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Diary

Received the following Letter

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To G. Strachey Esq.

Secretary to the Government

Fort St George

Sir,

From the Secretary at Fort William - Stating that a detachment of the Madras Army arrived from Penang has been supplied with Camp Equipage and ordered to Ceylon. -

I am directed by His Excellency The Most Noble the Governor General in Council to transmit to you the enclosed Copy of a letter from Captain Macpherson of the 22d, Instant and of its Enclosure, and to desire that you will inform the Right Honorable the Governor in Council that Captain Macpherson, and the Detachment under his Command have been ordered to proceed on the Alexander to Trincomale, and either to disembark there or proceed to Columbo as His Excellency the Governor of Ceylon may think proper to Order. -

I am also directed by His Excellency in Council to inform you, that the Detachment has been furnished with the Camp Equipage

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12th Equipage.

Same

Fort Williams (Signed) Tho.s Hill

the 24th October 1803. 1st Asst. Sec.y Mily Dept.

To The Military Secretary
to the Governor General
Calcutta

Sir,

Be pleased to inform his Excellency the Most Noble the Governor General, that a Detachment, under my Command, (as per enclosed present State) which left Penang on the 8th of last Month, destined for Madras, is this day arrived at Saugor Roads, on the Marquess of Wellesley Transport

The Detachment has no Camp Equipage.

I have the honor to be &c.

Saugor Roads (Signed) And.w Macpherson

22d October 1803. Capt.n Comm.g Detachm.t

A true Copy

(Signed) Tho.s Hill

1st Asst. Sec.y Mily Dept.

Present

Present State of a Detachment of Madras Troops under the Command of Captain Andrew Macpherson on Board the Marquis Wellesley Transport Sauger Roads 22d October 1803.—

	Madras Artillery	Madras Europ.s Regt.	Madras Volunteer Battalion																						
	Serjeant Majors	Serjeants	Drummers	Privates	Serjeant Majors	Quarter Masters	Serjeants	Drummers	Privates	Havildars	Naigues	Sepoys	Drummers	Privates	Assistant Surgeons	Hospital Mates	Bullock Drivers	Pioneers	Lascars	Sepoys	Hospital Lumpkeers	Hospital Natives	Regimental Total	Followers	Grand Total
Present for Duty	3	1	4	1	1	1	1	4	2	14	12	6	4	3	1	1	209	12	30	28	312				
Sick	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1	3	2	1	"	1	"	"	44	"	11	9	49				
Total	3	1	4	1	1	1	1	4	3	17	14	7	4	4	1	1	253	12	41	37	361				

NB. 23 Followers attached to the Troops not included in the above State.—

(Signed) And.w Macpherson
Capt.n Comm.d Detach.t

True Copy
(Signed) Tho.s Hall
1.st Asst Sec.y to Mil.y Depart.t

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13th Received the following Letter.—

To The Chief Secretary
to Government

Sir,

From the Secretary to the Military Board—submitting the papers relative to the House which has been ordered to be purchased from Ellapah Chitty on account of its being too near the South Magazine of Fort St. George; requests that the Sum of 2000 Pagodas may be immediately paid to Ellapah Chitty on that account.—

I have the honor to forward herewith, a Conveyance to the Honorable Company of the House ordered by Government to be purchased from Ellapah Chitty, and to be pulled down on account of its situation being too near the South Magazine of Fort St. George; together with the original Choultry Bill of Sale—As there is, annexed to the Conveyance, an acknowledgement of the Receipt of the purchase—Money, being Star Pagodas two thousand, I am directed by the Military Board to request you will obtain the sanction of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council for the immediate payment of that Sum to Ellapah Chitty.—

The Superintending Engineer is ordered to remove the Building immediately,

and

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and to dispose of such of the Materials as are saleable by public Auction— and a Report of the produce of the Sale will be made by the Military Board for the information of Government so soon as the Accounts are Received.—

I have the honor to be

Fort St. George
12th November 1803.—

J.C.M. J.C.M.

(Signed) John Macleane
Sec.y Mil.y Board

Order thereon.— Ordered that the Original papers referred in the above letter be Lodged in the Office.—

To the Chief Secretary
to Government
&c. &c.

From the Commandant at Pondicherry— Inclosing Copy of a Parole Signed by the French Officers remaining at Pondicherry, and requesting instructions relative to the pay of those relanded from the Cartel.—

I enclose you the Paroles of honor which I have taken from the French Officers Civil and Military, who have remained behind or been landed from the Cartel by Captain Shawe.—

I shall be thankfull for your

forward.

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forwarding me the Orders of His Lordship in Council respecting the Subsistance of those who Applied to return to Europe, and who seem to think their remainder in this Country being involuntary entitles them by the Capitulation to pay during the period of their detention in India.—

I have the honor to be

Londicherry 9.th November 1803.

&c.a &c.a

(Signed) G. St. John

Colonel

Sent the following Letters.—

To The President and Members of the Military Board

Gentlemen.

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letters dated the 24.th and 31.st Ultimo.—

With respect to the question submitted for His Lordship's determination, whether grain purchased on account of the Company

To the Military Board Explaining the intention of Government with respect to the exemption of duties on Grain purchased on account of the Honble Company Copy of the Regulations which have been lately established for the Collection of Land and Sea Customs

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Customs enclosed—the Accounts of the Bullock Agency during the last Mysore War to be adjusted in the manner recommended by the Military Auditor General—the Conduct of Mayor Symons in the execution of the duty entrusted to his management highly approved—the repairs required at Coondemalla authorized—their suggestion relative to the Lascars of this Establishment employed on Ceylon approved—the payment of the bills & advances of Money recommended by them has been authorised—Mr. I. Baker has been permitted to purchase from the public Stores the fire Arms &c.a required for the Service of His Highness the Nizam—Copy of a letter from the Resident at Hydrabad enclosed.

is exempt from the payment of duties, I am directed to acquaint you that it is the intention of the Regulation referred to, in the correspondence of the Collector, the Garrison Storekeeper at Masulipatam to provide Grain, like other Goods, the property of the Company, shall be permitted to pass duty free.— His Lordship in Council desires accordingly that when grain belonging to the Company shall be conveyed to Stations where the payment of a Town duty may be collected, the Garrison Storekeeper under whose orders the grain may be stored shall be instructed to present a Certificate to the Collector or Revenue Officer appointed to collect the duty, specifying that the grain belongs to the Honorable Company, and quoting the authority under which he may have adopted measures for storing it.—

As it may be necessary that you should be apprized of the provisions contained in the Regulations which have been lately established for the Collection of Land and Sea Customs,

I have

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I have been directed by the Governor in Council to enclose Copies of those Regulations for your information and guidance.—

The Governor in Council directs me to desire that the Accounts of the Bullock Agency during the last War in Mysore may be adjusted in the manner recommended by the Military Auditor General in his Minute on that subject, unless there should be any objection on the part of the Native Manager.—

The testimony which you have born to the merits of Lt Major Symons in conducting and completing the difficult enquiry entrusted to his management is highly honorable to that Officer, and coincides entirely with the Sentiments of the Governor in Council respecting the Zeal, assiduity and Accuracy, which have been evinced by Major Symons in the whole of that intricate investigation.—

His Lordship in Council is pleased to authorise the repairs required at

Poonamalee

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Poonamalee to be completed in conformity to the Estimate of the Senior Engineer submitted with your letter of the 11th Ultimo.—

His Lordship in Council—

having Approved your Suggestion relative to the Store Lascars of this Establishment employed on the Island of Ceylon, a communication on that subject has been made accordingly to the Government at Columbo.—

The Bills and Advances of Money Recommended in your letters of the 24th and 31st Ultimo have been passed for payment.—

I am directed to transmit to you the enclosed Copy of a letter from the Resident at Hydrabad, and to Acquaint you that Mr. Joseph Baker has the permission of His Lordship in Council to purchase from the publick Stores the Fire Arms and Saddles required for the Service of His Highness the Soubah of the Decan.—

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

Fort St. George (Signed) Geo. Strachey

11th November 1803.— Secretary to Govern.t—

To The Military Auditor General

Sir,

To the Military Auditor General — authorizing the Sum of Pagodas 2,000 to Ellapah Chitty on account of the House — purchased from that person by the Honorable Company. —

I am directed by the Right — Honorable the Governor in Council to transmit to you the enclosed Copy of a letter from the Secretary to the Military Board, and to desire that you will immediately authorize the Sum of Two Thousand (2,000) Pagodas to be paid to Ellapah Chitty, on account of the House purchased from that person by the Honorable Company. —

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

Fort St. George (Signed) Geo. Strachey

12th November 1803.— Sec.y to Govern.t —

Sent the following Letters entered in Mo. B. Nos 14, 15. —

To the Secretary at Fort William

To Captain Hook — Transmitting a General return for October of the Troops serving under this Presidency. —

To

Fort St. George 13th November 1803.—

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Military General

To the Military Auditor General

Directing him to adjust the contingent expences incurred during the Month of September by Major General Wellesley, Accounts of which are enclosed.—

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Received the following Letters.—

To J. Buchan Esq.

Chief Secretary to Government

Fort St. George

Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency the Most Noble The Governor General in Council to desire that the enclosed Gazettes Extraordinary published by His Excellency's Command may be laid before the Right Honorable the Governor in Council of Fort St. George.—

from the Chief Secretary at Fort William—Transmitting Gazettes Extraordinary publishing the success of the forces under Generals Lake and Wellesley.—

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient

Fort William

26th October 1803.— (Signed) J. Lumsden

Chief Secretary to the Government.—

Calcutta

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Calcutta Gazette
Extraordinary

Tuesday, October 18th 1803.

Fort William, October 15th 1803

Authentic advices have b
Received by His Excellency the Most Nob
the Governor General, containing the importa
Intelligence, that on the 23d of September, a
Action took place near the Adjenta Pass in
Dekan, between the Forces under the Comma
of the Honorable Major General Wellesley and
the Main Body of the combined Army of the
confederate Chieftains Dowlut Row Scindeah
and the Rajah of Berar, in which, after a
severe engagement which lasted for three hours,
the Enemy was completely defeated, and Ninety
pieces of Cannon were taken by the British
Troops at the point of the Bayonet.—

Our loss has been severe in this
Glorious and Brilliant Victory.—

The official dispatches have

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not yet been received from the Honorable Major General Wellesley:—

Published by Command of His Excellency the Most Noble the Governor General in Council.—

(Signed) J. Sumsden

Chief Sec.y to the Govt.

Calcutta Gazette Extraordinary

Wednesday, October 19, 1803.—

Fort William, October 19, 1803:—

The following dispatch, received last night by Express, is published by order of His Excellency the Most Noble the Governor General in Council.—

To Captain Armstrong

Acting Military Secretary to His Excellency The Most Noble the Governor General.—

Sir,

I request you will be pleased to state to His Excellency the Most Noble

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the Governor General, that the Bierabatty Fort has this instant been taken by Assault.—

Lieutenant Colonel Clayton, of the 20th Bengal Regiment, who Commanded the Attack not having yet made his report to me, I am not enabled to forward to you for His Excellency's information, the regular Details of this Success, but, I understand his conduct and that of the Troops under his orders, to have been most honorable and brilliant.—

The Fortress is of considerable Strength, and was vigorously defended, added to which, every possible obstruction was prepared by the Enemy.—

Our loss on this occasion, I trust, has not been very considerable; I shall have the honor of forwarding to you for His Excellency's information Returns of the whole tomorrow.—

I have

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

Cuttack (Signed) Geo. Harcourt

the 11th October, 1803.— Lieut. Col. Comm. in Cuttack

J. P. Mc. & Mil. Sec. to His Excellency

the Most Noble the Gov. Genl.

The detailed Statement of the
combined Operations by which the valuable
Province of Cuttack has been occupied by the
British Troops, will be published in a Gazette
Extraordinary tomorrow.—

His Excellency the Most Noble
the Governor General in Council is pleased to
make the following Appointments.—

Lieutenant Colonel George Harcourt,
to command the Troops in the Province of Cuttack
and John Melville Esq.re Commissioners for the
Settlement of the Province of Cuttack.—

By Command of His Excellency
the Most Noble the Governor General in Council.—

(Signed) J. Lumsden
Chief Sec.y to the Gov.t
Gen.l.—

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General Orders, By His Excellency

The Most Noble the Governor General

and Captain General.—

Fort William, October 18th 1803.—

A Royal Salute to be fired

tomorrow Morning at Sun rise, in honor of

the reduction by Assault of the Barabatty

Fort & Cuttack on the 14th Instant, by the

Troops under the Command of Lieutenant Colonel

Harcourt, by which Gallant action the conquest

of the valuable Province of Cuttack has been

completed.—

By His Excellency's Command

(Signed) H. Armstrong

Secy & Mil. Secretary

Calcutta Gazette

Extraordinary

Friday, October 21st 1803.

Fort William, October 21st 1803.—

A Dispatch, of which the

following is an Extract, has been this day

received

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received by His Excellency the most Noble the
Governor General, from His Excellency the Commander
in Chief:-

To His Excellency The most Noble
Marquis Wellesley
Governor General
&c. &c. &c.

My Lords,

Finding it impossible to make
approaches against this place, as long as the
Seven Battalions of the Enemy, who remained
here, were in possession of the Town of Agra;
of an encampment with a large number of
Guns on the Glacis, and of the Ravines with
Fort is surrounded, I determined to dislodge
the Enemy from the town, and occupy the
Ravines this Morning, which will answer as
trenches, and afford complete cover for carry-
-ing on our works.

With this view I ordered
Brigadier

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Brigadier General Clarke, who was encamped with his Brigade in the rear of the town, to take possession of it, at the same time that three Battalions advanced to occupy the Ravines.—

The Attacks have succeeded, and the Town as well as the Ravines are now occupied by our Troops.—

Lieutenant Colonel M.Cullock, Major Haldane, and Captain Worsley, led the Battalions, and Advanced on the Ravines. Every praise is due to those Officers, who performed every thing required of them, with the greatest alacrity and steadiness.—

I am sorry to say that a Number of Men have been killed and wounded as well as Officers, owing to their high spirit and anxiety to possess themselves of the Enemy's Guns; they quitted their Ravines and gained the Glacis, driving the Enemy from their position; in effecting which, from being close under the Fort, they were exposed to a very

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very heavy fire.—

My thanks are due to the—

Honorable Major General St. John, for his

spirited conduct in advancing at the head—

of the 2nd Battalion of the 2d Native Infan.

-try, which, I found it necessary to order

up to support the Attack.—

Brigadier General Clarke, in—

his Attack on the Town, met with considerable

resistance, which by the gallant Conduct of

the Officers and Men under his Command

was at length surmounted. I feel myself

under particular obligations to Lieutenant

Colonel White, who Commanded five Compa-

-nies of the 16th Regiment Native Infantry,

for his judicious and gallant Conduct on

this day.—

I feel myself under the greatest

obligations to Lieutenants Colonels Gerrard, Assis-

-tant General, who undertook to point out to

Lieutenant Colonel McCulloch the Road—

he

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he was to pursue, and I am sorry to report that in the performance of this duty he received a very severe contusion; but I trust it will not be attended with any serious consequences.—

Major Thomas, of the 11th Native Infantry is, I am sorry to add, very severely wounded, his exertions throughout this day were most meritorious.—

Lieutenant Hay of the Artillery, who went with a detachment of that Corps to bring off the Enemy's Guns, merits my approbation for his successful exertions in this Service.—

To Mr. Lucas's information and exertions on this occasion, as well as on every other, I feel myself much indebted.—

Head Quarters Camp before Agra, October 10th 1803.— I have the honor to be &c. &c. &c. (Signed) G. Lake.

P. S. A List of the Guns taken shall be forwarded tomorrow.—

Return

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Return of Officers Wounded

1st. Battalion 11th. Regiment Native Infantry

Major Thomas, and Lieutenant Rose,— badly—

Ensign Oliver, Slightly.—

Lieut. Colonel Clarke

Lieutenant, Beaghan, ——— Artillery

——— Whitaker, ——— Infantry, severely.

——— Grant, ——— Ditto, Ditto, Dangerously

Staff

Lieutenant Colonel, Gerard, ——— Adjutant General

15th. Regiment Native Infantry

Lieutenants Perry and Addison— Slightly

A more Correct List shall be obtained.—

(Signed) G. L.

Published by Command of His Excellency The most Noble the Governor—General in Council.—

(Signed) J. Saunders

Chief Secy. to the Govt.

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11th. Fort William, October 20, 1803.

Proclamation,

By His Excellency

The Most Noble the Governor General

In Council

His Excellency The Most Noble the Governor General in Council is pleased from this day to permit the exportation of Grain of every description from Bengal to any British Port in India, under the following conditions;—

All persons who may be desirous of exporting Grain from Bengal by Sea under this Proclamation, are required to make Application for that purpose by letter to the Secretary to the Government in the Public Department, stating the quantity of Grain to be exported, the Port to which the Grain is to be consigned, and the Name of the Vessel on which it is to be Shipped.—

All such Applications must

also

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also Specify the Name of one responsible Person, an Inhabitant of Calcutta, who may be willing to execute a Bond jointly with the Proprietor or Shipper of the Grain, engaging under a penalty of Ten Sicca Rupees per Bag, that the Grain shall be delivered at some British Port in India.

Immediate attention will be given to every Application which may be made to the Secretary to the Government in conformity to the terms of this Proclamation, and the Bonds will be prepared at his Office and executed without any expense to the parties.

The Bonds shall remain in full force under a Certificate from the proper public Officer of Government at the Port to which the Grain may be consigned, that the Cargo has been landed at that Port.

The Collectors of Government Customs at Calcutta and Chittagong, are strictly

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Strictly enjoined not to permit any Grain to be shipped, nor to grant a Port Clearance to any Ship or Vessel loaded with Grain, until they shall receive a Certificate from the Secretary to the Government that the Bond required by this Proclamation has been duly executed.—

The exportation of Grain from Bengal to any Foreign Port, is hereby strictly prohibited.—

By Command of His Excellency the Most Noble the Governor General in Council.—

(Signed) J. Lumsden
Chief Sec.y to the Govern.t

Calcutta Gazette
Extraordinary
Saturday, October 22.d 1803.—
Fort William, October 22.d 1803.—

The following Extract of a Dispatch, received this Day, is published by—

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By Command of His Excellency the Most Noble
The Governor General in Council.—

To Captain Armstrong
Acting Military Secretary
to His Excellency the Most Noble
The Governor General.—

Sir,

I had the honor of briefly stating to you yesterday, for the information of His Excellency The Most Noble the Governor General, that the Fort of Barrackpoor had been taken by Assault, by a part of the Troops under my Command, directed to perform this Service under the orders of Lieutenant Colonel Clayton of the 20.th Bengal Regiment.— I now have the honor to acquaint you for His Excellency's information, with the further details of this Operations.—

On the Night of the 12.th a Spot was fixed on for a 12 Pounder Battery, distant about 500 Yards from the outer Gate of the

Fort

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Fort. This Battery was completed on the Night of the 13th and the 12 Pounder placed in it, together with two Howitzers and two 6 Pounders, the whole of which opened their fire on the Morning of the 14th. By eleven o'clock in the forenoon, most of the defences on the South face of the Fort, against which our fire was directed, were taken off, the Enemy's Guns silenced, and every Appearance promised success. upon which, I directed Lieutenant Colonel Clayton to advance with one 6 Pounder, and a party of Artillery Men, two Hundred Europeans from His Majesty's 22d, and three Madras European Regiment, and four hundred Sepoys from the 20th Bengal, and the 9th and 19th Regiments of Madras Native Infantry. — The party had to pass over a narrow Bridge, and under a very heavy but ill directed fire of Musquetry from the Fort, to which they were exposed for forty minutes. They at length succeeded in

Blowing

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blowing open the Wicket, (the remaining part of the Gate having been fortified with thick masses of Stone.) Having once accomplished this, the party entered singley, and although they met with consi-derable Resistance whilst entering the Fort, and passing two other Gates, the British Troops were soon completely Victorious.—

I cannot too highly praise the Conduct of Lieutenant Colonel Clayton and that of the Officers and Troops under his Command: the whole party manifested a degree of persever-ing Steadiness and bravery, that does them infinite honor.—

The Fort of Barrabutty is of considerable Strength, and with the exception only of the Bridge over which our party passed, is inaccessible, as it is surrounded by a ditch from 35 to 135 feet broad, and 20 feet depth of water in it.—

I am happy to acquaint you that our loss has not been considerable, but

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I have to report with regret, that Captain Kenney of the 19th Regiment Madras Infantry, Captain Hurlstone of His Majesty's 22d Regiment, and Lieutenant Faithfull of the Bengal Artillery, are wounded, though not dangerously; their Conduct was highly meritorious, as well as that of every other Officer on the Storming Party.—

Returns of the Killed and Wounded are enclosed.—

I cannot omit expressing in the strongest manner the high sense I entertain of the Services of Captain Blunt, Field Engineer who has been throughout our Campaign, indefatigably active; and of Captain Hetzler, of the Bengal Artillery, whose well directed fire from the Battery was of eminent Service.—

The loss of the Enemy within the Fort was very considerable, and many were drowned in the ditch, when endeavouring to

escape

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escape.—

I should not omit mentioning, that a Stand of Colours of the Enemy was taken by the Detachment of His Majesty's 22nd Regiment, a second Stand of Colours, by the 20th Bengal Regiment, a third by the 9th Madras Native Regiment, and a fourth by the 19th Madras Native Regiment; and for the disposal of which I hope to be honored with His Excellency's Commands.—

The zealous and efficient Services of Major of Brigade Thompson, demand my warmest acknowledgments, and I must further beg leave to report to you for His Excellency's information, that the general Conduct of the whole Force under my Command has been such as to merit the most favorable representation of their Services to His Excellency's Notice.—

Lauk Barrs Fort, Cuttacke October 15th 1803.—

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

(Signed) Geo: Harcourt

Lieut. Col. Comm. in Cuttack and Military Secretary to His Excel.y the most Noble the Governor General.—

Returns

Return of the Killed and Wounded of His Majesty's and the Honorable Company's Troops in the Assault of the Fort of Barrabutty on the 11th. October, under the Command of Lieutenant Colonel Harcourt.

Cuttack, October 15th. 1803.

	Killed.									Wounded.									
	Europeans					Natives				Europeans					Natives				
	Captains	Lieutenants	Serjeants	Privates	Total	Subidars	Jemadars	Havildars	Naigues	Privates	Total	Captains	Lieutenants	Serjeants	Privates	Total	Subidars	Jemadars	Havildars	Naigues	Privates	Total
Detachment of Bengal Artillery													1.		1.							
Detachment of His Majesty's 22d. Regt.				1.	1.								1.		8.	9.						

Fort William 18th. October 1803.

Approved

Geo. Stuart

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Pension of Madras European Regt.

Do. Bengal Native Regiment

Do. Do. Do. Madras Mat. Infantry

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Total

Captain Hutchisons of His Majesty's 22d Regiment

Captain Hutchisons of His Majesty's 22d Regiment

Captain Norman of the 1st Bengal Native Infantry

Lieutenants Smithfields of the Madras Establishment

Mounsdale

Mounsdale

Bengal Artillery

(Signed) Hial. St. Thomas

Major of Brigade

Mate of the Nautilus

(Signed) Hial. St. Thomas

Major of Brigade

Lieutenant Colonel

Commanding Officer

Fort St. George

(Signed) Lennard

Chief Secretary to Government

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General Orders.

By His Excellency the Most Noble
The Governor General in Council
Fort William October 22, 1803.

The Governor General in Council
Notifies to the Army, his high approbation
of the meritorious Services of the Officers and
Troops employed under the able Conduct of
Lieutenant Colonel George Harcourt in the
Expedition prepared under the Special orders
of His Excellency in Council, for the occupa-
tion of the valuable Province of Cuttack.—

His Excellency in Council—
observed with great satisfaction the judgment
skill and firmness manifested by Lieutenant
Colonel Harcourt, in directing the movement
of the division of the Troops, which entered
the Province of Cuttack from Ganjam.—

The difficulties opposed to the
progress of the Troops by the peculiar nature
of the Country, by the period of the season,

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and by the resistance of the Enemy, were surmounted by Lieutenant Colonel Harcourt, and by the brave Officers and Troops under his Command, with the same Spirit of gallantry and perseverance, which has secured the success of every operation of the British Army in every part of India during this glorious Campaign.—

The Governor General in Council

highly approves the judicious Arrangements prepared by Lieutenant Colonel Harcourt, for the Siege and Assault of the Fort of Barramahl, and the spirited exertions, by which that important Service was executed with success and honor on the 24th. Instant.—

His Excellency in Council directs Lieutenant Colonel Harcourt, to signify his distinguished Approbation of the merits of Lieutenant Colonel Clayton of the Bengal 20th. Regiment Native Infantry, who Commanded the Attack, and of the steadiness and bravery of all the Officers and Troops employed in the Assault of

the

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the Fort.—

It affords considerable satisfac-
tion to the Governor General in Council to
remark, that this important Service has been
effected with so little loss, and His Excellency
trusts that Captain Hurlstone of His Majesty's
22.d Regiment, Captain Heinzy of the 19.th Regi-
ment of Madras Native Infantry, and
Lieutenant Faithfull of the Bengal Artillery,
will speedily be restored to the public Service,
in which their Courage and Resolution have
already been distinguished.—

The Governor General in Council
expresses his Sense of the Activity, Zeal, and
useful Services of Captain Blunt, Field-
Engineer in Cuttack, and also of the Conduct
of Captain Hetzler of the Bengal Artillery.—

The Colours taken in the
assault of the Fort of Cuttack by the Detach-
ments of His Majesty's 22.d Regiment, the 2.d
Bengal Native Regiment, and the 9.th and 20.th
Madras

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Madras Native Regiments, are to be publicly displayed in the Fort of Cuttack, and afterwards lodged in the principal building in the Fort, with an Inscription signifying the Names of the Corps by which the Standards were respectively taken from the Enemy.—

His Excellency in Council expresses the satisfaction with which he has noticed the zealous and efficient Services of Major of Brigade Thompsone.—

During the advance of the Force under the immediate direction of Lieutenant Colonel Harcourt from Ganjam, the Conduct of the Officers and Troops employed at Balasore under the command of Captain Morgan of the 7th Bengal Native Regiment, and of that which marched from Jelasore under the Command of Lieutenant Colonel Fergusson of the same Regiment, merits the public Approbation of His Excellency in Council.—

The Governor General in Council particularly

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particularly approves the firm and skilful conduct of Captain Morgan, in directing the disembarkation of the Troops at Balasore, and in the judicious occupation and maintenance of that position. His Excellency in Council also expresses his just sense of the meritorious and useful assistance rendered by Captain P. Grant of the 16th Regiment of Bengal Native Infantry, in the execution of every branch of the Service at Balasore, and in aiding the progress of Lieutenant Colonel Fergusson's Detachment.

Great advantage has been derived to the success of our Arms in Cuttack from the respect, which has been uniformly observed, by Lieutenant Colonel Harcourt, and by all the Officers and Troops under his immediate Command, as well as by the Detachments Co-operating from Balasore and Jellasore, towards the religious establishments in Cuttack, and from

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the exemplary humanity, with which
the lives and private property of the
Inhabitants and the Sanctity of the
Temples and Institutions of the Brahmens
have been protected from Violation.—

The Governor General notices
with peculiar pleasure the merits of
Lieutenant Colonel Harcourt, and of
the Officers and Troops serving in Ceylon
in this respect, as tending to maintain
the honor of the British Character,
and to conciliate the confidence and
attachment of the Inhabitants of that
valuable Province.—

By Command of His
Excellency the Most Noble the
Governor

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Governor General in Council.

Signed J. Hooke

Secretary to the Government

Military Department

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Extraordinary

Monday, October 24th 1803.

Fort William, October 21st 1803.

Dispatches, of which the following are Extracts, have been this Day received by His Excellency The Most Noble The Governor General from His Excellency the Commander in Chief.—

To

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To His Excellency

The Most Noble

Marquis Wellesley

Governor General

&c &c &c

My Lord

I have the honor to enclose herewith for your Lordship's information a Return of the Killed, Wounded, and Missing in the Affair of the 10th Instant.

I have the honor to be

My Lord,

Your Lordships most faithful

Humble Servant

(Signed) G. Lake

Head Quarters

Camp before Agra,

October 12, 1803.

Return

Return of the Killed, Wounded and Missing.
In the Affair of the 10th October 1803.

		Majors	Lieutenants	Ensigns	Subadars	Jemadars	Havildars	Naiks	Gunners	Drummers	Privates	Topiys	Gun Lascars	Total
Artillery	Killed	"	"	"	"	"	"	1	"	"	7	"	"	7
	Wounded	"	1	"	"	"	2	1	"	"	7	"	"	7
	Missing	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
2nd Battalion 9th Regiment	Killed	"	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	6
	Wounded	"	1	"	3	"	"	2	2	"	"	"	"	18
	Missing	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1
1st Battalion 12th Regiment	Killed	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
	Wounded	"	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	2
	Missing	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
1st Battalion 11th Regiment	Killed	"	"	"	"	"	"	2	"	"	"	"	"	15
	Wounded	1	1	1	1	2	"	3	3	"	2	"	"	55
	Missing	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	11
1st Battalion 15th Regiment	Killed	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	2
	Wounded	"	1	"	"	"	"	1	"	"	"	"	"	17
	Missing	"	"	"	"	"	"	1	"	"	"	"	"	"
2nd Battalion 15th Regiment	Killed	"	"	"	"	"	"	1	1	"	"	"	"	5
	Wounded	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	13

Camp Laswaree 12th October 1803.

(Signed) D. Ochterlony
Lt. Colonel
Commanding Artillery

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2d Battalion 16th Regiment	Missing	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1	"	"	"	"	1	"
	Killed	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1	"
	Wounded	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	4	"
	Missing	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Total	Killed	1	1	1	4	2	2	3	1	1	"	"	"	29	"
	Wounded	1	5	1	4	2	2	7	5	1	2	7	"	135	7
	Missing	"	"	"	"	"	"	1	1	"	"	"	"	13	"

Names of the Officers Killed and Wounded.—

Artillery — Lieutenant Beaghan, — Wounded,

2d Batt. 9th Regt. — Lieutenant Grant, — Killed,
Lieutenant Whittaker — Wounded, — since dead

1st Batt. 12th Regt. — Lieutenant Woolet — Wounded,

1st Batt. 14th Regt. — Major Thomas, — Wounded,
Lieutenant Rose, — Wounded,
Ensign Niver, — Wounded,

1st Batt. 15th Regt. — Lieutenant Perry, — Wounded,

(Signed) J. Gerrard
Adjutant General.—

To

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To His Excellency The Most Noble

Marquis Wellesley

Governor General &c. &c. &c.

My Lord,

I have the satisfaction to inform your Lordship, that the Battalions, who were opposed to us in the Affair of the 10th Instant, came over last Night, and are now encamped near us.—

Their Number is about Two thousand five Hundred.—

I have reason to believe that their compliance with my terms, was chiefly owing to the severe loss, and complete defeat, they experienced in the Affair of the 10th Instant. By their own accounts the loss they sustained was upwards of Six Hundred Killed.—

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

Camp before Agra, Oct. 13th 1803.— (Signed) G. Lake

Published by command of His Excellency The Most Noble the Governor General in Council.

(Signed) J. Lumsden

Chief Sec. to the Govt.

Calcutta

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Calcutta Gazette 22.—
Extraordinary

Tuesday, October 25.th 1803.—

Fort William, October 25.th 1803.—

A Despatch, of which the following is an Extract, has been this Day received by His Excellency The Most Noble The Governor General from His Excellency the Commander in Chief.—

To His Excellency The Most Noble
Marquis Wellesley
Governor General &c.a &c.a &c.a

My Lord,

I have the honor to inform your Lordship, that about Noon Yesterday I received Note No.1, addressed to the Officer Commanding in the Trenches; in consequence of which I ordered all firing to cease till four in the evening; and in my Answer, No.2, desired a confidential person might be sent to my Camp.—

I have

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No. 4

About two o'Clock, Colonel Sutherland, whom they liberated from confinement for that purpose, arrived in my Camp with Letters No. 3, and No. 4.—

As it appeared their wish that I should send an Officer into the Fort I requested Captain Salkeld to accompany Colonel Sutherland thither with my Replies No. 5, and 6, to explain to the Garrison the terms on which they would be allowed to surrender.—

Captain Salkeld saw all the Native Chiefs, and found that they were not decided in their opinions on the subject. They started several difficulties, and whilst he was endeavouring to remove these, the firing from the Fort recommenced, without any evident cause, which induced him to return to Camp.—

Being desirous from motives of humanity to induce them to listen to my terms, a Messenger entrusted with a Letter

from

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from me was again sent this Morning.— They have refused however all intercourse, from which I am inclined to think that their only object yesterday was to gain time.—

My grand Batteries will open on the Morning of the 16.th, and I have reason to think that soon afterwards a practicable breach will be effected.—

Head Quarters I have the honor to be &c. &c. &c.
Camp before Agra, Oct.r 11.th 1803. (Signed) G. Lake

No. 1.

To the Officer Commanding
Opposite Mader Ghur

Sir,

The Fort demands a cessation of Hostilities, and are going to send terms to Camp.—
October 13.th 1803.— (Signed) G. W. Hefsing

No. 2.

To Colonel G. W. Hefsing, &c. &c. &c.

Sir

Hostilities will cease till four o'Clock

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o'Clock this Evening, before which time a confidential Person is expected to be sent into Camp with the terms proposed. If he does not arrive before that hour Hostilities will recommence.

The Person who comes will be treated with every attention, and allowed to return in perfect Safety.—

Head Quarters of the British Army October 13.th 1803.—

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
(Signed) G.A.F. Lake
Mil.y Sec.y

Copy. No.3.

To His Excellency
General Lake
Commander in Chief &c. &c. &c.

Sir,

We have the honor to inform your Excellency, that notwithstanding the most violent and unwarrantable Proceedings of the People of the Fort, they have at last become a little more reasonable, from our

repeated

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repeatedly telling them that any further resistance on their part would avail them nothing; but, on the contrary, would exasperate your Excellency and the Troops under your Command so as to exter-minate the whole of them if a Storm took place. Their Commandants have consequently come to us this forenoon in a Body, and requested of us to forward to your Excellency the Accompanying — Proposal for the Surrender of the Fort, to which their respective Names are affixed.—

Should any unforeseen deviation from their Proposal take place, as we are still their Prisoners, we hope your Excellency will not impute to us the blame.—

Their Proposal is to deliver-up the Fort, Guns, Stores, &c.ª to your Excellency at any time after the receipt of this you may think proper; Protection to themselves and private Property, after delivering up the Circars Arms and Property; and to be allowed to remain in the City, or to go wherever their Families

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Same Lists may be.—

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

Fort of Agra (Signed) G. H. Hessing

October 13.th 1803.—

H. Sutherland

No. II.

All the Officers of the Fort of Akberabad give in Writing the following Engagement:—

Whereas a misunderstanding has taken place with Colonel George William Hessing at the instigation of the Sepoys, all the Officers and Sepoys do give in Writing this engagement, that we will implicitly abide by whatever the said Colonel may adjust on our part with General Lake, for the Security of our Lives, Properties, Effects and Honor. We have agreed to invest the said Colonel with full powers for this purpose.—This Engagement is correct.—

Dated the 25.th Jemmaudee-oo-Saunee 1216. 11.th or 12.th October)—Signed by Fifteen Officers, Mahomedans and Hindoos.—

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To Colonel George Hefsing

Mr. Sutherland

&c &c &c

Gentlemen,

Your Letter has been received.—

On the Terms proposed in the last paragraph of your Letter, I allow the Garrison to march out with protection to themselves and private property.— After delivering up the Sircars Arms, Treasure, or any other public property, those who belong to the City may remain there, the others allowed to go where their Families may be.—

I have the honor to be

&c &c &c

G Lake

Head Quarters

British camp

October 13th 1803.— (Signed)

No. 6.

His Excellency General Lake engages, that all the Officers and Sepoys who are within the Fort of Akbarabad, shall be allowed

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allowed to proceed in the most honorable manner with their Cloathes or Effects over they may chuse.— No interruption whatever will be given to those Officers and Sepoys, their Families and Children. But all Arms and Military Weapons, Musquets and Guns, Carts and Carriages, and Treasure which may be within the Fort, shall belong to the Company.

They (Officers &c.a) shall not be allowed to carry out of the Fort any Money or Effects of the above description.—

The Officers, &c.a are required to specify in writing the hour at which they may determine with the Bearer of this Engage-ment to surrender the Fort, in Order that the British Troops may enter the Fort.—

God is Witness to the Sincerity of this Engagement.—

Published by Command of His Excellency The Most Noble the Governor General in Council.—

(Signed) J. Lumsdene
Chief Secy to the Govt.

Sir

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To W. Buchan Esq.re &c.

Chief Secretary to Government

Fort St. George

Sir,

From the Acting Military Secretary to the Governor General Transmitting a Calcutta Gazette Extraordinary publishing the success of General Lake at Agra.

I am directed by His Excellency the Most Noble the Governor General to request that you will lay before the Right Honorable the Governor in Council of Fort St. George the enclosed Gazette Extraordinary published by His Excellency's Command.

I have the Honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient

Fort William the 28th October 1803. (Signed) J. Armstrong

Acting Mil.y Sec.y

Calcutta Gazette

Extraordinary

Friday, October 28th 1803.

Fort William, October 28th 1803.

A Dispatch, of which the following is a Copy, has been this day received by His Excellency the Most Noble

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The Governor General, from His Excellency the Commander in Chief.—

To His Excellency

The Most Noble

Marquis Wellesley

Governor General &c.a &c.a &c.a

My Lorde,

I have the pleasure to inform your Lordship, that the important Fortress of Agra, termed by the Natives The Key of Hindostan, capitulated last Night, and the Garrison consisting of between Five and Six Thousand Men marched out at Noon this Day, when the place was immediately occupied by our Troops under the Command of Brigadier General Macdonald.—

The only terms required by the Garrison were protection to their Persons and private Property; which was agreed to on my part.—

To attribute the early surrender

of

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of this place to the great impression over
Breaching Batteries, which opened yesterday
Morning within Three Hundred and Fifty
Yards, made on the Walls, and which would
have caused a practicable Breach in a few
hours more Battering.—

To Colonel Horsford of the
Artillery, and Captain Wood of the Corps of
Engineers, as well as to every other Officer in
those two Corps, I feel myself under great
obligations for their unremitted exertions on
this occasion, and to which I principally
attribute my early success against this place.

I have the pleasure to say,
our loss since the construction of the Batteries
has been very trifling.— Three European
Artillery Men, and three Golundauze
killed, are the only Casualties.—

A return of the Ordnance,
Stores, &c.a found in the Fort, I shall
have the honor to forward for your
Lordships

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Lordship's information To-morrow.—

Head Quarters I have the honor to be
Agra Sir
October 18th 1803.— (Signed) G. Lake.—

Published by Command of His
Excellency The Most Noble the Governor General
in Council.—

(Signed) J. Lumsden.
Chief Secy. to the Govt.

Garrison Orders, By His Excellency
The Most Noble The Governor
General, and Captain General
Fort William, October 28th 1803.—

A Royal Salute to be fired
immediately from the Ramparts of Fort
William, in honor of the surrender of the
important Fortress of Agra on the 17th inst-
tant at Night, to the Forces under the
personal Command of His Excellency General
Lake.—

A general discharge of the
Artillery

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Artillery on the Ramparts of Fort William
followed by a Feu de Joie from all the Troops
in Garrison, to take place at Sun set this
Evening, and to be answered by the Artillery
at Dum Dum, and by the Troops at Barrack-
-pore.

Extra Batta to be served to the
European Troops in Garrison.

(Signed) J. Armstrong
Acting Mil.y Sec.y

General Orders By His Excellency
The Most Noble The Governor
General in Council.
Fort William October 27.th 1803.

All Officers now at the
Presidency on leave of absence from their Corps,
whether on account of their health, or their
private affairs, are immediately to report
themselves to the Officer Commanding at the
Presidency, and all Officers who may here-
-after arrive at the Presidency, are to report
their

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14th their arrival to him.-

(Signed) Tho.s Hill

1st Asst. Sec.y Mil.y Dep.t

Government House, Friday, October 28th 1803.

There will be a Levee at the Govern-
-ment House, on Monday next the 31st Instant, at
Ten o'Clock.-

Captain Bristow will receive the Cards
of such Persons as may be desirous of being presented
to the Governor General.-

Aides de Camp in waiting on Monday
next, Captain Bristow and Camac.-

(Signed) B. Camac
Aid de Camp.-

His Excellency the most Noble the Governor General
will hold a Public Durbar at Nine o'Clock in the Evening
of Monday the 31st Instant, for the purpose of receiving the
Congratulations of the Natives of Rank and foreign Vakeels
at this Presidency, on the late Glorious Successes of the
British Arms in Hindostan and the Deckan.-

By Order of His Excellency The most Noble
The Governor General.-

(Signed) N. B. Edmonstone
Per. Sec.y to Government

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At a Consultation 2/

Present

The Right Honorable

Lord William Cavendish Bentinck

Governor and President

Lieutenant General James Stuart

Commander in Chief.

William Petrie
and
John Chamier
} Esqrs

Tuesday the 15th November 1803

Minutes of last Consulta-

-tion read and approved.—

The following Minute

of the Commander in Chief having relat-

-ted from Circulation is ordered to be

recorded.—

Minute

Minute of the Commander in Chief - Reporting the general state of the Police in the provinces under this Presidency, connected with the conduct & treatment of Officers & others proceeding individually

The Commander in Chief

requests herewith to draw the attention of

the

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individually on public duty, in that intercourse with the Natives of the Country which is indispensable to the supply of the ordinary wants of every traveller, & describing the system which he recommends to be adopted.

the Board to the general State of police in the provinces subject to this Presidency as connected with the Conduct and treatment of Officers and others proceeding individually on public Duty in that intercourse with the Natives of the Country which is indispensable to the supply of the ordinary wants of every traveller.—

The Result of twenty two Years personal experience, compared with the observations of the most respectable Civil and Military Officers has convinced the Commander in Chief that this object has not hitherto been treated with the importance it deserves; He will accordingly request the patient attention of the Board to a detail of the most pro-minent defects of this branch of police, and to their injurious consequences on the public interests: and with

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then proceed to suggest for the consideration
of the Board the remedies which may be =
practicably applied.—

To the divided and dis =
=cordant system of Government which existed
previously to July 1801 and to the jealousies
naturally arising from an order of things so
radically inconvenient may distinctly be
traced the principal defects which the Com =
=mander in Chief is about to describe; and
he is far from considering as Matter either
of blame or of Surprize, that the improvements
in this branch of public duty have not
generally kept pace with the Unremitting
labours of the public Servants in other branch =
=es of provincial administration —

The history of these defects
may be briefly stated in the following Man =
=ner —
1st —

Few towns in this Country
Furnish

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may be briefly stated in the following Manner —

1st —

Few towns on the Country
Coast

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furnish a Market at which an European
traveller can supply his most ordinary wants.

2d Every Village (with few
exceptions indeed) contains all that a tra-
veller indispensably Requires. —

3d The Villagers would most
willingly sell these Articles at Moderate pri-
if the traveller were admitted to a direct
Communication with them. —

4th It is necessary to describe
to the Board the despotic influence which is
affected by the petty Sovereign of a Village,
whether he be the Native Servant of the Go-
vernment or the principal Villager: this in-
fluence from the perverse conduct of the for-
mer Government has been habitually exer-
cised more for the Annoyance, than for the
Comfort of Europeans, and an habitual dis-
regard to travellers so adverse to the Cha-
racter of the Hindoo has been further aggra-
vated

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aggravated and confirmed by its inevitable
effect on the conduct of the European traveller.—
5th The junior part of the —
Service necessarily depending for their daily
food on the supplies which the Country affords,
finding it nugatory on a short experience to
attempt communication with the individuals
of a Village, usually apply to the principal
person. Generally he is either not to be found
and nothing can be done without him, or if he
appears, he declares the Village to be destitute
of every article required: The traveller sees an
abundance of every thing he wants, and the
calls of hunger superceding the dictates of —
prudence, he proceeds with the assistance of
his Servants to take what he requires and
to deposit payment. This operation frequent-
-ly succeeds but frequently also a disgrace-
-ful contest ensues, and in either case the
Character of the European is habitually presented
to

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to the unreflecting Nature in a degraded or an oppressive view.—

These incidents as they relate to an individual Officer or Villager are certainly of very trifling Moment, but are of serious importance in their aggregate effects on the public interests.—

The valuable possessions of the British Nation in India have been acquired and can alone be preserved by the ascendancy of the National character: and if it be an object of National policy to provide by wise laws and wholesome Regulations for preserving that character to the Natives of India, in an aspect that shall Command their respect, and conciliate their affections, it follows that to obviate or to remove existing impressions of an opposite tendency over the whole extent of our dominions, is nearly allied to the fundamental principles which are capable

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of preserving the empire.— 52

If the Evils which have been described produce on the Mass of the people effects directly injurious to the National Character, and consequently hostile to public authority, the erroneous ideas too naturally excited by such transactions in young and inexperienced Minds give to the subsequent intercourse of Officers with the Native troops a tone of rigor and unkindness, which is at direct variance with the only practicable means of combining discipline with attachment, in that valuable branch of our Armies.—

The public Regulations which are capable of obviating these defects need not be sought in the Refinements of European legislation, they are familiar to the mind of every Native, and sanctified by immemorial usage.—

Hospitality to travellers

and

and Strangers forms a prominent feature in the Morals and early institutions of the Hendoos; and we are informed that at the present day an establishment exists in every Village throughout the Mahratta Dominions, specially charged with the care of travellers, with supplying their wants, and facilitating their Journey nearly free from expense to the individual.—

The head of Sadir Wared in the Revenue Accounts of the Mogul empire a new Name for a more antient institution attests at least the intention of providing at the public expense those articles of indispensable use which a traveller will always find the greatest difficulty in procuring at a short Notice.—

It is however neither necessary nor advisable to revert to any Mode however antient which shall place to the charge of

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of the Government any part of the supplies
of an European traveller — 53

The Arrangement which
by the Reciprocal care of the Dewan, the Resi-
dent and the Officer Commanding the Troops
in Mysore has been established for the accom-
modation of travellers in that Country appears
to be entirely unobjectionable. — It is recom-
mended on the one hand by the praise of
all travellers, and on the other by the Air of
obliging chearfulness with which Officers of
whatever Rank are received in the Villages

The description of Police the
Commander in Chief recommends to be esta-
blished throughout all the provinces sub-
ject to this Presidency so nearly corresponds
with that existing in Mysore, that it will
most conveniently be described by detailing
the progress of a traveller through that Country

On the arrival of a traveller
at

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at a Village in Mysore he is met by an Officer or Peon of the Police who presents him with two official papers, one prescribing the Conduct he is expected to observe, and the other containing a Perrick / fixed of course with the consent of the Inhabitants / of the prices he must pay for the articles he requires: this Perrick is at once a security to the traveller that he is charged a reasonable price, and / what is much more important / to the Villager that he shall receive from the Police Officer the sum that is fixed.—

The traveller informs the Police Officer of the Articles he requires, which are punctually brought at the stated times: he pays for them with his own hand, and before his departure from the Village is informed whether his Servants have been equally correct in their dealings, the obliging conduct of the Police Officer generally procures him a small

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small remuneration, and the parties take
leave Mutually satisfied with each other.—

If any impropriety has
occurred it is immediately reported to the
Dewan and by him to the Resident, who
considers no act of alledged oppression too
trifling for investigation: and if the offender
be a Military Man represents his conduct
to the Officer Commanding the troops.— On the
other hand the Dewan receives with Candor
and redresses with impartiality any com-
-plaint of fraud or Neglect on the part of
the Officers of police—his severest punishment
consisting in dismission from Office.—

The Commander in Chief
is happy to observe that in the few cases
where oppressive Conduct has occurred, it
has generally arisen from the Misplaced
confidence of European Officers in their native
Servants.— In these cases the Officer has been
made

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made sensible of the necessity of future vigilance, and the actual offender has sometimes been expelled the Country, and always compelled to make ample Reparation. In the single instance which has occurred of gross personal oppression on the part of an European Officer, the Governor in Council marked their sense of his conduct by rendering him incapable of future employment.

The Commander in Chief has now described the principal features of the System of police which he recommends to be adopted in the provinces subject to this Presidency, with such changes only as shall render it applicable to the existing order of things in those several provinces: the branch which he has described is capable of being readily combined with other important objects of police, particularly with Security to the persons and property of Merchants and travellers

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of every description.—

He has the satisfaction to

believe that it can in no Respect interfere —

with the true spirit of that System of perma-

-nent property and Judicial administration

already introduced into some of the provinces

but that the arrangements proposed can be

best enforced, through the regular powers of the

civil Magestrate, recognized in a formal

Act of legislation, he finally trusts that

he shall not appear to the Board to have

attached a greater degree of importance —

than it merits to an object so highly in-

teresting in its effects on individual Con-

-duct, on the National reputation and on

the public Interests.—

5th November 1803 (Signed) J. Stuart

The Board coincede

in the Sentiments of the Commander in —

Chief; and it is resolved to carry his —

suggestions

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suggestions into effect whenever it may be practicable.—

The Commander in Chief delivers in the following Minute.—

Minute of the Commander in Chief

In compliance with the desire of the Board communicated to me in an Extract from the Minutes of Council on Tuesday the 11th of October 1803.— I have prepared a Draft of a General Order "for the purpose of restoring Captains Hargrave and Walker to their proper Rank in the Ca- "valry as well Regimentally as in Line"

In executing this duty various circumstances occurred which appear to require the sanction of Government. I shall briefly state these to the Board, submitting at the same time the Draft which I have prepared, as the least embarassing mode of carrying into effect the resolution of

Minute of Dr. Gr. submitting a draft of a General Order for the purpose of restoring Captains Hargrave & Walker to their proper rank in the Cavalry, as well Regimentally as in the Line with observations on the subject.—

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of Government on the representation of Cap-
-tains Hargrave and Walker— 5

1st It appears that Captain
Walker was not entitled as he supposed—
to be transferred on the 17th of June 1800
as Senior Captain to the 7th Regiment, if
the Removal of Captain Geekie to the Non-
-effective List had been previously announ-
-ced; Captain Dunn his Senior in Line,—
being the oldest Captain in the Cavalry—
not Senior of that Rank in the Regement
to which he belonged, and consequently
entitled to be placed as Senior Captain
in the New Corps.—

2d The Return of Captain
Hargrave to the 6th Regement of Cavalry,
necessarily affects the present Rank of all
the Officers junior to him in that Corps,
and the general allotment of Officers to
the 7th Regement, who were taken from—

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other Regiments in a chain of succession con-
-nected with and depending on his removal
as Senior Captain to that Corps - It appears
therefore to be proper, after correcting the
date of Captain Geekie's transfer, to make the
consequent promotions in the 5th Regiment
correspond with that correction, to replace
Captain Hargrave as Senior Captain of that
Corps, to remove Captain Dunn from the 3d
to be Senior Captain of the of the 5th Regiment
and to correct all appointments in that and
the other Cavalry Regiments depending on
the same delay in the publication of Captain
Geekie's transfer, by the application of the
same general rule: for, to limit the correc-
-on to the case of Captain Hargrave would
be unjust to those who are affected by the
same offical omission -

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By the effect of such gene-
-ral Correction, Captain Lieutenant Mason
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of the 5th Regiment who has held that Rank above three years / must return to the Rank of Lieutenant, and a Captain Lieutenant will be wanting in the 3d Regiment in consequence of Captain Dunns removal; the principle of Regimental succession prevents the removal of Captain Lieutenant Mason to fill that vacancy, as the Senior Lieutenant of the 3d Regiment is of right entitled to the promotion - And altho' it might appear equitable to retain Captain Lieutenant Mason as Supernumerary in the 5th Regiment, yet in this Case, attention to him would produce the Supercession of Captains, Munt, O Donnel, Dickson, Daniel, Lushington, and Monteath, / all Regimentally promoted since he attained the Rank to which it now appears that he was not entitled / and of Lieutenant Russell who is entitled to promotion in the 3d Regiment: of which those Officers would

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doubtless complain, on Grounds similar to those which have produced the present call for a correction of the Cavalry List.

4th At the time when the 7th Regiment of Cavalry was raised, the Rank of the Gentlemen Cadets of the preceding Year had not been notified to this Government by the Honble the Court of Directors. They were therefore placed on the List in the order of their arrival, and stationed to Regiments by the same Rule, which also for the time, guided their Relative Rank in those Regiments, subject to future determination, when the orders of the Court of Directors should arrive. In the Draft now submitted to the Board their promotion or transfer has been regulated by the Rank thus assigned to them, although their relative Rank as Cadets has been received since from Europe, as I consider it to have been the intention of Government to limit the alterations

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of the List, to the correction of Errors arising from omissions in India, without adverting to those originating in the delay of Communications from the Honorable the Court of Directors, an opposite determination would cause some variation in the order which I now submit to the Board.—

5th Some Exchanges have taken place since the formation of the 7th Regiment, founded on the supposed state of the Regiments, and the commencement of Individuals.— I have not considered it necessary to interfere with the effect of the present alteration on the prospects of Officers who have made these Exchanges; but I state the circumstance, as the Board may be addressed on the subject by individuals who may see a prospect of advantage now, in returning to their former Corps.—

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(Signed) J. Stuart

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Proposed Draft of a General Order - By Government -

A Representation having been made to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council that in consequence of a delay in publishing the transfer of Captain James Geekie to the Unattached List certain Cavalry Officers are placed in Regiments to which they ought not to be attached, and that their Rank requires correction, the Records of Government have been examined, and it appears that on Captain Geekies request to be placed on the Invalid List, was granted by the Governor in Council on the 10th of June 1800, although, from an official omission, the Removal of that Officer from the effective Establishment was not published by Government in General Orders, until the 28th of that Month -

This omission having influenced

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influenced the promotion and Removal of Officers on the formation of the 7th Regiment of Cavalry, which took place on the 17th of June 1800 — The Right Honorable the Governor in Council is pleased to cancel that part of the General Orders of the 17th of June 1800, which details the promotion and removal of Cavalry Officers on the formation of the 7th Regiment, the 3d Paragraph of the Orders of the 28th of June 1800 announcing the transfer of Captain Geekie, the order for the consequent promotion of Captain Lieutenant Macleane and Lieutenant Colebrooke, of the 5th Regiment of Cavalry, published on the 1st of July 1800, — that part of the order, of the 16th of September 1800 announcing promotions in the 5th Regiment of Cavalry on Captain Hippens transfer to the Invalid Establishment, and the order for the removal of Cornet Darke from the 4th to the 5th Regt

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5th Regiment of Native Cavalry, of the 2d December 1800.—

The following orders regulating the Rank and situation of the Cavalry Officers affected by the Orders now cancelled, are to have effect from the period of their respective dates.—

10th June 1800

The Governor in Council has been pleased to admit Captain James Gecke of the 5th Regiment of Cavalry, on the Supernumerary Establishment, after a Service of twenty one years.—

10th June 1800

The Right Honble the Governor in Council is pleased to order that the following promotions shall be made.—

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Captain Lieutenant George Hepburn

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Kippen to be Captain of a Troop vice Geekie
transferred to the Non Effective Establish-
=ment: date of Commission 10th of June 1800.—
Lieutenant P. Macleane to be Captain Lieu-
=tenant vice Kippen, and Cornet J. L. Smyth
to be Lieutenant vice Macleane: date of
Rank 10th of June 1800.—

17th June 1800

The following promotions
and Removal of Cavalry Officers for the
formation of the 7th Regiment are to have
effect from this date.—

Eldest Major W. Sheriff.
from the 2d Regiment to be Lieutenant
Colonel of the 7th
2d Regiment of Native Cavalry—
Captain J. Burrows to
be Major vice Sheriff.—
Captain Lieutenant A. C.
Montgomery to be Captain of a Troop
vice Burrows—
Lieutenant

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Lieutenant M. Cosby to be
Captain Lieutenant, vice Montgomery.—

Cornet C. Saunders to be
Lieutenant, Vice Cosby.

Eldest Captain of Cavalry
R. H. Muddlestone from the 3d. Regiment
to be Major in the 7th.—

3d Regiment of Native Cavy
Captain Lieutenant I. Dunn
to be Captain of a Troop, vice Muddlestone.

Lieutenant C. Dallas to
be Captain Lieutenant, vice Dunn.—

Cornet R. Bell to be
Lieutenant vice Dallas—

Senior 2d Captain I. Dunn
from the 3d Regiment to be Senior Captain
of the 7th—

3d Regiment of Native Cavalry
Captain Lieutenant C. Dallas
to be Captain of a Troop, vice Dunn.—

Lieutenant

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Lieutenant J. Rowles to

be Captain Lieutenant vice Dallas — 61

Cornet M. West to be —

Lieutenant vice Rowles —

Eldest Captain Lieutenant Wm McGregor from

the 4th Regiment to be Captain of a Troop in

the 7th —

4th Regiment Native Cavalry.

Lieutenant H. Mackay to

be Captain Lieutenant vice McGregor —

Cornet G. Dade to be

Lieutenant vice Mackay —

Eldest Lieutenant of Cavalry J. Overend from

the 4th to be Captain Lieutenant of the 7th Regt

4th Regiment of Native Cavalry —

Cornet R. Palin to be —

Lieutenant vice Overend —

(Senior 2d) Lieutenant A.D. Monteath from

the 2d Regiment to be Senior Lieutenant of

the 7th —

2d Regiment

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2. Regiment of Native Cavalry

Cornet F. Walker to be

Lieutenant Vice Monteath.—

(Senior 3d) Lieutenant I. Doveton from 5th Regiment to be (2d) Lieutenant in the 5th Regiment Native Cavalry

Cornet I. I. I. S. Bonamie

to be Lieutenant Vice Doveton.—

(Senior 4th) Lieutenant I. Collett from the 1st Regiment to be (3d) Lieutenant in the 1st Regiment Native Cavalry.

Cornet R. Bryant to be

Lieutenant vice Collett.—

(Senior 5th) Lieutenant A. M. Barnby from the 6th Regiment to be (4th) Lieutenant in the 7th

6th Regiment of Native Cavalry

Cornet R. Ormsby to be

Lieutenant Vice Barnby.—

(Senior 6th) Lieutenant R. Bryant from the 1st Regiment

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1st Regiment to be 5th Lieutenant in the 7th

1st Regiment of Native Cavalry.

Cornet C. Lyne to be Lieutenant

Vice Bryant.—

(Senior Cornet) A Macleod from the 5th Regiment

to be Lieutenant in the 7th

5th Regiment

Cornet P. Anderson from the 4th

Regiment to be Cornet.—

16th September 1800.

The Right Honorable the Go-

=vernor in Council is pleased to make the fol-

=lowing promotions.—

5th Regiment of Cavalry

Captain Lieutenant J. Mac- mn

leane to be Captain of a troop vice Kippen

transferred to the Invalid List: date of Com-

=mission 13th September 1800.—

Lieutenant John Colebrooke

to be Captain Lieutenant, vice Macleane; &

Cornet

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Cornet P. Anderson to be Lieutenant vice Colebrooke date of Rank 13th September 1800

The Exchange of Lieute-
nant Macleod of the 7th with Lieutenant
Anderson of the 5th Regiment at the re-
quest of those Officers will take place
from this date.—

In consequence of the pre-
ceeding alteration of the Cavalry List,
the Commissions granted to the unde-
mentioned Officers of the senior and
Late annexed, are cancelled.—

To Lieutenant H.
Mason of the 5th Regiment as Captain
Lieutenant. 13th September 1800.—

To Cornet Darke of
the 5th as Lieutenant. 2d December 1800.

To Cornet Woodhouse
of the 7th as Lieutenant. 5th November 1801

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To Cornet Close of the 4th as Lieutenant 26th December 1801.—

To Cornet Newal of the 4th as Lieutenant 8th April 1802.

To Cornet Meredith of the 4th as Lieutenant 24th September 1803

To Cornet Tucker of the 7th as Lieutenant the 2d October 1803.—

The following promotions are ordered.—

1st Regiment Native Cavalry

Cornet J. W. Morgan to be Lieutenant: date of Rank 3d September 1801.—

3d Regiment Native Cavalry

Lieutenant J. Rufell to be Captain Lieutenant to Rank from the 5th November 1801, vice Skinner who died on the 4th of November entitled to that

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(at Rank)

Cornet H Rainsford to
be Lieutenant vice Rufell: Date of Rank
5th November 1801.—

4th Regiment Native Cavl

Cornet I. Darke to be
Lieutenant Vice Dade deceased: Date of
Rank 26th December 1801.—

Cornet H. I. Close to
be Lieutenant vice Daniel promated:
Date of Rank 8th April 1802.—

Cornet H. Newall to
be Lieutenant vice Lushington promo=
-ted: Date of Rank 24th September 1803.—

7th Regiment Native Cavalry

Cornet Woodhouse to
be Lieutenant vice Monteath promoted;
Date

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Date of Rank 2d October 1803 — 64

The Commander in Chief

is Requested to make the necessary arrange=
=ments for ordering the Officers of Cavalry
to their proper Corps as soon as it can be
done without inconvenience to the public
Service; agreeably to the annexed correc=
=ted Lists.—

Lists &c to follow.—

(Signed) J Stuart.

List

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List of Officers of the Native Cavalry as they stand in Regiment

1 Regiment				2 Regiment			
Rank	Names	date of Reg.t Rank	date of Cav.y Line Rank	Rank	Names	date of Reg.t Rank	date of Cav.y Line Rank
Lt Colonel	Chas. Rumley	20th May 1801	20th may 1801	Lt Colonel	I. Pater	2d Jan.y 1799	31 Dec.r 1796
Major	Jno. Doveton	2d Sept.r 1801	2d Sept.r 1801	Major	Thos. Burrows	17th June 1800	"
Captain	Geo. Neale	30th July 1800	8th may 1800	Captain	Robt. Price	2d Sept.r 1799	"
	David Foulis	2d Sept.r 1801	30th July 1800		W.m Montgomery	17th June 1800	4th Sept.r 1799
Capt. Lieut.	H. O. Donnel	2d Sept.r 1801	2d Sept.r 1801	Capt. Lieut.	Mans.r Cosby	17th June 1800	"
Lieutenant	V. Blacker	4th Sept.r 1799	"	Lieutenant	Wm. Lewis	2d Jan.y 1799	1st Dec.r 1798
	C. Hamilton	4th Sept.r 1799	"		" Jno. Simpson	25th Sept.r 1799	4th Sept.r 1799
	R. B. Otto	8th May 1800	"		" Fran.s Walker	17th June 1800	"
	C. Layne	17th June 1800	"		" Chas. Saunders	17th June 1800	"
	I. Moore	2d Sept.r 1801	"		" Garrick Read	24th Aug.t 1800	"
Cornet	Jno. M.c Morgan	3d Sept.r 1801	"		" B. C. Fitzhorne	13th July	13th July 1801
Cornet	Step.s Martin	20th July 1801	"		" H. Dalrymple	11th Aug.t 1801	"
	Jno. Blacker	29th Sept.r 1801	"	Cornet	M. Moncrieff	20th July 1801	"
					" Dav.d Buchan	20th July 1801	"

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and Line, on the ....of November 1803 with the date of their Rank —

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	3d Regiment				4th Regiment			
Rank	Names	Date of Regimental Rank	Date of Cav.y Line Rank	Rank	Names	Date of Regimental Rank	Date of Cav.y Line Rank
Lt. Colonel	Tho.s Pogson	2d Dec.r 1802	8th April 1802	Lt. Colonel	Tho.s Dallas	4th Sept.r 1799	7th May 1799
Major	Alex.r Deas	20th May 1801	20th May 1801	Major	Aug.s Floyer	8th April 1802	"
Captain	Chas.s Dallas	17th June 1800	17th June 1800	Captain	P. Walker	4th Sept.r 1799	"
"	Jn.o Rowlet	20th May 1801	17th June 1800	Capt.n Lieut.t	F. A. Daniel	24th Sept.r 1803	8th April 1802
Capt. Lieut.t	Jn.o Rusell	5th Nov.r 1801	"	Capt Lieut.t	J. L. Lushington	24th Sept.r 1803	"
Lieutenant	Mark West	17th June 1800	"	Lieutenant	A. W. Davidson	4th Sept.r 1799	"
	Robt Ormsby	4th Feb.y 1801	17th June 1800	..	G. Gillespie	4th Sept.r 1799	"
	Robt Outlaw	11th aug.t 1801	"	..	R.t Palin	17th June 1800	"
	Robt Kennedy	11th aug.t 1801	"	..	Tho.s Darke	26th Dec.r 1801	"
	W. C. Campbell	13th aug.t 1801	"	..	H. J. Close	8th April 1802	"
	H. J Raynsford	5th Nov.r 1801	"	..	H. Newall	24th Sept.r 1803	"
Cornet	M. Plenderleath	20th Sept.r 1801	15th Sept.r 1801	Cornet	J. J. Meredith	20th July 1801	
"	F. Leonard	8th April 1802			Robt Close	3d Oct.r 1801	29th Sept.r 1801

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5th Regiment					6th Regiment				
Rank	Names	Date of Regl Rank	Date of Cav.y Line Rank		Rank	Names	Date of Regl Rank	Date of Cav.y Line Rank	
Lieut Colt	R Macalister	2d 4 Sept 1799	—		Lieut Colonel	Hon.ble A Shuttleworth	4 Sept 1799	—	
Major	L Leonard	4 Sept 1799	"		Major	A Strachan	29th aug.t 1801	—	
Captain	J.s Hargrave	4 Sept 1799	—		Captain	T Nuthall	1st Dec.r 1799	4 Sept 1799	
	Jno Maclean	13th Sept 1800	10th June 1800			H Munt	18th Dec.r 1801	29th aug.t 1801	
Capt Lieut	Jn.o Colebrooke	13th Sept 1800	—		Capt Lieut	H Dickson	18th Dec.r 1801	—	
Lieutenant	Henry Mason	4th Sept 1799	—		Lieutenant	H. S. Conway	4 Sept 1799	"	
	M. H. West	4th Sept 1799	"		"	John Smith	12th May 1800	"	
	J.s Grant	4th Sept 1799	—		"	C. A. Williams	4th Feb.y 1801	30 Dec.r 1800	
	C. L. Smyth	10th June 1800	"		"	C. Wm Bell	11th aug.t 1801	—	
	A Macleod	16th Sept 1800	17 June 1800		"	H. S. Barbutt	29th aug.t 1801	—	
	Edw.d Keane	24th Sept 1803	"		"	Arch.d Scott	18th Dec.r 1801	"	
Cornet	Edw.d Bindley	20th July 1801	"		Cornet	Rowland Jeffries	20th July 1801		
	Fran.s Sampson	10th Aug.t	25th July 1801		"	F. N Balmain	20th Sept 1801	15th Sept 1801	

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Rank	Names	Date of Regt Rank	Date of Lieut Rank
Lieut Coll	Jno Orr	2d Dec 1802	1st Nov 1794
Major	J. Huddlestone	17th June 1800	"
Captains	Jc Dunn	17th June 1800	4th Sept 1799
"	J. Queenc	2d Oct 1803	17th June 1800
Capt Lieut	A D. Monteath	2d Oct 1803	"
Lieutenant	J. Douetan	17th June 1800	4th Sept 1799
"	J. Collet	17th June 1800	4th Sept 1799
"	A. M. Barnby	17th June 1800	8th Dec 1799
"	R. Bryant	17th June 1800	"
"	P. Anderson	16th Sept 1800	"
"	J Woodhouse	2d Oct 1803	"
Cornet	G. Tucker	20th July 1801	20th July 1801
"	C. Turner	20th July 1801	"
"	G. Flint	24th Jan 1803	"

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The Board approve the Draft of the General Order proposed by the Commander in Chief; and it is ordered to be published.—

Read the following letter from the Military Auditor General.—

To the Right Honorable Lord William Bentinck Governor in Council &c &c

From the Military Auditor General.- Recommending that the Paymaster at Masulipatam may pay the Detachment at Hyderabad,- states that he has been unable to obtain any particulars from Canara relative to a charge for escorting treasure in the Northern Division of that province.—

My Lord,

The Paymaster of the Force serving under His Highness the Nizam having stated to me, that owing to the very great distance he is at from Hyderabad it is extremely inconvenient, and occasions very considerable delay in the completion of his Monthly Accounts, his being obliged to wait for the Abstracts of the Detachment of Artillery and two Native Corps at present doing duty there, and soliciting that I would

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would devise means to procure payment
to that Detachment independent of him, I
have accordingly given the subject my con-
sideration and am of opinion that the Bri-
tish Detachment now at Hyderabad may
be paid by the Paymaster at Masulpatam
during the time Captain Dowse is obliged
to be at so considerable a distance from
Hyderabad in the execution of his own imme-
diate duty, and should it be your Lordships
pleasure to admit of the Paymaster at Masu-
lipatams paying this Detachment, I beg
leave to recommend that Mr Young may
be allowed to draw an Establishment of 1
Writer at Pagodas 15/- a Conicaply at Pagodas
3 ℔ Month, and a Shroff at Pagodas five ℔
Month, making a total of Pagodas 128/ Twen-
ty Eight ℔ Month to cease as soon as Cap-
tain Dowse shall be able again to make
those payments

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I has not been in my pow-
-er until now to lay before you an explana-
-tion of the charges incurred on Kanara on
account of a Guard employed in escorting
Treasure to Seringapatam, having only now
received the Collectors letter to the Paymaster
on the subject dated 29th Ultimo which is an
answer to my last letter addressed to Mr.
Reeves under date 22d Ultimo, the reply to my
first letter to the Paymaster on that subject not
being deemed satisfactory, I was under the
necessity of writing a second time, and the
reply now submitted conveys nothing more
than a conjecture as to the Cause which gave
rise to the charges—

Military
Audr Genl's Office
Fort St George
7th November 1803.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
Signed/ A. Brunton
Ma. A. Gl.

&c.

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To the Paymaster in Kanara

Sir,

I have received Copy of the Military Auditor Generals letter to you of the 22d October 1803.

I am sorry it is not in my power to inform that Officer as to the circumstances which induced the Commanding Officer to send so large a Detachment with the Treasure, which on amount was Star Pagodas 55000.

The Bull Rajah at the time, and for some time before and after it was sent, stopped up all communication by the direct Route to Serengapatam, and it thence became necessary for the Detachment to march by the circuitous Route of the Sumaseer Pass.— Probably Colonel Mignan was apprehensive lest that Rebel might attempt to seize it, when passing along that part of Mysore

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Mysore - which borders on his Territory -
This however is a mere conjecture - as he
never wrote or spoke to me on the subject -

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(Signed) John G. Ravenshaw
Coll.r

A true Copy

(Signed) I. Brunton
M.J Aud.r Gen.l

Resolved that the Payma-
at Masulipatam shall be directed to pay
the troops at Hyderabad during the absence
of Captain Doune with the Detachment
commanded by Colonel Stevenson, and that
Mr. Young shall be allowed for this addi-
tional duty a temporary increase of his
Establishment to the amount of Twenty eight
[28] Pagodas Monthly. -

The Board regret that
it has not been in the power of the Military
Auditor

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Auditor General to obtain further information from Canara respecting the Charge which attended the escort of treasure from that province in 1801; The Board however conclude that the late Commanding Officer at Mangalore considered the encrease of the Escort on that occasion beyond the usual Strength to be a Measure of necessary precaution, and as the absence of that Officer will probably render ineffectual any attempt to obtain more accurate information on the subject, It is Resolved that the further prosecution of the enquiry will be unnecessary —

To the Right Honorable
Lord William Bentinck
Governor in Council
&c — &c —

From the Military Auditor General — Submitting a copy of a letter from Mr Assistant Surgeon Hay with copies of the papers which accompanied it, relative to retrenchments in the Medical allowances drawn by him at Coimbatore; — explanation in consequence — Submits also copy of a letter from the

My Lord,

At the Request of Mr. Assistant Surgeon Hay I have the honor to lay before

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The Commissary of Grain &c. in Cuttack requesting to know what Salary and establishment he should draw. —

Before your Lordship in Council a copy of his Letter to me, under date the 21st Ultimo, together with copies of the papers which accompanied it, relative to retrenchments on account of Medical allowances drawn by him at Coimbatore. —

2 For your particular information it becomes my duty to state that the General Orders of the 4th December 1793. direct that at Stations where there are "Commanding Officers, Paymasters or a few Invalids" the Surgeon or Assistant Surgeon is to draw Pagodas Ten ₱ month for Medical Expenditure. —

3 At the time Mr Hay was appointed to Erode and its Dependencies the Station of Coimbatore was commanded by an European Commissioned Officer, but there was no Paymaster neither were there any Invalids present, and during the time he

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he remained there, the Charge for Medical Expenditure and Servants was admitted in consequence of the orders above quoted, on his removal, however, which was in July 1802, the retrenchment commenced, as their Remained at that post only a very small Detachment of the 2d Battalion 1st Regiment Native Infantry, for which Mr Hay was permitted to draw the established Medical allowance at the Head Quarters of the Corps.

4 Mr Hay drew the established allowance for Medical Expenditure and Servants for the Garrison of Cuddalore until February 1803, the period of his removal and I have only further to remark that in no instance within my recollection has the allowance now claimed been admitted unless for Stations where there were Commanding Officers, Paymasters, or a few Invalids or Pensioners present on the Spot,

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I am therefore of opinion Mr. Mayo's Claim for a Garrison allowance on account of Coim=batore, where there was a few Natives only, and for whom he had already drawn, as above stated, ought to be rejected.—

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I also do myself the honor to lay before your Lordship in Council the enclosed copy of a letter dated 26th October 1803, addressed to me by Captain James Campbell, who it appears has been appointed Commis=sary of Grain, Provisions, and Cattle to the Nor=thern Field Detachment, requesting to know what Salary and Office Establishment he should draw as such, but as I am not fur=nished with any instructions concerning the Detachment employed in the Cuttack Country, I have not the means of answering Captain Campbells' letter.—

I have the honor to be &c &c

(Signed) J. Brunton
Mily Aud. Genl

Military Aud. Genl's Office
Fort St. George 9th November
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To the Military Auditor General
Fort St George

Sir

Following the enclosed, I
have the honor to add explanations on my
Charge for Medical Expenditure on account
of the Dependencies of Errode, which, should
you not deem sufficient, I request may be
laid before Government for its decision.

I have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) John Hay
Asst. Surgeon.

Trichinopoly
21st October 1803.

A True Copy
(Signed) J Brunton
Military Aud. General

To Mr Hay
Assistant Surgeon

Sir,

I have the honor of annex=
=ing Extracts of Retrenchments confirmed on
re-audit.

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readdit by the Military Auditor General, —
from my Disbursements in July, August, —
September, October, November, December 1802.
and January, February 1803. amounting to
Pagodas 160, which I request, you will agree-
-ably to G. O. of 3d April 1792, refund into
my Office, when a Receipt will be granted
for the same. —

I am &c &c
(Signed) P. H. Keay
Acting for Wm Hawkins
Paymaster.

Trichinopoly
22d July 1803.

A True Copy
(Signed) J. Kay

A True Copy
(Signed) J. Brunton. —
Military Auditor
General. —

Coimbatore

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Coimbatore

Medical Department

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Mr Assistant Surgeon John Hay draws —
allowance for Medical Expenditure and
Medical Servants.—

for July	Pagodas	20 .. ..
for August		20 .. ..
for September		20 .. ..
for October		20 .. ..
for November		20 .. ..
for December		20 .. ..
for January		20 .. ..
for February		20 .. ..

There being no Troops doing duty at
this Station, excepting a Detachment
from the 2d Battalion 1st Regiment
Native Infantry for whom Mr Hay
has drawn the established Medical al-
-lowance at Erode, the Head Quarters
of this Corps, the above Charges are there-
-fore inadmissible. — — — — — Pagl. 160 .. ..

Pagodas — 160 .. ..

A true Extract
(Signed) P. H. Keary acting for
Mr Hawkins Paym.r

A true Copy
(Signd) J Brunton Mj. Agt. &c.

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To Mr John Hay

Assistant Surgeon

Trichinopoly

Sir,

I have received your letter of the 7th Instant; the explanations offered by You in support of the Retrenchments on account of Medical Expenditure and Servants for the Station of Coimbatore are not deemed sufficient to remove them, particularly as you have drawn the regulated Medical allowance for the whole of the 2d Battalion 1st Regiment Native Infantry, from which it appears the small parties were detached to the Stations alluded to in your explanations.—

Military Auditor Generals Office (Signed) J. Brunton
Fort St George 29th July 1803. Mily and Genl

A true Copy
(Signed) J. Brunton
Military and Genl
Head

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Head Quarters Choultry Plain 22 Octr 1801

Fort St George 21st October 1801

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Extract

G. O. By Government

The Governor in Council is
pleased to appoint Mr. Assistant Surgeon
Alves to the 1st Battalion 6th Native Regi-
=ment, and Mr. Assistant Surgeon May to
the Garrison of Errode, and its Dependencies.

A true Extract

(Signed) J Stewart

Fort Adjutant

Errode 27th August 1802 Wednesday

D. O By Major Innes.

The Native Doctors is
appointed to do duty with the detail at
Sattarrungulum and Danigancottah, and
to proceed to the former Station with all con-
=venient expedition. His Father is to furnish
them with such Medicines and Instruments

as

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as may be Required — Copies of this order to be transmitted to Captain Jones and Mr Assistant Surgeon Hay by the Adjutant —

(A True Copy)
(Signed) R. F. Hughes
Lieut. & Adjt 2d Batt. 1st
Native Infantry

A True Copy
(Signed) J Brunton
Military Audr General

To Mr Assistant Surgeon Hay.

Sir

By the desire of the Officer Commanding the 2d Battalion 1st Regiment Native Infantry, I have the pleasure to send you an Extract of his Orders of this date

Errode
18th February 1803

(Signed) R. F. Hughes Lieut.
& Adjt 2d Batt. 1st Regt

Errode

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Errode 18th February 1803.
Friday.

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Extract
B. O. By Major Innes

The Commanding Officer requests Mr. Assistant Surgeon Hay will be pleased to accept of his warmest thanks and applause, for the unremitted attention he has invariably paid to the Sick - which - Major Innes will have the highest satisfaction in Reporting to His Excellency the Commander in Chief for the information of Government - Mr. Hay being appointed to a Civil Situation -

A True Copy
(Signed) R. F. Hughes
Lieutenant & Adjutant

A true Copy
(Signed) J. Brunton
Mily Audr. Genl.

Explanations on the foregoing
The Right Honorable the
Governor

Fort St George 15th November 1803.

Governor in Council, nominated me to the Station, and to the Dependencies of Errode in the Month of October 1801.- in consequence of a representation having been made through the usual Channel to Government by the Officer Commanding in that District, wherein he sets forth the uncommon Sickliness of the Troops at Errode, Coimbatoor, Sattemungalum, Daneganeaottah, and Bhowany Coodel, for a length of time.—

From the uncommon nature of my appointment to the Garrison of Errode and to its Dependencies, which are very distant from it and from each other, from the necessity of keeping more than double the usual Number of Servants on acct. of the great prevailing Sickness, from assurances given at the Adjutant Generals Office previous to my quitting the Presidency to assume the Charge, from the opinion of my

Commanding

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Commanding Officer, who thought me entitled to draw allowance for each dependency, I was led to expect that I should have been permitted to continue to draw at least the allowance of 20 Pagodas per Month, for the whole time to which my Services were given to the Dependencies of Carnode."—

But the Military Auditor General admits this Charge for the first — Month [illegible] the 1st November 1801 to the 1st July 1802, and declines payment for the following Months, although no differ=ence whatever happened in the distribution of the troops during the two periods, save that the European Officer, individually, was with-drawn from one of the dependencies, — Coimbatoore.—

The providing of Nati[ve] Doctors and Medical Servants was equa[l] necessary still, and I do declare upon [my] word of honor that during almost the [whole] tim[e]

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time for which these Retrenchments are ordered and Made, that the allowance itself was not equal to defray the expense attendant on an appointment of the Nature of Mine, where additional Servants at the different posts, and Conveyances for Myself when it was necessary to visit them, were constantly kept up.—

I endeavoured some-time ago to procure from the Acting Assistant Adjutant General a Copy of the letter applying for Medical Aid to the Dependencies of Carnatic, wherein the extreme Distress of the troops I believe to have been set-forth, but have not succeeded in procuring it.— It might have been greatly serviceable in obtaining the reversion of these Retrenchments.

The Copy District Order accompanying, serves to shew one instance where the Commanding Officer himself directed one of my additional Servants to move

to

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to where his presence was highly necessary! on
account of the great prevalency of Fevers at
Danyancottah and Sattemungalum - The con=
=cluding paragraph of the same order shews
that, I was absent, and I also was then em=
=ployed on a Dependency duty —

These remarks if not satis=
=factory to you, I wish may be submitted
to Government, who, I trust, will have the
opinion, that the appointment, the expences
attendant thereon, and the admission of the
charges for seven Months of the time, involve
a charge to which I am entitled, and for —
which I have laboured for the whole period —

Trechinopoly
21st October 1803.

I am &c &c
(Signed) John Hay
Assistant Surgeon

A true Copy
(Signed) I. Brunton
Military Aud. Genl

To

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Fort St George 15th November 1803.

To Lieutenant Colonel J. Brunton
Military Auditor General
Fort St George

Sir.

I beg leave to inform you my appointment of Commissary of Grain, Provisions, and Cattle to the Northern field Detachment, has been confirmed by the Most Noble the Governor General, and also by the Governor in Council at Fort St George; but as no Salary was specified, I am at a loss to know what I am to draw for the several Departments, and how much for the several Office Establishments, as also for Stationary, for Servants, I have been obliged to allow very great Salarys to induce them to quit the Company's Dominions as high as Thirty Pagodas each for Writers, and thirty and forty Rupees each for Conicaplies and all other Servants in proportion. I shall feel myself extremely obliged if you will

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Sir

will be so good as ascertain and inform me what I am to draw for Salaries, Establishments, and Stationary - I beg leave at the same time to state that I am at a very heavy Expence for Office Tents and Private Tents for Grain and provision Stores with the Camp and different Detachments that are sent out, - you will much oblige me by informing me for what proportion I shall be allowed to draw until I receive your answer, it will of course be out of my power to make out my bills and shall be obliged to take up Money on account.—

Camp Cuttack
26th October 1803

(Signed) James Campbell
Captain Commissary Grain
Provisions & Cattle &c &c

True Copy
(Signed) I. Brunton.
Military Aud. General.

It

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It being the duty of the Military Auditor General to be guided in all cases of expenditure by the Regulations of the Service and by the principles of economy, The Board approve the ground, on which he has objected to the extraordinary charges of Mr. Assistant Surgeon Hay on account of Medical attendance in the Garrison of Ennore and its Dependencies.

The Board however having given particular consideration to the reasons assigned by Mr. Hay in support of those charges, are of opinion, that it will be reasonable to relax in some Measure the strictness of the Regulations in favor of that Gentleman; and it is accordingly Resolved to authorise a remission of the Retrenchment against Mr. Hay, to the extent of his actual disbursements for the supply of Medicines, or for the employment of an

encreased

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increased Establishment of Servants at Ex=
=rode and its dependent Stations.—

Resolved that the Salary
of Captain James Campbell as Commissary
with the forces in Cattac shall be placed on
the same footing with that of the Officer hold=
=ing a similar appointment in the Division
of the Army Commanded by Major Gene=
=ral Wellesley, and that the Establishment of
Captain Campbell for his Office shall be re=
=gulated on the same principle, according
to the relative extent of the two Detachments;
unless any particular circumstances, of which
the Board are not apprized, shall render
it necessary in the judgement of the Military
Auditor General, to depart from that rule.—

To the Right Honorable
Lord William Bentinck
Governor in Council &c &c.
My Lord,
Agreeably to Your Lordships

direction

From the Military Auditor General— Enclosing abstracts of contingent expences incurred by Major General Wellesley in the months of July & August.—

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Directions communicated to me by the
Secretary to Government in the Military
Department, under date the 27th Ultimo, I
have the honor to enclose two Abstracts
of the Contingent expences encurred with
the Division of the Army in the Field,
under the Command of Major General the
Honorable A. Wellesley, in the Months of
July and August last.—

2d No 1 – Contains the charges
which do not appear to be of a Military
Nature the Vouchers for which accompany
it, in order that they may be transmitted
to the Accountant General for the purpose
of being brought to account in the "General
Books."—

No 2 Contains the Charges
which appear to be of a Military Nature,
the Vouchers for which I have retained
for the purpose of being passed in this
Office in the usual Manner, and forwarded

to

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Sir

I have the honor to transmit to the proper Paymaster for insertion in his Disbursements under the head of "Suspense Account 1802/3".

4 As the Vouchers Numbered 5 and 6 in the abstract for July, and 7 & 8 in that for August, amounting to Pag.s 817. 25. 16. are not forthcoming, and as the Charges do not appear to be of a Military Nature, perhaps you may be pleased to direct the Secretary to Government in the Military Department to make Extracts of the different items from the respective abstracts and forward them, with the other Vouchers, to the Accountant General, in order that the amount may be adjusted in the "General Books"

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

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1803.

(Signed) J Brunton
Military Audr. General

Abstract

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Abstract of Contingent Expences incurred with the Division of the Army under the Command of Major General the Honorable A: Wellesley in the Months of July and August 1803, which do not appear to be of a Military Nature:-

July 1803.

No				
1	To Money paid for Provisions &c. given to Sadasheva Row, Vakeel of Bapojee Gokla in July 1803	57	9	10
2	To Money paid for provisions &c. given to Sooboo Row, Vakeel of the Kellore Rajah in July 1803	23	30	20
X 5	To Money paid Major Malcolm to be advanced to Subadar Hader Nanwar Khan, when sent on a particular Service 400 Fullaney Pay	432	"	"
6	To Money paid to Major Malcolm to be given to Annut Row's Vakeel when dismissed with Letter to his Master. 200 Fullaney Paydar	216	"	"
7	To Cash paid to Major Malcolm formerly advanced by him to the Kolapoor Rajahs Vakeel in the Months of April Mayjune	277	6	-
	Carried forward	1100	3	60

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	Brought forward	1,100 3 60	
	August 1803.		
1st	To Money paid for Provisions &c given to Sadasheva Row Vakeel of Bapo jee Gollah in August 1803	53 33 40	
2	To Money paid for Provisions &c given to Saboo Row Vakeel of the Hillooy Rajah in August 1803.	23 20 60	
3	To Money paid to Ballojee Punt Vakeel of the Kolapore Rajah from the 7th to the 31st August inclu[sive]	35 30	
6	To Money paid to Major Malcolm advanced by him to the Kolapoor Rajahs Vakeel during the Months of July and August	265 30	
7th	To Money paid to Amrut Rows Vakeel on sendeng him away with letters to his Master 11th August 120 Sullaneey Pagodas	129 25 16	
	Carried forward	1,508 27 16	

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		Brought forward		1,508 27 16.
x 8	Paid for fine Rumkhall and Hemroo Cloth for bags for letters	99 " "		
	" Taylor for sewing the bags	1 " "	40 " "	
	Paid an additional Mutteseds for July	40. "		
9	To Money paid for Rowle Flags and for Victuals &c. to the Hostages at Ahmednegger		5. 24 30.	
		Total Star Pags.		1,654 9 46.

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Fort St George 9th November 1803.

N.B. The Bills marked thus x were not sent to this Office

A true Copy
Signed) J Brunton
Asst Audr Genl

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Abstract of Contingent Expences incurred with the Division of the Army under the Command of Major General the Honble A. Wellesley in the Months of July & Augt 1803. which appear to be of a Military Nature.

July 1803.

No 3	To Money paid to Hircarrahs, and for other Contingencies in July per Account kept by Captain Barclay		310. 21 49
4	To Money paid to Ground Row in the Month of Ashar, as follows.—		
	Reward to Hircarrahs —	47. 21. 70/75	
	Hire of Hircarrahs in Monthly pay 71 - 18. "		118 39 70/75
8	To Cash paid to Colonel Close per Account		478 33 "
9	To Cash paid the Expence of the Post Office for July &c		772 17 72
10	To Cash paid by Mr Alexander Read Collector in Soondah, per Account and Vouchers		1,695 23 58
11	To the amount of expences of the Boat Establishment upon the Rivers Toombudra, Wordah, Malpurba, Gudpurba, and Kistna in June		6 13 " 60/75
	Carried forward		4,049 10 60

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		Brought forward Pags	4,069	10 60
12.	To the amount of the Expence of the Boat Establishment for July	}	1,012	" "
	To the Expences of Collecting Messare Bunjarries and bringing them forward to the Detachment in advance, and of presents and donations to them (exclusive of the Expence of the Esta=blishment and Golah in Camp, which have been charged to the Bazar fund.			
No				
13.	For November 1802		14	- 10
14	" December "		35	14 30
15	" January 1803		69	39 60
16	" February "		43	" "
17	" March "		53	" "
18	" April "		53	" "
19	" May "		35	" "
20	" June "		35	" "
21	" July "		35	" "
22	The amount of presents		412	1 74
		Carried forward	5,846	2 64

5 Bill

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	Brought forward Pagl —	5846	24 64
	August 1803		82 —
8	To Money paid to Hircarrahs and for other Contingencies in August by Account kept by Captain Barclay	729	10 40
9	To Money paid by Gomendar Row in the Month Serawan as follows —		
	Reward to Hircarrah — 79 14 76	158	20 76
	Hire of Hircarrahs — 79 6 "		
10	To Money paid Colonel Close per Account	102	4 7
11	To Money paid the Expence of the Post Office for August 1803	716	39 61
12	To Money paid to Hircarrahs under Mr Elphinstone's direction in August	68	24 "
13	To Wages of Gomastahs and other Servants employed in Collecting Brinjarries in Mysoor and bringing forward to the Detachment	35	" "
	Total Star Pagodas	7,656	40 8

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A true Copy
(Signed) J Brunton
Mil. Aud. Gl

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The Board approve the distribution of the Contingent expences, incurred with the Division of the Army, Commanded by Major General Wellesley, during the Months of July and August, and it is Ordered that the Accountant General be directed to adjust in the General Books, those charges which are not of a Military Nature.—

To the Right Honorable

Lord William Bentinck

Governor in Council

&c.— &c.— &c.—

From the Military Auditor General— Reporting a diminution of the Paymasters establishment at Cuddalore in consequence of the removal of the Invalids from that Station.—

My Lord,

It having been the pleasure of Government to cause the works at Cuddalore to be destroyed, and to remove from that Station the European Invalids, Pensioners &c. which reduces the strength of that Post so considerably as to render the whole of the Establishment at present drawn by the Paymaster unnecessary—

I beg

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Ext.

	Ps	Fs	C.
One Writer ₰ Month	10	"	"
One Conicoply ₰ Month	5	"	"
One Shroff ₰ Month	2	"	"
Office Rent	5	"	"
Total Pagodas	22	"	"

2. I beg leave therefore to suggest the propriety of limiting the establishment to a Conicapoly and Shroff, the former at Pagodas five, the latter at Pagodas two ₰ Month, and as there are considerable public buildings at this Station, Your Lordship will perhaps be pleased to direct the Commercial President to allot some small place as an Office for the Conicoply, which will save the expence of Office Rent.—

I have the honor to be

&c.a &c.a

Signed/ I Brunton

Military Audr. Genl.

Military Auditor Generals
Office — Fort St George
11th November 1803.

Resolved that the Paymasters Establishment

Kenneth Thurson—

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Establishment at Cuddalore shall be reduced in the Manner recommended by the Military Auditor General, and that the Board of Trade be desired to appropriate a convenient building as an Office for the Paymaster at that Station.—

To the Right Honorable
Lord William Bentinck.
Governor in Council &c &c

From the Military Auditor General:— Relative to the encreased rate of Bullock hire in the Chicacole District.

My Lord,

1 The Commander in Chief has been pleased to direct the Adjutant General of the Army to transmit to me the enclosed Copies of correspondence which took place in course of last Month, between the Judge and Magistrate of the Zillah of Chicacole, the Officer in Command at that Station, the Military Paymaster in the Vizagapatam District on the Subject of the Rate of Bullock hire.—

2 From the Correspondence now submitted to your Lordship in Council, it

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it would appear that the old Established rate of hire of Carriage Bullocks between Vizaga-patam and Ganjam was ℔. Trip Rupee four and a half, but that in consequence of Carriage Bullocks being required for the transportation of Military Stores for the use of Lieutenant Colonel Harcourts' Detachment, the Judge and Magistrate of the Zillah of Chicacole has sanctioned an Increase in the rate of hire from 4 1/2 to six Rupees ℔ Trip, between the Stations beforementioned, which increase (for which no good reasons appear to be assigned) subjects the public to a loss of nearly three hundred Rupees on this particular service; it further appears by the Commanding Officers letter that the Journey between Vizagapatam and Ganjam is performed in fifteen days, which for a Month of thirty days makes the hire of a Carriage Bullock twelve Rupees, when the Regulated rate of hire for Cattle of this

description

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Description is one Pagoda twenty one fanams
& Pounth or Rupees five fanams three, exchange
at 12 fanams & Pagoda —

3 This is an evil my Lord to
which some Specific remedy ought to be ap
plied to prevent its increase and it will ap
pear the more necessary when I do myself the
honor to state, that in the many Countries where
this advanced rate of hire has been established
the Paymaster has never been in the habit of
charging the public more than the usual rate
of one Star Pagoda and a half for each Carri
age Bullock employed on public Service —

I have the honor to be

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Fort St George
15th November 1803.

fr — fr —
(Signed) I. Brunton
Military Audr Genl

To the Adjutant General of the Army
Fort St George

Sir,

I have the honor to forward
Copy of a letter just received from the Military
Paymaster

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Paymaster in this Province in his Capacity of
Commissary of Supplies on the subject of Carriage
Bullock hire from Vizagapatam to Ganjam for
the Consideration of His Excellency the Commander
in Chief —

I can add nothing more
thereto, than that I had the Bullock Drivers
brought before me, when in the presence of the
Cutwall and several others, they acknowledged
4½ Rupees to be the proper and usual Rate of
hire for a Carriage Bullock from Vizagapatam
to Ganjam, but that 6 Rupees had been given
them and they received it of course

I have paid repeatedly
myself for Bullock hire to and from hence, to
and from each of those places, and never paid
more than 1½ Rupees to or from Vizagapatam
and three Rupees to or from Ganjam, the
advance now given, makes a difference in this
Single Trip of above 300 Rupees to the Honible

Company

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Company –

Chicacole
the 30th October 1803

(Signed) I. Durand
Lieut.t Col.l Commanding
in the Province of Vizagapatam

A True Copy
(Signed) I. Brunton
Military Asst. General

To the Paymaster
at Chicacole

Sir.

I have received your letter of 13th Instant, and should readily exert my authority to promote the public Service but I find that the Requisite Number of Bullocks have already been procured & sent off, but not for the hire you mention, which is less than that established, the hire for each Bullock from this place to Gan=jam being six Rupees.

Vizagapatam
15. October 1803.

I am &c. &c.
(Signed) Robert Alexander
Magistrate Bull.k Vizagapatam

A true Copy
(Signed) H. Wilson
Commissary of Supply
A true Copy (Signed) I. Durand Lieut. Col.
Comm.g

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Lieutenant Colonel John Durand

Commanding District of Vizagapatam

&c &c &c

Sir,

My Servant at Vizagapatam found some difficulty in procuring a sufficient Number of Bullocks to convey the Stores (so pressingly called for by Colonel Harcourt) from that Place to Ganjam, and for every Bullock was obliged to pay six Rupees the common and usual hire for Bullocks employed on the Public Service having never exceeded from Vizagapatam to Ganjam 4½ Rupees viz. from Vizagapatam to Chicacole 1½ Rupees and from Chicacole to Ganjam 3, in all 4½

I am therefore necessarily obliged (the public Service being so materially affected by such an increase of hire) to address you on the subject and hope you will be pleased from the knowledge you possess

of

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of the usual rates of hire common in the
District under your Command, to make such
representation of the foregoing, as may relieve
the Company from heavy loss, should the
rate of Hire be fixed at 6 Rupees in place
of that heretofore paid, 4½ —

It is also incumbent on
me to state such facts as clearly to prove
the inconvenience of so considerable and pre-
=judicial an increase of Hire, the Company's
Allowance for a Carriage Bullock for a
whole Month is 5¼ Rupees, in good weather
a Bullock can travel from Vizagapatam to
Ganjam in 15 Days, the improprietry & loss
to the Company will therefore appear evident
should the aforementioned attempt succeed
of raising the Company's Hire of a Bullock
from Vizagapatam to Ganjam 1½ More
than usually paid for, in such a case the
Company would be charged for a 15 days
trip

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trip more than their usual allowance for a
Bullock for a whole months hire.— 87

When my Servant infor=
=med me that he had been obliged to pay the
full Hire of 6 Rupees previous to the Bullocks
starting, I addressed the Judge on the subject,
informing him that on no occasion had 6
Rupees been given for Bullock employed on
the public Service. his answer is annexed —

The Judge mentions that
6 Rupees is the hire for a Bullock to Ganjam.
I know very well that Mr. Malcolm for
his Tents and other Gentlemen employing Bul=
=locks not on account of the Company have paid
6 Rupees, but that I spoke and trust is no
rule to go by — Mr Mckenzie also I under=
=stand paid 6 Rupees for conveying Trea=
=sure to Ganjam, circumstances that have
occasioned the demand for an increase
of hire for Bullocks on the public
Service

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Service —

Chicacole
30th October 1803

(Signed) H. Wilson
Commissary of Supply

(A true Copy)
(Signed) J. Durand
Lieut. Colonel

True Copies
(Signed) J. Brunton
Military Aud. Genl.

Ordered that a Copy of the foregoing letter be furnished to the Judge and Magistrate of the Zillah of Chicacole, & that he be desired to explain the Ground of his interference in regulating the rate of Bullock hire in the District of Vizagapatam.

Read the following letter from the Military Paymaster General —

To the Chief Secretary of Government.

Sir.

From the Military Paymaster General. Reporting the adjustment of Wm. Gordon's accounts, & requests that the securities

I have the honor to enclose your by desire of Mr Wm Gordon Late Paymaster at

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Securities given by that Gentleman may be returned. —

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at Masulipatam, a Certificate from my Depart= =ment of his having adjusted all accounts with my Office, and to request that the three Security Bonds given in to Government by him, may be delivered up. —

Fort St George
12th November 1803

I am &c — &c —
(Signed) Benj.n Roebuck
Mily Paym.r Genl

Fort St George 14th November 1803

This is to certify that all —
Accounts between my Department and Mr —
William Gordon late Paymaster at Masulipa=
=tam are finally adjusted, and closed, and
that nothing is due from him to my Depart
=ment. —

(Signed) Benj.n Roebuck
Mily Payr Genl

Ordered that the Military
Auditor General be required to report whe=
=ther any objection connected with the final
adjustment of Mr William Gordon's accounts
exists

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exists to the Surrender of the Securities depo-
sited by that Gentleman.—

Read the following letters
from the Town Major of Fort St George.—

To the Chief Secretary of Government
Fort St George

From the Town Major of Fort St George — submitting a letter from M. Dubuc explaining the cause of his continuance in India, and requesting that he may receive pay until his departure — Submits also a similar request from Captain Parizet.

Sir,

I have the honor to trans-
mit a letter from Mons.r Dubuc explaining
the causes of his having in conformity to the
orders and intention of Government proceed
ed to Europe on the Cartel — and requesting
to be allowed his Pay until an opportunity
shall offer of his fulfilling the intentions of
Government by proceeding to Europe.—

I have also the honor to
enclose a letter from Captain Parizet requesting
to be allowed Pay until an opportunity offers
of embarking for Europe, — altho I certainly
never gave Captain Parizet reason to expect
that

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that Government would relax in their resolute-
-on (of which the whole of the French Officers pri-
-soners of War had been informed) of not grant-
-ting Pay to any of them, after the sailing of the
Cartel - I shall be glad if Captain Paizets -
Statement (of the truth of which I have no -
reason to doubt) should induce His Lordship
in Council to give his case a favourable -
consideration. -

I have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) Allan Grant
Town Major.

Town Major's Office
Fort St George
7 November 1803

To Major Grant
Town Major of
Fort St George

Sir,

I have the honor to inform
you that with the view of conforming to the -
orders of Government, I departed from Pon-
-dicherry on the 31st October at 8 o'Clock in the
Morning

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Morning for the purpose of proceeding on board the Ship Matilda which was anchored about 4 Leagues from the Town.—

The Weather was bad and the Sea very high, by which my Baggage was much damaged the whole of it having been drenched in Sea Water for many hours.—

The Moment I arrived on board, I delivered to the Commissary, the Copy of the order of Government which concerned me, but it could not be carried into execution for want of Room, all accomodation having been seized by the Soldiers and inferior Officers, who would not in any way acknowledge the authority of the Government, of which the Commissary was the organ and Interpreter, in so much that it was impossible to find me a place on board for my Bed and Trunks. The Ship was in such a state of confusion, disorder, and indiscipline, that it might most justly be compared to an

organised

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organised Republic with all its Principles - The
Soldiers were the Masters, nor could the Com=
=missary, the Captain or ~~=~~ General Binot him=
=self re-establish order and subordination. —
Under these circumstances the Commissary thought
it best to send me again on Shore, with an
official letter to Colonel St John, containing
the necessary details relative to my situation
and the Cause of my disembarkation. —

The Number of sick already
on board the Ship amongst whom are 25 Sol=
=diers laid up with the bloody-Flux, and the
spirit of revolt and independence which —
reigns, convince me that the Cartel will never
reach Europe — Had I been enabled
remained on Board and had the Route of the
Vessel been changed, I might without doubt
have been suspected, but being a faithful —
observer of my sacred Word of honor, I would
not for the world that my Character should
be

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be attacked - my reputation and honor are my exclusive property - I will preserve both the one and the other, they are beyond the reach of the Vicissitudes of Fortune and of Revolution

I am still under the orders of Government and shall hold myself in readi= =ness to depart for Europe on the first Ship which they shall point out to me, I only pray His Excellency the Governor to permit me to remain during the Winter with my Family at Pondicherry, where I shall be under the Police and under the Controul of Colonel St John - I shall there be at quiet and shall Conduct myself with as much circ= =umspection, as if I were a subject of the King of England, of this I pledge to you my word of honor —

Deign therefore Major, to obtain for me this favor, it will add one more ob= =ligation to those which I already owe you

for

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for the proofs of kindness which you have shewn to me, and for the interest which you have taken in my concerns, by which His Excellency the Governor was induced to treat me with so much goodness and generosity — Permit me to beg that you will repeat to His Excellency the assurances of my Gratitude, and that you will entreat him to give orders for paying my Subsistence to me at the place until my embarkation for Europe respecting which, I shall always be prepared to obey His Excellency's Commands.—

I have the honor to be with Sentiments of the most profound respect &c.

(Signed) Dubuc.

Pondicherry
2 November 1803.

P. S. Many other Prisoners have also reland = ed from want of Room in the Cartel.—

A true Translation
(Signed) G G Keble
French Translator to Govt

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To Majr Allan Grant.

Town Major of

Fort St. George

Sir,

I have just received the letter which you have done me the honor of addressing to me under date the 1st Instant, by which you inform me that I misunderstood what you did me the honor of saying to me at your House "that you merely informed me that the "treatment of the Officers who are prisoners of "War would cease on the day of the Departure of "the Cartel the Matilda, & you had also, that you "do not think that Government will see any "reason to depart in my favor from the Regu- "-lations which they have established."—

I shall do all in my power to gratify your wishes, but the multiplicity of your occupations has made you lose sight both of my situation and the nature of my Request. Permit me to recall them to

your

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your recollection in this place.— 92

I am far from being in the
Class of those who from interested motives or
from private affairs have Requested permission
to remain in this Country— I merely entreated
not to depart at present in consequence of the
advanced State of Pregnancy of Madme Paroget,
who as well as her child might by so long
and painful a Voyage be exposed to accidents
which might have the most unhappy conse=
=quences— and which nature and humanity
would equally wish to avert.—

Colonel Dodsworth commu=
=nicated to me the intentions of Government—
My intention in presenting myself at your
house could therefore only have been to beg
you to observe that my Request was entirely
of a private Nature, and that it had been
provided for in the 4th and 5th Articles of
our Capitulation which say: "That the Officers
and

"and Soldiers who may be sick shall remain
"in India until their recovery, and that their
"Wives shall enjoy the same Advantages and in-
"short that they shall be subsisted at the expence
"of the Government."—

You did me the honor to reply (or at least I understood you so) that you thought my Request would not be refused, you had the goodness to say that I must make an application to you on the subject.—

Could I have imagined that the Motives which I have just mentioned would not have been sufficient to determine in my favor, the exception from the General Rule, I would not have hesitated a single moment, but have embarked for the Shores thereby against me, were not to be put in comparison with the dreadful certainty of being in want of every thing in a Country, in which I have not a relation, not a Friend who could come

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come to my afsistance, and in short where I had no other means of subsistence except my allowances. —

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It is because I rely on the principles of humanity as well as on the faith of Government that I now take the liberty of reiterating to you my Request, not being sufficiently Master of the English Language to be devoid of the dread of exposing myself a second time to misapprehension — I have thought it best to write to you in my Native Language, I trust that this consideration will enduce you to pardon the trouble I may thereby give you; and that my situation will be an excuse for my importunity. —

I have the honor to be

Poonamallee
2d November 1803.

&c &c
(Signed) P. Panizet
Captain of Infantry

A True Translation
(Signed) G.G. Keble
French translator to Govt
Under

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Under the circumstances which
prevented the embarkation of Captain Parisot
on the Matilda, the Board consider him to be
entitled to the same indulgence in Respect to
the continuance of his allowances that has been
granted to the French Officers whom it was
found necessary to reland from that Vessel:—
Resolved accordingly that orders be given for
continuing to Captain Parisot the Allowance
of his Rank:—

The Chief Secretary of Government

Sir.

From the Town Major of Fort St George. Submitting an application from French Officers of Merchant Vessels, Prisoners of War, for obtaining permission to reside at Pondicherry instead of Poonamallee.

I have the honor to submit
for the consideration of the Right Honorable
the Governor in Council, an application from
the Officers of Merchant Vessels, French Prisoners
of War to be permitted to reside at Pondi
=cherry, instead of at Poonamallee, where
they have hitherto resided by order of
Government

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Government.—

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I have the honor to be &c &c
(Signed) Allan Grant
Town Major.

Messrs Pinou, Landeneuf & La Bourch Officers of Merchant Vessels. Prisoners of War.—

To His Excellency the Lord Commanding Madras and its Dependencies

My Lord,

We have the honor most humbly to solicit of you that you will be pleased to permit us to proceed to Pondicherry on our paroles in like manner as we are now remaining at Pomamallé—

Penetrated with respect for your Excellency. we dare hope that your Excellency will comply with our request.—

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

(Signed) Le Bouch
capt. in the french navy
" / Pinou & Son
" / De Landeneuf

A true Translation
(Signed) G Stebbe
French Translator to Govt.

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The Board do not deem it to be expedient to comply with the Request of the French Prisoners of War submitted with the foregoing letter.—

The Chief Secretary of Government.—

Sir.

From the Town Major of Fort St George — submits an application from Mr. Kenny late a Lieutenant in the Service, for an allowance until his departure for Europe. —

I have the honor to transmit you an application from Mr Kenny late a Lieutenant in the Service for an allowance until the period of his embarkation for Europe — To Persons in the situation of Mr Kenny it has been usual on application to make an allowance equal to the nett Pay of the Rank he held while in the Service.—

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your

(Signed) Allan Grant

Town Major.—

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To the Right Honorable Lord Bentinck

Governor in Council &c &c &c

Fort St George

My Lord,

The unfortunate situation in which I am placed without the means of subsist=ing myself, or a friend at present in India to whom I could apply for assistance, induces me to request that your Lordship may be pleased to grant me an allowance until the period of my Embarkation for England - Your Lordships Compliance with this request I shall ever recollect with the earliest sense of Gratitude -

I have the honor to be

&c &c

(Signed) Wolf Henry Late a

Lieutenant 2d Battalion

10th Regiment

Native Infantry

Madras

12th November 1803

Ordered

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Ordered that the Military Auditor General be desired to authorize an allowance equal to the half Pay of the rank lately held by Mr. Kenny in the Company's Service to be paid to that Gentleman from the date of his dismission to the period when it may be practicable for him to be sent to England.—

Read the following Letters.

From the Officer Commanding at Vizagapatam — Representing the ruinous state of the barracks at Masulipatam.—

From the Officer Commanding at Vizagapatam

To the Chief Secretary to Government at Fort St. George

Sir,

For the information of Government I beg leave to acquaint you that yesterday morning at 6 o'Clock Commenced the North East Monsoons with heavy winds and Rain many houses blown down in the Town this morning, at 2 o'Clock the temporary Cudjan Barrack in the Fort fell in all of a sudden— Killed one Sepoy, and wounded six of a Detachment 2d Battalion 1st Regiment Native

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Native Infantry, who was quartered there with their Stores — this Barrack stood on small Brick and Mud Pillars, the rest of the Walls was — Gumpah plastered with mud, the Ridge Pole Stood on Palmirah Forks, the rest of the Roof was Bamboos and Cudjan all of which are down to the Ground, the Timbers was rotten as also the Bamboos are broken and scarcely a single Article will do to put in a Building again, excepting the Guard Rooms, not a Sin-gle Company's Quarters that I can order a Man to put his Head in, on any occasion, am obliged to put the European Pensioners in one of the Guard Rooms, should you be pleased to order this Barracks to be re-builded, please to authorize me to call a Committee to estimate the expence as well as the repair of the European Hospital and Sepoy Barracks, last night has made them inhabitable, they was hardly so before now.

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we are obliged to crowd the People in differ-
=ent Corners of the Rooms not even a place to
keep the arms Dry, and Tiles blown off. Several
parts of the Guard Rooms - a favorable answer
to this will be greatly to the benefit of the
Troops doing duty here, and Security for
their Stores as also the Sick —

Vizagapatam (Signed) John Durand
20th October 1803 Lieut.t Coll Commdg

Ordered that a Copy of the
foregoing letter be furnished for the infor-
=mation and guidance of the Military Board,
and that they be desired to authorise the
repairs which may be necessary at Vizaga-
=patam. —

From the Officer Command-
=ing at Malacca. —

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To George Buchan Esquire
Chief Secretary to Government
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From the Officer Commanding at Malacca — stating that an Officer of the Wirtemberg Regiment has been admitted to do duty at Malacca, and that the provisions intended for the Garrison has been applied to another Service — States the deficiency of Military Stores, & explains the cause. —

Sir,

I have the honor to acquaint You for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, that in consequence of the enclosed Order from Robert Townsend Farquhar Esq.r Commissioner &c &c appointing Lieutenant Steiner of the Wirtemberg Regement to do duty in this Garrison I have received him on the strength of it accordingly, and directed him to do duty with the Detachments of the Madras Europe- an Regement until the pleasure of Government shall be known. —

The Provisions &c laden on the Ship General Baird by order of the Most Noble the Governor General in Council for the use of the Troops at Malacca — arrived

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arrived here on the 10th ultimo. In consequence however, of the late reduction in the Strength of the Garrison, the Provisions still remaining in Store together with what may be procured from time to time on the Spot enabled me at the Request of the Commissioner to transfer the whole as per Bill of Lading to his charge for the use of the Detachment proceeding to Balambangan—

From the large Demands made by Order of the Commissioner for Military Stores on Account of the Expedition to Balambangan, the Garrison is at present almost destitute of every Article Requisite in that Department—

I have the honor to be

&c^a &c^a &c^a

(Signed) Wm Farquhar

Captain

Commanding Malacca

Captain

Malacca

August 21st 1803

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Captain Farquhar 98 —

Commanding Malacca.

Sir,

I have the honor to in=
=form you that I have directed Lieutenant
Steiner of the Wertemberg Company to re=
=main and do duty at Malacca, and re=
=quest that you will receive him on the
Strength of your Garrison accordingly —

I am
&c &c
(Signed) R. T. Farquhar
Commissioner

&c — &c — &c —

Malacca
4th August 1803

(A true Copy)
(Signed) Wm Farquhar

Ordered that the Military
Auditor General be apprized of the admission
of Lieutenant Steiner to do duty with the
Garrison of Malacca; and that the repre=
=sentation

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representation, which has been received, respect-
-ing the insufficiency of Provisions and Mili-
-tary Stores at Malacca, be communicated
to the Military Board.-

Read the following Letter
from the Governor of Ceylon.-

To the Right Honorable
Lord William Bentinck
President and Governor in Council
Fort St George

From the Governor of Ceylon - Stating the arrival at Trincomalee of the Troops from the Coast, and expressing his acknowledgements for the assistance afforded by the Officers under this Government in procuring Recruits for the Ceylon Native Infantry. -

My Lord,

I have the satisfaction of
informing Your Lordship in Council that
His Majesty's Ships Serpuchore and Con-
-corde, and the Transports Cornwallis and
Mysore arrived at Trincomale on the 9
of this Month, with the Troops on Board of
them.-

I beg leave to return your
Lordship in Council my sincere thanks for
the

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this instance of your attention to the safety of these Settlements, which I hope will in a short time be tolerably well ensured against the Attacks of both European and Native Foes.—

I am happy to add — that the Recruital of the Regiment of Ceylon Native Infantry, which was obligingly — permitted by Lord Clive in Council has succeeded to the full of my expectation; & I beg leave to express to your Lordship in Council my high Sense of the assistance — which my Government has received on that Service from the Officer Commanding at Cochin as well as from Mr Ruckard, — Mr Drummond, and Mr Parish Collector of the Polygar Peiceush.—

Farther proposals for — raising three Companies for that Regiment have

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have been made to me at Madras, for which I will request the eventual permission of your Lordship in Council, as any additional Military Force on this Establishment will not only prove an additional Security to these Settlements, but will always, I assure your Lordship in Council, be ready, when not in actual employment, to be sent on any emergency to the protection of your Southwestern Provinces.—

I have the honor to be
My Lord
Your Lordships
Most obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) Frederic North

Seringapatam
31st October 1803.

Resolved that the following Reply be dispatched:—

To

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To His Excellency

The Honorable Frederic North

Governor of Ceylon

&c &c &c

To the Governor of Ceylon - stating that there is no objection to the measure which has been proposed to His Excellency for raising three Companies of Sepoys at Madras for the service of Ceylon

Hon'ble Sir

1 We have had the honor of receiving Your Letter of the 31st ultimo, and feel much gratified that the cooperation of the public Officers under our authority in promoting the recruiting Service for the use of the Island of Ceylon has been satisfactory to your Excellency -

2 It being at all times our wish to assist the Measures of your Excellency's Government, we shall be happy to facilitate to the extent of our power any plan which your Excellency may have in contemplation for raising an additional Number of Native troops at this Presidency for

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for the use of Ceylan; and if you shall approve the proposals, which have been offered to you for raising three companies of Sepoys at Madras, We are not aware of any objection to the measure.—

We have the Honor to be

Gen.— Gen.— Gen.—

(Signed) Wm Bentinck

Gen.

Council.—

" W. Bentinck

" Hmark

" Wm Petrie

" Whitehaven

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1st November 1803.

Capt. & Sec. W. Strange &c.

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Received the following Letters

To G. Strachey Esq.r

Secretary to the Government at

Fort St. George

Sir,

I am directed by His —

Excellency the Most Noble the Governor

General in Council, to transmit to you the

enclosed extract of a letter from Captain

Macpherson, Commanding the Detachment

of the Madras Volunteer Battalion now

which has been ordered to proceed to Trin-

comalee on Board the Alexander; and to

acquaint you for the information of the Right

Honorable the Governor in Council, that

His Excellency the Governor of Ceylon has

been desired to make such advance of pay

to the Detachment as may appear to him

to be necessary on its disembarkation —

Fort William
the 31st October 1803

I am &c.
(Signed) Tho.s Hill
1st Asst. Sec.y M. D.
Extract

From the Secretary at Fort William stating that the Governor of Ceylon has been requested to advance money to the detachment of the Madras Volunteers sent to that Island. —

(Mr. Secy)

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Extract of a Letter from Captain Andrew Macpherson Commandeng a Detachment of Troops on Board the Alexander dated the 29th October 1803.

I request you will make known to His Excellency in Council that at the end of this Month, the Detachment will be in arrears of pay four months so that wherever we disembark, we will be in immediate want of Pay.

/True Extract/
/Signed/ Thos. Hill
1st Asst. Sec. M. Depart.

The Secretary to Government
Military Department

Sir,

From the Officer Commandeng in Malabar stating that the Troops under his command are considerably in arrears of pay: encloses correspondence on the Subject between the principal Collector and Acting Paymr.

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As the Troops in this Province are considerably in arrears of pay, and it appearing from the accompanying letter from the Principal Collector to the Paymaster, that it is not likely there will soon

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soon be a sufficient Sum in his Treasury to answer the demands. I have to request the same may be submitted to the notice of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council. —

2 Having been informed that Mr. Douglas has been appointed Paymaster and Garrison Store Keeper in Malabar, and that he has quitted Madras to take charge of that situation; I have thought it would be considered unnecessary to direct any other person to take the immediate charge of that Department. —

Canara
17th October 1803

I have &c.
(Signed) J. Montresor
Col. Comm.g Malabar &c.

The First Judge and Principal Collector &c
Malabar

Sir,

As the state of your Treasuries during the last and present Months had been such as to admit of my receiving only a small part of the Sums required by me for the payment

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payment of the Troops, I beg leave to request
you will favor me with information of
the period at which it is probable they will
be recruited with a further supply of
Cash to such an amount as to admit of
your paying me Star Pagodas 55,000 which,
I think will enable me to complete the
Sums due by my Office. the greater part of
this Sum will be required here and about
6,000 of it at Paulghaut and Cochin. that
is 4000 at the latter, and 2,000 at the former
place. —

As information may have
reached you that I have received money
from individuals for Bills on the Military
Paymaster General, it may not perhaps be
unnecessary for me to state, that this source
appears so very precarious that I cannot
form any thing like a correct estimate of
the amount to be d. l. . . . . may

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must be on your Treasuries.—

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your

Obed.t Hum.e Serv.t

Signed Wm. Richardson

Act.g Paymaster

Tellicherry
12th October 1803

A true Copy

Signed H. Osborne

Mil.y Sec.y

To the Acting Military Paymaster

Malabar

Sir,

I am favored with your letter of the 12th and in reply am sorry to observe that it is out of my power to comply with your — demand for Cash to the full amount specified without aid from the Presidency, whether I have already repeatedly written on the — Subject.—

To comply with your — former demands, I was obliged to borrow from the Commercial Resident 6000 Rupees under

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a positive promise of repayment from the first Collections of this Year. – This promise must of course be fulfilled, after which I hardly expect to be able to advance you from the funds of the province more than 30.000 Pagodas between this and the end of November.

Pollichery
11th October 1803

I am &c. &c.
/Signed/ R Rickards
F. S. & P. C.

/A true Copy/
/Signed/ Wm. Richardson
act. Paymaster

/A true Copy/
/Signed/ H. Osborne
Mili. Sec.

Received the following Letter entered in M. B. N.o 16-17-18-19.

From Lieutenant Colonel Brunton – Reporting the advancements in the Military Department for June.

From the Military Auditor General –

From

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From Mr Roebuck Enclosing

From the Military Paymaster General. an additional estimate of Cash required for the Current Month.

From Colonel Pater stating a

From the Officer commanding the Southern Division of the Army. Retrenchment by the Military auditor General of a pension granted to Shaik Modeen formerly a Jemidar in the Service of the late Nabob recommendations in consequence.

From Sir George Leith stating

From the Lieut Governor at Prince of Wales Islands. that the detachment of Madras Troops under the Command of Captain Macpherson has embarked for this Presidency on the Ship Marquis Wellesley.

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Sent the following Letters.

To the President and Members of the Military Board

Gentlemen,

To the Military Board Enclosing Copy of a letter from the Officer Commanding at Vizagapatam to authorise the repairs which may be necessary at that Station. Copy of a letter also enclosed from the Officer Commanding at

I am directed by the Governor in Council to transmit to you the enclosed copy of a letter from the Officer Commanding at Vizagapatam; and to desire that You will authorise the repairs, which may be necessary at

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at that Station.

I have been directed by the Governor in Council to enclose for your information and guidance, the copy of a letter from the Officer Commanding at Malava, representing the supply of Stores applicable to the use of that Garrison, to be inadequate.

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

(Signed) Geo. Strachey

Secy. to Govt.

To the Military Auditor General

Sir,

Para 1st I am directed by the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letters of the 7th 9th and 11th Instant.

2 His Lordship in Council admits the reasons of Captain Dowse for desiring to be relieved, during his absence with the Subsidiary force from the charge of paying the Troops stationed at Hydrabad and

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at Malava representing the supply of Stores in that Garrison to be inadequate.

To the Military Auditor General - Acquainting him that Captain Dowse is relieved from the charge of paying the Troops stationed at Hydrabad that duty transferred to the Paymaster at Masulipatam on an increased establishment of 28 Pagodas per Month - A further inquiry respecting the charge which attended the sort of Treasure from Canara in 1801 unnecessary. His objections to the extraordinary charges of

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and is accordingly pleased to authorise the
temporary transfer of that duty to the Paymaster
at Masulipatam, on an encreased establish=
=ment of twenty eight /28/ Pagodas per
Month in conformity to your recommendation=

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His Lordship in Council
regrets that you have not been able to procure
more satisfactory information from Canara,
respecting the charge which attended the escort
of treasure from that province in the Year
1801; but His Lordship in Council concludes
that the late Commanding Officer of Mangalore
was actuated by motives of precaution in
augmenting the escort beyond the usual strength,
=bly preclude the means of obtaining more
accurate information, the further prosecution
of the enquiry appears to His Lordship in
Council to be unnecessary.—

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It being the duty of the
Military Auditor General to be guided
in

of Mr. Assistant Surgeon
May not entirely approved.
certain of those charges
authorized - the Salary
and establishment
of Captain Campbell
as Commissary with the
force in Cuttack to be
regulated on the principle
observed with the Officer
holding a similar
appointment under
Major Genl. Wellesley.
his distribution of the
contingent expences of
the Army under Major
General Wellesley for
July one August approv=
=ed. the Paymasters
establishment at Cud=
=dalore to be reduced
Agreeably to the proposed
denomination - accommo=
=dation in the public
buildings at that place
will be allotted to the
two Native Servants
of the Paymaster. a Copy
of his letter relative to
the interference of the
Zillah Judges of Chicacole
in Regulating the rate
of bullock hire has
been forwarded to that
Officer - to report if
there be any objection
connected with the final
Arrangement of Mr. H.
Gordon's Accounts —
against restoring the
Securities deposited by
him. —

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in all cases of expenditure by the regulations of the Service, and by the strictest principles of economy, the Governor in Council approves the ground on which you have objected to the extraordinary charges of Mr. Assistant Surgeon Kay on account of Medical attend=ance in the garrison of Errode and its dependencies. His Lordship in Council however, having given particular consider=ation to the reasons assigned by Mr. Kay in support of those charges, is pleased in some measure, to relax the strictness of the Regulations in favor of that Gentleman, and to authorise a remission of the Retrenchment against him to the extent of his actual disbursements for the supply of Medi=cines, or the employment of an encreased establish=ment of Servants at Errode and its dependent Stations.

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It is the desire of the Governor in Council that the Salary of Capt.n James

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James Campbell as Commissary with the Force
in Cattac may be placed on the same footing
with that of the Officer holding a similar
appointment with the division of the Army
under the Command of the Honorable Major
General Wellesley, and that the establishment
for His Office may be regulated on the same
principle according to the relative extent of
the two detachments, unless any particular
Circumstances of which His Lordship in
Council is not apprized, should in your
judgment render necessary a departure from
that rule. —

6 His Lordship in Council
has approved your distribution of the con-
tingent expenses of the division of the Army
Commanded by Major General Wellesley
for July and August and the necessary —
instructions on that subject have been given
to the Accountant General. —

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7 The Governor in Council having approved the proposed diminution of the Paymasters establishment at Cuddalore, I am directed to desire that it may be reduced accordingly; and to inform you that the Board of Trade will be instructed to allot from the public buildings at Cuddalore a place for the accommodation of the two native servants of the Paymaster who will continue to be employed at that Station. —

8 I have further to inform You that a Copy of your letter of the 11th Instant has been forwarded to the judge and Magistrate of the Zillah of Chicacole, in order that he may explain the ground of his interference in regulating the rate of Bullock hire in the District of Vizagapatam.

9 I am directed to transmit to you the copy of a certificate given to the late

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late Paymaster at masulipatam by the —
Military Paymaster General, and to desire —
that you will report for the information of His
Lordship in Council, if there be any objections
connected with the final Arrangement of Mr
W. Gordon's Accounts against restoring the —
Securities deposited by him —

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) Geo: Strachey
Secy to Govern.t

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17th November 1803

To the Military Auditor General

Sir,

I am directed to furnish for
Your information and guidance the enclosed
Copy of a letter to the Commanding Office of
Pondicherry explaining the principle on
which the Governor in Council has authorised
the continuance of pay to certain French
Prisoners of War who have been prevented
from

To the Military Auditor General with Copy of a letter to the Commanding Officer at Pondicherry on the Subject of the continuance of pay to certain French Officers who were prevented from embarking on the Cartel for Europe. the Continuance of Mr. Parisets allowances authorised. Copy of a letter from that Gentleman enclosed. Mr. Kenny to receive the half pay of

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of the rank which he lately held on the service from the date of his dismission until he shall be sent to Europe. Copy of a letter from the Officer Commanding at Malacca reporting the admission of Lieut.t Stainer a Dutch Officer, on the strength of that Garrison.

from proceeding on the Cartel to Europe.

I am also directed to transmit to you the enclosed translation of a letter from M. Pariset, and to acquaint you that under the Circumstances stated to have prevented his embarkation on the Matilda, His Lordship in Council has authorised the continuance of that Gentleman's allowances on the principle established in favor of the French Officers landed from that Vessel.

It is the desire of His Lordship in Council that Mr. Kenny, the Gentleman mentioned in the enclosed Copy of a letter from the Town Major, may receive the half pay of the rank which he lately held in the Company's Service from the date of his dismission until he shall be sent to England.

I enclose for your information and guidance, the Copy of a letter from the Commanding Officer at Malacca, reporting

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reporting his admission of Lieutenant Stainer, a Dutch Officer on the Strength of that Garrison.—

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

(Signed) Geo. Strachey
Secy to Govt.

To the Town Major of
Fort St George

Sir,

To the Town Major of Fort St George acquainting him that the continuance of M. Parizet's pay has been authorized during the residence of that Person in India. The French Merchants Prisoners of War cannot be permitted to remove from Pondicherry to Pondicherry authority has been given for the payment of an allowance to Mr. Kenny equal to the half pay of the Rank lately held by him in the service to commence from the date of that Gentleman's dismission.—

1. I am directed by the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letters of the 7th and 14th Instant.—

2 The intentions of His Lordship in Council respecting M. Dubue have been explained to the Officer Commanding at Pondicherry; and with regard to the request of M. Parizet I am directed to inform You that in consideration of the circumstances which prevented that Gentleman from proceeding on the Cartel to Europe His Lordship

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Lordships in Council has been pleased to authe-
= rise the continuance of his pay during his —
residence in India. —

3 The Governor in Council
does not deem it to be expedient to permit
the French Merchants prisoners of War —
mentioned in Your Letter of the 14th instant
to remove from Poonamallee to Pon-
= dicherry. —

4 The Military Auditor
General has been directed to authorise an
allowance equal to the half-pay of the rank
lately held by Mr. Kenny in the Company's
Service, to be paid to that Gentleman from
the date of his dismission from the Service to
the period when it may be practicable for
him to embark for England. —

Sam
&c. &c.

/ Signed / Geo. Strachey
Sec.y to Govern.t

To

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To Mr. J. H. Crucifix

Sir,

To Mr. J. H. Crucifix acquainting him that it will not be practicable to pass a decision on his claim against His Highness the late Nabob of the Carnatic as it has in Common with other claims of a similar nature been submitted to the Court of Directors; state the objections which oppose the transmission of his address on that Subject to the Governor General.

Para 1st

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council having taken into Consideration Your address to His Lordship in Council dated the 3rd Ultimo, I have been directed to acquaint You that Your claim against His Highness the late Nabob of the Carnatic having in Common with the claims of other persons under similar Circumstances been stated for the consideration of the Honorable Court of Directors, it will not be practicable for his Lordship in Council to pass any decision on your case until the determination of the Honorable Court shall have been received.

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So far as Your address to His Excellency the most Noble the Governor General is connected with that Subject

subject the same consideration appears to His Lordship in Council to preclude the utility or expediency of a reference to His Excellency on the question of your claim against His Highness the late Nabob, and as the part of your address which does not relate to that subject is in no respect connected with the affairs of this Presidency, His Lordship in Council is of opinion, that it would be improper that the case to which that explanation relates, should be submitted for the consideration of His Excellency the Governor General through the channel of the Government of Fort St. George.

Having explained to you the objections which appear to His Lordship in Council to oppose the transmission of your

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Your address to the Most Noble the Governor General. it is in consequence returned to you by His Lordships desire. —

Fort St. George
17 September 1803

I am
&c. &c.
(Signed) Geo Buchan
Chief Secy to Govermt.

Received and sent the following letters entered in M. B. No 20. 21. —

From the Assistant Collector in charge of Cochin. —

From Mr Drummond - Trans=
=mitting letters from the Officer Commanding at Malacca, reporting the state of affairs at that place. —

To the Secretary at Fort William. —

To Captain Hook - Forward=
=ing copies of the dispatch from this Govern=
=ment to the Court of Directors under date the 20th Ultimo. —

Received.

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Received and sent the follow-
-ing Letters entered in M. B. Nos 22. 23. :—

From the Military Paymr General

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

To the Military Auditor General —

To the Military Auditor General — Referring for his examination an additional Estimate of Cash required for the Current Month. —

19th

Received the following Letter. —

To G: Strachey Esqe

Secretary to Government

at

Fort St George

From the Asst. Secretary at Fort William. Transmitting a return of the detachment from the Madras Volunteer Battalion, ordered to Trincomalle, together with copy of the instructions given to the Commanding Officer

Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency the Most Noble the Governor General in Council to transmit to you for the information of the Right

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Right Honorable the Governor in Council, the enclosed Copy of a Return of the Detachment of Madras Troops under the Command of Captain Andrew Macpherson, on board the Ship Alexander; together with the Copy of a Letter Written to Captain Macpherson on the 2nd. Instant by order of His Excellency the Governor General in Council. —

Fort William
the 3rd. November 1803

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) Tho.s Hill
1.st Asst. Sec.y Milt.y Dept.

Return

Return for October 1803 of a Detachment of Madras Troops under Command of Captain Andrew Macpherson —

Ship Alexander Culpie

1st November 1803

| | | Madras Artillery | Madras European Regiment | Madras Volunteer Battalion | | |

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Report Commanding Officer

Inclosure

Copy of Letter from Captain Clark dated Camp Dubois 13th May 1803

Sir

I have the honor to inform you that I am ordered by the President of the United States to take the command of a party of Volunteers for the purpose of exploring the Missouri to its source, and such rivers as may be most convenient for the purpose of communicating across the Continent to the Pacific Ocean; I have accepted of the offer, and have been busily employed in collecting such articles as I think will be necessary, and in conformity to my own ideas of the information which will be required by the President, as well as what will be interesting to the Philosophical Society and the citizens of the United States generally.

On Command

Meriwether Lewis	Captain	1	
William Clark	Captain	1	
Nathaniel Pryor	Sergeant	1	
John Ordway	Sergeant	1	
Patrick Gass	Sergeant	1	
Charles Floyd	Sergeant	1	Died 20th August 1804
George Shannon	Private	1	Supposed to be under 18 years of age
John Colter	Private	1	
Reuben Fields	Private	1	
Joseph Fields	Private	1	
William Bratton	Private	1	
Alexander Willard	Private	1	
Hugh Hall	Private	1	
George Gibson	Private	1	
John Potts	Private	1	
Peter Weiser	Private	1	
Thomas P. Howard	Private	1	
Joseph Whitehouse	Private	1	
William Werner	Private	1	
Francis Labiche	Private	1	
Richard Windsor	Private	1	
John Shields	Private	1	
George Drouillard	Interpreter	1	
Total		31	

List of Officers Commanding

Meriwether Lewis	Captain	1
William Clark	Captain	1
Nathaniel Pryor	Sergeant	1
John Ordway	Sergeant	1
Patrick Gass	Sergeant	1
Charles Floyd	Sergeant	1
George Shannon	Private	1
John Colter	Private	1
Reuben Fields	Private	1
Joseph Fields	Private	1
William Bratton	Private	1
Alexander Willard	Private	1
Hugh Hall	Private	1
George Gibson	Private	1
John Potts	Private	1
Peter Weiser	Private	1
Thomas P. Howard	Private	1
Joseph Whitehouse	Private	1
William Werner	Private	1
Francis Labiche	Private	1
Richard Windsor	Private	1
John Shields	Private	1
George Drouillard	Interpreter	1
Total		31

Alterations and Casualties since last Return.

| Corps | Names | No | Rank | | |

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To Captain Macpherson

Commanding a Detachment on Board

the Ship Alexander

Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency the Most Noble the Governor General in Council to inform you, that you are to proceed with the Detachment under your Command on board the Alexander to Trincomale to report your arrival at that place to the Officer commanding there, and to obey such orders as you may receive from His Excellency the Governor of Ceylon until you shall receive Orders from Lord William Bentinck Governor of Fort St. George

Fort William
the 2 November 1803

I am &c. &c.
/Signed/ Tho.s Hill
1.st A.st Sec.y Milit.y Department

/True Copy/
/Signed/ Tho.s Hill
1.st A.st Sec.y Milit.y Department

Sent.

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Sent the following letter.

To the Officer Commanding the forces in Malabar and Canara.

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of Your letter of the 17th ultimo, and to acquaint You that Orders have been issued for the dispatch of money from the province of Combatore to Malabar for the payment of the Troops under Your Command, to such an extent as may be practicable.—

His Lordship in Council desires accordingly that You will arrange in Communication with the principal Collector in Malabar, to whom the Money will be remitted, the best mode of providing for its security on the route through that province.—

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19th November 1803

I am &c &c
(Signed) Geo. Buchan
Chief Sec. to Govt

To the Officer Commanding the forces in Malabar and Canara acquainting him that orders have been issued for the dispatch of Money from Coimbatore to Malabar for the payment of the Troops under his Command & to communicate with the Collector in Malabar on the best mode of providing for the Security of the Money in the route through that province—

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Order of Council

Military Department

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Received the following Letter

from the Military Auditor General.

To the Right Honorable

Lord William Bentinck

Governor in Council

&c. &c.

My Lord,

From the Military Auditor General Reporting on the additional estimate of Cash submitted for his examination on the 18th Instant

1st. In reply to a letter from the Secretary to Government in the Military Department dated the 18th Instant, transmitting for examination an additional Estimate of Cash required for the current month, I have the honor to report that the amount thereof, Viz.t Pagodas Fifty one thousand one hundred and twenty seven, Fanams Eleven, and Cash fifty two / Pag.s 51,127. 11. 52. / is admissible and issuable from the General Treasury.

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Of this sum Pagodas Forty three thousand Six hundred and twenty Six Fanams thirty nine and Cash forty seven (Pagodas 43.626. 39. 47.) is required by the Military Paymaster General to enable him to honor the amount of sundry drafts drawn upon him by Subordinate Paymasters, under authority from Government, to make advances to the Superintending Engineer and Garrison Store Keeper at the Presidency, and to discharge the amount of Bills drawn in this Office by Order of Government. The amount required by the Military Paymaster General was Pagodas Forty Nine thousand three hundred and forty one, Fanams Nine and Cash Forty Seven (Pagodas 49341. 9. 47.) but in consequence of his deducting the Sum received by him, from Messrs. Chase Chinnery Mc Dowall & Co being the balance of Captain Shawe's Account Current with the Honorable Company as Commissary

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Commissary of Prisoners it is required to the
above mentioned Sum of Pagodas 3696. 39. 47 /
The remainder viz.t Pagodas Seven Hundred
five hundred. fanams fourteen, and Cash five
/ Pagodas 7500. 14 . 5 / is required by the Military
Paymaster at the Presidency to enable him to
Comply with demands made on his Office.

I have the honor to be &c.

Military Auditor

Generals Office

Fort St George

14 November 1803

/ Signed / J. Brunton

Mil.r Audr Genl.

In Consequence of the foregoing
Report, Ordered that the Sum of Pagodas Fifty
one Thousand one hundred and twenty Seven
fanams Eleven and Cash fifty two / Pagodas
51.127 . 11 . 52 / be issued from the Treasury
to the Military Paymaster General Comprised in his
of the additional Estimate enclosed in his
Letter of the 12th Instant.

By Order of the Right Honble
the

The sum of Pagodas 51, 127. 11. 52: to be issued from the treasury on account of the additional estimate of cash required for the current Month.—

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At a Governor in Council.

(Signed) G Strachey
Secret.y to Govern.t

Sent the following Letters entered in M.B. N.os 24. 25.

To the Military Auditor General —

To the Military Auditor General Referring for his examination an additional Estimate of Cash required for the Current month.

To the Military Paymaster General —

To the Military Paymaster General — acquainting him that the Sum of Pagodas 5,127. 11.52 has been ordered to be issued to him on Account of his additional Estimate.

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Military Department
21st November 1803

Received the following letter from the Military Auditor Genl.

To the Right Honble Lord William Bentinck
Governor &c. Council &c. &c.

From the Military Auditor General Reporting on the additional estimate submitted to him on the 19th Instant —

My Lord,

1st Having examined the additional

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additional Estimate of Cash which accompa-
=nied a Letter from the Secretary to Government
in the Military Department under date the
19th Instant. I have the honor to report
that the amount thereof Viz.t Pagodas Twenty
four thousand two hundred and Seventy
four, Fanams twenty eight, and Cash Forty
(Pagodas 24,274.. 28.. 40.) is admissible and
issuable from the General Treasury.

2 Of that amount the sum
of (Pagodas 20.000 — .. — —) Twenty thou-
-sand is required by the Military Paymaster
at Vellore to enable him to complete his
payments for the present month, neither
the Collectors nor the Paymaster of Stipends
having been able to supply him with the
full amount of his Estimate for November;
this will encrease the advances at the —
Presidency and decrease those at out —
Stations, equally; but will neither encrease

or

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To decrease the aggregate amount reported
Admissible in my report, under date the 2nd
Instant on the General Estimate for Novem=
=ber 1803.

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The remainder 0 23 £.
Pagodas four thousand two hundred and =
Seventy four. Fanams Twenty Eight and
Cash forty / Pagodas 4,274 . 28 . 40 /
is required by the Garrison Store Keeper
at the Presidency for the use of that Depart=
=ment. —

Military Auditor
Generals Office
Fort St George
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I have the Honor to be
with the greatest respect
My Lord
Your Lordships most obedient
humble Servant
/ Signed / J Brunton
Mil.y Aud.r Gen.l

Hon

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The sum of Pagodas 24,274.28.40 to be issued from the General Treasury on Account of the additional Estimate of the Military Paymaster General —

In consequence of the foregoing Report, Ordered that the Sum of Twenty four Thousand two hundred and seventy four Pagodas, twenty eight fanams, and forty Cash (Pagodas 24,274.28.40) be issued from the Treasury to the Military Paymaster General on Account of the additional Estimate enclosed in his Letter of the 18th Instant —

By Order of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council —

(Signed) Geo Stanley
Sec.y to Government

Received and sent the following Letters entered in M. B.

Nos 26. 27.

From Capt.n Macpherson Commanding a Detachment of Madras Troops —

From Captain Macpherson —

stating his arrival in the Bengal — River with the Detachment under his Command

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Command on board the Marquis Wellesley
Transport.

To the Military Paymaster
General

To the Military Paym.r General

General acquainting him that the Sum of
Pagodas 24.274-28-40 has been ordered to be
issued from the Treasury on Account of his
Additional Estimate.

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Present

The Right Honorable

Lord William Cavendish Bentinck

Governor and President

Tuesday the 22nd November 1803

Lieutenant General James Stuart

Commander in Chief

William Petrie and
John Chamier } Esqrs.

Minutes of last Consultation

read and approved.

Read the following letter

from the Secretary at Fort William.

G. Strachey Esq.

Secretary to the Government

Fort St. George

Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency

The Most Noble the Governor General in

Council to transmit to you the enclosed copy

of

From the Assistant Secretary at Fort William. Reporting an advance of two Months pay and allowances to Captain Moore of His Majesty's 94th Regiment.

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of a Letter from Captain L. Moore of His Majestys 74th Foot, dated the 1st Instant and of its Enclosure, and to desire you will acquaint the Right Honorable the Governor in Council that an advance of two Months Pay and allowances has been made to Captain Moore, the amount of which is to be carried to the debit of the Presidency of Fort St George.

Fort William
the 3rd November 1803

I am &c &c
(Signed) Thos. Hill
1st Asst Secretary
Milit. Depart.

Captain Hook

Secretary to Government
Military Department

Sir,

Agreeable to directions from Major General Fraser, I have the honor to send you the enclosed certificate. It should

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should have accompanied the application I made for permission to draw my Pay and allowances at this Presidency. had I not understood that such certificate, it was only necessary to present, on going to receive money as it became due to me.

Fort William
1st November 1803

I have the honor &c. &c.
/Signed/ Lorenzo Moore
Captain H.M 34th Regt

Fort St George 19th September 1803

I do hereby Certify that Capt.n L.d Moore of His Majestys 34th Regiment, has Received British Pay to the 24th Instant, and the Honorable Company's allowances to the 31st of August last inclusive.

/Signed/ Willm Sargeant
Paymaster 34th Regiment

/True Copies/
/Signed/ Jno. Hall
1st Dpty Secy Milry Depmt

Entered

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Ordered that a Copy of the
foregoing Letter be furnished for the informa=
=tion and guidance of the Military Auditor
General. —

The Commander in Chief deli=
=vers in the following Minute. —

Minute of the Commander in Chief. —

Minute of the Commander in Chief Recommending promotions —

I recommend that the following
Promotions may take place. —

Madras European Regiment.

Ensign John Elam to be Lieute=
=nant: date of Rank 16th November 1803. —

3rd Regiment Native Infantry. —

Ensign David Benny to be
Lieutenant: date of Rank 3rd July 1803. —

5th Regiment of Native Infantry

Ensign [illegible] Whitehead to
be Lieutenant: date of Rank 3rd July 1803.

10th Regiment Native Infantry

Ensign Duncan Stewart to
be.

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to be Lieutenant: date of Rank 16th November 1803.—

13th Regiment of Native Infantry

Ensign C. W. Yates to be —

Lieutenant: date of Rank 23rd September 1803 —

Major General Wellesley

Has reported to me an instance of remarkably good Conduct in Jemadar Shaik Modeen of the 1st Battalion of the 6th Regiment of Native Infantry. This Officer was stationed with 20 Men at a Village on the Godavery, in charge of Boats. — The Rajah of Berar Encamped at the place, but the Jemadar saved it from Plunder; and afterwards, when the Rajah marched, sallied out from the place, attacked the Baggage, and threw the whole of it into confusion taking an Elephant and some Horses. —

I recommend that Jemadar Shaik Modeen of the 1st Battalion 6th Regiment of

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of Native Infantry be promoted to the Rank of Subadar, in public Orders, for his gallant conduct, and borne as a Supernumerary Subadar on that Corps, until a Vacancy occurs for placing him on its Strength. —

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/Signed/ I. Stuart

Minute. —

The Commander in Chief reports to the Board the death of Mr. Henry Scott Taylor, Gentleman Cadet, at the Presidency on the 15th of November 1803. —

"Minute of the Commander in Chief reporting the death of Mr. Scott Taylor and recommending a Commission in the Military Board's Office — recommends a Compliance with the application from Colonel Lighton and Lieut. Col. Campbell for permission to Visit the Presidency — Recommends that Lieut. Catlett of His Majesty's 73d Regiment may be appointed Fort adjutant of Pondicherry —

The situation of Deputy Secretary to the Military Board having become Vacant by the nomination of Lieutenant Fraser to be Superintending Engineer at the Presidency — The Commander in Chief recommends the following appointment in the Military Board Office to take effect from the 18th Instant. —

Lieutenant Garnet Warburton
Assistant

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Assistant Secretary to the Military Board.

to be Deputy Secretary vice Fraser. —

Lieutenant John Busby of the

6th Regiment Native Infantry to be Assistant

Secretary to the Military Board vice Warburton. —

The Commander in Chief has the honor of submitting to the Board and recommending a compliance with applications from Colonel Leighton Commanding — Ryacottah, and Lieutenant Colonel Campbell Commanding the Northern Division of the — Army for permission to visit the Presidency, the former on furlough for two months, and the latter on sick certificate. —

The Commander in Chief has the honor of laying before the Board a Copy of a letter which he has received from the Officer Commanding Pondicherry, and as he is fully aware of the justness of the — circumstances

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circumstances represented by that Officer.
he recommends that Lieutenant Antill of
His Majestys 73rd Regiment may be appoint=
=ed Fort Adjutant of Pondicherry, a situation
which always existed while that station
was occupied by a Considerable Garrison,
and which will furnish the requisite assist=
=ance to Colonel St. John in conducting
the duties of his Command at the least prac=
=ticable expence to the public.—

22nd November 1803 / Signed / I. Stuart

To the Right Honorable
Lord William Bentinck
Governor &c. &c. &c.
Fort St George

My Lord,

May I request the favor
of your Lordships permission to visit the
Presidency for the space of two Months,
I have

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I have the honor to be &c.

/Signed/ Thos. Leighton

Colonel Commanding the

Garison of Ryacottah.

To the Right Honorable

Lord William Bentinck

Governor in Council

Fort St George

My Lord,

I am to request your Lordship's permission to visit the Presidency for the benefit of my health without prejudice to my situation as Commanding Officer of the Northern Division of the Army.

I have the honor to be &c.

/Signed/ A. Campbell

Lieut.t Col.l H.M. 74th

Highland Regt. Foot

Comm.g N. D. of the Army

Lieutenant

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Lieutenant Coolonel Campbell of
His Majestys 78th Regiment Commanding
the Northern Division of the Army having
been, on the 15th August, attacked by a
most alarming bilious complaint, com-
=plicated with a fever of the Intermittent
Type, into which he has since frequently
relapsed, and from which I even scarcely
can now, be said to be a convalescent,
it is my opinion that the Atmosphere of
Ganjam, not only retards his recovery,
but is one, perhaps the sole, cause of
those frequent relapses; I do therefore
earnestly recommend that Lieutenant
Colonel Campbell as soon as he shall
require sufficient strength for the
Journey, to proceed to Madras where
he will experience a climate more condu-
=cive to the re-establishment of
his

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his health.

Ganjam
the
12 October 1803

I Signed I G. Dunbar
Surgeon.

To His Excellency
Lieutenant General Stuart
Commander in Chief
&c. &c. &c.

Sir,

I take the liberty of troubling you concerning the appointment of an Officer to assist me in making the several payments to the French Officers Prisoners of war, in Keeping and adjusting their Accounts, and in issuing my Orders both to the Troops now here, and to the Inhabitants of the place.—

As my own time is now wholly occupied in writing and copying Letters, the nature of which precludes my trusting their contents to a hired Writer, a confidential Officer is much wanted to

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to afford me this assistance.—

In case you should deem this request to merit consideration I beg leave to recommend Lieutenant Antil to your notice who was Brigade Major to the 1st Brigade and has hitherto been of great service to me in my present command by the trouble he has taken.

November 16. 1803

I have the honor to be &c.

(Signed) Lt Colr John

Resolved that the applications of Colonel Lightoon and of Lieutenant Colonel Campbell be complied with, and that permission for leave of absence from their stations be accordingly granted to those Officers. Resolved that the promotions and appointments recommended in the foregoing minutes be directed to take place in General Orders.—

Read the following Letter from the Military Board.—

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To the Right Honorable
Lord William Bentinck
Governor in Council
&c &c &c

My Lord,

1st We have had the honour to receive the Letters of the Secretary to Government in the Military Department under date the 5th and 7th November.—

From the Military Board - Recommend an advance of Money. —

2nd We have to recommend that an advance of Pagodas 3,755-5-55 may be paid to the Garrison Storekeeper at the Presidency on Account of the Provision of Military Stores for the Service of the Arsenal of Fort St George

We have the honor &c.

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(Signed) D Smith
" E Trapaud
" P A Agnew
" Alex. Orr
" Resolved

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Resolved to authorise the advance of Money recommended by the Military Board. —

Read the following letters from the Officer Commanding at Vellore. —

The Chief Secretary to Government

Fort St George

Sir

From the Offic Commanding Vellore, relative to the Collection of duties on Supplies intended for that place. —

I am obliged to trouble Your Lordship in Council on the subject of the accompanying declarations of several principal Merchants of Vellore and others (who generally bring their merchandize to the Vellore Market) made before Captain Marriott Town Major Yesterday - and I should not have presumed to intrude upon his Lordship on this occasion, was it not from a conviction that (if those measures of the Collector of the Northern Division of Arcot, of compelling the Vellore Merchants

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Merchants, and others, who are in the habits of trading hither, to proceed first to Wallaja-nagur / the Princes- the Garrison, and the numerous Inhabitants of Vellore Pettah, and its Vicinity will experience infinite distress, as no Merchant will have any induce-ment, or find it worth his while to bring Provisions for this place / from the Countries to the Westward, and it is from thence our supplies are principally derived, namely from the Mysore, Baramahal &c. / should he be compelled first to carry them past - Vellore to Wallajah Nagur, and then (after paying the customs there / bring them hither, upwards of forty miles out of his Road - it will undoubtedly amount almost to a prohibition, but at all events will enhance the Value of every necessary of life so much as to make every one feel the great inconve-nience thereof, independent of the additional

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price of Articles – but render it almost impossible for the Middle Class of the people exclusive of the poorer, to supply themselves with many of their real wants. However to remedy those inconveniences and to obviate any loss of revenue / which it may be suggested / Government would suffer by the Merchants being permitted to come direct to Vellore. I would humbly presume / should it meet with His Lordship's approbation / to propose that the same duties might be levied here as are directed to be exacted at Wallajahnagur, and as the customs of the Buzar and Pettah were in conformity with the Orders of Government under date the 29th Decem[illegible]ber 1802, directed to be continued and Collected as formerly under the exclusive Superintendence of the Officer Commanding the Garrison. I would take care that whatever instructions

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instructions I might receive relative —
thereto. should be strictly executed so that
no loss of Revenue could possibly accrue
by the adoption of this measure —

I have the honor to be &c.

Vellore
5th November 1803

/Signed/ D. Campbell
Col. Commandg.

Policondah Yella Chitty
gives information that on arriving at —
Vaniembaddy with 140 Bullock loads of
Pepper and Beetle nut, the Aumil of that
place stopped and told him that he / the
Aumil / had orders from Mr. Collector
Cockburn not to pass any Articles unless the
Merchant carrying them entered in an —
Agreement to travel on the North Bank
of the River Palar, and to carry the Merchan-
-dize to Wallajah Nagur.

Yella Chitty told the
Aumil that he wished to carry his goods
as

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as usual to Policondah and thence to Vellore, for which market they were intended, — notwithstanding this remonstrance the Aumil refused to allow the Bullocks to pass — Vaniambaddy, and now detains them at that place. —

Noor Mahomed merchant of Vellore says, that he purchased at Trippatore. 20 Bandy loads of Tamarind, 6 Bullock loads of Ghee &c. and on his Arrival at Vaniembaddy was stopped until he entered into an Engagement to travel on the North Bank of the Palar and not come to Vellore until he had been with the Goods at Wallajah nugger. — That on hearing this, he waited on Mr. Collector Cockburn, who happened to be at Vaniembaddy and remonstrated on the Hardship of being obliged to go thirty Miles round to his market at Vellore

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Vellore, but that Mr. Cockburn told him he would not permit him to go the direct Road to Vellore, and ordered his merchandize to be detained at Vaniambaddy where it still remains.

Hyder Saheb Merchant of Vellore says that he has ten Cart loads of Tamarind and one Bullock load of New Cloth, purchased at Tripatore now detained at Vaniambaddy for the same reasons and by the same orders as the above.

Appah Merchant at Vaniambaddy and Vellore says, that he had brought from Vaniambaddy a Bullock load of Tamarind and two of wheat as far as Baupenpilly, about 5 Miles, when he was overtaken by Mr. Cockburns Delayers, and carried back to Vaniambaddy for the same reasons as

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as given above.

Vellore
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/Signed/ Thos. Marriott
/A true Copy/
/Signed/ D. Campbell
Colonel Commanding.

The Chief Secretary to Government

Sir.

I have the honor to transmit a Copy of a Letter from the Collector of the Southern Division of Arcot with my reply thereto, which I request you will have the goodness to lay before His Lordship in Council.—

The circumstance of all Road duties, as the Collector states in his letter, being abolished, having never been communicated to me, I should esteem myself obliged in being furnished with a Copy of the regulations on this head, and with any other instructions which may be expedient

From the Officer Commanding at Vellore Transmitting his Correspondence with the Collector on the Subject of the Road duties lately taken off Vellore and Arcot, and requesting information respecting the continuance of those duties.—

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expedient for my guidance.

I have the honor to be

&c &c

Vellore
17th November 1803

(Signed) D. Campbell
Colonel Commanding

To Colonel Campbell
Commanding Vellore

Sir,

I find that the Custom renter or Sayer Servants of Vellore Pettah, collect Customs on Articles passing by the Pettah on the way to Arcot, for the use and consumption of this Town, altho' this practice may have prevailed, it was not I believe understood that any Customs should be collected by the Sayer Servants of Vellore but on such Articles as were intended for the use of the Pettah, the Practice therefore occurs to me as being irregular.—

It is probable that the

Circumstance

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circumstance would never have been
represented, but for the duties in the Town
being raised to 6 fo/o which renders it
impossible for the Merchant to bear the
duty now collected on the road passing by
the Pettah of Vellore – all road duties are
abolished, consequently the collection of
the duty I now speak of, should also be
discontinued. –

Arcot
the
14th November
1803

Sam Fe Fr
/Signed/ Geo: Garrow
Collector
/A true Copy/
/Signed/ D Campbell
Colonel Commanding

To George Garrow Esqr.
Collector in the Southern Division
of Arcot province

Sir,

Your Letter of the 14th Instant
I have received wherein you state that the

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the Custom renter or Sayer Servants of Vellore Pettah collect customs on Articles passing by the Pettah, on the way to Arcot, for the use and consumption of that Town — and also remark that although this practice may have prevailed, it was not, you believe understood that any Custom should be — Collected by the Sayer Servants of Vellore, but on such Articles as were intended for the use of the Pettah. and that therefore the practice occurs to you as being irregular. In reply, I have to signify that I know of no irregularity in the Collection of the Customs on Articles passing Vellore, the — Custom renter or Sayer Servants of Vellore Pettah only continue the same practice which prevailed during my Predecessors (Colonel Dallas) Command, and which of Course I must follow up until I receive Orders from Government to

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to discontinue.—

You likewise mention that it is probable the circumstance would never have been represented but for the duties in this Town / Arcot / being raised to 6 p.c. which renders it impossible for the Merchant to bear the duty now collected on the Road passing by the Pettah of Vellore, all Road duties are abolished, consequently the collection of the duty, you now speak of should also be discontinued— In Answer the Circumstance of the Road duties being abolished I am totally unacquainted with, as I have received no communication from Government on this Subject and until then, I dare not presume to discontinue them, however I shall forward a Copy of your Letter to

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to Government by this days Tappal. 130

Vellore
17th November 1803

Iam &c &c

/Signed/ D Campbell
Colonel Commanding

/A true Copy/
/Signed/ D Campbell

Ordered that Copies of the forego-
=ing letters be transmitted to the Board of
Revenue, and that they be desired to furnish
a particular explanation of the cause of the
impediment experienced in the conveyance of
Supplies for the use of the Garrison of Vellore

Ordered also, that they be
desired to Submit their sentiments relative
to the expediency of establishing a Chokie
for the Collection of a Town duty at Velloze
conformably to the principle of the regulation
which has been established for the collection
of duty of that discription.—

Read

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Read the following letters
from the Officer commanding at Pondicherry
To the Chief Secretary
to Government

Sir,

In compliance with the
General Orders of April 2nd 1802. I enclose
you the Proceedings of a Committee of Survey
on the Barracks of the 73rd Regiment which
required an immediate repairs against the
inclemency of the weather. I have ordered
to be carried into effect. —

I have the honor to be &c.
J: St. John
Colonel.

Pondicherry
12th November 1803

From the Officer Commanding at Pondicherry. Transmitting the proceedings of a Committee appointed to survey the Barracks of His Majesty's 73rd Regiment, and reports his orders for repairing them in consequence. —

Proceedings

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Proceedings of a Committee of Survey held in Compliance with the Cantonment Orders Pondicherry 4th November 1803.

Colonel St John — President

Captain Lawler
Captain Nixon
Dr M.r MacKintosh
} Members

The Committee proceed examine the Barracks of His Majestys 73rd Regiment, and find the following repairs necessary to be immediately performed according to the undermentioned Estimate

Estimate of Repairs in the Engineers Department on Barracks occupied by His Majesty's 73rd Regiment.

10,000 Tyles	7 . 22 . 40	
240 Tylers	17 . 38 . —	
Tatties for the Doors and Windows	10 . — . —	
Total for Pags.	35 . 15 . 40	

Repairs

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Repairs necessary on the Cook and necessary Rooms.—

19 Bricklayers at 4 fs ₱ day		1 - 3 -	"
22 Coolies	at 2	" 44	"
39 Boys	at 1/4	1 — 3 - 60	
Necessary Buildings	- 2	14 - 40	
Total S.P.		5 - 20 - 20	

(Signed) G. St. John
Colr and President
" T Gaulter
Capt.n 73d Regiment
" Jn.o Nixon
Capt.n Lieutenant
" Chas. Mc Intosh
Dr. Mr 73d Regt"

(A true Copy)
(Signed) G Strachey
Sec.y to Govern.t

Ordered that a Copy of the foregoing letter be furnished for the information of the Military

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Military Board.

To the Chief Secretary to Government.

Sir,

From the Officer Commanding at Pondicherry stating that Mr Seurre requests to leave India by his own means.—

Mons.r Seurè being among those who were left behind by the Castel, is solicitous of using his own means of leaving India by a Neutral Vessel from Tranquebar—as his only object is I believe mercantile concerns. I cannot see any injury can arise from his wishes being Acceded to.—

He is willing to enter into any promise to leave India in a certain time should an opportunity present itself.

Mr. Seurè was among those embarked.

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

Pondicherry
12th November 1803

/Signed/ G. St. John
Col.

Resolved that M. Seurè be permitted.

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permitted to proceed to Tranquebar on the
condition of his embarking from that settlement
for France by the earliest opportunity: ordered
that the Commanding Officer at Pondicherry
be directed to require from Mr Seve a written
engagement to that effect. —

To the Chief Secretary to Government

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose

From the Officer Commanding at Pondicherry transmitting Documents connected with the embarkation of the French Troops —

the state of Disbursement made on Account
of the French Prisoners of war civil and
Military, and shall thank you to obtain
the Orders of His Lordship in Council for
Payment. —

The Expenditure for —
Provisions was made
orders of the Commander in Chief commu-
nicated by his Secretary, and by orders
from Captain Shawe which the confusion
in the Castel, the Violence of the Wind,

and

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and the distance of its anchorage /14/ Miles/
prevented his returning orders for Payment
he only sent receipts for the amount which he
said would answer for the purpose of obtaining
Payment. —

He by some mistake acknow=
=ledged the receipt of the whole wine he ordered
but owing I believe to the general unsubordi=
=nation in the Castle some part of it was —
relanded and some not shipped. —

All articles however left
on shore or relanded have been sold by auction
and Credited, together with the deduction made
as annexed to Captain Shaw's receipt —

I have the honor to be
Sir &c &c
/Signed/ J St John
Colonel. —

The Honorable Company

(2) Disbursements made on Account of Prisoners of War &c. &c. &c. at Pondicherry — &c.

By Cash paid the Subsistance of the Servants of Civil administration as per Government Order dated 2 October	Rs. 3698 - 5 - 16	24858	46	To Cash received from Mr. George Prow Collector of Southern Division of Arcot	5097	12	59
By Do Do Subsistance of the Military Officers as per Do Do	Pf. 5971 - 2 - 53	1506	8	To Do Received from the Sale of Provisions and wine left behind by Captains Shaw	312	28	40
By Do Do paid Provisions &c. purchased by Order of the Commander in Chief in the Letter of his Secretary Mayor Munro dated the 11th October and of Capt. Shaw Commissary's Receipt		1405	24	To Do received from the sale of 2 Boxes of wine landed to the Southward and not included in the first Return	27	"	"
Star Pagodas		5436	41 19	Star Pagodas	5436	41	19

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13th November 1803

E E Signed Sr John Coll.
A true Copy
Signed G. Strachey
Sub. to Govern.t

Pondicherry 13th Nov.r 1803

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2,500 Fantains - - - - - - - - - 8 . 22 . 40

Servants employed —

Loss on fruit. Deaths in

Poultry — 8% — 22

Gram for Bullocks from 14th to 30th — 56

Sundry Charges Servants

Present given the Dubash

employed - - - - - 30 — " — "

(Total as in the orig.) 818 — " "

Received the above Articles at

Pondicherry for the French Prisoners on board

the Cartel.

Matilda

31st October 1803

(Signed) Wm Shawe

Commissary of Prisoners

118	Turkeys	94 "	22 . 40
330	Ducks	41 "	33 — "
110	Geese	75 "	34 "
170	Capons	40 —	11 — "
1000	Fowls	58 "	12 — 40
26	Bags of Grain	22 "	"
35	Sheep	12 "	5

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5 Milk Goats		2	22 —
20 Pigs half fed		70	— —
1000 Loaves		28	— —
Loss on 1000 D°		14	— —
250 Cups of Butter		28 —	31 — 40
Vigitables		9 —	11 — 40
200 Bundles of Straw		12 —	" — "
3000 Coco Nuts		30 —	— —
200 Pumple Noses		46 —	— —
1000 Oranges		3	22 40
		588	32 40

N.B. Deduct from this Account the sum of 16 Pagodas, which I had added to some of the Artiles charged in the Price for feeding Servants, Grass &c. and in the hurry of embarking the Prisoners had put again in this Bill in the charge of 56 Pag.s —

(Signed) G St John Colonel

Received from Colonel St John Commanding Pondicherry one hundred and fifty dozen of Claret, at 3½ Pagodas a Dozen for

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for the use of the French Officers Prisoners of War on board the Cartel — 135

On board the Matilda
30th October 1803

/Signed/ W. Shawe
Commissary of Prisoners

Copy of the letter from the Secretary to His Excellency the Commander in Chief to the Officer Commanding at Pondicherry.

Sir,

The Commander in Chief requests that you will endeavour to procure at Pondicherry 20 good Bullocks, and as much poultry as can be obtained for the use of the French Prisoners of War on board the Matilda, and that you will have these Articles ready by the 20th Instant when that Ship may be expected to touch at Pondicherry — you are also requested to procure for the same purpose a large stock of fruit and Vegetables - The expence attending a compliance with the foregoing requests, will be paid to you by

Captain

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Captain Shaw Commissary of Prisoners. -

Head Quarters.
Choultry Plain
11th October 1803

/Signed/ I. Munro
Secretary

/A true Copy/
/Signed/ G St John Col.

Ordered that a Copy of the foregoing letter be furnished to the Military Auditor General, and that he be directed to authorise the admission of the sums disbursed by the Officer Commanding at Pondicherry under the authority of the Commander in Chief or by desire of the Commissary of Prisoners. -

Ordered also that the Military Auditor General be instructed to audit and adjust the other charges incurred by Colonel St John, on account of the French Prisoners of War.

Read the following letters from the Officer Lately Commanding at

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at Malacca. —

To George Buchan Esqr.

Chief Secretary to Government

Fort St George

Sir,

I have the honor to acquaint you for the information of the Right Honble the Governor in Council, that the Honorable Company's Ship Wexford landed the dispatches for this place on the 22nd Instant, and then proceeded on her Voyage to China. —

By the above Ship I have to acknowledge the receipt of a letter from Government in the Military Department of the 23rd Ultimo, with its enclosures, together with one on most Secret Service, the letter for Sir George Leith was forwarded to Prince of Wales's Island on the 25th Instant — The dispatches for Mr. Farquhar Commissioner &c. &c. shall be transmitted to him at Balambangan by

From the Officer Commanding at Malacca - Reports the arrival of the Wexford and of the Ship Tchangeer from Bombay - by the latter he received His Majesty's order of 16th May directing general Reprisals against the French &c. - will take every precaution for keeping possession of Malacca - Recommends the expediency of forming a Militia for the defence of that place - and that a monthly allowance be granted on that account to such as require it - Encloses a Copy of an Indent for Military Stores which he transmitted to Fort William.

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by a Vessel now under Orders to proceed thither.—

The Ship Schanger Captain Sylvester arrived here from Bombay on the 18th Instant, and brought a Government Gazette of the 24th Ultimo containing His Majesty's Order in Council of the 16th May last, directing general Reprisals to be granted against the French, and placing an Embargo on all Ships belonging to the French and Batavian Republics— Authentic copies of which I have forwarded to Mr Farquhar by the Ship General— Baird which sailed from hence on the 20th Instant.—

The Dutch Troops have not yet arrived, nor have we any intelligence of their having left Batavia for this place, should they come I shall

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of course endeavour by every means in my
power not only to prevent their getting —
possession of the Fort, but to make them —
Prisoners. —

From the present very
weak state of the Garrison both in Officers
and men, I beg leave to suggest to Govern-
=ment the expedience of forming a Select
Body of Militia for the defence of the Town,
and to grant such as may require it, a
certain monthly allowance at the discre=
=tion of Government whilst actually
doing duty. —

I had the honor of addressing
a letter to the Chief Secretary of the —
Supreme Government on the 21st Instant
covering an Indent on Emergency upon the
Arsenal of Fort William, Sundry Military
Stores of which the Garrison is in immedi=
=ate want, / a Copy of the said Indent
is

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is herewith enclosed and trust that His
Lordship in Council will not consider my
having done so irregular, as the season of the
Year would not admit of Stores being sent
from Madras. —

Malacca
the 29 September 1803

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedient
Humble Servant
Signed Wm Farquhar
Captain Commanding
Malacca.

Indent

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Indent on Emergency on the Arsenal of Fort William for the following delivery of Military Stores. —

Articles	No	For what purpose wanted.	Abstracts of and orders to the Suppliers
Gunpowder in fine 100 lb Barrels	100		
Musquets with Bayonets complete	500		
Pouches Infantry with Belts &c	500		
Gun complete	1		
Carriages Garrison 24 Pr	2		
" 18 "	12		
" 12 "	12		
" 9 "	12	For the use of the Garrison of Malacca	
" 6 "	12		
Axes Pick	50		
Broad	50		
Hatchets Hand	100		
Hooks Bill	50		
Mamoties with helves	100		
Spades	50		
Engines fire complete	1		

Malacca
21st September 1803

/ Signed / Wm Farquhar
Captain Commandant
Malacca

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To George Buchan Esqr.
Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter in the Secret Depart-ment of the 14th Ultimo with its enclosures which landed here from His Majestys Sloop Rattlesnake Captain Cramer, on the 3rd Instant.—

His Lordship may rely on my best endeavours to retain posession of Malacca, and that no exertion shall be want-ing on my part to make the best disposition of the small force I have the honor to Command.—

In my Letter of the 29th September I took the liberty of suggesting to Government the expedience of forming a Select Body of Militia for the defence of the Town; and permit-ting them to draw a small Sum monthly, whilst actually doing duty: which I hope will meet with the approbation of His Lordship in

From the Officer Commanding at Malacca—acknowledging the receipt of Letters.—will take every precaution for retain-ing possession of Malacca—repeats his suggestion relative to the propriety of forming a Militia for the defence of that place—states that no additional expence will be incurred in the Repairs of the for-tifications. but what may be necessary to guard against a Surprize or Sudden attack.— has forwarded the dispatches for Mr. Commissioner Farquhar which he receives from the Lieut. Governor of Prince of Wales Island.—represents the want of Military Stores.—

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in Council.

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Altho' the Fortifications are in general in a very ruinous state. I do not conceive myself at Liberty without the previous sanction of Government to incur any extraordinary expense on account of repairs or additions to the works with the exception of what are absolutely necessary to guard the Fort against a surprize or sudden attack. —

The dispatch for Mr. Farquhar Commissioner &c. &c. I received from the Lieutenant Governor of Prince of Wales's — Island on the 3rd Instant, and forwarded it by the Ship Luconia Captain Alms. who sailed from hence for Balambagan the day before Yesterday.

We are much in want of all Kinds of Military Stores, having spared Mr. Farquhar for the use of the Balambangan Expedition almost the whole of the English

Stores

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Stores which were considered as serviceable. -

Malacca

7 October 1803

I have the honor to be &c.

(Signed) Mill.m Farquhar

Capt.n Commandt. Malacca

Ordered in consequence that the Military Board be furnished with the following instructions.

To the President and Members of the Military Board

Gentlemen,

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council directs me to transmit to you the enclosed extracts from Letters from the Officer Commanding at Malacca by which you will perceive the general deficiency of provisions and of Military Stores at that Garrison and the measures which have been taken by the Commanding Officer for procuring from Fort William a supply of the articles required for immediate use. -

To the Military Board
With extracts from letters from the Officer Commanding Malacca, representing the general deficiency of provisions and Military Stores at that Settlement, and the measures which have been taken for procuring from Bengal a supply for immediate use. The Governor General will be requested to furnish a sufficient supply from Bengal, to submit a list of such further Articles in addition to Capt.n Farquhar's indent, as they may deem necessary for the use of the Garrison of Malacca -

Adverting to the difficulty of — conveying

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conveying Stores from Fort St George to Malacca at this Season of the Year, and to the urgent demand of the Commanding Officer, His Lordship in Council is of opinion that it will be expedient to request His Excellency the Governor General in Council to direct a sufficient supply of Military Stores and provisions to be sent to Malacca from Bengal. I am therefore directed to desire that in addition to the Indent, enclosed in Captain Farquhar's letter of the 29th of September to His Lordship in Council for the purpose of being forwarded to Fort William, a List of the further articles which it may be in your opinion necessary to furnish for the use of the Garrison of Malacca. —

I have the honor &c &c

/ Signed / G. Strachey

Secretary to Govermt.

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Read the following letter from

Mr. Elbracht. —

To

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To the Right Honorable
Lord William Cavendish Bentinck
Governor in Council
Fort St George

My Lord,

I take the liberty of enclosing a Petition from a Person of the name of John Fransz Sexton and Teacher in the Portuguese Church, humbly requesting your Lordship will be pleased to grant him the situation of Reader in that Church together with the Salary attached to that situation. —

From Mr Elbracht forwards an application from the Sexton of the Portuguese Church for the appointment of Clerk —

Pulicat
9th November 1803

I have the honor to be &c.
/Signed/ Jacob Eilbracht
/A true Translation/
/Signed/ Edward Coxe
Dated Transl. to Govt

To the Right Honorable
Lord William Cavendish Bentinck
Governor in Council
Fort St George

My Lord,

It is with the greatest respect

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respect that your Lordships most obedient humble Servant John Fransz Sexton and Teacher in the Portuguese Church at this place makes known to your Lordship. —

That he for many years has filled these employs and in particular that he has performed the duties of / Clerk Reader / in the Portuguese Church in the case of sickness or otherwise for him who actually held the situation=

And as now the last mentioned situ=ation of Reader in the Portuguese Church is become vacant by the death of John Samuel Paul, your Lordships Petitioner humbly takes the liberty of begging your Lordship to grant him the Monthly allowance of the late John Samuel Paul by placing him / the Petitioner / on the Pulicat subsistence list, and that he may succeed to the situation of Portuguese Reader in the reformed Church at this place. —

For which Eminent favor ydr Lordship

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of the Southern Division of Arcot, and that You will give such orders as may be necessary for the removal of those Articles to a convenient Station, or for destroying such of them as may be useless.

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

Fort St George
23rd November 1803

/Signed/ Geo Strachey Secy to Govt

To the Military Auditor General

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor in Council to transmit to you the enclosed copy of a letter from the Officer Commanding at Pondicherry.

It is the desire of His Lordship in Council that you will audit and adjust the Charges stated by Colonel St John on Account of allowances paid to the French Prisoners of War, and that You will authorise the payment of the Sums disbursed by that Officer, under the Commander in Chief's authority, or by desire of Capt.n Shawe, for the use of the Prisoners embarked on the Matilda.

I have the honor &c. &c.

/Signed/ Geo. Strachey
Secy to Govt

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To the Military Auditor General authorising the payment of allowances &c. to the French Prisoners of War. Copy of a letter from the Officer Commanding at Pondicherry enclosed.

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To the Officer Commanding at
Pondicherry

Sir,

Para 1st The Right Honorable the Governor in Council directs me to acknowledge the receipt of Your letters dated the 12th and 13th Instant.—

2 His Lordship in Council permits M. Sevre to proceed to Tranquebar on the condition of his embarking from that Settlement for France by the earliest opportunity; and His Lordship in Council desires that you will take from M. Sevre a Written Agreement to that effect.—

3 The Military Auditor General has been directed to authorise the payment of the sums expended by you under the authority of the Commander in Chief, or by desire of Capt.n Shawe for the use of the French prisoners of War embarked on the Cartel Ship Matilda—

4 The Military Auditor General has been also furnished with instructions for the audit and adjustment of the charges incurred by you on account of the French Prisoners of War—

I have the honor &c &c
(Signed) Geo Strachey
Sec.y to Govern.t

Fort St. George
23rd November 1803

Sent

To the Offic Commanding at Pondicherry
M Sevre permitted to proceed to Tranquebar on the condition of his embarking from that Settlement for France by the earliest opportunity - to require from M Sevre a written Agreement to that effect. the sums expended by him for the use of the French Prisoners of War embarked have been authorised

5934 Fort St George November 1803.

Sent the following letters entered in M.B.
Nos 28. 29. 30. 31.—

To the Military Auditor General— To authorise the payment of Shaik Modeen's pension at Truchinopoly— Copy of a letter from the Officer Commanding the Southern Division enclosed.—

To the Military Auditor General

To the Military Auditor General— with Copy of a letter from the Secretary at Fort William relative to the advance of pay £5. to Captain Moore of His majestys 34th Regt— to authorise the payment of the advance of Money recommended by the Milit.y Board—

To the Deputy accountant Genl.

To the Deputy accountant Genl.— Enclosing an abstract of contingent charges incurred by major General Wellesley in July and August to make the necessary Adjustment of the same in the Genl. Books—

To the Officer Commanding the Southern Division

To the Officer Commanding the Southern Division— acquainting him that authority has been given for the payment of the allowance of Shaik Modeen at Truchinopoly and for removing the Encumbrance on that account from the Disbursement of the Paymaster—

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