men and am informed that I am shortly to be joined by others - It might be deemed superfluous to mention to you the responsibility attached to such a charge. But I trust and hope you will favor me so far as to submit this my application to his Excellency &c

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the commander in Chief in hopes that it may meet

with his sanction and support—

I have the honor &c.a—

Cavalry Cantonments

Trichinopoly

(Signed) Richard Brown

Lieutenant Commanding

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a Detachment H. M. 77.th Regt.

To the Right Honorable the

Governor in Council

My Lord,

I have to request your Lordship—

will be pleased to grant me leave of absence to pro-

-ceed to sea for the recovery of my health—the—

necessity of which the accompanying surgeons Cer-

-tificate will point out—

Fort S.t George

February 12.th 1802

(Signed) G. G. Maitland

Ens.n S.t D.n E. Regiment

Ensign G. G. Maitland of the first Division Europe-

-an Regiment having for some Months past suffer-

-ed severely on his health from a succession of Liver at-

-tacks attended with Dysenteric symptoms—and

having tried the Most appropriate remedies for—

their

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their removal without experiencing more than temporary relief. I hereby therefore recommend his proceeding with all possible dispatch to the Cape of Good Hope in Order to try the more powerful effects of a long sea voyage and a change of climate.

Madras the 29th January 1802

(Signed) M. Fitzgerald
Surgeon

Resolutions thereon

✓ Resolved to authorize the allowances recommended in the foregoing Minute to the Officer acting as Fort Adjutant at Goaty and to the Officer in charge of a Detachment of His Majesty's 77th Regiment at Trichinopoly.

✓ Resolved to permit Ensign Maitland to proceed to the Cape of Good Hope for the recovery of his health and to authorize an advance of six Months pay to be paid to him.

Minute of the Commander in Chief

1st The Commander in Chief recommends that Lieutenant H. M. Kelly at present adjutant of the 2d Madras Battalion be appointed to succeed Captain

Minute by Ditto Recommends that Lt Kelly adjut of the 2d Madras Bat station be appointed adjutant

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Adjutant of the 2d. Batt.n 19th. Regiment N. I. submits an application from Lieutenant Pasley of the 7th. Regiment N. I. to proceed to Bengal. Recommends under stated circumstances that Captn. Wynne of the 11th. Regt. N. I. be struck off from the list of the army or transferred to the Non effective establishment.

Captain Lieutenant Sutton Taylor in the Adjutancy of the 2d. Battalion 19th. Regiment Native Infantry become vacant by that Officers promotion.

2d. The Commander in Chief lays before the Board an application from Lieutenant Pasley of the 7th. Regiment Native Infantry lately attached to the embassy to Persia to the Right Honorable the President for permission to proceed to Bengal in Order to adjust the accounts of that Mission.

3d. In consequence of the time that has elapsed since it became necessary to place under restraint in the Lunatic Hospital Captain Robert Nanny Wynne of the 11th. Regiment Native Infantry on account of a mental derangement, the Commander in Chief is led to suppose that the disease is so far confirmed as to render him incapable of a further performance of Military duty in which supposition he finds himself supported by a public Advertizement announcing the sale of

Captain

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Captain Wynnes property by Order of a Committee under the Authority of the Supreme Court of Judicature at Madras, and therefore recommends that Captain Wynne be struck off the List of the Army or transferred to the Non-effective Establishment, but rather the former measure, as his fortune in England is said to be considerable.

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(Signed) J. Stuart

To the Adjutant General

of the Army

Fort St. George

Sir,

Enclosed is an application for leave of absence from this Presidency which I request you will lay before the Commander in Chief.

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(Signed) Charles Pasley

Lieutenant & Assistant to the

Persian Envoy.

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To Lieutenant General Stuart

Commander in Chief

Fort S. George

Sir,

I have the honor to inclose you an application to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council for leave of absence from this Presidency which I request you will forward to his Lordship if it meets your approbation.

I am Sir
Your most obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) Charles Pasley
Lieutenant 1st Regiment N. I.
Assistant to the Persian Envoy

Fort St. George
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To the Right Honorable Lord Clive

Governor in Council

Fort St. George

My Lord,

Having been directed by Major John Malcolm the late Envoy to the Court of Persia to proceed to Fort William with all possible expedition for the purpose of bringing to a

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a fenial close the accounts of his Embassy I have to
request that your Lordships in Council will be
pleased to grant me the necessary leave of absence
that I may embark on one of the first Ships ac=
cording to Major Malcolms desire

Fort St. George
18th February 1807

I have the honor &c &c
(Signed) Charles Pasley
Lieutenant 7th Regiment N. I.
Assistant to the Persian Envoy

Resolutions thereon.

Resolved to appoint Lieutenant Hon. M=
Kelly to be Adjutant of the 2d Battalion 19th Regi=
=ment Native Infantry and to direct Lieutenant=
Pasley to proceed to Bengal on the business stated
by the Commander in Chief

The Board having reason to believe
that it is the intention of the friends of Captain=
Wynne to remove him to England and as the com=
=plaint of that Officer may eventually be removed by
the change of climate, It is Resolved to transfer=
Captain Wynne for the present to the non-effective
List

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List and to submit the case to the consideration of the Honorable Court of Directors.

Read the following proceedings of the Medical Board.—

Resolutions of the Governor in Council 20th Febuary 1802.—

Medical Board 15th Febuary 1802.

In compliance with the request of Mr Head Surgeon (in the absence of Mr Surgeon Andrew Berry in a letter from him to us of the 15th Instno. We have the honor to forward Copy of a Statement relative to the Disbursements in his late Capacity of Medical Storekeeper and on his leaving the Long accounts of so Department of such intricacy and extent we cannot but observe with unusual satisfaction

From the Medical Board forwarding Copy of a Statement relative to the Disbursements of the late Medical Storekeeper and copy of a letter with the conduct of Mr Berry while in charge of that Department and submit Copy of a letter from Mr Head Surgeon Ogilvy stating the grounds on which he solicits an Arrangement of the prescribed term of service forwarding Copy of a letter from Mr Surgeon M. Fitzgerald and recommending that permission be granted to him to proceed to Europe on sick Certificate and recommend that Mr John Gibbs be directed to take Medical Charge of the Lunatics Respecting that the duty in the Black Town and No 1 and 2 Moorsus Battn be performed by Mr Surgeon Hamilton recommend that Mr Surgeon Fitzgerald be permitted to proceed to the Presidency on account of his health Towards the Expence of which Conveyance Copies of the Proceedings of

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Sir

I have been favored with your letter of the 15th Instant, and am glad to find that the Medical Establishment has given satisfaction to the Board of Directors.

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to inform you that his Lordship has observed with much satisfaction the attention which has been observed throughout the Establishment to the Regulations laid down by the Medical Board for the purpose of reducing the expense of the Medical Department, and that he has been pleased to direct that Officers and Servants employed in the Hospitals may be supplied with Medicines and Stores from the Public Stores, instead of purchasing them from the Contractor, by which arrangement a saving of Pagodas 5719.32.50 will be effected in the course of the present year.

I am directed also to inform you that his Lordship in Council has been pleased to direct that the Medical Establishment of Fort St George be reduced to the following Establishment, and that the Salaries of the Officers composing it be paid from the 1st Instant.

1 Surgeon at Pagodas 500 per Month
1 Assistant Surgeon at Pagodas 200 per Month
1 Apothecary at Pagodas 100 per Month
1 Hospital Mate at Pagodas 50 per Month
1 Steward at Pagodas 50 per Month

Pagodas 900 per Month

I am directed to request that you will take the necessary steps for carrying the above Establishment into effect from the 1st March next, and that you will report to the Board the Officers you may appoint to the Hospitals at the Presidency, Seringapatam, Tellicherry, Cannanore, Palamcottah, Trichinopoly, Vellore, Arcot, Ellore, Masulipatam, Vizagapatam, Ganjam, Cuttack, Bellary, Chittoor, Ongole, Nellore, Sadras, Chingleput, Poonamallee, Wallajahbad, Arnee, Permacoil, Caroor, Dindigul, Madura, Tinnevelly, Ramnad, Tanjore, Negapatam, Porto Novo, Cuddalore, Pondicherry, Carical, Tranquebar, Cotiar, Manargoody, Calicut, Mangalore, Honore, Bednore, Anantapoor, Gooty, Cuddapah, Nundidroog, Colar, Vellum, Hyderabad, Secunderabad, Jalnapoor, Aurungabad, Poona, Sattara, Bombay, Surat, Broach, Baroda, Ahmedabad, Cambay, Dabhoy, Tannah, Panwell, Bassein, Mahim, Hurnee, Rutnagherry, Vingorla, Goa, Onore, Mangalore, Cannanore, Tellicherry, Calicut, Palamcottah, Tuticorin

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— Mr. Head Surgeon George

✓ The case of Mr. Ogilvie Ogilvy copy of which we has been submitted to the consider- have herewith the honor- ation of the Honorable Court of to forward to the Right — Directors. Honorable the Governor in Council — The severity of that Gentleman's imprison- ment and the early, seri- ous, and long continued effect it had upon his health and constitution, and which perhaps no- thing but the general climate of his Native Country can yet effectually remove — One readily im- brace this opportunity of begging leave to state our knowledge and opinion of His services have been long

and

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of this Board from 15th Jany to 31st January 1802 together with the Instructions of Government thereon

satisfaction and due attention

expectation to the Right Honorable the Governor in

Council the arrangements necessary

The Governor in Council has attention which has

been observed with satisfaction the

sentiment expressed by the Medical

by Doctor Berry which

Board relative to the conduct of the

he feltes that Appearance

late Mr Assistant Storekeeper, and

been officiated at with

remedies the saving of expense

a person for management

stated by the Medical Board to

have been on comparing the

afford a satisfactory proof of the

whole expence of Establish-

advantages attending the present

ments as well as Corps so

System of Medical supply

much within the limits

expence of 20 Cash pursuant

for such Establishments

by Government to be re-

duced an average of Pagodas

5719. 31. 50.

Dr Brown a letter from

Mr

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— Mr Head Surgeon George

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begging leave to state our
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His services have been long

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and of the most faithful
Nature, and as his prayer
extends only to be judged
with the retiring salary
of his present rank without
returning to India per-
mission earnestly recommend his
application to the favorable
consideration of Government—

3d We beg leave to for-
ward Copy of a letter from
Mr. Surgeon Maurice Fitz-
gerald inclosing a certifi-
cate of his bad state of
health and the necessity
of his proceeding to Europe
for its recovery, which we
hope will meet with the
favorable consideration of
Government

Mr. Fitzgerald has
been permitted to proceed to Euro-
pe for the recovery of his health;
and the Governor in Council has
been pleased to appoint Mr. Gol-
die to take Medical charge of the
Lunatic Hospital, and of the Ft

and

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and 2nd Madras Battations. and Government and should the
to do Medical duty in the Bla- Right Honorable the Governor
-ck Town vice Fitzgerald — in Council be pleased to —
grant the permission he
requests. We beg leave to
recommend Mr. John —
Goldie for the Medical —
charge of the Lunatic Hos-
-pital a situation that we
deem cannot safely be —
left for a moment vacant —
For the duty in Black —
Town and 1st and 2nd Ma-
-dras Battalions we recom-
-mend Mr. Surgeon Samu-
-el MacMorris —
4th Mr. Surgeon —
Joseph Street of the 5th Re-
-giment Native Cavalry
who is at present at Cuddalore
on

Two of the duties stated in
this paragraph (3d) viz. the charge
of the Lunatic Hospital and —
Black Town Jails, are of a civil
Nature and not within the prero-
-gative of the Commander in Chief
— In the present scarcity of Surgeons
however it is my opinion that
these duties as well as the charge
of the Madras Battalions may
be executed as heretofore by the —

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same persons, and if Mr Golde on Sick Certificate having
shall be appointed to the former applied to us for permiss-
situations. We recommend on to proceed to the Presi-
him to the charge of the Madras dency for further Medical
Battalions.

advice We beg leave to re-
commend his application
to the favorable attention
of Government.

5th We have the honor
to forward for the Honora-
ble the Court of Directors
Copies of the Proceedings
of this Board from the 16th
February 1801 to 25th January
1802 with the annual List of the
Medical Establishment under
this Presidency.

Signed/ Jas Anderson Phys. Genl
T. Gahagan M.D.
2d Member Medical Board

By Order of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council

Signed/ George Buchan
Secy to Govt

Approved & Ordered. ✓

These papers have been
transmitted to the Honorable
Court of Directors.

A Statement to shew the Disbursements of the Medical Storekeeper on the Effective account for the Supplies of Country and Bazar Medicines from the 1st. January 1794 the commencement of the present Medical System to the 1st. January 1802 — with Columns Shewing the Numbers of Effectives by which they were regulated, the Sums authorized to be disbursed, and the Sums unexpended as allowed by the Numbers of Effectives.—

	Total Numbers of Effectives for One Year as they appear specified on the Effective accounts—	Sums allowed to be disbursed on the specified Numbers of Effectives at the rate of 20 Cash per Man per day—	Charges incurred for One Year for the Numbers of Effectives specified	Sums unexpended of what are allowed for One Year—
		Pags. F. b.	Pags. F. b.	Pags. F. b.
For the Year 1794	N. 92,955	15491 . .	14745 21 63	745 28 17
Ditto 1795	N. 72,163	12026 22 40	11716 6 79	310 15 41
Ditto 1796	N. 61,793	10298 . .	9599 15 11½	698 29 68½
Ditto 1797	N. 86,677	14445 . .	13388 27 3½	1056 17 76½
Ditto 1798	N. 69,062	11509 22 40	10433 22 72½	1075 44 47½
Ditto 1799	N. 81,606	13600 . .	12867 11 .	732 34 .
Ditto 1800	N. 86,177	14362 . .	13841 40 62½	520 4 37½
Ditto 1801	N. 75,869	12643 22 40	12063 23 47½	579 43 72½
Total N.	626,302	104375 22 40	98655 33 79½	5719 38 40½

No Charges or Effective Strength are included in the above for the following Troops regulated by their Effective Strength from them appearing in separate Accounts Current where the Numbers of Effectives are stated Viz.t the French Prisoners from 1st. July 1794 to 1st. May 1799 but after that period they are included and among the details at Bombay — the charges for them on embarkation for Europe are not included — the Dutch Prisoners are not included — the charges for the Troops on Ceylon and to the Eastward are not included — the charges for Troops ordered on foreign Service are not included — the charges for the Troops on the Field in February 1799 are not included, and all for the reasons specified.—

(Signed) And.w Berry Medical Storekeeper

Fort St. George
1st. January 1802

A true Copy
(Signed) Wm. Horsman Sec.y Med.l Board

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To James Anderson Esqr

Physician General & Members of the

Medical Board

Gentlemen,

Having obtained permission from Government to proceed to Europe on furlough I hope you will pardon this intrusion which I am now induced to offer and which I trust will not be deemed unreasonable although subsequent to my late application for leave of absence — Having served the Honorable Company upwards of Twenty three Years actual residence in India and the only surviving Medical Man of Colonel Bailies unfortunate Detachment, and very Materially affected by the hardships I suffered during a Most distressing and rigorous imprisonment of near three years and ten Months. I hope you will have the goodness to recommend me to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council in such a manner as may induce him to make

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make favorable mention of Me to the Honorable the Court of Directors which I am persuaded will have an essential effect in procuring Me some share of their countenance and that although a few Months of the stipulated period of five years as Head Surgeon are still wanting I should hope for their Kind indulgence in allowing me to retire on the salary of that rank.

I have the honor &.c

Madras
28.th January 1802

(Signed) George Ogilvy
Head Surgeon

A true Copy

(Signed) W.m Horsman
Sen.r Medical Board

To James Anderson Esq.r
P.G. and President, Members of the
Medical Board

Gentlemen.

My health having for some time past been very seriously impaired I have now the honor

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honor to solicit that you will be pleased to obtain for me from Government the usual leave of absence to Europe on Furlough. The accompanying health Certificate being sufficiently explanatory of the necessity of that Measure

I have the honor &c &c

Fort S.t George
1.st February 1802

/Signed/ M. Fitz Gerald
Surgeon to the Black
Town and Lieut.t & Q.r
2.d Madras Battalion

A true Copy

/Signed/ Wm. Horsman
Sec.y Medical Board

We John Goldie Surgeon of the 1.st Battalion of Artillery and John Breedy Surgeon of the Black Town do hereby declare on Oath that We are of opinion it is absolutely necessary Mr. Maurice Fitz gerald Surgeon on the Madras Establishment should leave this Country and go to Europe for the recovery of his

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his health.—

Sworn to in Fort S.t George
this 18.th Day of December
One Thousand Eight hundred
and One—1801—

Before Me
(Signed) Walter Balfour Justice of Peace

Resolutions of the Govenor
in Council 20.th February 1802

These papers have been
transmitted to the Honorable
Court of Directors and the Gover-
-nor in Council has requested
that a supply of Medicines may
be provided to the extent of the
annual Indent for the year—
1803.—

From Bdle— Forwarding the ann-
-ual Indent for Medicines
&c for the year 1803— together
with a Letter from the Me-
-dical Storekeeper and a
Statement of amount Valua-
-tion of Medicines furnish
-ed for the use of the Navy
in 1801— Recommend that
the Indent be complied
with to its extent, request
that the Commander of
one of the Ships under
dispatch may be directed
to receive a Box of dam-
-aged Instruments to be
returned to Europe
Recommend that the
report of a Committee
ordered to inspect certain
Medical Stores be pointed
out to the attention of the
Court of Direction. Report
having permitted Mr.
Assistant Surgeon Borde
-nes to proceed to Sea
for the recovery of his health

Medical Board
10.th February 1802

To We have the honor to
forward the annual Indent
for Medicines, Medical—
Stores &c— for the Year—
1803— accompanied with a
letter from the Medical
Storekeeper and a Statement
of amount Valuation of
European Medicines fur-
-nished for the use of His
Majesty's Ships in India

and

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and for the use of the na-
val Hospital at Fort St.
George for the year 1801-
as the measure of one third
Medicines &c in the general
supply and the addition-
al quantity of the Perua-
vian Bark Mentioned
in the Storekeepers letter
appears to us altogether
necessary and proper
We therefore hope it will
meet with the countenance
and support of the Hono-
rable the Governor in
Council in the General
Letter to the Honorable
the Court of Directors
2nd We likewise beg
leave to point out the regu-
lation

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I The Commander of the Honorable Company's Ship Charlton was directed to receive charge of the box of Instruments herein mentioned.

The recommendations stated in the report of the Committee have been pointed out to the attention of the Honorable Court of Directors.

requisition of an Order in the Storekeepers Letters to one of the Captains of the Honorable Company's Ships at present under dispatch for a Box of damaged Instruments to be returned to Europe for repair agreeably to Orders

3 Accompanying we have the honor to forward a copy of a report of a Committee Ordered by us on the Medical Stores received by the Honorable Company's Ship True Briton, and notwithstanding repeated former representations relative to the mode of Packing Essential Oils and Spirits of

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nitre together, so as in our opinion greatly to endanger the safety of the Ships we cannot help considering it our duty again to recommend in the strongest terms the attention of Government to this very important subject—

4th The wastage of the from the want of Glass Stoppers and other deficiencies as Mentioned in the report we hope only require to be mentioned to the Honorable the Court of Directors for its being remedied in future—

5th Mr. Assistant Surgeon M.c Cordaire having arrived

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Approved—

arrived from the Ceded Distric-
-cts in a dangerous state of
health and having produced
a Certificate of the absolute
necessity of his proceeding
immediately to sea on that
account, We have taken e-
-pon ourselves to sanction
his departure by an opportu-
-nity now offering lest another
should not soon occur to
give him the hoped for
benefit which we trust will
meet with the approbation
of Government—

(Signed) Jas. Anderson
Physician General

T. Gahagan
M. B. K. 2d. Member
Medical Board

By Order of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council

(Signed) George Buchan
Sec.y to Govt.

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To James Anderson Esq.r

Physician General and Members of the

Medical Board

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to enclose an Indent for European Medicines instruments &c.a wanted as annual supply for this Presidency for the year 1803 — and if approved I request you will countersign and forward it to Government for transmission to the Honorable the Court of Directors by the Ships now under Dispatch.—

In consequence of the late observations of the Honorable Court on former Indents the articles Avena excoriata Hordeum Psilicum and Perlatum are entirely omitted, but spaces are left for the insertion of these or any other Medicines you may deem necessary — The first regular annual Indents from the Malabar Provinces having been now received together with the late Orders for supplying the Honorable Company's civil and veterinary

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veterinary Department with European Medicines I have been enabled to form a tolerable estimate of the probable requisite increase in the annual supply from Europe, and on the average expenditure of three Years I have judged it expedient to augment the quantities in General about one third — The late uncommon demand from Mysore and the Malabar Provinces for Cortex Peruvianus has occasioned the insertion of a very unusual quantity of that particular article for these reasons and in further consideration of the present reduced state of the stores in consequence of the large supplies lately sent to Seringapatam to answer any occasional demands from the Malabar Coast I trust Gentlemen you will see the necessity of soliciting Government to recommend a full compliance with the present Indent.

Enclosed I have the honor to forward a list of all the spoiled and unserviceable Instruments in Store they are packed up and

directed

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directed to the Honorable the Court of Directors for the forwarding of which I request an order to the Captain of one of the Indiamen

I have the honor &c

(Signed) Alexr. Boiswell
Medical Storekeeper

Fort S. George
29th. January 1802

A true Copy

(Signed) Wm. Horsman
Secretary Medical Board

Resolutions of the Governor in Council 20th. February 1802

Medical Board
15th. February 1802

1st. We have the honor to forward Copy of a letter from Mr. acting Superintending Surgeon Thorpe in charge of Southern Division of Malabar also copy of a Bill from that Gentleman for the difference of allowance between a Superintending

From B. Ho. Forwarding Copy of a letter from the acting Superintending Surgeon of the Southern Division of Malabar claiming the difference of allowance between a Superintending and a Regiment Surgeon during the time he acted in the former Capacity, states their opinions of the claim — Report having sanctioned the purchase of certain Medical Stores wanted by the Medical Storekeeper — Forward an Extract from Mr. Hunt Surgeon Bengs Monthly return of the Ceylon Division and recommend the causes of the prevalent Diseases to the attention of Government —

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Resolved that Mr. Thorpe be permitted to draw the allowances of a Superinten= =ding Surgeon in the pro= =vince of Malabar from the period when those = allowances Ceased to be= drawn by Mr. Thorpes = predecessor.—

Superintending and a Re= =gimental Surgeon during the time he acted in the former Capacity as speci= =fied in his indent.—

2d. In forwarding this statement however we cannot take upon ourselves to Recommend Mr. Thorpes drawing the advanced sala= =ry any part of the time that his Predecessor was authorized to Receive = such allowance but from the period at which Mr. James's claim ceased we hope the Right Honorable the Governor in Council will be pleased to appro =ve of Mr. Thorpes receiving it

A.

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Approved—

5th It being represented to us in a letter from the Medical Storekeeper at this Presidency that he has an opportunity of purchasing at reasonable rates three pounds and two Ounces of Essential Oil of Peppermint and two hundred Skins of Leather both of which articles the Stores are immediately in want—we have accordingly sanctioned the purchase which we hope will meet with the approbation of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council—

4 Having just received a Return of the Garter

Resolved that the Commander

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Commander in Chief he reques- Center Division from —
-ted to issue such Orders up- Mr. Head Surgeon Berry
-on the subject of this Pa- We think it a duty incum-
-bent on us to take notice
-ragraph as the Nature of the case may require — of his concluding remark
on the Most prevalent
diseases and the unifor-
-mity of the cause- a copy
of which we have the
honor to forward in
hopes of inducing Gover-
-nment to adopt such
Measures as may serve
to Check so destructive an
evil —

(Signed) Jas. Anderson
Physician General

T. Gahagan M.D.
& 2d Member Medical Bd

By Order of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council

(Signed) George Buchan
Secy to Government

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To William Horsman Esqr.

Secretary Medical Board

Fort S. George

Sir,

I was honored with your letter of the 26th. Ultimo per this days Post and have to inform you for the information of the Medical Board that I was appointed to the duties of superintending Surgeon for this District of Malabar on the 18th. December 1800 ffr Provincial order ffr the late Colonel Sartorius (a Copy of which I inclosed in my letter to the Medical Board of the 4th. Instant) and have the first of November 1801 I was appointed by the Government of Bombay Superintending Surgeon of the Southern District of Malabar, vice James as per order inclosed in my letter to the Medical Board of the 27th of that Month. The amount of my Pay as superintending

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superintending Surgeon is Star Pagodas Two hundred and eight and fourteen fanams per Mensem.— I have inclosed an Indent of what I have received during the time I have performed both duties which I hope the Board will approve of and recommend my receiving—

I have the honor &c.

(Signed) Jon: Thorpe

Superintending Surgeon

Southern Divn. Malabar

Calicut

6th February 1802

A true Copy

(Signed) Wm Horsman

Secretary Medical Board

Cananore 18th December 1800

Provincial Orders

Mr. James Superintending Surgeon of the Southern Division of Malabar has the Commanding Officers permission to visit the Presidency of Bombay on his

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his private concerns and be absent from his duty in the Province for two Months from the day he embarks.

Mr. Thorpe Senior Surgeon on the Southern Division will officiate as Superintending Surgeon for Mr. James during his absence.

(Signed) A. Spens
Major of Brigade.

A true Copy

(Signed) T. Thorpe

A true Copy

(Signed) Wm. Horsman
Secretary Medical
Board.

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The Honorable Company ..... Dr.

To the difference of Pay &c. between Superintending and Regimental Surgeon

Months	Pay attached to the situation of Superintending Surgeon pr. Month	Pay &c actually Received as Regimen tal Surgeon pr Month	Difference		
	Rs. Fs. Cs.	Rs. Fs. Cs.	Star Pagodas	Fs	Cs
1800 Decr. 13 days	208 14 "	84 18 30	89 "		
1801 Janr. 31 days	208 14 "	84 18 30	123	40	50
" Febr. 28 days	208 14 "	76 31 40	131	27	40
" March 31 days	208 14 "	84 18 30	123	40	50
" April 30 days	208 14 "	81 36 60	126	22	20
" May 31 days	208 14 "	84 18 30	123	40	50
" June 30 days	208 14 "	81 36 60	126	22	50
" July 31 days	208 14 "	84 18 30	123	40	50
" Augt. 30 days	208 14 "	84 18 30	123	40	50
" Sept. 30 days	208 14 "	81 36 60	126	22	50
" Octr. 31 days	208 14 "	84 18 30	123	40	50
Total Difference in Star Pagodas			1343	23	60

Star Pagodas One thousand three hundred and forty three twenty three Fanams and Sixty Cash —

(Signed) Jon: Thorpe.
Supernt. Surgeon S. D. Malabar

A true Copy
(Signed) Wm. Horsman
Secretary Medical Board —

Extract

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Extracts from Mr. Head Surgeon Berry's Monthly

Genral Return for January 1802—

The sick in the Genral Hospital under

Mr. Cride's care are mostly Chronic cases of long stan-

-ding.— The prevailing diseases of His Majesty's Scotch

Brigade in the Genral Hospital are attributed by

Mr. Smith the Surgeon to the immoderate use of

Arrack and exposure afterwards to the night air—

most of the diseases of His Majesty's 74th. Regiment

at Wallajahabad are likewise considered by Mr.

Andrews the acting Surgeon as brought on by

drinking and frequent exposure by sleeping out

when in liquor.— The prevailing diseases at

Pooriamullee of Dysentery is brought on by Mr.

Drachmeler's report by hard drinking, and the

diseases at Cuddalore are stated by Mr. Duncan the

Surgeon to be also from intemperance—

(Signed) Andrew Berry

Head Surgeon.

A true Copy

(Signed) Wm. Horsman

Secretary Medical Board

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Read the following letter from the

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To the Right Honorable Lord Clive

Governor in Council &c &c &c

My Lord

1 We have to report that the necessary

Orders have been given in consequence of the Receipt of

From the Military Board — Forwards the usual returns and Accounts of Military Stores for transmission to Europe — Recommends Payment of Sundry Bills and an advance of Cash.

letter from the Secretary to Government in the Milit-

tary Department under date the 22d. January

2nd 2. We have the honor to forward for

transmission to the Honorable Court of Directors the

usual Return of Ordnance and Military Stores shewing

the stated proportion for Fort St. George the quantity

remaining in the arsenal including those received from

England on the Ships of the Year 1800 and what is

required to complete the statement, as we do not for

the reasons stated in our Report of the 11th. February 1801

deem ourselves at liberty to withhold its transmission

at the same time we think it necessary to accompany

this Return with Copy of the Proceedings of a Com-

mittee

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an advance of 2000 Pagodas may be made to the
agent for Cavalry supplies to the 2d Regiment
Native Cavalry on account of the current disburse=
=ments of his Department.—

Fort S. George. We have the honor &c &c
29th January 1802 (Signed) D. Smith
J. Richardson
E. Trapaud
J. Brunton

Resolution thereon. Resolved to inform the Military Board
that the several papers submitted with the above
letter for transmission to the Honorable Court of
Directors have been transmitted to England accordingly

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

My Lord.

Encl. Extract of a letter from Colonel Oliver dated at Poona
of Wales's Island the 15th December 1801 reporting
that he was obliged to order the salt Fish supplied
at

Encl. Extract of a letter from Colonel Oliver reporting the bad state of the Salt Fish shipped for the Troops proceeding to the Malabar Coast—recommend that the charge for Salt fish purchased by Colonel Oliver be discharged on account Payment

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of certain Bills and forward for Decision, Register of Bills of Extraordinaries for the Month of November 1801—

at Madras for the use of the Troops proceeding to the Moluccas to be thrown overboard; and as it appears from the proceedings of the Committee appointed to survey that article a copy of which we transmit for the information of your Lordship in Council that the Salt Fish was in a putrid state. We beg leave to recommend that the charge for 20 days stock laid in by Colonel Oliver be authorized—.

2nd. We recommend Payment of the following Bills—

No 1 Bill of the Collector in Malabar for Bengal Rice purchased for the use of the Troops &c in the Province of Canara amounting to Rupees 4563.2.75—

No 2 Bill of Major Bicster of Engineers in the service of Portugal for building the British Cantonment at Cobo amounting to Pagodas 1963.19.64—

3rd. We forward for the decision of your Lordship

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Lordship in Council Registers of Bills of extraordi-
-naries for the Month of November 1801 with our
opinion on the several charges mentioned therein
annexed.

Fort St. George. We have the honor &c &c
20th February 1802. (Signed) J. Stuart
D. Smith
J. Richardson
E. Trapaud
J. Brunton.

Extract of a letter from Colonel Oliver to the Secre-
tary to the Military Board dated from Prince of
Wales Island 4th December 1801.

"Proceedings of a Committee
"examine and report the state of salt Fish shipped
"at Madras for the use of the Troops which was so
"putrid that I was obliged to Order it to be thrown
"overboard agreeably to their recommendation I have
"purchased and laid in a stock of Fish sufficient
"for twenty days which I hope will prevent with ap-
-probation

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"approbation and as I have confined myself to the least
"probable Number the remainder of the Voyage is
"likely to be compleated in, that His Excellency will be
"pleased to recommend to Government to allow the charge
"to be passed in my accounts"

A true Extract

(Signed) John Macleane

Secretary Military Board

Proceedings of a Committee held by Order of Colonel James Oliver for inspecting the state of the Salt Fish Shipped in the Mary and Asia Transports for the use of the Troops on Board —

Captain Andrew Macpherson President

Lieutenant and B. M. Duggan (Members)

Lieutenant Stuart

The Committee having inspected the Salt Fish on Board the Mary and Asia Transports for the use of the Troops, is of Opinion that six hundred Bundles of Fish on Board the Mary, and four Hundred Bundles of Salt Fish in the Asia Transport being therefore entire

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...ative of the Original Stock not consumed by the Troops
are quite damaged, and from thence Justice state the
Committee has considered it advisable to throw them
over Board for fear of their creating infection.

Pulo Penang. (Signed) Andrew Macpherson
Harbour Captain and Commt
14th December 1801 T. F. Duggan
Lieut and Agent of Brigade
Francis P. Stewart
Lieutenant

A true Copy

(Signed) Tobin Maclaine
Secretary to the Board

Resolutions & Orders thereon

Resolved that authority be given for
defraying the expence incurred by Colonel Close on
the purchase of a supply of Salt Fish at Penang
Ordered that the Register of Bills
for extraordinaries be returned to the Military
Board with the Board's decision on the Offices
Charges.

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To the Right Honorable Lord Clive

Governor in Council &c &c &c

My Lord,

1. We have the honor to report that the necessary instructions have been given to the Commissary of Stores at the Arsenal at the Presidency in consequence of the Orders of your Lordship in Council communicated to us by the Secretary to Government in the Military Department under date the 30th January—

From Ditto—Report the necessary instructions have been given to the Commissary of Stores at the Arsenal in consequence of the letter of the 30th Ultimo. Forward Copy of a Minute by the Military Auditor Genl. on the subject of a letter from the agent for Public Cattle in Mysore and recommend the publication of the proposed General Order recommend payment of Certain Bills and advances of Cash—

2nd. We inclose Copy of a Minute of the Military Auditor General on the subject of a Letter received by that Officer from the Agent for Public Cattle in Mysore and beg leave to recommend the publication of the General Order proposed by Lieutenant Colonel Brunton—

3rd. We recommend payment of the following Bills and advances of Cash—

No 1 Bill of the Garrison Storekeeper at Seringapatam for Salt laid up in Store in that

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that Garrison for the public Service amounting to
Pagodas 119. 39. 45

No 2 Bill of the Garrison Store
keeper in Mysoor for horse Gram purchased by
our Order and Stored at Chittledroog amounting to
Star Pagodas 2420. 3. 75

No 3 Bill of Lieutenant Fothering-
ham of Engineers for expences incurred in destroying
the Fortifications on the Hill of Kistnagherry amount-
ing to Pagodas 43. 32. 64

No 4 Bill of the Gun Carriage &c
Contractors amounting to Star Pagodas 3275 — for
Articles delivered by them into the Arsenal and appro-
ved upon Survey by a Committee of our Board

An Advance of Star Pagodas 3630. 6.
Co to the Garrison Storekeeper at Fort St. George being
half of the estimated amount of Military Stores
required for the use of the Arsenal on Two Indents
of the Commissary of Stores in charge thereof dated
by Our Order on the 25th and 30th January 1802.

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We have the honor &c
(Signed) A. Stuart
" D. Smith
" John Richardson
" E. Frapaud
" J. Brunton

Military Auditor Generals Minute on a letter received from the Agent for Public Cattle above the Ghauts.

By the accompanying Letter with its enclosure from the Agent for Public Cattle in Mysore it appears that both inconvenience and loss to the public is likely to accrue from inattention to, and misapprehension of the Orders of Government respecting Draught and Carriage Bullocks, in cases where they are entertained by one Garrison Storekeeper or other public Officer, and necessarily retained to serve within a District or with a detachment paid by another Garrison Storekeeper. I beg leave therefore to suggest to the Board the propriety of recommending to Government

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Government the publication of a General Order to the following effect.—

G. O. By Government.—

As the existing Orders respecting Draught and Carriage Bullocks have in some instances either not been attended to, or have not been properly understood, The Right Honorable the Governor in Council is pleased to direct, that when draught or carriage Cattle shall be entertained by a Garrison Storekeeper or other public Officer authorized to entertain Cattle, and such Cattle shall afterwards be employed in the district of another Garrison Storekeeper or under the charge of another Agent, in those cases where an agent may have been appointed, the Garrison Storekeeper or other Officer who shall entertain such draught or Carriage Cattle shall furnish to the person within whose range the Cattle may be employed or eventually to the Agent appointed to receive the Cattle, with a regular account of whatever advances of Money may have

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have been paid together with a correct Register of the Number and description of the Cattle, of the Masters and drivers attached, and of the date when the Cattle were entertained in the public Service, together with the names of the owners and the Officer to whom the Register shall be communicated will be held responsible for the stoppages to be made on account of the Advances which may have been issued by the Officer who entertained the Cattle, and is to communicate to such Officer the earliest information of the Stoppages having been made and placed to his Credit.

This Order is not however to interfere in any respect with the 20th Section of the Regulations under the head of Victualling Department nor is it to extend to cases where Cattle having performed a particular Service, shall immediately return and be discharged.

(Signed) J. Brunton Mils and Genl

Military Auditor
Generals Office
Fort St. George
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A true Copy
(Signed) John Macleane
Secty Mils Board

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Resolutions thereon.

Resolved that a General Order issued on the draft recommended by the Military & Auditor General for preserving regularity in the accounts of hired draught and Carriage Bullocks be published according to the recommendation of the Military Board.

Resolved that Authority be given for the payment of the several Bills advances of money recommended by the Military Board.

Read the following Letter from

Bengal.

To the Right Honorable Edward Lord Clive

Governer in Council

Fort S. George

My Lord,

From Bengal acknowledging Letter of the 25th Oct. Letter inclosing Copy of Instructions to the Commanding Officers of the Detached ones state the measures which have been taken for transporting the troops at the Molucca Islands — request that List of the Artillery required for the

1 The Despatch in Council has the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Lordships Letter dated the 25th October last inclosing a Copy of your Lordships instructions to Colonel Clivet appointed to the charge of the Civil and Military Government

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the Supply of the Molucca Islands in may be transmitted to Bengal——

Government of the Moluccas Islands—

2d A Copy of that dispatch having been transmitted to His Excellency the Most Noble the Governor General, His Excellency was pleased to direct that the Detachment of the Marine Battalion serving at Amboyna should be reinforced by three additional Companies of the same Corps—

3d The Vice President in Council has now the honor to acquaint your Lordship that a proportion of this reinforcement consisting of one Soubadar, one Jemadar, Four Havildars, Four Naiks, and One hundred and Twenty Eight Sepoys under the Command of Captain Dawson was embarked from this Presidency on the 12th Instant on the Ship Bangalore for Amboyna and that the remainder of the three Companies will be dispatched from this Presidency whenever a Vessel can be obtained for their conveyance—

4th The Vice President in Council not possessing Correct Information of the Nature

and

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and extent of the supplies required for the Moluccas Islands.

He requests that your Lordship in Council will be pleased to transmit to him from time to time Lists of the articles required, specifying also the Quantity of the several articles to be furnished, and the periods when it will be desirable that they should be dispatched from Bengal. — On the receipt of this intimation the Vice President in Council will direct the necessary Measures to be taken for the timely dispatch of the supplies to the Moluccas Islands —

Fort William
the 15th. January 1802

We have the honor &c &c
(Signed) G. H. Barlow
G. Udny

Resolution thereon

Resolved that the Military Board be directed to state the extent of the supply of provisions which will be required for the use of the troops at Malacca and at the Moluccas Islands for the further period of twelve Months, specifying those articles which should in the opinion of the Military Board be furnished from the Presidency of Bengal.

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

My Lord,

1 The Vice President in Council has the
honor to acknowledge the Receipt of your Lordships
letter dated the 2.d Instant which he immediately
submitted to His Excellency the Most Noble the
Governor General.

From Lieut. the 6.th Bengal Regiment to be Ordered to proceed to Bengal—impracticable to relieve that Corps by another Bengal Regiment—

2 Agreeably to His Excellency's directions
the Vice President in Council acquaints your Lordship
that it is at present impracticable to relieve the 6.th
Regiment of Bengal Sepoys by another Corps
from Bengal, and that under the circumstances
described by your Lordship in Council it becomes
indispensably necessary that the 6.th Regiment should
be permitted to Return to Bengal at the earliest
possible period of time.

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3 The Vice President in Council pursu-
ant to the further directions of His Excellency recor-
dingly requests that your Lordship will be pleased
to make the best arrangement which circumstances
will admit for the Security of the Northern Sirkars
from the Reserves of the Presidency of Fort St. Geo
rge and also to transmit Orders to the Officer
Commanding the 6th Regiment for the march of
that Corps to Bengal with the least practicable
delay —

4 The supply of European Musket
Flints required by your Lordship in Council has been
sent to Fort St. George by the Honorable Company's
Ships Calcutta
Fort William
the 5th February 1802 —

We have the honor &c &c
(Signed) G. H. Barlow
" G. Udny

Resolution thereon —

Resolved that Orders be immediately
issued for the 6th Bengal Native Regiment to proc-
ceed to Bengal —

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Read the following Letters from

the Military Auditor General

The Right Honorable Lord Clive

Governor in Council &c &c &c

My Lord,

At the request of Mr. Williams Gordon Paymaster at Masulipatam I do myself the honor to lay before your Lordship that Gentleman's letter to me together with the documents to which it refers.

From the Military Audr. General submitting a letter from the Paymaster at Masulipatam regarding certain circumstances of suspicion of the conduct of his Servant in the pay office at Condapilly.

I have the honor &c &c

(Signed) J. Brunton

Mily. Audr. Genl.

Military Audr. Genl.s Office Fort S. George 4th February 1802.

To Colonel James Brunton

Military Auditor General

Fort S. George

Sir,

The Routine with which I have the honor to submit to you for the information of his Lordship in Council the accompanying Papers

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Papers will I trust be considered as a sufficient apology for transmitting Public Documents that may possibly appear trivial.

A Petition Signed by eleven People receiving Monthly pay from the Company which bears date the 20th August 1801 was delivered to me by a Braman named Maumedala Varadiah on the 27th November. This Petition Specifies that the Peoples names who are subscribed have been paid in a manner not authorised by Government.

On receipt of this Petition I dispatched another Naked to Conapilly with N°2 being a Copy of a Letter to Captain George Kippen Commanding at that Station bearing date the 28th November 1801.

To this dilatory I received a reply from that Officer under date the 2nd Instant Copy of which I have the honer to transmit conveying Sentiments so decided by submission of the Petitions Contained in the Petition: that I have deemed

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deemed it a Duty I indispensably owe to his Lordship
and to My own Station to submit the whole to
the Judgement of his Lordship in Council —
In whatever degree the letter —
from the Officer Commanding at Condapilly cor-
=roborated by a Woman Named Noorby may —
appear to his Lordship in Council to Mitigate
against the assertions conveyed in the Petition N.o 1 —
The two Petitions Signed by Allabund Hossain —
Mahomed and Saaied Abbaundlee together with
Copy of a letter Signed by a Woman calling —
herself Gallaway bearing Post Mark at Conda=
=pilly of the 5th January will I trust with sub=
=mission evince his Lordship that if the Complain=
=nants had in the first Instance attended to the
Public Notifications issued by beat of Tom Tom
according to my Circular request under date the
6th September 1800 to all Officers Commanding within
the range of my Payments which have been since
repeated at different intervals as well as the Notice
given

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given by Order of Mr Read at Condapilly; the necessity
of troubling his Lordship in Council on the present
occasion might have been obviated.

Masulipatam. I have the honor &c &c
12th January 1802. (Signed) W.m Gordon
Paymaster

Translation of a Gentoo Petition addressed by
those who are receiving Family Payments at Condapilly

Dated 20th August 1801.

You have sent Pagodas directing
your Canneapilly Kuchirlacota Seabarauze to discharge
our Payments by Changing them into new Rupees
for on Account of the amount having agreeable to
your directions discharged only the Payments at Fort
did not pay us Rupees but detained the remaining
Pagodas into the hands of his Shroff Nooka Venkoo
and sent for Lists Chiefly at the rate of 52 53
and 53½ furanam ff a Pagoda from this and other
out Villages disappearing himself by attending at
his Paddy Cultivation in Kawlaar Village detained

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us about 15 days till he receives the above Dubs & collected the debts he has lent; he afterwards pays us at the rate of 12¼ fanams p. a new Rupee observing at the same time that it is according to the Comp.ys directions; Should We presume to refuse taking Dubs instead of receiving Rupees he having paid privately to those who have protection in Rupees and Dubs and Make them persuade us to receive Dubs and so he pays us the same and in which payment he takes a Dub from every Chit pretending that his Son begs for it — so he distresing us very much —

The Established rate of the Company's exchange on this place is at 1 fanam 8 70 Cash lys for every four new Rupees to a Pagoda and the Currency of the Bazar is at four new Rupees and about 3 fanams for a Pagoda — This difference makes about one quarter of a Rupee in every Pagoda — Consequently We previously address this Circumstance to your honor who being Master

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and one considered to write it afterwards to our people at Hydrabad. As you are a Gentleman that Maintains us One request you will be pleased to issue such an Order that the Sums which One are entitled from the Commencement till this period may be restored to us and continue to pay us properly hereafterwards.

Should you suddenly send a new Corresponty and inspect the accounts which are in the Hanse of Soobarauze and his Shroff Nooka Venkoo all the aforesaid Circumstances will be displayed to your Mind.

We are poor and request you will please to bear the burden of our being favored and preserved

(Signed) Mahomed Gaubut

Mark of Noorby

(Signed) Boada Sahib

Saied Mahomed

Shake Ebram

Shake Ebram

Sealed

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(Signed) 1 Saied Gaulub

1 Mahomed Gaulub

1 Bada Saheb

1 Saied Mahomed

1 Samaul Mahomed

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To Captain George Kippen

Commanding

Condapilly

Sir,

A most serious Complaint having been sent to me from Condapilly by no less than eleven of the Sepoy families stating their receiving their Monthly allowance in Dubs contrary to the Orders of Government as well as those given by me which I also expressed in a Public address to the Officer commanding at Condapilly at the time I last took charge of the Paymastership

Enclosed I have the pleasure to send

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send a list of the Complainants names and have to request that you will be pleased to Order them to repair to Maunlipatam that their public depositions may be taken by the Collector that the whole may be laid before the Right Honorable the Governor in Council for his decision—

I have also to request that you will be pleased to put the Paymasters Conicopoly under charge of a Peyon and send him down to Masulipatam that he may be delivered to the Civil authority—

The bearer of this is the Peyon I have sent to take charge for the present, and have to request your afsistance in ordering the late Vakeel to deliver all the Public Accounts, Balance of Cash, and Grain &c. and for which he will grant the late Vakeel a Receipt—

I have the honor &c. &c.

(Signed) Wm. Gordon
Paymaster

Masulipatam
22d December 1801

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P S I have to request the favor of an answer to this letter with the least possible delay

Signed Wm Gordon
Paymaster

A true Copy
William Gordon Esq.r
Paymaster
Masulipatam

Sir,

On receipt of your letter of the 28th November delivered by your Servant, I immediately confined the late Patail and published according to your request by beat of Tom-Tom to all the families that any of them who had suffered a loss or had been defrauded in making payments by repairing to you at Masulipatam would have every redress, and ample Justice done them—

Not one of the families whose names were affixed to the complaint sent you ever came any

any authority for the same, on the contrary they all affirm it to be a forgery and one of the said to be complainants was actually absent at Hydrabad — She is since returned, and joins with the rest in — executing the villainous forgery which has very unjustly given you pain, and me much trouble — I inclose a letter from this Woman, her name is — Noorly — and I have no doubt but that you will — take steps for punishing the Forger as he deserves — for could such a Diabolical Villain escape, no honest man are safe —

The late Naikal may have, and I fear has at a former period acted contrary to — orders, but I believe not lately — he has delivered over his accounts &c — to your present Servant who — appears to merit the trust you have put in him — The Firewood being damaged — I was afraid that removing would only injure it more — there are two — large pales which I suppose contain the quantity specified

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specified—

You can question the late Nabob as to other Matter, as I have no doubt but you are desirous of investigating the cause of this conspiracy which I could not have believed possible—

I have the honor &c &c

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(Signed) George Kiffpen

A true Copy

(Signed) Wm Gordon
Paymaster

Translation of a Gentoo Letter addressed by Coorby of Condapilly to William Gordon Esqr Paymaster

Dated 8th December 1801

Captain Kiffpen the Comman-
=ding Officer of this Garrison having sent for obser-
=ved to me that I dispatched my Name to your
honor stating that your Conceptly Kochnalakota
Soobaraauze has differently discharged to my fa-
=mily Certificate when I acquainted him with
my

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My own Consent that the Said — Concopply have
neither paid to me differently at any time nor I
caused any thing to be written as a complaint —

Your Honor should please to
enquire into the person who addressed to your —
Honor by my name —

Mark of Scarby

Received this Letter from Scarby —

Signed Geo. Kepspen

Translation of a Gentoo Petition addressed by
Hussain Mahomed Inhabitant of Condapillee and
the holder of a Family Certificate to William —
Gordon Esqr. Paymaster in the Northern Circars —

Dated 31st December 1801 —

A Family Chitt was received —
for my Brother Kuttaluddeen Subadar for the
Sum of 20 Rupees pr. Month payable from the
commencement of September 1797. and another Chitt
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for my Soninlaw Gollaum Hussain Sepoy for the
sum of 2 Rupees pr Month payable from the
above date — your late Conicapely Kocherlakota Soo=
=baraujee did not pray us in new Rupees for those
two Chitts last Charged the Pagodas sent from
the Company there and paid us 22 Rupees here
in old ones — On my having once preferred a
Complaint to Colonel Alve observing that I would
refuse to receive such Rupees if he uses to pay
me in that Manner, he has sent for Soobaraujee
and directed him to pay us in new Rupees when
he having so paid me for one Month requainted
some what to the said Colonel for the subsequent
Month and has taken from me the difference of
Dubs arising from the payment of new Rupees me paid
for the preceding Month in lieu of old Rupees
upon which on my having again acquainting the
Colonel with it he has been quiet. — Should I cal=
=culate the Currency of the Bazar exchanges at
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That time with that which he paid to me, he defrauded me one Rupee for every Month — and those two Chitts were afterwards also paid from — November 1798 Consequently I must be reimbursed about 15 Rupees for this time which I address to — your Honor who being Just and Charitable —

Will I to represent your Honor the foregoing Circumstances for to that time I did not address it owing to some interruptions and inconveniences in my House, but as you having now sent a new Conicoply Kaumgrauze gueldar Boochie — ate to enquire those Matters whom I acquainted — whereby he told me that I may address it to your — Honor — I request you will therefore be pleased to issue an Order to the new Conicoply that he may cause to be paid to me the 15 Rupees which is justly due to me so that I may maintain my — family and offer up my blessing in your favor —

(Signed) in the Persian Language

Mt Abdool Hussein Mahomed Inhabitant of Conapilla

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Translation of a Gentoo Petition addressed by Saaud Abbaupullee holder of a Family Still and Inhabitant of Condapillee to William Gordon Esqr Paymaster in the Northern Circars.

Dated 16th December 1801

A Family Child of my Brother Saaud Mardeenah Sepoy payable at 4 Rupees pr Month which is still continuing to pay from October 1798 your late Conscply Kochurkota Soobaraugee had at first used to pay for some Months some in Rupees and some in Dubs agreeable to the Exchange of the old Rupees at the rate of 12/ for 7pr a Rupee, but as your honor have lately issued an order to pay us in new Rupees, he has since that time been paying two in Rupees and other two in Dubs at the rate of 12½ fanams for a Rupee — Should he leave the payment in Dubs we will sustain a great loss from the established Currency of the Bazar Exchange — and whenever we

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we presume to refuse taking Duits he used to say
that he has Orders to pay in that Manner and
that he has paid all the rest alike so he discharged accordingly

Another family Child was also
received for my Father in law Abdul Azeez Hamid-
dow payable at 5 Rupees pr Month which was
to commence from May 1801 for which he was
to pay Monthly some in new Rupees and some
in Duits, but now your present Principally Hanma-
rauzeguddy Boochiah has paid me 4 Madras
Pagoda and 7½ Duits for the former Child of 4
Rupees for November pagement and for the latter
Child of 5 Rupees he has paid me 4 Madras
Pagoda 1 New Rupee & 7½ Duits and when I
changed a Madras Pagoda agreable to the Bar-
-ter Exchange I received 32 fanams should I conse-
-quently to calculate in that manner, the said
Kothalakota Soobarauzo has paid us 88½ Duits

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left to every Chitt for each Month. Besides these another Family Chitt for My Youngest Brother Saud Ebram armourer payable at 8 Rupees pr Month from the Commencement of January 1799 till April 1801 and Boy Fatherinlaw Abdul Hyder while he was a Sepoy has likewise a Family Chitt payable at 5 Rupees pr Month from October 1798 till April 1801 when he made out another Chitt for 5 Rupees of his Rank of a Havildar the said Soobarauze had used to pay us Monthly for the above two Chitts half in Dubs and the other half in Rupees on the manner as above alluded to

In regard to my being repaired to your presence and address you on the subject of my entitling to receive from Soobarauze the 5 of Boy Dubs as above stated. I did not repair to you as the above Bragas will not suffer to move daily expence there owing to the inconvenience scarcity at that place and my family at my House will be

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be obliged to a great degree—

Your Honor is just the Honorable

Company is very Charitable we having maintaines

our numerous Children by the Family Chitty you

were granting are praying to encrease the Hono-

rable Companys generosity and request your

Honor will be pleased to give such an order as

you may deem most proper for our being restored

to the Rubs which the said Sorbarauge has un-

justly defrauded from us so that we may eat

some Victuals with our family in this present

famine and offer up our prayers on your

favour—

(Marked) Annie Abbauffler

To William Gordon Esq.

Military Paymaster &c

Masulipatam

I beg leave to acquaint there a few

lines to your Honor several days Mr. Gallaway

Surgeon

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Surgeon of the 2nd Battalion 15th Regiment on his
Journey from hence to Cuminum with Battali-
=on having granted me with a family Certificate
for (14) fourteen Star Pagodas for 2 Months for
which your late Aakeed Named Coothelah Cot=
=tah Soobarauze used to paying me every Month
in Madras Pagodas (12) 12 Rupees and 2½ Dubs
for the same — after the arrival of your new
Aakeed at this place he is continued to paying
me Exactly 12 Madras Pagodas 2 Rupees and
40½ Dubs for the above the Deficiency incurred
to me by Soobarauze for Month 16½ Dubs.

I therefore desired Soobarauze to
pay me the short of the Money of the above =
who refused and not Pay off yet, you will there-
=fore be pleased to take it into favorable consi=
=deration and Grant me Short of the Money =
whatever due, Redress from the beginning to the
end of October 1801 last — I shall — ever time
to

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To Refer it to Mr. Galloway

Sam &c

(Signd) Mesc Galloway

A true Copy

(Signd) Will.m Gordon
Paymaster

N.B. Bianny Post Book

Condapillen 5th January 1802

(Signd) Wm. Gordon
Paymaster

To Captain G. Phillips

Commanding

Condapilly

Sir

Having right Guineas with the
charge of my Payments it is impossible for me
immediately to discover any miscondust or fraude
in my Public Makers at the out Stations. I am
shall therefore consider myself obliged by your
giving Public Notice by beat of Tom Tom that
all

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all discription of people who receive any pay from
my Vakeels either in bad Coin or Short of the ex-
Exchange directed by Government or in any unprepa
delay in their payments that on making them
Complaints Known to you that you will forward
the same to me or if they prefer Making their
Complaint to the Paymaster here that I shall
readily hear them and grant them every Justice
by taking this trouble you will much Oblige

Sir

Your &c.

Masulipatam

6.th September 1800.

(Signed) Will.m Gordon

Paymaster.

To John Read Esq.r

Collector in the 4.th Division of the

Masulipatam District

Sir,

Having some reason to apprehend
that the Families at Condapillee have Received bad
Rupees in payment from my Vakeel at that ex-
Station

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Station, I request you will do me the favor to Order your Tainadar to Notify by publick beat of Tom-Tom that if any Family people have been paid &c in Rupees Short of the Current Exchange in every Month that they will immediately Repair to Masulipatam that their grievances may here duly Redressed—

Masulipatam
6th March 1801

Sam Gr.

(Signed) Willm Gordon
Paymaster

List of the Packet No 10

No 1 Petition Signed by eleven people
2 Mr. Gordons Letter to Captain Kippen
3 Captain Kippens Answer
4 Petition in corroboration of Captain Kippens letter
5 Petition from Hussain Mahomed
6 Do from Sound Abbanpallee
7 Do from Mrs Galloway
8 Circular letter from Mr. Gordon to Mr Offins
Commanding

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Commanding the different Garrisons—

No 9— Letter to Mr.r Read

Letter accompanying the Packet to the Military

Board.—

(Signed) Will.m Gordon

Paymaster

Under the circumstances of suspicion

Resolution thereon attached to the Conduct of the Servant in the pay department at Condapilly as stated in the foregoing papers. it is Resolved to desire the Military Secretary to instruct the Paymaster at Masulipatam to refer the subject to the enquiry of the Commanding Officer at that place in Order that the conduct of the Servant if found guilty may be punished accordingly.—

The Right Honorable Lord Clive

Governor in Council &c &c &c

My Lord,

In consequence of its being your Lordships

From Ditto Despatched the publication of an Order

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Copy to be sent to Accountant General for information of Treasuries

Lordships pleasure that I shall be charged with the responsibility of enforcing the Orders of Government relating to the Reduction of Establishment of Paymasters and Garrison Storekeepers on occasions noticed in His Excellency the Commander in Chiefs Minute dated 12th January last. I do myself the honor to submit for your Lordships approbation and publication if approved. Copy of a General Order for the purpose of putting me in possession of such information respecting the necessity of reducing Office Establishments of Garrison Stores as shall enable me to discharge that duty with improved effect.

I have the honor &c &c

Signed J. Brunton

Mily Audr Genl

Military Audr Genls Office Fort St. George 5th February 1902

G. O. By Government

The Right Honorable the Presidency in Council is pleased to Order and decree that

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all Garrison Storekeepers shall transmit (commencing with January 1802) to the Military Auditor General a Duplicate Copy of their Monthly returns of Provision Stores remaining on hand for the purpose of enabling him to Judge of the propriety of regulating conformably to the Orders of Government to him to that effect, Office Establishments at the different Military Stations within their Ranges respectively as all Establishments of this description must necessarily depend on the Quantity, Quality, and value of the public property remaining in Store—

Mily Audr Genl's Office—
Fort St. George 5th February 1802

(Signed) J. Brunton
Mily Audr Genl

Resolution thereon

Resolved to inform the Auditor General that the Board is of opinion that it will be proper consistently with the regulations established for the conduct of the Garrison Store Department that the further directions which it may be considered

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considered practicable to make in the expences attending the Office Establishments of that Department should be submitted to the consideration of the Governor in Council through the Channel of the Military Board; and as the Auditor General will be enabled to propose such reductions as shall appear to him to be practicable through that channel the transmission of duplicate returns of Stores to the Office of audit will be rendered by that mode unnecessary.—

Read the following Letters from

Lieutenant-Colonel Agnew

To John Chamier Esqr.

Chief Secretary of Government

Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to report for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council that on the arrival of the Admiral Nelson at

From the Office
May the proceedings
Fort St. George
The transmission of
Ship Nelson at Fort
connected to change
the estimates of the
of all the consumable
proved to Board of
Madras

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Wales Island. States the Nature of the communication made by him to the Lieutenant Governor on this subject. Reports the arrangements made by him for embarking the Prisoners - requests to be authorized to place the Troops in Cantonments when that Measure can be done with safety and proposes a plan of distribution of some temporary buildings and a supply of Camp equipage required. requests that he may be permitted to return to his duty at this Presidency -

at Tutacorin I directed the Officer Commanding there to ascertain if the Commander of the Vessell had powers to change the destination originally assigned to her. Captain Ley informed him in reply that it was not in his power to do so, as such a measure would forfeit the insurance already made on the Voyage, which, by Charter Party, she was engaged to perform. — The convicts will consequently be provided to Prince of Wales Island.

2- The late arrangements in Europe may induce the Right Honorable the Governor to change his intention regarding the ultimate destination of the transported Rebels - I shall therefore transmitting the Letters of Government to Sir George Leith and Colonel Oliver, recommend to that former to wait the further Orders of Government before he forwards the Prisoners to the Moluccas Islands.

3- The number of Persons it has been

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been necessary to seize from the Southern parts of this district has so far exceeded the calculation I had made of the Prisoners, it might be expedient to transport. that I shall not send by the Admiral Nelson the two Poligars confined by Lieutenant Colonel Bannerman at Ramnad, but allot the Vessel for the conveyance of the most inveterate of the later Rebels. They will embark in the course of a few days at Tuticorin—

4 Lieutenant Rochead of the 2d Bat. Battalion of the 6th Native Regiment with a detachment of twenty Non-Commissioned and Private from that Corps provides a Guard with the Prisoners— I think it proper to report that observing any desire that the guard should be formed of Volunteers only, a Number far exceeding what were required, immediately offered their services.

5 From the number of Arms already collected

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collected on the Southern Provinces and the leading
with which they have been delivered up, I am en-
induced to believe it will not be necessary to continue
for a much longer period to keep a detachment
on the Field — although it will be prudent to
preserve a strong force on the districts till the habits
of Order are firmly established — I therefore wish
to be authorised to place the Troops in Canton-
ments when I may think it can be done with-
safety — The Division of the 1st Battalion of the
9th Regiment and that of the 1st Battalion of
the 14th May soon proceed to join those Corps —
The 2nd Regiment of Native Cavalry and 2nd Battalion
of the 6th Regiment should be cantoned in the Tin-
nevelly District — and the 2nd Battalion of the 12
in Shevegunga; where the detachment of the 1st Na-
tive Regiment may also remain with advantage —
untill the return of the remainder of that Corps
from Ceylon, makes a new arrangement necessary —

shoulde

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6 Should this distribution of the Troops under my command be approved by Government, I beg that authority may be given for erecting at Tuchinapoly temporary Barracks for the Men, and Stables for the Sick Horses of the 7th Regiment of Cavalry;— and the few buildings which may be required at Shangamacoil for the accommodation of the 2d Battalion of the 6th Native Regiment— Camp Equipage for these Corps should be lodged in Store that they may take the field at the shortest Notice when their Services are Required.

7 So soon as the Troops under my Command are distributed to the several Stations allotted for their cantonment— I trust that the Right Honorable the Governor in Council will grant me permission to return to my duty at the Presidency; and authorize me to deliver over the charge I now hold to such Officer as His Lordship

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Lordship may please to appoint

Camp Palamcottah
5th February 1802

I have the honor &c &c

(Signed) P. A. Agnew
Lieut Colonel Com.d S. Dist.

To John Chamier Esq.
Chief Secretary to Government

Sir,

I request you will Report to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council that I yesterday despatched the Admiral Nelson from Tuticorin with Seventy three Prisonrs for Prince of Wales Island.

In consequence of Mr. Secretary Buchanans Letter to me of the 3d Instant I proceeded to Tuticorin and endeavoured to arrange with the Commander of the Admiral Nelson for the direct conveyance of the Rebel Prisoners to Fort Marlborough — he assured me that he could not take upon himself to deviate from the original agreement made by

From L.G. Reports having despatched the Admiral Nelson with 73 Prisoners for Prince of Wales Island Encloses a Copy of Correspondence with the Commander of the Admiral Nelson Forwards Copy of his Letter to the Lieutenant Governor of Prince of Wales Island. Reports having Ordered some additional Casks of Pickled Pork aboard the Admiral Nelson Transmits Copies of his Instructions to the Commanding Officer of the Guard proceeding with the Prisoners and to the Commander of the Admiral Nelson

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by his owners — I enclose a Copy of my official —
communication to him, and of his reply —

5 I have also the Honor to transmit for
the information of Government a Copy of a Letter
addressed to the Lieutenant Governor of Prince of
Wales Island by the Admiral & Select accompanied
by the Letter for him forwarded to my care
on Mr. Buchans Letter of the 11th of January last.
Mat for Colonel Oliver I have now the Honor —
to return —

6 One of the Tanks of the Admiral —
Ship Sarah leaked considerably on her Voyage
from Bombay I thought it right to Order some
additional Casks of Water on Board sufficient to
the Quantity provided by the owners to provide
any deficiency for this article should the repairs —
made to the Tank at Tellicherry prove ineffectual —

5 I enclose herein a Copy of my Commu-
nication with Lieutenant Rochard and to the Commander of
the

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The Admiral Nelson

Palamcottah 13th February 1802

I have the honor &c &c

(Signed) P. A. Agnew

Lieut. Col. Comp. 1st Batt.

To Captain Loy

Commander of the Ship Admiral Nelson

Sir,

Having received instructions from the Government of Fort St. George to endeavour to "make an arrangement with you for the conveyance "of the Persons to be embarked on your Ship for to "Fort Marlborough in place of Prince of Wales Island," I have to request you will inform me if you are authorised by your owners or can take upon yourself to conclude an agreement to that effect — In that case I shall be ready to make every Reasonable allowance for the difference of charge in the destination of the Ships may take in the Insurance on the Vessel or in the other objects

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Objects connected with such change as affecting the
interest of your commerce.

Tuticorin Sam 8th 5m

16th February 1802 (Signed) P. A. Agnew
Lieut & Chief Engr

List of Prisoners (Rebels from the Southern Provinces
now of the Carnatic) embarked by Order of the Govern-
ment of Fort St. George on the Admiral Nelson from
Tuticorin to Prince of Wales Island —

1 Vengurve Perea Weedia Taver — of Shevegunga —

2 Mootoo Vadiga (called Dorai Swamy) Son of Chinna
Maruda of Shevegunga —

3 Chinna Lucka Vung (called Ramma Vung) Polegar of
Cunaporam —

4 Sagamanda ayen — A Brahmin (Accomptant of the Re-
bels of Ramnad) —

5 Andiapah Taver
6 Saamayen (his Son) } Chief Cutterie of Comaleer
7 Cattayenny Taver } on the Eastern Coast

Colonel

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8 Dalaway Comaura Sawmy Naik (of Panjalamcauchy)
nearly Related to the Paligar —

9 Comaura Taven (of Moolloor)

10 Pandian (of Pandeemputtoor)

11 Moodoo Veera (Monigar of Aroolem) Sherogar —

12 Sawmy a Mauawar of Moreeud —

13 Rama Sawmy (Charged with Murder)

14 Colapah Taven (a Chief Muraaur of Nangamcherry —

15 Pandian Naik of Combady (related to Panjalamcauchy Paligar)

16 Mauda Taven

17 Malayel Maudeu

18 Chinna Pilcha Taven

19 Veerapandia Taven

20 Veerapermaul Taven

21 Kuraya Taven

22 Subramoonah (Son of Colapah Taven

23 Nauda Samy (Brother of Paligaraun)

24 Permaul (do Charged with Murder)

25 Moodia Taven (Son of Chinna Pilcha Taven)

Chief Mauawars of Orangacherry &c in the Cuddaud District —

Davy

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No.		
26	Davey Naick (Son of Chinna Pilcha Tavan)	
27	Mootoo Rauk Tavan (Ko Ko Wanibu to Do)	
28	Manda Tavan (Son of Sankuia Rarau Tavan)	
29	Payan (Son of Palah Woodia Tavan)	
30	Allaya Drumly	
31	Vizeendu Tavan	
32	Sowma Tavan	
33	Conyattavan	
34	Mootoo Sudevan	Manuaw of Bungaeberg
35	Chandanuw	
36	Tarabuddran	
37	Chalambaw	
38	Payen	
39	Amma Samy	
40	Erlapen	
41	Comaua Samy	
42	Vecrapundiau	
43	Vencatacoyan	
44	Woodiau	

Mortar

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No

45 Mootoo Rauk }

46 Mootoo Rauk (of Anaccleum) }

47 Chocco Talaven — Chief Maraniar of Trichinagoody

48 Erlapah Tavee

49 Mudhiya Naiken (of Chumpatty)

50 Soobramania Naik (of Coulanackenpetty)

51 Soomachy Naik Sheroyar

52 Soobramaniah Naik (of Audenore)

53 Rama Saumy — (Grandson of the Colatore Poligar)

54 Pitchandy Naik (of Crovvoopperam)

55 Dalavoy (of Kullee Muddam) (charged with Murder

56 Chinna Vauden (of Possunthully)

57 Vaydeemoorty (of Candeswaram)

58 Dalavoy Pilly (Deshabavel Monigar) (a Principal Rebel)

59 Soobramanean — (his Son — an active Rebel)

60 Pindaroo Naik (of Avarkony) (Commanded Tulaiarin for the Rebels

61 Kistnama Naik (his Son)

62 Vauden — (of Colatore — related to the Poligar)

63 Mylanna of Anaigal (Killed the Monigar of Palnamadoor)

Vayla

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No
64 Vayla Mootoo (of Congaveya Coorchy)
65 Ramen (of Shevalay)
66 Balaya Pooth of Shooranjeedy)
67 Comauren —
68 Vellia Condan — Vellian
69 Ramen
70 Alleya Chookoo
71 Sheik Hussein
72 Assiah Aring
73 Coomapilly

Rebels from Coimbatore and the Limdigul District

Signed P. A. Agnew
Lieutenant Colonel Commanding
Southern Districts

To Lieutenant Colonel Agnew
Commanding the Southern Districts

Sir

I am answer to your letter of this day respecting the attention of the Troops in taking the Prisoners to Fort Marlborough instead of Tower of Colombo

I have

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Island — I beg leave to inform you that I have no discretionary power invested on me by the Owner (Mr. Edward Atkins) of the Ship Admiral Nelson to deviate on the least from the greement made between the Government of Bombay and that Gentleman — The Instructions to that Effect with the arrangement Mr. Atkins has made respecting a Freight on my arrival at Prince of Wales Island should I take upon myself to alter would subject me to a very heavy sum and much censure —

At this same time I should have been very happy (could I with safety to myself) to have complied with the wishes of the Government of Madras, and your request —

I have the honor &c.

(Signed) Robert Ley

Tuticorin

February 10. 1802

List

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List of Provisions &c Shipped on board the Admiral Drake for the use of the Prisoners and Guard — Intended 9 Months

Articles	Allowance of each per Man per Day	Daily allowance for 90 Men	Total for 90 days
Rice at 20 Seers	Seers 1	Seers 90	6750
Dall	Br. 1/16	Br. 5 5/8	Br. 1265/8
Ghee	Br. 1/16	Br. 5 5/8	Br. 1265/8
Salt	Br. 1/32	Br. 2 13/16	Br. 210 15/16
Peppers / Pallams of 18 Pagl Weight /	1/2 Pallam 1/36	2 Pallam 5 1/2	8 Pallam 413 1/2
Tamarinds	Br. 1/8	Br. 45	Br. 3375
Salt Fish	Br. 3/8	Br. 30 3/4	Br. 2306 1/4
Tobacco	Br. 1/20	Br. 4 1/2	Br. 342 1/2
for Sick	Br. 1/16	Br. 5 5/8	Br. 421 7/8
Greens	Br. 1/8	Br. 11 1/4	Br. 843 3/4
Jaggery	Br. 7/16	Br. 39 3/8	Br. 2953 1/8
Chillies	Br. 1/64	Br. 1 13/32	Br. 105 31/32
Onions	Br. 1/64	Br. 1 13/32	Br. 105 31/32
Cummin Seed	Br. 1/64	Br. 1 13/32	Br. 105 31/32
Turmeric	Br. 1/64	Br. 1 13/32	Br. 105 31/32
Limmonds	Br.	Br.	Br. 16

The following articles for Sick Prisoners or in case of Want not being able to be had —

Arrack	Seers 750
Palmira Jaggery	Seers 750
Green Cocoanuts	No. 1000
Dry Ginger	Br. 50
Butter for the Guard	Daily Issue

The following — One large Pot one Lamp One Mat and two pieces of Canvas Cloth for the Corpse for

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for each prisoner— 200 small Dromdys or Platters— One large Copper boiler tinned and seven smaller brass Ones tinned (for Cooking) with Curry Stones, Knives Ladles, large Pots &c. for the use of 2 Lascars and 3 half Lascars of Male and 200 small bundles of Firewood sent on board to guard against distress these articles being found by the Ship— two Gallons of Vinegar to Pumegate and 1 Last of Cunnay to white wash the Ship occasionally— and half a Maund of Candles to furnish a light to the Guard during the Night—

A true Copy

(Signed) R. A. Agnew.
Lieut Col Comg S. Dist.

To Sir George Leith Bart
Lieutenant Governor of Prince of Wales's Island

Sir

Para By Order of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council of Fort St. George I have this day

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day embarked on the Hired Ship Vice admiral Nelson
Seventy three Person concerned in the late Rebellion
in the Southern Provinces of the Canadas, directing
the Commander to proceed to Prince of Wales Island
and to deliver these Prisoners to you.

2 The accompanying Letter from the
Madras Government transmitted to my care prior
to the intelligence of the late negotiations with
Europe recommends that these Persons may be
forwarded to the Straits Settlements. Since the
recent Orders which I have received a Copy of
which is inclosed I have countermanded
the Ship at Madras to proceed with convicts should have
been directed me to make such disposition for the arrangement
here for their Voyage to that settlement direct
The Commander of the Nelson not being authorized
to change the destination of the Ship I forward
them to your care agreeably to the Original Orders of
Government.

Lieutenant

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3 Lieutenant Rochead with a detach-
4 ment of Native Infantry proceeds in charge of the
Prisoners on the Nelson — this party is to return with
out delay to Fort St. George
I enclose a list of the Prisoners and
4 of the Prisoner shipped for them and for the Guard
such Provisions as remain on the arrival of the Vessel
should be allotted for the returning Stock of the
Guard, and I request you will have the goodness
to direct any deficiency to be supplied on Lieutenant
Rocheads receipt —

I have the honor &c &c

(Signed) P. A. Agnew

Lt Col Comg S Dist

Tuticorin

17th February 1802

N.B. A Copy of Mr Secretary Buchan's Letter to
Lieutenant Colonel Agnew of the 3d February — and of
the Orders of Government to Colonel Oliver of the 16th
January 1802 was enclosed in this Letter —

(Signed) P. A. Agnew

Lieut Col

Copy

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and direct me to make if possible the arrangement
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I have the honor &c &c

(Signed) P. A. Agnew

Lt Col Comg Ft St Geo

Tuticorin

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NB. A Copy of Mr. Secretary Buchan's Letter to
Lieutenant Colonel Agnew of the 5th February—and of
the Order of Government to Colonel Oliver of the 11th
January 1802 was enclosed in this Letter—

(Signed) P. A. Agnew

Lieut Col

Copy

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Copy of Orders to the Commander of the Ship Admiral Nelson, and to Lieutenant Rochead, commanding the Guard on that Vessel

To Captain Ley

Commander of the Ship Admiral Nelson

Sir

Having received on Board your Ship Lieutenant Rochead with the detachment of Twenty Native Troops and Seventy three Prisoners, for whose use Provisions agreeably to the enclosed List have been transmitted Board and received by you, you will proceed with the least possible delay to Prince of Wales Island, where you will report your arrival to the Lieutenant Governor, and deliver the Prisoners to his Order.

2. Lieutenant Rochead has received my Order for the security of the Prisoners on Board and to consult with you on the best mode of arranging his Guard for that purpose.

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3d Sir

After landing the Prisoners at the Island, you will, wind and Weather permitting land Lieutenant Rochead and the Guard, at Madras at Point de Galle or at Anjengo

Sam S.

(Signed) P. A. Agnew
Lieut Col & Chief Engr

To Lieutenant Rochead
2nd Battalion 6th Regiment Native Infantry
Commanding a Detachment

Sir

Para 1 With the Detachment under your command you will embark on the Ship Admiral Nelson and proceed on her in charge of Seventy three Convicts (a list whereof is inclosed) to Prince of Wales's Islands, where you will deliver them to the Lieutenant Governor Sir George Leith, whom I have addressed concerning them.

2 You will dispose your Guard on Board

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Board the Ship so as to prevent any possibility of escape
of the Prisoners; consulting with Captain Loy the Com=
mander of the Ship and giving him every assistance
for the safety of the Vessel —

3 A list of the Prisoners sent on Board with the amount of daily allowance to each man (Pri= soners and Guard) is inclosed for your information I have deemed that should any Seamen on the arrival of the Vessel at Prince of Wales Island, they may be preserved for the supply of the Guard on its return to the Coast and the Lieutenant Governor of Prince of Wales Island will on your transmit every deficiency to be supplied

4 Five Barrels of Spare Ammuni= tion for the use of your Party, and three Pair of Pistols with 4 Swords and some Pistol ammunition are also embarked on the Ship —

5 The Crimes of the aforesaid Male= factors are known to all your Party at Point de Galle & may Point on the Malabar Coast — If they prefer

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prefer to find a passage for the party to Madras at
will be more agreeable and convenient

6. I have only to add that it is my
desire agreably to the Orders of Government that the
Prisoners may be treated with as much Lenity and
indulgence as consists with their perfect security

/ Signed / P. A. Agnew
Lieut Col Comg S. F.

Tellicarrie
11 February 1802

True Copies
/ Signed / P. A. Agnew
Lieut Col

The following draft of a Letter to Lieu-
tenant Colonel Agnew, with the draft of a General Order
are read and approved

To Lieutenant Colonel Agnew
Commanding the forces in the
Southern Provinces

Sir

Fort S. George

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt
of your letter dated the 5th Inst. I shall refer your

To the officer Comman-
ding the forces in the
Southern Provinces
The arrangements made
by him for undertak-
ing the Command for Perio-
of

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of Wales Island appointed to distribute into proper Cantonments the Troops under his Command in the manner now proposed by him & the Military Board will receive instructions relative to the Cantonments Barracks and for storing a supply of Camp Equipage in the Provinces of Tinnevelly and Malabar—

you that under the circumstances therein stated the Governor in Council entirely approves the arrangements made by you for embarking the Corps for Prince of Wales's Island—

2 His Lordship in Council observes with great Satisfaction the success which has attended the execution of His Lordships instructions for disarming the Inhabitants of the Southern Provinces, and as the Governor in Council entirely concurs in your opinion relative to the expediency of Maintaining for the present an efficient Military establishment on those frontiers, I am directed to convey to you the authority of His Lordship in Council for distributing into Cantonments the Troops under your command in the Manner proposed by you—

3 Instructions will be forwarded to the Military Board relative to the construction of temporary barracks at Tuticorin, and for storing the supply of Camp Equipage for the Cantonments of the

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The Corps to be stationed on the Frontiers of Tinnevelly

Capt. Sheriffe

4 I am directed to transmit to you the enclosed copy of a General Order conveying to you the directions of the Governor in Council for your future conduct to the Presidency and expressing His Lordships entire approbation of your conduct in the execution of the Service intrusted to you.

5 The Governor in Council having been pleased to appoint Major Sheppard to succeed you in the command of the Troops on Tinnevelly &c. I am directed to desire that you will furnish to that Officer such information as may be in your power to be necessary for his guidance in conducting the duties of that Station.

I am &c.

(Signed) G. Buchan

Sec. to Govt.

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G. O. By Government

Lieutenant Colonel Agnew having

brought to a successful termination the service on which that

Officer was employed in the Southern Provinces of the

Carnatic, The Right Honorable the Governor in Council is

pleased to direct Lieutenant Colonel Agnew to resume the

duties of his Station at this Presidency.

His Lordship in Council selects

Lieutenant Colonel Agnew at a Critical period of affairs to

conduct the operations of the Troops assembled for the pur-

pose of suppressing an extensive and formidable Rebellion

excited in the Southern Provinces, and His Lordship con-

fidences in the talents and reputation of that Officer

has been justified by the distinguished judgment, ability,

and success with which the important service entrusted to

Lieutenant Colonel Agnew has been accomplished.

The whole course of operations pursue-

ted with the service Sub-Lieut. distinguished by a spirit of

animated

If G. by Government directing Lieutenant Colonel Agnew to resume to the Duties of his Station appointing him Commander in Chief of the Southern Provinces appointing Major Wm. Thompson to Command the Troops in the Provinces of Canara &c.

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animated bravery and persevering exertion which has merited
the warmest approbation of the Governor in Council; and
His Lordship in Council in bestowing upon the Officers
and troops the applause due to their Conduct, reflects
with the greatest satisfaction on the advantages which
have been derived to the publick interests by the sup-
pression of a confederacy which threatened the most
injurious consequences to the tranquillity of the British
possessions.

The Governor in Council considers his
Lordships acknowledgments to be particularly due to
Lieutenant Colonel Agnew for his discretion and judg-
ment in the exercise of the powers intrusted to him for
carrying into effect the arrangements required to establish
on a permanent foundation the future Government of
the Southern provinces, and His Lordship in Council
has observed with great satisfaction in the progress of
those arrangements a further example of the benefical
effects of as cordial and zealous cooperation between the
Civil

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Civil and Military authorities

The Right Honorable the Governor

in Council has been pleased to appoint Major William

Sheppard to Command the Troops in the Province of

Tinnivelly until further Orders

By Order of the Right Honorable

the Governor in Council

Signed G. Buchan

Secy to Govt

Read the following Letter from the

Officer Commanding the Troops in the Tinnivelly Province

To John Chamier Esqr.

Chief Secretary to Government

Sir

I beg you will represent to the Right

Honorable the Governor in Council that in consequence

of there not being more than one Surgeon with either

of the Native Corps serving in the Ceded Districts

and sickness having been prevalent at various stations of

detached

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detached from the Head Quarters of Corps viz. Gurruncon-
-dah Sudasheut and Chelwell — Cotticottah Kudavanum
and Nassum — I have found it necessary for the good of
the Service to issue the accompanying Division Orders
and as more Instances are liable to occur which may
make it expedient to detach Medical aid — I beg you
will solicit the Right Honorable the Governor in —
Council to sanction the Military auditor Generals
passing such Bills as have been and hereafter may
be drawn by Gentlemen detached by my Orders from
the Head Quarters of Corps to afford Medical aid
to Posts dependant on them —

Head Quarters Camp at
Ranavah 26th Jany 1802

(Signed) Dug. Campbell
Major General

Extract from Division Orders

Head Quarters Bellary 7th December 1801

D.o D.o

Mr. Surgeon Galloway of 2d Battalion
15th Regiment and Mr. Assistant Surgeon Cunnebof 2d
Batt.n

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Detachment 5th Regiment will be pleased to afford the
necessary Medical aid to all Detachments made
from the Head Quarters of Corps respective to
such Posts as are not provided with Surgeons

Head Quarters Camp at Harnor 25th January 1802

D.r Sir

Assistant Surgeon Hogg of His Majs
5th Regiment will proceed to Gundecottah on receipt of
this Order and take charge of the sick at that Garrison
& conduct himself in the most attentive manner
to the duties of his Station

(True Copy)

(Signed) Dug.l Campbell
Adt. G.l

Resident under the circumstances stated
Medical Gentlemen at Dhary be directed under the
authority of Major General Campbell to afford Medical
aid to occasional detachments from the Corps under his
command

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commandg; and to inform that Officer that the Board relies on his attention to avoid incurring any unnecessary expense on that account —

Read the following letter from the Officer Commanding at Poonamallee —

Military Secretary
to Government

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter accompanied by the Copy of one from his Excellency Major General Abercrombie to Lieutenant Colonel Cullen Commanding at Trinquebar. —

From the Commandant at Poonamallee Reports the accommodation allotted to the Danish Prisoners of War confined at Poonamallee and forwards the opinion of Mr. Assistant Surgeon Breintenbach on their present state of health

The accommodation allotted for the Danish prisoners of War is the west Range of the Private Barracks in the Fort of Poonamallee usually appropriated for three Hundred of British Troops — They are further indulged with the liberty of walking out and Bathing from Day break to Eight O'clock every Morning their Provisions were always

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always inspected, till lately by the Officer on Guard: at pres-
ent there being no Officer for that duty at Poondamallee
I frequently do it Myself, and whenever it has been
deemed either bad or unhealthy, I have always ordered
the Town Mayor's Servants to change it.
Being anxious on the arrival of the
Danish Prisoners of War to shew them every Mark
of favor in my power, I at first permitted them to
reside without any restraint whatever in the outer
Barracks, but this indulgence I have been necessitated
to withhold from the Many dilapidations they
Committed on the empty Officers Quarters, by stealing
the Doors and Windows, selling the Iron work in the
Bazar and cutting up the Wood for fewel — The
people who bought the Iron pointed out the persons
and on searching some of the pieces Carried away were
found cut to pieces in a box belonging to Frederick
Beates, but I am sorry to say that these irregularities
did not rest solely with these persons and as they still

continued

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continued after his confinement I was obliged to place
the whole of them in the Fort.

Enclosed is the opinion of Dr.
Assistant Surgeon Mackintosh on their present
state of health, and I have every reason to be satis-
fied with his abilities and attention to them.

Poondamallee
February 3d. 1802

(Signed) G. St. John
Lieut. Col.

Honorable Lieutenant Colonel St. John
Commanding at Poonamallee

Sir,

In compliance with your desire to report
to you the state of the Danish prisoners of War at
Poonamallee I have the pleasure to say that they
enjoy at present a much better state of health than
they have done at almost any period since their
arrival here. There has been no casualty among them
these seven Weeks past, and now there are only six
men in Hospital whose complaints are trifling, and
of

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of no danger

Pernamallee I have the honor &c

Febry 22d 1802 (Signed) W. Mackintosh
Asst. Surgeon

A true Copy

(Signed) Gt. St. Seton
Lieut. Colonel

Resolution Resolved that a Copy of the above

be transmitted to the Officer Commanding at

Trinquebar for the information of His Excellency

Major General Anker, and to inform Colonel

Cullen that the Board trusts that General Anker

will be satisfied that every degree of attention has

been paid to the ease and comfort of the Danish

prisoners of War

Read the following letter from

the Officer Commanding at Trinquebar

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To John Chamier Esqr.

Chief Secretary to Government

Sir,

I request you will be pleased to sub-
=mit to the consideration of the Right Honorable His
Lordship in Council, that hitherto no Orders have
been issued for the payment of the two Sergeants
attached to the Danish Court of Justice here as
reported in my letter of the 10th. June 1808—

I have also had repeated applica-
=tions from the Polygar of this place for the usual
subsistence granted to him by the late Government;
but averse to troubling His Lordship with such a
trivial Matter I have hitherto declined addressing
him on the subject—

As I have advanced to both these
descriptions of people some part of their usual al-
=lowance, I trust His Lordship will be pleased to
authorise the payment of it from the date of

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From the Commandant at Tranquebar stating that no Orders have hitherto been issued for the payment of the two Sergeants attached to the Danish Court of Justice at Tranquebar or for the usual subsistence granted to the Polygar of that Town

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The Petition of the place

Tranquebar I have the honor &c &c

5th February 1802 (Signed) William Cullen

Lieut & Com.

To Lieutenant Colonel W. Cullen

Commanding Trangueber

The most humble Petition

Humbly Sheweth of Pannamb Naick & Hagar

That on the time of the late Danish

Government your humble Petitioner

was allowed a Pay of 17½ Chuckrums, or 8½ fanams

p.r Month by Government in lieu of Tallearys and

other petty Servants Wages employed in the Town

Business, or p.r Pay Book — but since the Surren-

der of Trangueber to the British Arms I have

not Received any Pay. Possibly it may be owing

to my Name having been omitted in the Pay

List as Wages has been found to many other Peti-

tions, and the aforesaid Servants are plaguing me

for

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for their Monthly Allowance —

Therefore most submissively crave —

your Honors kind Consideration to Orge employment —

leaving the Kindness to enter a Contemplation of my

said allowance of 172 fanams pr Month — and for

which kind Act of Benevolence as in Duty bound —

Tranquebar | Shall Ever Pray

12th October 1808 — (Signed) Raman

Ordered The Cutcherl to report

(Signed) W. Cullen

Lieut Col

Report.

On the inquiry of the said Wages to the

Polegar Servant I have been informed that they

have Received 17 Chuckrums and 2 fanams pr Month

from the late Danish government until the —

Surrender of Tranquebar to the British Troops — also

they have to receive Wages from the beginning of

June to the end of October 1808 which makes for 5

Months 86 Chuckrums —

Tranquebar

20th Octr 1808

(Signed) Subadar Mhy Cutcherl

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To Col. Allen &c &c Officer at Trangambar

Sir

As Judges of this Place I take the liberty
to address Myself to your Honor for a subsistance.
the 2 Sergeants of the Court who have received from
you for June and July last Year 12 Pagodas in-
payment but after that time they have received
nothing only what I have given them of my-
own Property. The Sergeants are Europeans and
Married here. Their State of living is now very pre-
carious when this place was under the Danish
Government they had a fixed payment which was
Measures of Rice and they would subsist by it
with the emoluments or perquisite to them But
after Trangambar was becoming English their
emoluments has been very much diminished &
Can not sufficient for their subsistance. I therefore
most humbly take the liberty to intreate for them
to you that you will please to Order their Wages
from 1st August 1801 to the end of January 1802 to
be

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Fort S. George 30th February 1807

To Paid Hann wette 6 Pagodas p.r Month Salie—

most humbly request your favor to be paid the—

amount for the Peons of the Court and other things

belonging to the Gaoles after my Husband accounts

Tranquebar I have the honor &c.

29th January 1807 (Signed) K. A. Borgen

Colonel Cullen ..... Dr.

To the Sergeants of Justice from August 1801

to January 1807 @ 6 Pagodas p.r Month 36

To the Peons of the Court for the same time

@ 54 fanams p.r Month 324 fanams 12

After my last account 30 Rs 4 fanams or ..... 13 : 13

To Mr. Anderson for Houserent for the—

Cabour &. Table and Chairs belonging to

the Court House from 16th September 1801

to 16th January 1807 @ 3 Pags p.r Month 6

Total ..... 67 13.

Tranquebar

29th January 1807 S. E. & E. (Signed) K. A. Borgen

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Resolution thereon.

Resolved that authority be given for the payment of the allowances of the two Serjeants attached to the Danish Court of Justice at Tranquebar at the rate specified in the list which accompanied Lieutenant Colonel Cullen's letter of the 10th. June last, being Rix Dollrs. 3–4 per Month each; and also for the payment of the allowance of the Polygar of the Town of Tranquebar amounting to the sum of 172 fanams per Month, provided that Lieutenant Colonel Cullen shall be satisfied that the allowance is actually due to him.

Read the following Letter from the Officer Commanding at Vellore to John Chamier Esqr. Chief Secretary to Government

Sir,

I have to request that you will submit the enclosed Letter from the Reverend Doctor Aboard to his Lordship in Council.

I have the honor &c &c

(Signed) Thos. Dallas Lieut. Col. Comdt.

From the Commandant at Vellore Enclosing a Letter from the Chief Minister at Tranquebar requesting the discharge of two Peons attached to his Court

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Lieutenant Colonel Dallas

Commanding Officer of Vellore

Sir.

I assume myself of your pardon for the trouble I presume to give you in requesting your Command & assistance to promote an object which I consider myself as Chaplain of Vellore and its dependencies peculiarly called upon to use Every Means in My power of carrying into Effect.

I have long lamented the situation and structure of the Chapel (if such it can be called) in which I have officiated, as being in every respect unfit for the decent performance of divine Worship, and administration of the Sacraments having neither Vestry, Altar, or Font, and which Can with difficulty admit one hundred persons, altho at this time the Garrison contains about Eleven hundred Europeans and from the Circumstances attending Vellore, I may presume that the same number will be constantly attached to it.

An Estimate has been made to build a substantial Church capable of admitting three hundred persons the expence of which I am informed will not exceed Eleven hundred Pagodas.

I take the liberty of requesting you Sir to transmit this Letter to Bombay that it may be laid before the Right Honble

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Honorable Sir, Governor in Council, Having obtained His Lordship's Sanction and permission this Essentially necessary Work may be immediately carried into Execution

Madras Lodge
2d February 1802
To Lieut. Col. Cole

With the highest Consideration of Respect I have the honor
(Signed) H. Worsley

Ordered to lie on the Table

Read the following Letter from the Contractor for the supply of Military Stores

John Chamier Esq.
Chief Secretary to Government

Sir,

Having occasion to import at various times into Madras by the Ships and Sloops Arbella for the Service of the Honble Company, I take the liberty of soliciting an exemption from the duties upon all such Articles agreeably to what I believe has been the practice heretofore with regard to goods imported by Contractors with Government and for the use of Government. I beg to observe that there can be no difficulty in ascertaining what goods are for the use of the Arsenal as they are generally of a description that cannot be used for any other purpose.

In the Contractor of Military Stores Requests an exemption from the Land and Sea duties upon such Articles as being imported on account of the Company

I have the honor &c &c
(Signed) Robt. L. Maitland
Contractor for Military Stores

Fort St. George
5th July 1802

Resolved to inform Mr. Maitland in reply to his Letter of the 5th instant that the Board cannot suspend the collection of the duties on the Articles mentioned in the above Letter for the payment of the provincial duties upon Articles imported without departing from the regulations established for the collection of Customs at this Port, the Board regret that it is impracticable consistently with that consideration to comply with Mr. M's request.

Ed. W. Stratton

H. Close
J. Stewart
G. T. Petrie
H. Wilkinson