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sorts, two Swivels, four firelocks, five Barrels of Gunn Powder and five hundred Shot of sort

Palembang 6th October 1803

The Passengers are

1 Moorman 3 Chinees

2 Natives and 10 arabians

Signed / Palm

/ Signed / A. D. Palm

A true Translation

/ Signed / J. L. Beggle

Dutch Interpreter

A true Copy

Signed / Wm. Farquhar

Capt.n Comm.g Malacca

Cargo

	Tutenague			Green	Peas
	Picols	Caolies	Pieces	Picols	Bags
Of Sieck Obet 9/14	52	215	100	191	
" Tambie Medun 111	78	217	"	"	
" Ch.g Tjng Chaw 89	25	192	"	"	
" Private	"	75	"	"	
	1145	55	2635	100	191

A true Translation

/ Signed / J. L. Beggle

Dutch Interpreter

A true Copy

/ Signed / Wm. Farquhar

Capt.n Comm.g Malacca

Bill of Lading of an Invoice in the Brig Wager Command-ed by the Javanees Juragan Ongo Departing from hence direct

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Direct to Lingga and Malacca and consigned to J. Bellamy & Co.

400 Bundles of Rattans at 10 Spanish Dallrs per Bundle } Spa. Dol. ... 10 - - -

Cash ..... 200 - - -

Bonds Viz.

One Do. Sambee Medium - " - 223 32 723 - 32

Total Spa. Dollrs. ... 963 - 32

Palambang
8th October 1803.

/Signed/ A. 2. Palm

A true Translation

/Signed/ J. L. Beggle Dutch Interp.r

/A true Copy/
/Signed/ Wm. Farquhar
Capt.n Comg Malacca

To Chas. Wallace Young Esqr.
Malacca

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of yesterdays date with its several enclosures. But as you have declared to [illegible] furnishing me with the papers. I find myself unable from the press of business on hand to take them at present into due consideration

I have stated my reasons to the Madras Government for the detention of the property claimed by your Constituents, therefore recommend, that whatever references you have to make, may be laid before the Government, whose orders I am ever ready to obey.

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

Malacca
20th February 1804

/Signed/ Wm. Farquhar
Capt.n Comg Malacca

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To the Secretary to Government in the
Military Department

Sir

Para 1st I return you the letter from the Town Major to the Chief Secretary to Government giving information that William Tennant, William Willis and Richard Walsh have been sent on shore as Prisoners supposed to be British subjects and were found in arms on board the French Privateers La Clarisse lately Captured - admitting that these three Persons are British subjects it will be necessary in order to support any Criminal proceeding against them for being found in arms on board the Ship of war of an Enemy, to prove that they are British subjects, and I see no other way of doing it than by shewing that they were born within the King's Dominions and Owe him Allegiance, perhaps on being separately examined by the Town Major they may confess the truth as to the nation to which they belong and how and when they entered into the Service of subjects of the French nation. -

From the Company's Solicitor - His opinion regarding the supposed British subjects taken in an enemy's Vessel & concerning the Dutch Ships detained at Malacca.

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The several papers you have forward-
-ed to me respecting the seizure of the Brig Waag-
-hals and her Cargo at Malacca I also return to you,
it appears from the Examinations transmitted by
Captain William Farquhar that the Brig is the
property of the Dutch Resident at Palembang and
is therefore good Prize The Cargo or at least the prin-
-cipal part of it is claimed by persons who are not
stated to be at war with the British nation, that
their Claims are unsupported by any documents
whatever and it therefore seems reasonable to infer
that those persons are not the bonâ fide Owners of
the Cargo but are brought forward to protect it from
Condemnation, It would however seem reasonable
that the Claimants should have a reasonable time
allowed them to bring Evidence to support their
right to such parts of the Cargo as they have claimed

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In order to proceed against the
Brig and her Cargo to condemnation in a Court of
Admiralty, it is necessary the Master and one or
two of the Crew should be sent to Madras to be

examined

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examined under the standerg interrogatories from the Court of admiralty in England, and that the Person who went on board and made the Seizure and got possession of the Ships papers should also attend with those Papers to make Oath to their being all the Papers found or delivered up, and that they have undergone no alteration; but as the sending these persons to madras and keeping them there and returning them to the place of their abode must be attended with considerable expence, it may be deemed proper to consider how far the value of the Brig and her Cargo admitting the Claimants cannot support their Right to the Cargo they have claimed will cover the expences that are likely to be incurred. -

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

Fort St. George
16th February 1804

/ Signed / Robt. Orme
Sol.r to the Honble Company

Ordered that the following letters be dispatched to the Town major of Fort St. George and to the Commanding Officer at Malacca -

To the Town Major of Fort St. George

Sir

To the Town Major of Fort St. George extract from a letter from

Para. 1st

I am directed by the Right Honble the

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from the Company's Solicitor relative to the three persons supposed to be British subjects who were captured in the French Ship La Clarisse & instructions in consequence

the Governor in Council to furnish for your information the enclosed extract from a letter from the Honorable Company's Solicitor, stating his opinion of the line of conduct to be pursued with respect to the three persons supposed to be British subjects who were captured in the French Ship La Clarisse and are now under your custody —

2 His Lordship in Council desires that you will endeavour to ascertain by private enquiry in the manner suggested by the Company's Solicitor or by examination before a magistrate if that mode shall appear to be preferable the particular circumstances which attended the embarkation of those persons on board of the Privateer with their name, their Country and former occupation, and you will report the result of the examination to His Lordship in Council.

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Sam 8. 8.
Signed/ Geo Strachey
Secretary to Government

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To the Officer Commanding
at Malacca

Sir

To the Officer Commanding at Malacca. Enclosing an extract from a letter from the Company's Solicitor relative to the disposal of the Dutch Brig detained by him at Malacca. Instructions in consequence.

Para 1 I am directed by the Right Honor-
able the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt
of your letter of the 14th. November last, and to
furnish for your information the enclosed Extract
from a letter from the Honorable Company's
Solicitor whose opinion has been consulted
relative to the disposal of the Dutch Brig de-
-tained by your Orders at Malacca.

2 In the event of the supposed
Prize not appearing to you to be of sufficient
value to Justify the expence of procuring her
regular condemnation by the process described
by the Company's Law Officer, it will be for you to
determine how far it will be advisable for the
Company to take on themselves according to the
frequent practice of Individuals and of the Officers of His
Majesty's Navy, the responsibility of Selling the
Vessel at Malacca on the proofs which you possess

relative

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relative to the real Owners: but I am directed parti-
-cularly to desire that the property claimed by the
Arab passengers may not be confiscated unless you
shall be convinced on the most satisfactory evidence
that the Assertion is without foundation.

I am &c. &c.
(Signed) G Strachey
Secretary to Govt.

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Read the following letter from
the Company's Solicitor.

To the Secretary to the Government
in the Military Department

Sir

From the Company's Solicitor. Resolution respecting the claim of the Soldiers of the Regiment De Meuron to share in the Prize Money of the Genl Stuart

The claim of the Officers and Soldiers of the Regiment De Meuron to share in the Prize money to arise from the French Ship Captured by the General Stuart and sent to England not being admitted by Captain Mortimer it will be necessary that they should put in their claim in the Court of admi-
-ralty in England, the fact of those Officers and
Soldiers being actually on board not being likely

to

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or if disputed
to be disputed, as it may be easily proved by the
return made by Captain Mortimer to the India
House of the Passengers on board the General Stuart.
I am not aware of any other Evidence being
necessary to enable the claimants to substantiate their
right to share in the Prize money should the
Honorable the Court of Directors be disposed to
assist them in prosecuting their claim. -

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
Signed/ Robt. Orme

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Ordered that a Copy of the fore-
-going letter be furnished to the Commander in
Chief in order that the opinion which it contains
regarding the right of certain Officers and Soldiers
of His Majesty's Regiment De Meuron to share
in the Prize money of the French Brig Aurora
Captured by the Honorable Company's Extra
Ship General Stuart may be communicated
to the Claimants. -

Read

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Read the following letter from
Colonel Oliver.

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

My Lord,

From Colonel Oliver
With a letter addressed
to the Honorable Court
of Directors, requesting
that it may be forwarded
by the present
dispatch.

Accompanying I have the honor to lay before your a letter which I have considered it to be my duty to address to the Honorable the Court of Directors of the Honorable United East India Company, accompanied by Copies of correspondence connected therewith, and beg leave to request that your Lordship will be pleased to make them a number in the dispatch about to be transmitted to that Honorable Court with such favorable mention as your Lordship may deem the subject worthy of.

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

Madras
18th February 1804

(Signed) J. Oliver
Colonel, late in charge of the
Civil and Military Authorities
At the Moluccas

Resolved

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Resolved that the memorial submitted with the foregoing letter be forwarded to the Honorable Court of Directors by the present Dispatch.—

Read the following letter from Messrs. Lautour & C.o

To the Chief Secretary of Government

Sir,

We have the honor to acquaint you that we have received thro' the Channel of Mr. Sinclair of Ganjam a letter from our consituent Major William Sheppard dated Isle of France novimber 20.th 1803, stating that he is detained Prisoner of war at the mauritius and desiring we will apply for his military allowances and endeavour to remit him the amount for his maintenance and support.

From Messrs. Lautour & C.o Requesting payment of the Allowances of Major Sheppard who is detained a Prisoner of War at the Island France.

In pursuance of major Sheppards desire, we take the liberty of requesting you will be pleased to move the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to order the Regimental allowances due to major Sheppard to be paid to us on his behalf, and in consideration of the majors present unfortunate

situation

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situation and the heavy Expences to which he must be subjected at the Mauritius, we trust His Lordship in Council may be pleased to consider the hardship of his Case and grant him the full mount of his allowances as long as he shall remain in Captivity

We inclose a Certificate of the Paymaster General, shewing the period upto which Major Sheppard has received his pay &c. to the 31st December 1802.

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and have the honor to remain
&c. &c.
(Signed) Fras. Saulez &c.

Copy of a Certificate granted in Triplicate to Major Sheppard the first delivered to him and the 2nd forwarded to Government the 1st December 1802.

Fort St. George 1st December 1802

This is to Certify that major William Sheppard of the 1st Battalion 3d Regiment Native Infantry has received his subsistence to 1st December 1802 and to no later period

(Signed) B. Roebuck
Mily Paymaster General

Military Paymasters Office

A true Copy
(Signed) B. Roebuck
Mily Paymaster

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Resolved, in consideration of the circum-
-stances mentioned in the foregoing letter to authorise the
Amount of Major Shiphards Subsistence to be paid to the
agents of that Officer from the date of the last payment of
it in India on condition that the agents shall make
themselves responsible for any eventual excess that may
take place on the adjustment of Major Shepherds allow-
-ance, if that Officer should proceed from the Isle of
France to Europe. —

Resolved, that the Military Paymaster
General be directed to furnish Certificates of any payments
that may be made to the agents of Major Shiphard under
these instructions, for the information of the Honorable
Court of Directors. —

Resolved to postpone for the present
a decision on that part of the foregoing application which
relates to the continuance of Major Shiphards Indian
allowances.

Read the following letter from the
Chief Secretary to the Government at Fort William. —

To

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To G. Buchan Esqr.

Chief Secretary to Government of

Fort St. George

Sir

I am directed by His Excellency the Right Hon.ble the Governor in Council to transmit to you for the purpose of being laid before the Right Hon.ble the Governor in Council, the enclosed Copies of a Gazettee Extraordinary published on this date by His Excellency's Command.

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

Fort William
the 7th. February 1804

Signed J. Lumsden
Chief Secy. to the Govt.

From the Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort William forwarding copies of a Gazette extraordinary published at Fort William.

Calcutta Gazette
Extraordinary

Tuesday, February 7th. 1804.

Fort William February 6th. 1804

Advices have been received this day by the Governor General from the Honorable Major General Wellesley containing the important Intelligence that the Honorable Major General Wellesley had concluded a Definitive Treaty of Peace on the part of the Honorable Company and its allies with Doulut Row Sindiah and that the Treaty had been ratified by Doulut

Row

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Row Sindiah.

Published by Command of His Excellency
The most noble the Governor General in Council

/Signed/ J. Lumsden
Chief Secy to the Govt

General Order by His Excellency the most noble the Governor General and Captain General of all the Land Forces serving in the East Indies.—

Fort William, February 7th 1804.

A Royal Salute and three Vollies of musketry to be fired at all the stations of the Land Forces serving in the East Indies, in honor of the Conclusion of Peace between the Honorable Company and its allies and Dowlut Row Sindiah

By His Excellency's Command

/Signed/ J. Armstrong
Asst. Mil. Secy

Ordered that a Copy of the Gazette Extraordinary transmitted with the foregoing letter be published in General Orders, and that directions be given for a Royal Salute and three Vollies of musketry to be fired at Fort St. George and at all the Military Stations under this Presidency in honor of the conclusion of Peace between the Honorable Company and their allies and Dowlut Row Sindiah.

Read the following letter from the Secretary to the Government at Bombay

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

Sir

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to request that you will be pleased to state to the Honorable the Governor in Council the wish of this Government to be furnished by the earliest opportunity with musters of the different kinds of Cloths of which Tents are made up at the Presidency of Fort St. George.

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

(Signed) J. Grant Secy to Govt.

From the Secretary to the Government at Bombay.
Requesting samples of Tent Cloth.

Bombay Castle
30th January 1804

Ordered, that the Military Board be directed to dispatch to Bombay by an early opportunity the Samples of Tent Cloth applied for by that Government.

Ex. per W. Brancker

" W Bentinck
" Wmack
" W Aikin
" John Chamier

Office Sec. Cons. 25th February 1804
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Received the following Letters, entered in M. B. Nos 64. 65. 66.

From the Military Auditor General

From Lieutenant Colonel Brunton - Reporting the nett advances to the Military Department in October 1803

From the Town Major of Fort St. George

From Captain Grant - Enclosing an application from a French Officer prisoner of War soliciting permission to remain in India for the re-establishment of his health

From Captain Winslow of the 33rd. Regiment

From Captain Winslow - Requesting that the Security Bonds deposited by him on his appointment to the situation of acting Deputy Paymaster General to the Kings Troops may be given up.

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Sent the following Letters

To the President and Members of the Military Board

Gentlemen,

To the Military Board approving the repairs which they have authorized to the fortifications of Fort St. George the Register of extraordinaries for December returned with

I. I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letters of the 6th. and 13th. Instant

His

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with the decision of Government thereon. — application has been made for a supply of Gun Powder for the ensuing season from Bengal. — The payment of Bills and advances of Cash which they recommended have been authorised. —

His Lordship in Council approves the works which you have authorised to be executed towards the repair of the Fortifications of Fort St. George, according to the Plans and Estimates submitted for his infor-
=mation.

3

I return to you the Register of Extraordinaries for the month of December last with the decision of His Lordship in Council on the several Charges. —

4

Application has been made to the Government at Fort William for the supply of Gun Powder which you expect to be required at this Presidency in the course of the ensuing Season.

5

The necessary orders have been given to the Military Auditor General for authoris-
=ing the Bills, payment and — advances of money recommended in your letters of the 6th and 13th instant.

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

Signed / G. Strachey.

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To the President and Members of the
Military Board.

Gentlemen,

1st

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council directs me to transmit to you the enclosed Copy of a letter from the Secretary to the Government at Bombay, and to desire that you will take the earliest opportunity of sending to that Presidency the patterns of tent Cloth for which application has been made.

2 I am directed to desire that you will call on the Officer in Charge of the Honorable Company's Stud at Ganjam to account for the unauthorised expense which he appears to have incurred according to the information stated in the enclosed extract from a letter from the military auditor General.

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I have the honor to be &c. &c.
(Signed) G. Strachey
Secrety to Govert

To

To the Military Board
with a copy of a letter from the Secretary at Bombay.
To dispatch by the earliest opportunity the patterns of Cloth required by that Government. The Officer in charge of the Stud at Ganjam to account for the unauthorised expense which he has incurred as stated in an enclosed extract of a letter from the Military Auditor Genl.

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To the Military Auditor General.

Sir,

To the Military Auditor General requesting him that the establishments of the Military Paymaster and Garrison Storekeeper at Trichinopoly will be regulated in the manner which he has recommended — The Military Board will call on the Officer in charge of the Stud for an explanation of his unauthorised expences — The allowances recommended by him to be granted to the Paymaster and Agent for public Cattle under Major General Campbell, — approved — The amount improperly forming a part of the outstanding balances in the Military Books to be written off — in the manner which he has recommended —

1

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letters of the 17th and 18th Instant.

2

His Lordship in Council has been pleased to resolve that the Establishments of the Military Paymaster and Garrison Storekeeper at Trichinopoly shall be regulated on the scale which you have recommended —

3

The Military Board have been desired to call on the Officer in charge of the Honorable Company's Stud for an explanation of the unauthorized expence stated in your letter of the 17th Instant to have been incurred by that Officer.

4

His Lordship in Council is pleased to approve and sanction the allowances which you have recommended to be granted to the Paymaster and Agent for public Cattle with the Division of the Army Commanded by Major General D. Campbell, amounting to the Sum

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of Twenty five Pagodas per month for Camp — Equipage; and I am directed to desire that the Sums of Pagodas Eleven thousand eight hundred and Sixty two — /11,862/ and of Pagodas Seven thousand and Five, fa- -nams Twenty Nine, and Cash Thirty /7,005. 29. 30/ specified in your letter of the 18th Instant as form- -ing improperly a part of the outstanding Balances in the Military Books may be written off in conformity to your recommendation to the Head of Military Charges.

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I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
/ Signed / G. Strachey
Secrety to Govert

To the Military Auditor General.

Sir,

I am directed by the Right — Honorable the Governor in Council to furnish for your information and guidance the enclosed Extract from a Minute of the Commander in Chief relative to a request of Major General Eccles Nixon for the -

To the Military Auditor General. Enclosing copy of a letter from Major General Nixon. to request that Officers claims on the Effingham fund to the close of the year 1803. the beginning of Major Staff heads subscriptions authorised to obtain certificates

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certificates of the pay-ments which may be made to the agents of that Officer for trans-mission to the Honble Court of Directors. —

the adjustment of his claims on the Off reckoning Fund.

2 It is the desire of his Lordship in Council that the claims of Major General Nixon may be adjusted in conformity to his request to the close of the year 1802, on the principle stated in the minute of the Commander in Chief.

3 In consideration of the circum-stances mentioned in the enclosed Copy of a letter from the agents for major Shiephard of the 3. Regi-ment of Native Infantry, the Governor in Council is pleased to direct that you will authorise the Amount of that Officer's Subsistence to be paid to them on his account from the date of the last pay-ment of it in India, on the condition that Major Shiephard's agents shall make themselves respon-sible for any eventual excess that may take place in the adjustment of that Officer's allowance if he should proceed to Europe from the Isle of France.

4 His Lordship in Council has postponed for the present, a decision on that part of the application which relates to the continuance of

Major

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Major Shepherd's Indian allowances.

5 It will be proper that the Honora-
ble Court of Directors shall be furnished with
Certificates of any payments which may be made
to the agents of major Shepherd under these —
instructions. you will accordingly give the necessary
directions to the military Paymaster General for
that purpose.

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23. February 1804

I have the honor to be &c. &c.
/Signed/ G. Strachey
Secretary to Govern.t

To Major General Sir E. Nixon.

Sir,

To Major General Sir Eyles Nixon. acquainting him that the military Auditor General has been directed to adjust his claims on the Offreckoning fund to the close of the Year 1802, the arrangements under the contemplation of the Court of Directors prevent a compliance with his request on that subject to a greater extent. Permission for him to proceed to Europe has been granted in General Orders. —

Para 1.st The Right Honorable the Governor
in Council directs me to acknowledge the receipt
of your letter of the — Instant, and to acquaint
you that orders have been given to the Military Auditor
General for adjusting your claims on the Offreckoning
Fund to the close of the Year 1802. —

2 His Lordship in Council has not
been at liberty to comply with your request on that
subject —

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subject to a greater extent under the arrangements in the contemplation of the Honorable Court of Directors respecting the appropriation of the profits arising from the Clothing of the army.—

The permission which you have requested for leave to proceed to England has been granted to you in General Orders, and the circumstances which you have stated relative to the period of your furlough will be submitted to the consideration of the Honorable Court of Directors.

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I have the honor to be &c. &c.
(Signed) G. Strachey
Secy to Govt

To Majr. F. Faulour &c.

Gentlemen,

To Majr. Frances Faulour Requesting that the authority has been given to the Military Auditor General for the payment of Major Shipbard's Subsistence

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 17th Instant, and to acquaint you that on consideration of the circumstances which you have stated, directions have been given to the Military Auditor General for authorizing conditionally the payment of Major Shipbard's subsistence on your application.—

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I am &c. &c.

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Received and Sent the following Letters

entered in M/B Nos. 67-67-68-69-70-71-72-73-74-75-76.

From the Military Paymaster General.

From Mr. Roebuck - Submitting an additional Estimate of Cash required for the Current month.

From the acting Deputy adjutant General to the Kings Troops.

From Captain Campbell - Submitting the Sick Certificates of Cornet Jones of His Majesty's 22 Dragoons, and of Lieutenant Foucke of His Majesty's Regiment De Meuron, and requests authority for the payment of the usual amount of passage money on account of those Officers.

From D°. D°. - Requesting an advance of two months pay and allowances for two Officers recently arrived from England. -

From D°. D°.

To the Marine Board - Directing them to transhipon board the Euphrates the Stores consigned to Bengal on the Glory together with those which have been landed from the General Stuart. -

To the Marine Board

To the Military Auditor General. Authorising the payment of bills &c. recommended by the military Board. To admit the contingent Charges of the Officer Commanding the Subsidiary Force of Hydrabad. -

To the Military Auditor General

To -

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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 — With an Extract from a Letter from the Military Auditor General relative to the Establishment of the Military Paymaster and Garrison Storekeeper at Trichinopoly.

To the late Acting Deputy Paymaster General to the King's Troops.

To Captain Winslow. Returning to him the Securities deposited at the period of his appointment to act as Deputy Paymaster General to the King's Troops.

To Colonel Clarke.

To Colonel Clarke. acquainting him that the Memorial submitted by him on the 18th Instant will be forwarded to the Court of Directors. —

To the Officer Commanding at Masulipatam.

To the Officer Commanding at Masulipatam. The measures adopted by him for the protection of the Honorable Company's Ships Wyndham and Ceylon on their passage from

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from Masulipatam to Madras highly approved.-

To the Officer Commanding at
Pondicherry. M. Moneron permitted to proceed to
Tranquebar, and eventually to the Isle of France
on the condition that he will not return to Pondicherry.

To the Officer Commanding at Pondicherry

At a Consultation

Present

The Right Honorable
Lord William Cavendish Bentinck,
Governor and President.
Lieutenant General James Stuart
Commander in Chief
William Petrie } Esqres
and
John Chamier }

Friday the 24th February 1804

Minutes of last Consultation
read and approved.

Resolved, in obedience to the
Orders of the Court of Directors conveyed in their
dispatch of the 17th. of August 1803, that the Table
allowance:

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allowance of the Officers Commanding the Southern and Northern Divisions of the army be reduced from the Sum of three hundred Pagodas to the Sum of One hundred Pagodas per month from this date.

Ordered that the foregoing Resolution, and the 297th. 298th. and 299th. Paragraphs of the Dispatch from the Honorable Court dated the 17th. August 1803, be published in General Orders.

The Commander in Chief records the following Minute

Minute of the Commander in Chief.—

Minute of the Commander in Chief recommending that Lieut. Bromley be appointed Brigade Major to the Officer Commanding in Malabar and Canara vice Hardy promoted—submits application from Lieutenant Hunter for permission to proceed to Ceylon on leave for 2 months.

The Officer Commanding in Malabar and Canara has reported to me the death of Brigade Major Charles Hardy of His Majesty's 80th. Regiment on the 12th. instant

Lieutenant R. A. Bromley of the 3d. Regiment of Bombay Native Infantry having officiated as major of Brigade during the indisposition of Lieutenant Hardy I recommend that he be appointed

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to succeed that Officer as major of Brigade to the Officer Commanding in Malabar and Canara.

I lay before the Board an application from Lieutenant Hunter of the 16th native Regiment for permission to proceed to Ceylon on leave of absence for two months. I recommend compliance with his request

25th February 1804 (Signed) J. Stuart

To the Right Honorable

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

My Lord,

I have the honor to request your Lordship's permission to be absent from my Corps for the space of two months, to go to Ceylon on some private business which requires my presence.

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

Madras

February 25th 1804. (Signed) Tho. Hunter

Lieut. 1st Bn. 16th Regt. N.I.

Resolved that Lieutenant Bromley of the Bombay Native Infantry be appointed

to

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to succeed the late Lieutenant Hardy as Brigade Major to the Troops in Malabar and Canara -

Resolved that Lieutenant Hunter of the 16th. Regiment of Native Infantry be permitted to proceed to Ceylon on Furlough for two months

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F. W. Buchanan

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W. Petrie

Thackeray

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Diary

25th Received the following Letters.

To the Chief Secretary to Government

Fort St. George

Sir,

I am directed by the President and Members of the Board of Trade to acknowledge the receipt of Mr. Secretary Bowdey's letter under date the 23d Instant and in reply to forward the accompanying Copy of a letter from the Commander of the Honorable Company's Extra Ship Euphrates, stating his inability to convey the consignments for the Bengal Presidency received by the Extra Ships Glory and General Stuart upon that Ship and to inform you that the Board will await themselves of the first favorable opportunity of forwarding those Consignments to their place of their destination.

From the Secretary to the Board of Trade Reporting that the Commander of the Euphrates cannot receive the Bengal consignments from the Glory and General Stuart and that they will be forwarded by the first opportunity.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most
obedient
humble Servant

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24th February 1804

Signed Charles Wynch
Secretary
Charles

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Charles Wynch Esqr.

Secretary to the Board of Trade.

Madras

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you in Answer to your letter of the 23d Ultimo, that the Honorable Company's Ship Euphrates being the last Ship of the Season for Bengal, we expect consequently filled with Cargo and that any addition will interfere with the Ships steerage in case of coming to action.

I am Sir

Your most obedt Servt

Madras
24th February
1804

Signed G. Welstead

A true Copy

Signed A. G. Waight
Deputy Secretary

The Secretary to Government
Military Department

Sir,

I have the honor to report to the 12th Ultimo, that the first and Second Captains, and

From the Officer Commanding in Malabar Relative to some French Prisoners of war landed from the St. Fiorenzo and containing intelligence from the Seat of France.

Lieutenant

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Lieutenant and two Seamen had been received in the Hospital at Camanore from a French Prize Captured by His Majesty's Ships St. Fiorenzo—

As the Officers were badly wounded the Garrison Surgeon has taken them into his House, and as I am at a loss to know at what rates the charges are to be made for these Prisoners whilst in Hospital or under the Fort Adjutant, I have to request you will do me the favor to inform me whether there are any established rates or regulations by which I can be guided—

In the course of conversation with these Officers, some information has been received which perhaps may be considered of sufficient importance to communicate to the Government.— They state that in the Mountains there are about 20,000 Caffres who are regularly trained to Arms and they think in the event of a descent in India being attempted, about Eight or ten thousand would accompany the Troops—

The produce of the Islands they state

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state to be insufficient for the maintenance of the Inhabitants, and more particularly so now that there is so large a body of Troops and Seamen, as they consequently think that if supplies could be prevented from entering it would be very detrimental.—

Many injunctions have been issued to Privateers and other Vessels to respect all neutral Flags, European or Indian, and whether under British protection or not, which it was supposed was done with the view of endeavouring them to carry supplies to the Islands.— A regulation had taken place in Pegu previous to the War that every Merchantman bound to the Mauritius should carry one Soldier for every Ton Some burthen of the Vessel and several on Vessels had arrived which had brought Troops in that manner.—

It appears from the acknowledgments of these Officers that some one of them has been present at every Capture of importance which was made in the Indian seas during the last war

Wm, & therefore strongly Recommend they should not be exchanged during the present War, and that they should as soon as their wounds will admit be sent to Bombay.

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

/Signed/ J. Montresor
Colonel, Commanding
Malabar and Canara.

Canara
15th February 1804

Order of Council
Military Department
24th February 1804.

Received the following letter from the Military Auditor General.

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

My Lord,

From the Military auditor General. His report on the additional estimate for the current month.

I Having examined the additional Estimate of Cash for the Current Month, which accompanied a letter from the Secretary in the Military Department under date the 23rd Instant

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Instant, I have the honor to report that the Amount thereof Viz.t Pagodas Thirty Eight Thousand eight hundred and fifty six, fanams thirty six, and Cash five / Pagodas 38,856. 36. 5. is admissible from the General Treasury.

2.

Of this sum Pagodas Thirty four thousands seven hundred and ninety six fanams thirty and Cash seven / Pagodas 34,796. 30. 7. is required by the Military Paymaster General for the payment of Bills drawn upon him by Subordinate Paymasters and to make advances to the Superintending Engineer at the Presidency under authority from Government.

3.

The remainder Viz.t Pagodas four thousand and sixty fourfanams five, and Cash seventy eight 78 Pagodas 4060. 5. 78 is required by the Chief Paymaster at the Presidency for the payment of sundry Bills payable on the Establishment of Government, and to discharge other demands made on the Office.

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Military Auditor I have the honor to be
General's Office Sir &c &c
Fort St. George
24th February 1804. Signed J. Baunton
Military Auditor General

In consequence of the foregoing
report; Ordered that the Sum of Thirty Eight
thousand Eight hundred and fifty six Pagodas,
thirty six fanams, and five Cash (Pagodas 38856.
36. 5) be issued from the Treasury to the Military
Paymaster Genenal on account of the additiom-
-al Estimate enclosed in his letter of the 22nd
Instant.

The sum of Pagodas 38856-36-5 to be issued from the Treasury to the Military Paymaster General.

By Order of the Right Honora-
-ble the Governor in Council.
Signed George Strachey
Secretary to Government

Received and sent the following
Letters, entered in M. B. Nos 77. 78. 79. 80.

From Lieutenant Colonel &c
Keith - Relative to Prisoners of War Ordered to
proceed to England, and others permitted to &c
remain

From the acting commanding officer at Pondicherry -

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remain at Pondicherry.

From the Military Paymaster General.

From Mr. Roebuck - With a

Statement of the Madras Army for March 1809.

To the Military Auditor General.

To the Military Auditor General

authorizing the advances of Money recommended

in letters from the Acting Deputy Adjutant Gene-

-ral to the King's Troops.

To the Military Paymaster

General - Acquainting him that the Sum of Pagodas

38,856 - 36 - 5, has been ordered to be issued from

the Treasury on his application.

Received and Sent the following

Letters entered in Mr. B. Nos 81 - 92 -

From Lieutenant Colonel

Taylor - Transmitting a Letter from the Secretary

at Fort William notifying the Capture of the

Honorable Company's Ship Admiral Aplin by

the Psyche Privateer.

To the Military Auditor General.

To the Military Auditor General

referring for his examination a General Estimate

for the ensuing Month.

From the Officer Commanding at Masulipatam

To the Military Auditor General.

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At a Consultation

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 28th. February 1804.

Minutes of last Consultation

read and Approved.

The Commander in Chief

records the following Minute.

Minute of the Commander in Chief.

Minute of the Commander in Chief submitting an application from Colonel The Honorable G. St. John soliciting permission to resign the Command of Pondicherry preparatory to his return to Europe submits also a letter from Major W. Davison requesting advanced rank in Consequence of the decision of the Honorable Court of Directors on the retirement

I lay before the Board an application from Colonel The Honorable G. St. John, soliciting permission to resign the Command of Pondicherry preparatory to his return to Europe and Recommend that his resignation be accepted.

Major

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retirement of Major R. Gomonde states the Capture of Captain Lieutenant J. Hawkins of Native Infantry on Board the admiral ship, and recommends promotion in Consequence of the resignation of Lieutenant Colonel Bannerman submits the proceedings of the Medical Board.

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Major Davison has addressed a letter to the Adjutant General of the Army, requesting to be furnished with a Commission as Major of prior date to that he now holds, in consequence of the decision of the Honorable the Court of Directors in favor of his claim to Rank from the period of Major Richard Gomonde's Retirement in England. I submit his letter covering an Original letter to him from the Secretary at the India House to the Board: that letter grants his request in unequivocal terms, and the orders of the Honorable Court received last year on the subject of Major Davison's allowances are also clear on this subject. I have formerly stated my opinion on the inconveniences which would frequently result from the adoption of the System, but under the orders which have been received I request the Board to decide on Davison's claim.

Captain Lieutenant J. Hawkins of the 10th Regiment Native Infantry

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Infantry has reported his Capture on Board the Admiral Affleck on the 10th. of January last by a French Privateer and that he has been ordered to Mauritius.—

In consequence of the notifica-

tion received from Europe that Lieutenant Colo-

nel S. Bannerman had retired from the Service on the 6th. of August 1803, I recommend the follow-

ing Promotions.—

Major Walter Wilson from the 7th. Regiment of Native Infantry to be Lieutenant Colonel.—

date of Rank 2d. January 1804.—

7th. Regiment of Native Infantry.—

Captain Charles Godfrey to be Major Vice Wilson Promoted: date of Rank 2nd. January 1804.—

Captain Lieutenant H. S.

Scott to be Captain of a Company Vice Godfrey; date of Commission 2d. January 1804.—

Lieutenant T. F. Wright to be Captain Lieutenant Vice Scott: date of Rank

2d.

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2d January 1804.

The resignation of Lieutenant & Colonel Bannerman on Europe renders the following alterations necessary on the date of Rank assigned to the undermentioned Officers promoted by General Orders of the 19th January 1804.

Major J. G. Hill to be Lieutenant Colonel Vice Bannerman 7th August 1803.

Major J. M.Kenzie to be Lieutenant Colonel Vice Richardson 24th August 1803.

4th Regiment Native Infantry

Major H. Nash ——— to take Rank from the 7th August 1803
Captain H. Hunt ———
Captain Lieutenant [illegible] Newall ———

5th Regiment Native Infantry

Major G. Martin ——— to take Rank from the 24th of August 1803.
Captain Robt Barclay ———
Captain Lieutenants J. Jennings ———

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I have the honor of forwarding before Government the Proceedings of the Medical Board &c.

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on the 27th Instant.—

28th February 1804 (Signed) I. Stuart

To the Right Honorable

Lord William Bentinck

Governor in Council Yea Yea Yea

My Lord,

I have to request the permission

of your Lordship in Council to resign my Command

of Pondicherry in order to avail myself of the permis-

sion of His Excellency General Lake the Com-

mander in Chief in India to embark for Europe

in the Ships now under dispatch.—

Pondicherry (Signed) G. St. John

February 28th 1804 Colonel

The Adjutant General

of the Army

Sir,

In consequence of the Resolution

of the Honorable the Court of Directors conveyed

in the enclosed letter, I have to request that I

may be furnished with a Commission of the date of

Major

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Major Gomondés retirement.

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February 25th. 1804

(Signed) W. Davison
Major 2d. Battalion 9th.
Regiment Native Infy.

Major W. Davison

Sir,

The Court of Directors of the East India Company have taken into consideration your letter accompanying a Memorial from you on the subject of your Rank, representing that owing to the want of the Notification of Major Gomondés retirement your Promotion was so delayed near Eleven Months, and therefore requesting it may be dated from the time of Major Gomondés Retirement according to the principle now established by the Court and offering reasons to shew the expediency of establishing the new regulation from the period of regimenting the Army; and I have to acquaint you that the Court have resolved that their orders of 1798 should be considered as entirely done away by.

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those of June last rescinding the former, and that
the Promotions of Officers consequent to the retire-
-ment of those in Europe, shall take place from
the periods at which the latter were permitted to re-
tire.

East India House the 4th May 1802

Sam Jex
Jex
/Signed/ W. Ramsay
Secretary

Resolved that the Honorable
Colonel St. John be permitted to resign the Com-
-mand of Pondicherry.

The Board having resolved
to request the attention of the Honorable Court
of Directors to the former Minutes recorded by
the Commander in Chief respecting the Rank
assigned to Major Davison, and to recommend
to them a Revision of their orders on that subject
It is not thought proper to furnish Major Davison
with a Commission of the date for which he has
applied.

Ordered that the promotions and
alterations

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Alterations of Rank recommended by the Commander in Chief be directed to take place—

From the Medical Board—stating that they have reported to the Board of Trade on the subject of the buildings occupied or rented for the use of the Medical Department—acknowledge the orders of Government relative to the information required by the Court of Directors for forming a General History of the Companys affairs—the necessary orders in Consequence have been given to the Superintending Surgeons—

Medical Board

27th February 1809

The Medical Board have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Mr. Secretary Thackeray's letter of the 22nd December last, accompanied with an Extract of a letter from Government to the Board of Trade, regarding Houses or Godowns occupied or rented for the public Service, and they have now the honor to report to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council their having been this day

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day enabled to transmit
to the Board of Trade
the required information
relative to all Build-
-ings occupied or rented
for the use of the Medical
Department.

2 The Medical
Board have also the
honor to acknowledge the
receipt of Mr. Secretary
Strachey's letter of the 27th
Ultimo, covering Extract
of a General letter from
England in the public
Department dated
6th July 1803, relative
to certain information
to be furnished for the
purpose of enabling the
Honorable Company's Re-
-tourneyship

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Historiographer to frame
such a General History
of the Company's Affair
as may be reposed to a
a future period, with
advantage to the Compan
and they have the honor
to report that they have
accordingly distributed
Copies of Mr. Secretary
Strachey's letter. Extrac
of the General letter from
England, and Minute
of Consultation to the
different Superintendent
Surgeons for the guidan
of all subordinate of the
authority, and it will b
a source of much satis
-faction to the Medica
Board

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Board hereafter to Com-
-municate to Government
all such information to-
-wards the accomplish-
-ment of the end proposed
as may from time to time
be transmitted to them
by any of the Medical
Servants of this Esta-
-blishment who may be
in situations that will
afford, and who may be
enabled to collect it.

[Signed] Jas. Anderson
Physician General
" Terence Gahagan
M. D. and 2nd. Member
Medical Board
" Nicol Mein
3rd. Member, Medical
Board
Read

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Read the following letter from the

Military Board.

To the Right Honorable

Lord William Bentinck

Governor in Council Fort Fort G.

My Lord,

From the Military Board Requesting that the accounts and vouchers lately received from Mysore may be translated for their use.

1 We have to acknowledge the receipt of Letters from the Secretary to Government in the Military Department dated the 9th 15th and 18th February, and to report that three thousand Muskets have in consequence been ordered for Bombay on the Honorable Company's Ship Essex, and the necessary orders given for sending from the Windham and Ceylon, the consignments from Bengal.

2 The detailed accounts mentioned in the 9th Paragraph of the letter from the Acting Resident in Mysore, communicated to us on Mr Secretary Stracheys letter of the 15th Instant, being absolutely necessary for the Adjustment of the General Books, we request

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request that Copies of them may be furnished to us as soon as the translations is completed:—

3 The Superintending Engineer has been directed to clear the Mint yard of Rubbish, by means of the Scavengers Carts attached to his Department, as often as the Mint-Master may apply to him for that purpose.—

4 We recommend payment of the enclosed Bill of the Paymaster at Masulipatam for Carts his property taken for the Public Service at Hydrabad, Amounting to Madras Pagodas 600.—

We have the honor to be

Fort St. George
20th February 1804

Sir
Your most obedient
Humble Servants
Signed/ J. Stuart
" D. Smith
" E. Snapaud
" P. A. Agnew
" J. Brunton
" Alex. Orr

Endorsed

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Ordered that the Acting President

May soon be desired to forward Translations of the

Accounts and Vouchers transmitted in his letter

the 29th. Ultimo.

Ordered that the Bills recommended

in the foregoing letter to be passed for payment be

transmitted to the Military Auditor General with

directions for that purpose.

To the Right Honorable

Lord William Bentinck

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

May Lord,

1 We have the honor to forward for

transmission to the Honorable Court of Direc-

-tors by the Ships under dispatch the following

Papers, Viz.t.

A General Return in Duplicat

of Fire Arms and Swords in the Arsenal of

Fort St. George in the Subordinates Magazine

at out stations; and of those in use with the

different Corps Composing the Army under the

Sent from the Military Board forwarding sundry papers for transmission to the Honorable Court of Directors by the Ships under dispatch.

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Government of Fort St. George shewing their number and state on the 31st October 1803.—

A Certificate in Duplicate of

Naval Ordnance and Garrison Stores landed at Fort Saint George in the year 1803 from the Honorable Company's Ships Devaynes, Shelton Castle, Cuthbert, Sir Stephen Lushington, Admiral Gardner, Windham, Calcutta, Wexford, Walpole, Earl Howe, Lord Castlereagh, and Union.—

A Statement of Military Stores supplied from the Arsenal of Fort St. George and from Subordinate Magazines at out-Stations upon the Coast to His Majesty's Regements serveng under the Presidency of Fort St. George from 1st February 1802 to 31st January 1803.—

A Statement of Ordnance and Military Stores received into the Arsenal of Fort St. George and into Subordinate magazines at out-Stations upon the Coast from His Majesty's Regements serveng under the Presidency of Fort Saint George from 1st February

1802

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1802 to 31st January 1803 - with an Account [illegible]
thereof annexed.

A Return of Ordnance and
Military Stores shewing the Stated proportion of
Fort St. George, the quantity remaining in the
Arsenal including those received from England
on the Ships Arrived in the year 1803, the average
quantity expended annually, and the quantity re
quired and indented for;

This last papaer has been prep
-ared as nearly as possible in conformity to the orde
of the Honorable Court as signified in their Gener
Letter to the Public Department under date the
13th August 1802, but as it was not practicable to s
state the annual expenditure in Peace and in
War as directed in that letter, we have taken as the
general annual expenditure in Peace and in W
for a complete year of Peace has not been known
an Average of the Expenditure during the year
1800, 1801 and 1802 the most peaceable period
which has occurred since the Army has arrived at

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present Strength.—

We have the honor to be Sir &c &c

Fort St. George (Signed) J. Stuart

28th February 1804 " E. Saraud

" P. A. Agnew

" J. Brunton

" Alex. Orr

Read the following letters from the

Military Auditor General—

To the Right Honorable

Lord William Bentinck

Governor in Council Sir &c &c &c

My Lord,

From the Military auditor General submitting a list of Staff appointments since apprd in Duplicate, together with Copies of Retrenchments from the accounts of the Paymaster in Malabar on account of Bombay officers gone to England— Encloses a bill for the subsistence of a Seaman—

For the information of the Honorable, The Court of Directors, I do myself the honor to transmit to your Lordship in Council in Duplicate, a Statement shewing the different Staff appointments which have taken place since the 30th April 1803, together with the Salaries and allowances annexed to each, as also a NB setting forth

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Setting forth the description of Staff appointments which have been abolished since that period.

Number

Conformity to my letter [illegible] Consultation under date the 4th Instant for

Retrenchments against Officers of the Bombay Establishment who are at present in England on furlough, and who quitted that Presidency without having left security for such Retrenchments as might appear against them in order.

The Honorable Court of Directors may take such measures for the recovery of the amount as they may deem most proper.

I also enclose Copy of a Bill in Duplicate for subsistence paid to a Seaman of the Honorable Company's Ship Lord Castlereagh amounting to Pagodas 16.1.40 which will fall to be deducted from the Seaman's Wages in England, he having been sent a shore as an Evidence at a General Court Martial assembled

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assembled here in September last.

Military Auditor
Generals Office
Fort St. George
28th February 1804.

I have the honor to be Sir &c.
Signed J Braunton
Military Auditor General

Ordered that the papers submitted with the foregoing letters from the Military Board and Military Auditor General, be included in the Packet by this Dispatch.

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

My Lord,

Having received letters from Captain Dowse intimating to me that he will be immediately able to reassume the payment of the Detachment serving at Hydrabad under the Command of Major Sutton, I beg leave to solicit your Lordships permission to direct Mr. T. Young to deliver over Charge of the Paymaster-

From the Military Auditor General stating the intention of Captain Dowse to resume the payment of the detachment serving at Hydrabad requests in Consequence that Mr. T. Young may be ordered to deliver over the charge of that department.

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Paymastership of that Detachment to Captain
Dowse, to the end that the additional Establish-
ment drawn by Mr. Young on that account may
cease at the end of the present month.

Military Auditor
General's Office
Fort St. George
24th. February 1804.

I have the honor to be &c. &c. &c.
(Signed) J. Brunton
Military Auditor General

Resolved that Captain Dowse
be again charged with the payments of the Troops
at Hydrabad, and that the additional Establish-
ment allowed to the Paymaster at Masulipatam
for the temporary performance of that duty be
discontinued.

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

From the Military Auditor General submitting a statement of the Establishments which may

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In obedience to your orders &c
communicated to me by the Secretary in the Military
Department

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may ultimately become due to Major General Sir Eccles Nixon up to the end of 1802. Recommends that the Bonds of indemnity offered by Major General Nixon be cancelled. Has communicated with the agents of Major Stephens who write to the subscribers to the drawer for that officer, and given the necessary instructions on the subject to the Military Paymaster General.

Department under date the 23d Instant, I do myself the honor to lay before you a Statement of the remaining shares of the Off-Reckonings which may ultimately become due on an Adjustment of that fund to Major General Sir Eccles Nixon for the years 1800. 1801. and 1802, calculated upon the average of the three preceding years, and upon the same principle as that which has been observed lately in settling the amount 2/3ds of the Offreckonings due to Colonels of Regiments for the above three years.

Statement

	P.	F.	C.
Amount for the year 1800	1040.	37.	12
Amount for the year 1801	1001.	14.	42
Amount for the year 1802	893.	40.	55
Total Pagodas.	2934.	2.	29

2 I beg leave to suggest to your Lordship the propriety of the acceptance of the Bond of indemnity offered by Major General Sir Eccles Nixon to secure the public against loss in the event of the Calculations in question being unfound

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found to exceed the bonafide distribution of Effects
-ings on the final adjustments of that funds for the
years 1800. 1801. and 1802.

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I have made the necessary comm=
=munications to the Agents of Government relative
=tive to the subsistence to be drawn for the Officers
and I have instructed the Military Paymaster
General to take the necessary measures for forwarding
-ing the Certificates of the periods and sums paid
on this account as directed by your orders of the
23d Instant.

Military Auditor Generals Office— Fort St. George 28th February 1804.

I have the honor to be Sir Your
Most obedient Humble Servant
Signed J. Brunton
Military Auditor General

Ordered that the following letter
be despatched to Major General Sir Eccles
Nixon.

To Major General Sir Eccles Nixon

Sir,

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To Major General
Sir Eccles Nixon
requesting him
that authority
has been given for
the

The Right Honorable the
Governor

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the payment of a sum equal to the amount of Offreckonings — complained to be due to him on the close of the year 1802 — an extract of a letter from the Military Auditor General on the subject enclosed. the amount to be discharged by an equitable per Cent. Certificate of the Government or by a Bill on the Honorable Court of Directors to deposite his personal bond for the repayment of any sum or sums which may be found eventually to exceed the regular shares —

Governor in Council having resolved in compliance with your request to authorize the payment of a Sum equal to the amount of Offreckonings computed to be due to you until the close of the year 1802 I am directed to enclose for your information the Extract of a letter from the Military Auditor General on that subject, and to inform you that His Lordship in Council is pleased to leave it to your option, whether the amount being Star Pagodas 2,934 . 8 . 29 shall be discharged by Eight per Cent Certificates of this Government, or by a Bill of Exchange on the Honorable Court of Directors in your favor, to be drawn according to the established practice in like cases, at the rate of Eight Shillings for the Pagoda —

2 His Lordship in Council considers it to be probable that the Shares of Offreckonings which have been calculated in the Report of the Military Auditor General to be due on account have been stated with accuracy but it being expedient

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expedient to provide for any deficiencies which
may eventually occur on the respective shares of the
Officers on the division of the funds. Your
Lordships in Council desires that the security of
your personal bond may be deposited by you for
the payment of any portion of the above Advances
which may be found eventually to exceed the pro-
portion of the regular shares.

Fort St. George
1st March 1804

I have the honor to be &c &c
(Signed) George Strachey
Secretary to Government

Read the following letters from
the Military Paymaster General.
To the Chief Secretary of Government
Fort St. George

From the Military
Paymaster General
Forwarding an applic
cation from the late
Paymaster at Amboyna
for increased allow
ances.

Sir,

I have to request that you
will be pleased to lay before the Right Honora-
ble the Governor in Council the accompanying
Copy of a letter from Mr. Lord late Paymaster at

the

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the Moluccas, stating the inadequacy of the sum allowed him for his Office Establishment, and requesting that the Extra allowances granted to Lieutenant Colonel MacNeil of 200 Pagodas per month for the period he officiated as Paymaster may be extended to him, and which I have to hope will meet with His Lordship's favorable consideration.

Fort St. George Sam.l Jno.s Jno.s
22.d February 1804 (Signed) B. Roebuck
Military Paym.r General

To Benjamin Roebuck Esq.re
Military Paymaster General
Fort St. George

Sir

Lieutenant Colonel M.c Neile having been granted an extra allowance of two hundred Pagodas per month during the time he Officiated as Paymaster at the Moluccas, I have the honor to subjoin the following statement which will

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will I hope induce the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to extend a similar indulgence to me.

The sums fixed under the Head of Offices Establishments are three hundred Pagodas per Month for defraying the Departments of Paymaster and Commissary at Amboyna, and the allowance of a Deputy at the Garrison of Banda out of the above sums I am therefore necessitated to pay the following assistants and servants at the rates fixed opposite their respective names.

	Pags. Fs.
To Lieutenant Meuner who acted at Banda	80.—
" Mr. Fitzgerald as head Master	75.—
" Waller	30.—
" Penny	10.—
" Marten	15.—
Book binder	15.—
Total Pan Pagodas	225.—

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You will perceive by the above Sir, that what remained as my individual pay amounted to a trifling sum, when the responsibility of the situation is considered. — The allowance granted to the Deputy at Banda was only 30 Pagodas per month before Colonel Taylor increased the salary and the additional charge alone made a considerable draw back upon the sum granted by Government. I take the liberty of requesting that you will signify this to His Lordship in Council, and that you will give it such support as you may think the case deserves.

I have the honor to be Sir Your

Fort St. George /Signed/ H. Lord

21st. February 1804 Late Paymaster at the

/True Copy/ Moluccas

/Signed/ B. Roebuck

Military Paymr. General

Ordered that the Claim of Mr.

Lord late Paymaster at the Moluccas be referred

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Referred for the consideration and report of the

Military Auditor General

To the Chief Secretary to Government

Fort St. George

From the Military Paymaster General submits an application from the Paymaster with the Subsidiary force of Hyderabad for permission to visit the Presidency

Sir,

I request that you will be pleased to lay before the Right Honorable the Governor in Council the accompanying Copy of a letter from Captain Lowe Paymaster to the Subsidiary Force, requesting permission to visit the Presidency for the arrangement of his private affairs and the Adjustment of his Public Accounts.

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I am &c.

/Signed/ D. Roebuck

Military Paymr. General

The Military Paymaster General

Fort St. George

Sir,

I shall wait your approbation how

to

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to request you would do me the favor to lay before the Right Honorable the Governor in Council this my application, for permission to proceed to the Presidency for the arrangement of my private affairs and the adjustment of my public accounts - I have made the necessary communication to the Officer Commanding the Subsidiary Force conformably to the 44th Paragraph of my Instructions, who is not at present aware of any objections -

I am &c &c

Signed/ W. Dowse

Paymaster Subsidiary Force

Camp

29th December 1803

True Copy

Signed/ B. Roebuck

Military Paymr General

Resolved that Captain Dowse be permitted to visit the Presidency, provided that the Military Paymaster General shall be satisfied on communication with the Military Auditor General that the absence of Captain Dowse

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Dowse from Hydrabad will not interfere with
his Official Duties.—

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

My Lord,

I have the honor to enclose you
Copy of a letter from Mr. Douglas Paymaster
on Malabar, giving an Account of the Death
of Mr. W. Richardson, late Paymaster of that
Station; intimating that his accounts are in a
state of great confusion, and that his Papers
have been sealed up in the presence of several
Officers; he also encloses a list of the Establish-
ment kept by Mr. Richardson for the final
completion of his accounts, and proposes that
they shall be sustained under him for their
final Adjustment.—

I have the first Communication
I have had of any confusion in Mr. Richardson's
Accounts

From the Military Paymaster General— Reporting the death of Mr. Richardson late Paymaster in Malabar and submits a recommendation respecting the Adjustment of that Gentleman's Accounts.—

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Accounts, he has transmitted them to my Office to the Months of August 1803, and there are still wanting the accounts for August, September and October, together with his accounts Current for July, all the accounts which he has transmitted have been regular although some Months in arrear, and I should hope there cannot be much difficulty in bringing up the last three Months—

I beg leave to Recommend that the proposition of Mr. Douglas be accepted and that he be directed to bring up Mr. Richardson's accounts and Recover the Retrenchments with the least possible delay, keeping the Establishment he has proposed, and as Mr. Wetherall has clearly elucidated all Mr. Thurston's accounts who died suddenly and whom he succeeded, so I should hope Mr. Douglas will not find the task of adjusting Mr. Richardson's Accounts so difficult as he has stated—

I am inclined to believe that

I am &c

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Mr. Richardson was perfectly correct respecting the Example, but the period he holds the situation of Paymaster on Malabar requires a change for better Constitution and more energy than Mr. Richardson possessed.

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I have the honor to be &c. &c.
/Signed/ D. Roebuck
Military Paymr. General

To the Military Paymaster General
Fort St. George

Sir

I am extremely sorry to communicate to you the unfortunate circumstance of the death of my Predecessor Mr. Wm. Richardson which happened last night.

It is too well known to you, that his accounts are in a state of great confusion from which I much fear it will not be in my power to extricate them, occupied as my attention incessantly is with the current duties

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duties of my various and complicated Depart-
-ments.

All his Papers have been seal-
-ed up in the presence of several Officers, and
I am endeavouring to obtain from those persons
who were most in his confidence, every possible
intelligence respecting his accounts. As soon as
I have procured information that can be re-
depended on, I will communicate to you the
result.

Under these circumstances
I trust that no responsibility will attach to
me, for tho' willing to lend every Assistance or
my power towards adjusting the Accounts of
the Deceased, I must confess that under
their present Derangement, I cannot flatter
myself with the hope that success will attend
-mately attend my endeavours.

In forwarding the report
to you, I deem it necessary to observe that on the
death

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death of Mr. Richardson I proceed to take the
entertainment the enclosed establishment of Pay
Clerks, this establishment I have thought it
necessary to detain until your Letters should
be received; they are the only persons acquainted
with his affairs, and the demand for people
of this description is so great, that should they
become discharged, I may be found unable
again to Collect them, and possibly so to come
to any settlement of his affairs whatever &
without them.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most
obt. Servt.
J. Douglas
Paymaster

Tellicherry
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List of Clerks employed at Mr. Ruckardsons.

Pay Department

John Mascarenhas	42	36	—
Lawrence de Craigo	22	36	—
Salvador Jose Vieyra	17	6	—
Domingo Francis de Lemar	17	6	—
Joaquim Lourenco	17	6	—
Star Pagodas	117	06	—

Signed/ A. Douglas

Paymaster

/True Copies/

/Signed/ B. Roebuck

Mil.t Paym.r General

Read the following letter from the Commanding Officer on Malabar.

The Secretary to Government

Military Department

Sir,

I have thought it my duty to report to the Government the death of Mr.

From the Officer Commanding on Malabar. Reporting the death of the late Paymaster on Malabar and the proceedings in consequence.

William.

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William Richardson who lately held the Office
of Commissary and Pay-master of Stores
as I believe his accounts were sufficiently ex-
adjusted - I have directed the Officer Command-
ing at Tellicherry to seize upon his papers and
Effects until the orders of Government are received.

I have the honor to be &c &c

Cannanore
14th February 1804

Signed J. Montresor
Colonel Commanding
Malabar and Canara

Ordered that the following let-
ters be dispatched to the Military Paymaster
General and to the Commanding Officer in
Malabar respectively.

To the Military Paymaster General
&c.

Para 1.

I am directed by the Right
Honorable the Governor in Council to acknow-
ledge the receipt of your letters of the 25th
Instant.

His

To the Military Pay-
master General -
The Paymaster in
Malabar to forward
to the immediate -
adjutant of the
late M.r Richardson's
Accounts. The Pay-
master to the -
Subsidiary force at
Hyderabad permitted
to visit the Presidency -

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His Lordship in Council

desires that the Paymaster on Malabar may be directed to proceed to the immediate Adjustment of the late Mr. Richardson's accounts on the manner which you have Recommended.

3 The Governor in Council permits the Paymaster to the Subsidiary Force of Hyderabad to visit the Presidency if it shall appear to you in communication with the Military Auditor General, that the absence of Captain Dowse from his station will not interfere with his Official Duties.

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I have &c.
(Signed) George Strachey
Secretary to Government

To the Officer Commanding on
Malabar & Kanara

Sir

I am directed by the Right Honorable

&c the Officer Commanding Malabar and Canara Requesting him that the Paymaster on Malabar will be instructed

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to complete the Arrangement of the Unadjusted accounts of the late Mr. D. Richardson.

Honorable Sir

I do myself the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 1st Inst and to acquaint you that the Expenditure on Malabar will be provided for in the Estimate for completing the Arrangement of the unadjusted accounts of the late Mr. Richardson.

I have &c.

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(Signed) George Harkey
Secretary to Government

Read the following letter from the Commander of the Honorable Company's Ship Windham.

To George Harkey Esqre.
Secretary to the Government

From the Commander of the Honorable Comps Ships Windham Requesting an Account for the subsistence of Officers and Prisoners on Board that Ship requests that the amount may be paid.

Sir

I beg leave to enclose you an Account for Victualing Officers and Passengers on Board the Honorable Company's Ship Windham and to request that you will be pleased to

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Ordered the Amount to be paid.

Fort St. George 2nd March 1809 (Signed) Thomas Graham

Commander

Ordered that the Bills submitted with the foregoing letter be sent to the Military Auditor General to be examined and eventually passed for payment.

Read the following letter from the Assistant Secretary at Fort William To George Strachey Esqre Secretary to the Government at Fort St. George

Sir,

From the 1st Assistant Secretary to the Government at Fort William Reporting the Advances made to Officers of this establishment.

I am directed by His Excellency the Most Noble the Governor General in Council to acquaint you for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, that at the request of Captain Lieutenant De Havilland of the Corps of Engineers at the

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The Presidency of Fort St. George on account of
Sicca Rupees 500.— — — —

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Agent for the Government of Ceylon.

To the Chief Secretary of Government

Sir,

His Excellency the Governor of Ceylon

has directed me to communicate to this Government

that there is an urgent necessity for a supply of Gun

Powder for the Fortresses of Columbo and Point de

Galle, and as it will be many months before a quantity

which has been asked for from Bengal can arrive,

I obey His Excellency's Commands in begging that

you will be pleased to submit to the Right Honorable

the Governor in Council His request that Four

Hundred Barrels of Gun Powder may be transmitted

by the first of the Honorable Company's Ships which

may proceed to Ceylon for the defence of His Majesty's

Forts of Columbo and Point de Galle Viz.t Three

hundred for Columbo, and one hundred for Galle.

Fort St. George I have the honor to be &c.a &c.a

27th. February 1804 (Signed) George Arbuthnot

Agent to the Government of

Ceylon.

Ordered that the Military Board

be furnished with a Copy of the foregoing letter and

directed to take measures for sending by the Honble.

Company's

from the Agent to the Government of Ceylon Requesting that a supply of 400 Barrels of Gun Powder may be forwarded by the first opportunity for the use of the Government of Columbo—

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Company's Extra Ship Glory the supplies of Gun-
powder required at Columbo and Point de Galle in
Conformity to the request of His Excellency the
Governor of Ceylon

Capt. Strange

W Petrie

Wood

H. Piers

Hutchinson

Office Sec. Cons. 28th February 1804
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Diary

of

Captain L. Hook

Secretary to Government

to

Fort William

Sir,

I am directed to request that

you will lay the enclosed Extract from a letter

from the Military Board at this Presidency

before His Excellency the Most Noble the Governor

General in Council, with the request of the

Right Honorable the Governor in Council that

His Excellency will give directions for the stated

supply of Gun Powder to be dispatched by an

early opportunity to Fort St. George in the manner

recommended by the Military Board.

I have the honour to be

Sir

Your most

Fort St. George

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obedient Servant

Signed George Strachey

Secretary to Government

To

* Government to the Government at Fort William with an Extract of a letter from the Military Board relative to a supply of Gun Powder required by an early opportunity from that Presidency

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To R. Arbuthnot Esqr.
Chief Secretary to the Government
at Columbo

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to request that you will submit to the Honorable the Governor of Ceylon the enclosed Extract from the proceedings of the Board at this Presidency, and that you will state for His Excellency's information that the sum of £120 13s. 10½ has been placed in the Books of Fort St. George to the Debit of His Excellency's Government on Account of European Stores supplied from this Presidency for His Majesty's Service on the Island of Ceylon.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most
obedient humble Servant
(Signed) George Strachey
Secretary to Government

Sir

To the Chief Secretary to the Governmental Columbo with an extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 28th Feby 1804 for £120-13-10½ has been placed to the debit of that Government account of European Stores supplied from this Presidency

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To R. Arbuthnot Esqr

Chief Secretary to the Government

at

Colombo.

Sir,

The Right Honorable the

To the Chief Secretary to the Government at Colombo — Requesting that the amount of Mrs Fonsecas claim on Lord Clives fund may be paid to her on Ceylon, and that the same be debited to the account of this Presidency.

Governor in Council being desirous that Mrs. Fonseca

Widow of the late Lieutenant Fonseca of

this Establishment, who has been admitted a

Pensioner on Lord Clive's Fund should receive

the payment of her pension on the Island of

Ceylon, where she at present resides, I am

directed to request that you will obtain the

sanction of the Honorable the Governor for

that purpose, and that you will at the same

time submit to His Excellency the enclosed

memorandum of the amount which Mrs. Fonseca

is entitled to receive.

The Military Auditor

General at Fort St George has been furnished

with the necessary directions for delivering to

Mrs. Fonseca the usual Certificate of her pension

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on the Funds, and I am directed to request that
the amount which may be paid to her on
a compliance with the request contained in
this letter may be debited to the account of
this Government on the Books of the Government
of Ceylon.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your
Obt Servt
(Signed) George Strachey
Secretary to Government

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Memorandum

Amount of Mrs Annah's Pension
from 23d June 1801 to the 31st
January 1804 ——— Star Pags 112-32-5

This Pension is two fanams and
forty five Cash per day, which for 28 days amounts
to Pagodas 4-15-60; for 29 days, to Pagodas 4-22-25;
for 30 days, to Pagodas 4-28-70; and for 31 days to
Pagodas 4-35-35.

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(Signed) J. Brunton
Military Auditor Genl

To

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To the President & Members of the
Military Board

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Right

To the Military Board
Acquainting them that
application has been
made for translations
of the documents &
transmitted by the
acting Resident in
Tanjore, and that
authority has been
given for payment of
the charge submitted
by the Paymaster at
Masulipatam - To
take measures for
embarking on the
Glory the supply of
Gun Powder required
in a letter enclosed
from the agent to the
Government of Ceylon

Honorable the Governor in Council to acknow-
ledge the receipt of your letter of the 20th
Instant

2. Application will be made to
the acting Resident in Tanjore for translations
of the detailed accounts mentioned in his letter of
the 29th ultimo

3. His Lordship in Council
has authorized the payment of the charge sub-
mitted by the Paymaster at Masulipatam on
Account of his private Carts employed for the public
service

4th I am directed to transmit to
you the enclosed Copy of a letter from the
Agent for H.M. Government on Ceylon and
to desire that you will take measures for
sending by the H.C. Extra Ship Glory the
supply

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Supply of Gun powder required for the Garrison and Fort du Gallon

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Have the honor to be
Your &c &c
(Signed) George Stracey
Secretary to Council

To the President & Members of the
Military Board

Gentlemen

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 Board of Trade, stating that the Ships Colebrooke and Hindostan have been loaded with Saltpetre on account of the Honorable Company's Investment, and to desire that the Guns Stores & Small Arms which have been landed from the Ships Ernaud Hindostan & Colebrooke may be received on the Arsenal for the purpose of being inspected and examined; and that on the arrival of those Ships some one or other of the Members may attend at the Arsenal for the purpose to represent thereto the Commander of that Ship

To the Military Board
With Copy of a letter
from the Secretary to
the Board of Trade
relative to the Stores
of Small Arms landed
from the Honorable
Company's Ships
Ernaud Hindostan
& Colebrooke
& requesting
an Inspection

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Ships may be furnished with an equal number of serviceable Arms from the Company's Stores at the expense of the Owners of the General Stuart

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I have the honor to be,
Sir
Your most
Obedient Servant
(Signed) George Strachey
Secretary to Government

To the Military Auditor General

Sir

1 I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letters of the 20th and 24th Instant

2. The several subjects of your letter of the 20th Instant will be duly communicated to the Honorable Court of Directors.

3. His Lordship in Council desires that Captain Dowse may be again charged with the payment of the Detachment at

To the Military Auditor General acquainting him that the subjects of his letter of the 20th Instant will be communicated to the Court of Directors—Captain Dowse to be again charged with the payment of the Detachment at Hydrabad the establishment allowed to the Paymaster at Masulipatam for the performance of that duty to be discontinued

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at Hydrabad, and that the contractual Establish-
=ment allowed to the Paymaster at Masulipa-
=patam for the performance of that duty may
be discontinued from the date of his receiving your
directions for that purpose.

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I have &c.
(Signed) George Stracey
Secretary to Government

To the Military Auditor General

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Ho-
=norable the Governor in Council to desire
that you will authorize the payment of the
enclosed Bill Recommended by the Military
Board in their letter of the 20th Instant.

2.

I am directed to transmit
to you the enclosed Copy of a letter from the
Military Paymaster General, and to desire
that you will submit your opinion rela-
=ting the claim of Mrs Lee to additional
allowances

To the Military Auditor General authorizing the payment of a Bill recommended by the Military Board to submit his opinion on the claim of Mrs Lee to additional allowances as stated in a letter enclosed from the Military Paymaster General to authorize the payment of a Bill of the Commander of the Windham for subsisting certain Europeans embarked on that Ship at Masulipatam. Copy of a letter from the Secretary at Fort William relative to advances made at that

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that Presidency to an Officer and certain Gentlemen Cadets of that establishment inclosed.

Allowances for the duties performed by that Gentleman as Military Paymaster at the Presidency

3. I enclose a Bill of the Commanding Officer of the 74th Regt. for Rations for subsisting certain Europeans embarked on that Vessel at Trincomalee and am directed to desire that you will authorize the payment of it, if it shall be correct

4th. I am likewise directed to furnish for your information and guidance the enclosed Copy of a letter from the Secretary at Fort William relative to advances of money paid at that Presidency to an Officer and certain Gentleman Cadets belonging to the Establishment of Fort St. George.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient
humble Servant
Signed George Strachey
Secretary to Government

To

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To G. Arbuthnot Esqr.

Agent for the Government

of Ceylon.

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Hon.

Honorable the Governor in Council to acknow-

-ledge the receipt of your letter of the 29th. Inst.

-stant, and to acquaint you that the Mili-

-tary Board have been furnished with the

Instructions for sending by the Hz. Co. Ship

Ship Glory the supplies of Gunpowder Re-

-quired at Columbo, and Point de Galle, in

conformity to the request which you have

stated on the front of His Excellency the Governor

of Ceylon.

I have &c.

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(Signed) George Strachey

Secretary to Government.

To the Agent for the Government of Ceylon requesting him that authority has been given for embarking on the Glory the supply of Gun Powder required at Columbo and Point de Galle, agreeably to his request.

To the Officer commanding

at Pondicherry

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Hon.

-rable

To the Officer commanding at Pondicherry directing him to supply by Cuddalore Rattan Boat Naval Stores captured from the Enemy at that

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That place and to report the amount which may be realized by the sale.

Honorable the Governor in Council to decree that the Naval Stores captured from the French at Pondicherry may be sold by public Auction according to the Lists transmitted with your letter of the 16th Ultimo, and that you will report for the information of His Lordship in Council the amount which may be realized by the sale.

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I am &c.
(Signed) George Strachey
Secretary to Government

Order of Council
Military Department
29th February 1804

Receives the following letter from the Military Auditor General

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

My Lord,

From the Military Auditor General his report on the general estimate of Cash for the month of March 1804

Having examined the General Estimate

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Estimate of Cash for the month of March 1804 —
which accompanies a letter from the Secretary
to Government in the Military Department
dated the 26th Instant, I have the honor
to report that the sum of Pagodas Four
Lacs, twenty three thousand two hundred and
forty seven and twenty nine, and cash
forty, (Pagodas 4,23,247 : 29 : 40) is admissible
and payable as follows being required for
the payment of Military charges which
became due on the 1st of the ensuing
month —

From the General Treasury — 113405 : 8 : 62
By Bills on the Military
Paymaster General — 309842 : 20 : 38

Pagodas 4,23,247 : 29 : 40

This amount is exclusive of
the sum which will be required for the Pay
master with the Division of the Army
under Major General The Honorable Sr
Wellesley, the Paymaster of the Northern Field
Detachment —

Detachment, and the Paymaster with the Detachment serving with His Highness the Nizam, whose Estimates have not been received. —

3 The same method in the Estimate of the Military Paymaster at Trichinopoly under the head of Occasionable Charges Rupees Pagodas six thousand seven hundred, Pagodas 6500— appearing to be overrated, I have deducted the sum of Pagodas Five thousand (Pagodas 5000—) on that account, and likewise the sum of Pagodas Five thousand two hundred and eighty four (Pagodas 5284—) being the balance of Cash on his hands on the 31st January applicable to this payment of Arrears for the preceding months —

4 The Military Paymaster in the ceded Districts as well as the Military Paymaster at Masulipatam have omitted to deduct the full amount of the balance

balance of Cash in their hands on the 31st January
last, I have accordingly corrected the error by mak-
-ing a farther deduction from the amount of
their respective Estimates Viz.t. Pagodas Eleven
thousand five hundred and ninety / Pagodas 11590 — / from the former and Pagodas five
thousand six hundred and eighty Seven
Pagodas 2687 — / from the latter.

5 I have also deducted from
the amount of the Estimate of the Buttalings
Paymasters ab Masulipatam the sum of /
Pagodas Two thousand nine hundred and fifty
Pagodas 2950 — / being over Estimated for —
under the head of "Occasional charges" and one
account of the 4th Extra Battalion of Native
Infantry.

6. Having been furnished by the
Military Paymaster in Malabar with a
List shewing the particulars for which the sum
of Pagodas forty thousand / Pagodas 40000 — /
included in his last months Estimate under
the

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the head of "Arrears due for preceding months"
was required, and having examined it with the
Disbursements of his predecessor received in this
Office, I have the honor to State that Arrears to
that amount were due to the Troops serving
in the province of Malabar.

Military Auditor
Generals Office
Fort St. George
the 29th February 1804

I have the honor to be
Sir, Your
Most obedient Servant
(Signed) J. Brunton,
Military Auditor General

In consequence of the fore-
going report, Ordered that the Sum of One
Lac Thirteen thousand four hundred and five
Pagodas, Eight Fanams, and Sixty two Cash,
(Pagodas 113405.8.62.) be issued from the Trea-
-sury to the Military Paymaster General on
account of the General Estimate for the Ensuing
month enclosed in this letter of the 25th Instant.

The sum of Pagodas 113405.8.62. to be issued from the Treasury to the Military Paymaster General.

By Order of the Right Honorable the
Governor in Council
(Signed) George Stracheys
Secretary to Government
Fleming

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Received and sent the fol-
lowing letters enclosed in Nos 11th 83. 84. 85.
86. 87. 88th

From Mr. Secretary Cleiland

From the Secretary to the Board of Trade

- sing a Certificate of the Goods laden from
the General Stuart for transmission to
England.

From Captain Campbell

From the acting Deputy Asylum Steward to the King's Troops.

Transmitting the sick Certificates of Lieu-
tenants Mc.Cormick and Smethurst
requesting that the customary allowance
of passage money and an advance of Sub-
sistence to the 24th August may be granted to
those Officers.

To Captain Hooke Enclo-

To the Secretary to the Government at Fort William

sing Copies of instructions furnished to the
marine Board at this Presidency, and of
their reply, relative to the Stores consigned
to Fort William on the General Stuart and
Elop.

To the Auditing Deputy Secretary

To the Auditing Auditor Genl.

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Pay certificates in triplicate of

Officers permitted to return to Russia on the

Expedition.

To the Military Auditor General.

To the Military Auditor General. Requiring an account of money on account.
Relief Funds.

of Officers mentioned in letter enclosed from

the acting Deputy Adjutant General of the Kings

Troops.

To the Military Paymaster

To the Military Pay-master General. General - acquainting him that the sum of £

Pagoda x 113405. 8. 62. has been ordered to be

issued to him on account of the General estimate

for the ensuing months.

March 1 Received a letter from Captain

From the Secretary to the Government at Fort William. Hooke entered in MS. Not Reporting an advance

of 400 Rupees made to Ensign Benson of His

Majesty's 25th Regiment.

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At a Consultation

Present

The Right Honorable

Lord William Cavendish Bentinck

Governor and President &c

Friday the 2nd March 1804

Lieutenant General James Stuart

Commander in Chief &c

William Petrie

and

John Chanter

Esqrs

Minutes of last Consultation

read and approved &c

The Commander in Chief Records

the following Minutes

Minute of the Commander in Chief

Stay before the Board an application supported by the requisite Certificates from Lieutenant Watkeman of the 16th Native Regiment for leave to proceed to Europe for the benefit of his Health, and Recommend that his request be complied with.

Minute of the Commander in Chief submitting an application from Lieutenant Watkeman for permission to proceed to England on Sick Certificate — Reports the death of Captain Crosswell of the Native Infantry and recommends promotion consequences — Recommend

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Recommends the appointment of Lt D. Wilson to be Adjt of the 2d Batt 9th Regt N.I.

with the

I have to report the Death of Captain Peter Cresswell of the 17th Regiment of Native Infantry, who died at Vizagapatam on the 20th February—Arecommend in consequence the following promotions.

17th Regiment of Native Infantry

Captain Lieutenant A.D.

Greenhill to be Captain of a Company, Vice Cresswell deceased; date of Commission 21st February 1804.

Lieutenant E. C. Stevens

-son to be Captain Lieutenant, Vice —

Greenhill promoted; date of Rank 25th Fe-

-bruary 1804.

Lieutenant David Wilson to be Adjutant of the 2nd Battalion 9th Regiment of Native Infantry Vice Stokoe on leave to Europe.

2nd March, 1804.

/Signed/ J. Stuart

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To the Right Honorable

The Governor in Council

My Lords,

Having for a long period suffered much from Complaint and the bleak mate of India being very unfavorable to me I beg leave to lay before your Lordships the requisite Certificate soliciting your approbation of my proceeding to Europe for the Re-establishment of my health.

Fort St. George
February 28th. 1804

I am &c.
Ernst Wakeman
Lieutenant 1st. Battalion
1st. Regiment N.I.

We Thomas Evans and Andrew Hogg Assistant Surgeons on the Establishment do hereby Certify upon Oath that we are of opinion it is absolutely necessary that Lieutenant Henry Wakeman of

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of the 1st Battalion 16th Regiment of Native

Infantry should leave this and proceed to

Europe for the benefit of his health.

Fort St George / Signed Thos Evans

22nd February 1804 Assistant Surgeon

Governors Body Guard

A. Hoyle

Assistant Surgeons

1st Battalion 10th Regiment

Native Infantry

Sworn before me this

22nd day of February

1804.

/ Signed G. Taswell. / Signed Terence Gahagan

Justice of Peace. Mr. Dr and 2nd

Member Medical

Board.

Resolved that Lieutenant

Wakeman be permitted to proceed to Europe on

Sick Certificate.

Ordered that the promotions

and

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and appointment recommended in the foregoing
Minute be directed to take place.

W. Petrie

E. H. Morgan

J. Stewart

R. Ellis

Thackeray

Office Sec. Govt. 2d March 1804. Recd. & Copies by [illegible]

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Diary

3d Received and Sent the following

letters entered in Mlb Nos 2. 3. 4. 5. 6.

From Mr. Roebuck — With an

From the Military Paymaster General — additional estimate of Cash requires for the current

month.

From Captain Campbell &c —

From the acting Deputy Adjutant General to the King's Troops — Requesting an advance of 6 months subsistence

on account of Captains, Hawkins and Otley

proceeding to Europe on sick Certificate.

From Lieutenant Colonel

From the Officer commanding 2d Battalion of the Bengal Volunteers at Ganjam — Hunter — Reporting his arrival at Ganjam and

encloses a return of his forces.

To the Military Auditor Ge.

To the Military Auditor General — nerab — authorizing an advance of money on

account of Officers mentioned in letter enclosed

from the acting Deputy Adjutant General of the

Kings Troops.

To Do Do. — Relative to an

To Do Do — advance made at Fort William to Ensigne

Henry Benson of His Majesty's 34th Regiment

Received

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Received the following letter from

George Strachey Esqr

Secretary to Government in the

Military Department

Sir

I received the honor of your's of the 1st Instant, and as the Right Honorable the Governor in Council has been pleased to leave me the option of either taking Bills on the Court of Directors or a Certificate for the amount of Two thousand nine hundred and thirty four Pagodas, Eight fanams, and Twenty nine Cash, I prefer the Certificate because the Bills are to be granted at only Eight Shillings per Pagoda upon the finial Adjustment of the Accounts — I should however hope the Balance would be in my favor, nevertheless I shall have a Bond to secure the Company against all losses on that account —

I have

From Major General Sir Eyre Coote Commanding his intention to accept an 8 per Cent Certificate for the amount of his claims on the Adjustment of Accounts

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I have the honour to be,

March 3d 1804

Yours &c.

(Signed) E. Nixon

Sent a letter to the Military

To the Military Auditor General

Auditor General entered in Mr. Nory Re-

-ferring for his examination an additional

estimate for the current month.

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Sent the following letters

To the Accountant General

Sir,

The Right Honorable the

To the Accountant General directing him to prepare an Indent Certificate in favour of Major General Nixon for Pags 1 2936 8 29 on account of that Officer's claim on the Effecktoring fund

Governor in Council having resolved that the

amount of Effecktomings due to Major Generals

Sir Eccles Nixon shall be issued to that Officer

previously to his departure to England in an

Eight per cent Certificate I am directed to

transmit to you the enclosed Extract of a

letter from the Military Auditor General on

that subject, and to desire that directions

may be given for preparing a Certificate in

favor of Major General Sir Eccles Nixon for

the

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The sum of Pagodas 2934. 8. 29 and for charging the amount to the account of the Offreckoning fund.

Major General Nixon has been requires to deposit his personal bond for the amount according to the mode hitherto observed in like cases.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedt Servt
Fort St. George
5th March 1804. (Signed) George Strachey
Secretary to Government

To the Military Auditor General
Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 28th ultimo, and to acquaint you that His Lordship in Council has authorised the payment of the sum of Star Pagodas 2934. 8. 29 computed to be due to Major General Sir Eccles Nixon, by an Engt for per Cent

To the Military Auditor General requesting him that authority has been given for the payment of Pags 2934. 8. 29 on account of Offreckonings due to Major General Nixon by an Engt per centage Bond of this Government.

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cent certificate of this Government, and that Major General Nixon will be directed to deposit his personal Bond for the amount according to the mode observed in like cases.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most Obedient
Servant
Signed George Strachey
Secretary to Government

To Major General Sir Eccles Nixon

Sir,

I am directed by the

To Major General Sir Eccles Nixon acquainting him that directions have been given for preparing an 8 per Cent Certificate for the amount of his claim on the Effecting fund

Board to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 2d Instant, and to inform you that directions have been given to the Accountant General for preparing an Eight per cent Certificate of this

Government

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Government in your favor for the computed amount of your claim on this Office reckoning Fund at the close of the year 1802.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your Most Obedient
Servant
(Signed) George Strachey
Secretary to Government

Fort St. George
the 5th March 1804

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At a consultation

Present

The Right Honorable

Lord William Cavendish Bentinck

Governor and President

Lieutenant General James Stuart

Commander in Chief

Tuesday the 6th March 1804

William Petrie

and

John Chamier

Esqrs

Minutes of last Consultation read

and approved

The following Minute of the Com-

-mander in Chief having returned from Circulation

is ordered to be recorded

Minute of the Commander in Chief.

The inferiority of the

Army Cloathing in quality, - fashion, and

make, which has always been a subject of regret

since I have known the Service; It's yearly en-

-hanced Price, and the disappointment to

which

A Minute of the Commander in Chief submitting papers on the subject of the cloathing of the Army and recommending that they be forwarded to the Court of Directors

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which the Troops were constantly subject from not receiving their Clothing until it had been some years due, were the facts which induced me to recommend to the Board in September 1802, that, as an experiment of two years Clothing should be made up under certain Regulations by the Deputy Adjutant General, and in doing so that in case to ascertain as well the actual Cost of the Clothing of the different Ranks of the Army as the time necessary to procure such Clothing

2.

The Board was pleased to accede to my Recommendation, but the prospect of accompanying the Army almost immediately afterwards, this having been with that part of it under my immediate Command in the month of August following, prevented the Deputy Adjutant General from beginning to procure the Clothing before October last.

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The northern monsoon during

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during which the violent Rains prevail, is known to be particularly unfavorable to every kind of Cloth manufacture and inimical to all Labour. To attempt therefore to make up Trimmings and Buttons for the Clothing at the commencement of that Season was useless, and finding on his return to the Presidency the Army being 3 years in arrear of Clothing that the Native Contractor had not any Clothing whatever in readiness for delivery to the Troops, although he had then held the Contract considerably more than a year, the Deputy Adjutant General solicited and obtained under the urgency of the case, my sanction to purchase ab. Madras Trimmings and Buttons, which a mercantile House there had procured from Europe to enable him to Commence an immediate provision of the Clothing in preference to waiting the tedious process of procuring those Articles after the Rains should be over, and I have had the satisfaction

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satisfaction to observe that in consequence of the assistance thus promptly afforded to him of those materials the Deputy Assistant General has issued more than a month ago clothing for a very superior quality and appearance, corresponding with that worn by His Majesty's Troops to the Native Battalions composing the Garrison of Fort St. George, besides having clothing for several Regiments ready for immediate inspection and delivery whilst the native Contractor has but recently submitted for examination the clothing of a few Corps.

4. I am concerned to be obliged at the same time to inform the Board that the delivery of clothing to the Artillery Corps is at present prevented by a want of Hats, none of any kind whatever being in the Government Stores, and it is a matter of regret that the prospect of receiving any supply of that article from Europe is yet very distant.

I have

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With a view however to guard against total disappointment on that head, I have authorized the provision of Leathern Caps to be substituted for Hats.

5. This failure in the supply of Hats, added to the very inadequate provision of that Article from Europe, has induced me to direct the Military Board to include in its Indent to be forwarded by the Ships now under dispatch, a particular demand for the number of Hats or Caps required for the different Corps, and various descriptions of European Troops upon the Establishment, a Copy of which I have the honor to submit to the Board, with a request that it may be noticed in a particular manner to the Court of Directors.

6. An annual supply to the extent of this Indent will I trust obviate any inconvenience hereafter with respect to Hats, and I beg leave to recommend that the expediency

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expedient may be suggested to the Honorable
Court of sending with their Cloth, supplies of
Tape and Buttons &c. for the Clothing of the
non-commissioned, Drummers and Flank and
File, composing the Army of this Establishment
according to the patterns B, which I do myself
the honor to lay before the Board, and on the
quantities specified in Cr
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The great inferiority in the
manufacture of Tape in China, when con-
trasted with that of Europe, the former being
less durable from being made of Cotton instead
of Worsted, and the short continuance of
the Colours which entirely disappear upon
being frequently
exposed to wet and damp
weather, are the considerations which induce
my recommendation of the measure of supply-
-ing that article from Europe. With ex-
-ception of those for the Artillery Corps - Buttons
can be made in India equally good and at
as cheap a rate as in Europe

I have

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8. I deem it necessary also to point out a mistake that has occurred at home, in sending out Cloth of a Stone or Lead Colour for French or rather Cavalry Grey, and of Bales of various coloured Cloths containing Pieces of different Shades, the latter of which occasions not only much inconvenience but a want of uniformity in the facings of the two Battalions of the same Regiment.

9. I am not able from the progress made by the Deputy Adjutant General in the provision of Clothing to state the actuals Cost of that of the several Ranks of the Army, but I am induced to think notwithstanding the encreased price of Europe Summings, that it will be moderate. I feel confident however that the superiority of this Clothing both in appearance and durability added to the dispatch in cloathing the Troops many of whom particularly those with the Armies in advance, have been for a considerable time totally destitute of

Clothing

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Clothing will fully compensate for any increase of expense should any occur, and the consideration that under the system of Effreekonings Alluded to in the Honorable Courts letter of 18th August 1803, the clothing of the Army will become a more immediate concern of the Company than heretofore, does considerably in my opinion do the expediency of every material being furnished under the direction of the Court of Directors as affording under any mode that may be adopted of providing the clothing the most certain means of estimating its Cost correctly, but more especially if provided as in the present instance by a person upon the

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I have further to request that this minute and papers connected with it may form a separate number on the Packet, about to be dispatched to the Court of Directors, and that it may be most earnestly recommended to the Honorable Court to

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to forward the requisite quantities of Hats, Cloth, Trimmings and Buttons by the earliest opportunity as the only certain means of ensuring the provision of Clothing for the present year - It may be necessary to observe also that the proportions of Tape and Buttons specified in C. is for one Corps only of each description of Troops

Head Quarters Choultry Plain
March 4th 1804

/Signed/ A. Stuart

Hats or Caps of the most approved Pattern worn in His Majesty's Service for European Troops

Hats — Serjeants of Artillery ——— 100
" Drummers and Fifers ——— 30
" Corporals Gunners and Matrosses 1400
" Serjeants of Madras European Regiments ——— 50
" Drummers and Fifers of Do ——— 26
" Corporals and Privates of Do ——— 1200
" Staff Serjeants of Native Infantry Regiments ——— 100
Drummers

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Hatsmen Drummers and Fifers of Native Infantry Regiments	760
" Staff Serjeants of Garrisons effective Infantry	40
" Musicians composing the Band attached to the Garrisons of Fort St. George	220
" Ditto Ditto Major Davidsons Band	17
" Privates of Effective Infantry not on the Strength of Corps	8
" Sergeants of Invalid Artillery	53
" Privates of Invalid Artillery	162
" Serjeants of Invalid Infantry	102
" Privates of Invalid Infantry	128

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Statement of the quantities of Tape and Buttons required for a years clothing of the Army upon the Establishment of Fort St. George

For non Commissioned. Rank and File of a Regiment Native Cavalry ——— 3150 yards of Tape

" Non-Commissioned Rank and File of a Battalion of Artillery ——— 7578 Yards of Tape

" Drummers Vest of a Battalion of Artillery Broad Tape ——— 126

" Drummers Vest of a Battalion of Artillery Narrow Tape ——— 210

For Non Commissioned Rank and File of Madras European Regiment ——— 14,974

" Drummers Vest of Madras European Regiment Broad Tape ——— 216

" Drummers Vest of Madras European Regiment narrow Tape ——— 360

For

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For Non-Commissioned Rank and File of a Regiment Native Infantry — Yards of Tape — 22,404

Additionals for Commissioned and Rank and File of a Regiment Native Infantry — 4730

Drummers Vizt. of a Regiment Native Infantry braid Tape — 324

Drummers Vizt. of a Regiment Native Infantry Narrow Tape — 695

For Non-Commissioned Rank and File of Bullocks Cavalry — 1800

For Non-Commissioned Rank and File of a Battalion of Artillery — 1800

Non-Commissioned Rank & File of Madras European Regts — 270

For Non

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For Non-Commissioned Rank and File of a Regiment Native Infantry, Pros of Buttons } 430.

" Additionals Non Commissioned Rank and File of a Regiment Native Infantry } 46.

Resolved that a Copy of the foregoing Minute be included as a separate number in the Packet by this dispatch, and that the subject of it be pointed out to the particular notice of the Honorable Court of Directors according to the recommendation of the Commander in Chief.

The Commander in Chief records the following Minute.

Minute of the Commander in Chief.

Submitted to the Board an application from Lieutenant Chas. Whitehill of the 5th Bombay Regiment of Native Infantry now serving in Malabar for permission to proceed to

a Minute of the Commander in Chief Recommending that Lieutenant Whitehill be permitted to proceed to Sea for the benefit of his health and that Lieutenant Freeman be appointed Adjutant of the 1st Battalion and Captain promoted.

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to Sea for the benefit of his health and Rec-
-commend that the permission he solicits may
be granted.

I recommend that the follow-
-ing promotion may take place

7th Regiment of Native Infantry

Lieutenant J. T. Trueman

to be Captain of the 1st Battalion vice Wright

promoted.

6th March 1804.

I have &c.
(Signed) J. Stuart

To the Right Honorable
Lord Williams Bentinck
&c. &c. &c.

My Lord,

I have the honor of forwarding
Surgeon's Certificate stating the necessity
of my proceeding to Sea for the benefit of my
health, and beg leave to request permission for that
purpose.

I have &c.
(Signed) Thos. Elliott
21st February 1804

I have the honor to be &c.
(Signed) Chas. A. Whitehill
Lieutenant 2nd Battalion 1st
Regiment N.I.
Sick

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This is to certify that Lieutenant Charles Whitehill of the 2nd Battalion 5th Regiment Native Infantry Bombay Establishment is in a bad state of health, and I do solemnly declare upon my honor that it is my opinion to the best of my judgement that a change of Air by Voyage to Sea, is essentially necessary to his recovery, and do therefore Recommend that he may be permitted to proceed by the earliest opportunity.

Tellicherry 20th February 1804.

[Signed] L. Keck
Surgeon

Resolved that Lieutenant Charles Whitehill of the 5th Regiment of Bombay Native Infantry be permitted to proceed to Sea for the benefit of his health.

Resolved that Lieutenant Trevenen of the 7th Regiment of Native Infantry be appointed Adjutant of the 1st Battalion of that Corps vice Wright promoted.

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Minute.

The Commander in Chief has the honor of laying before the Board an application from Lieutenant Duggan late Brigade Major at the Moluccas for an allowance on account of Writers and Stationary to that which was granted to his predecessor Captain Boles, while he held that situation—Lieutenant Duggan's application is supported by the opinion of his late commanding Officer Colonel Clavering, and as it is founded upon the same circumstances which induced Government to admit Captain Boles's claim—The Commander in Chief Recommends it to the favorable attention of the Board—

The Commander in Chief having directed Lieutenant Whyte of the 9th Regiment to forward a Statement certified upon honor of the amount of the pecuniary loss which he sustained in consequence of the attack that

A Minute of the Commander in Chief on the subject of an application from Lieutenant Duggan late Brigade Major at the Moluccas for an allowance on account of Writers and Stationary to that allowed to Captain Boles by an attack that was made upon the escort and convoy under the command of that Officer—Submits also a letter from Major Davison relative to arrears of Batta due to him in consequence of the decision of the Board of Directors

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that was made by a body of Banditti upon
the escort and Convoy under his Command has
the honor of submitting that Statement to the
Board, in order that they may give such
orders respecting it as may appear to be expe-
-dient

The Commander in Chief
has also the honor of laying before the Board
a letter from Major Davison of the 17th
Regiment containing a claim for the payment
of certain arrears of Batta due to him in-
-consequence of a decision by the Honorable
Court of Directors respecting his Rank. Major
Davison's claim appears to be sanctioned
by that decision, and the Commander in Chief
Recommends that his Abstracts may be re-
ferred to the Secretary Auditor General and
passed by that Officer if found correct. - Major
Davison's having stated that he omitted in-
-consequence of having left London at a mo-
-ments notice to procure the requisite Certificates

J.

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of the period to which he was paid in England—
The Commander in Chief judges it to be —
reasonable that he should be permitted to draw
his pay from the time of his being paid at
the India House on furnishing a declara-
-tion upon honor of the date to which he
was paid previously to his departure from
England.

6th March 1804 — / Signed J. Stuart

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

Sir,

I have the honor to lay be-
-fore your Excellency a letter with its enclosure,
which I received from Lieutenant T. F. Diggon
late Major of Brigade serving under me to
the Eastward, and beg leave to recommend that
he be made the same allowances for Sta-
-nary &c. as were granted to Captain Boles
his predecessor, and I the more particularly
Recommend

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Recommend it, from the high Wages of Clerks and dearness of Stationary at the Moluccas.

I have the honor to be

Madras
20th February 1804

Sir,
Your
Most obedient
Humble Servant
/Signed/ J. Oliver
Colonel, late Commanding at the Moluccas

To Colonel James Oliver
late Commanding Officer at the
Moluccas

Sir,

Feeling confident that the propriety of the application contained in the enclosed letter will be apparent to you, I have the honor to request that you will submit it to the consideration of his Excellency Lieutenant General Stuart Commander in Chief in order that it may be laid before the Right Honorable the Governor in Council.

Vellore.
16th February 1804.

/Signed/ T. F. Duggan,
Lieutenant 2nd Battalion 4th
Regiment N.I.

To

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

My Lords

Beg leave to solicit the same allowance for Writers and Stationary as with that granted to Captain Bales whose Successes as Major of Brigade in the Moluccas Islands shall not trespass on your time by entering into a detail of the heavy expence incurred in providing to the Eastward Writers, and the several Articles requisite for discharging the duties of that Staff situation: they have already been by my predecessor Captain Bales in a letter addressed on the 12th. of July 1802 to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, and as his claim for an allowance equivalent to that enjoyed by the late Town Major of Moluccas for Writers and Stationary was considered so

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so just and reasonable as to induce the libe-
rality of Government, I trust that the same
indulgence, will be extended by your Lordships
to me.

I have the honor to be
Vellore Yrs. Yrs.
16th February 1804. /Signed/ T. F. Duggan
Lieutenant 2nd Battalion 4th
Regiment N. I.

To Major Munro
Secretary

Sir,

Enclosed, I have the honor to trans-
mit a List of the Articles Lost on my march to
Hydrabad escorting treasure.

Vellore /Signed/ T. Wright
16th February 1804 Lieut. 1st Batt. 4th Regt.

A List

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A List of Articles which I lost on my Route to Hydrabad with their values

	Pagodas	Fs	Rs
A Tent	45	-	-
Wearing Apparel			
2 Dozen pairs of Pantaloons	28	-	-
3 Dozen Shirts	36	-	-
2 Dozen Waistcoats	7	-	-
2 Regimental Jackets	68	-	-
2 Dozen pairs of Boot Stockings and 6 pairs of Silk Stockings	16	-	-
1 Regimental Belt	3	-	-
1 Pair of Silver spurs	10	-	-
2 Pair of Boots	14	-	-
1 New Saddle	8	-	-
6 Bullocks	32	-	-
1 Dressing case	10	-	-
2 Pair of Bullock Trunks	7	-	-
4 Dozens of Liquor	24	-	-
6 Large Table Spoons, 6 Tea Spoons, 6 Desert Spoons, and 1 Soup Spoon	21	-	-
Total Sa. Pagodas	324	-	-

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I do hereby solemnly declare upon my honor that the above Statement is to the best of my knowledge correct.

(Signed) I. Wight

Lieutenant 1st Battalion 9th Regiment

(A true Copy.)

(Signed) I. Brunton

Military Auditor General

Major Munro

Military Secretary

to the Commander in Chief

Sir,

The Honorable the Court of Directors having by their letter of the 26th January 1803 been pleased to announce to this Government that they had paid me in Europe the amount of my Pay and Batta as due to me on the Ranks granted to me from the Date of Major Lennon's Retirement and to refer me for the adjustment and payment of the difference of full Batta between the Ranks

I.

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I Captain and Major for the period at which I commanded at Tutacoryn. I am to request you to be pleased to submit to the Commander in Chief the enclosed Abstracts which will I believe be found by reference to the General Orders of that Date to be correct, in order to his obtaining for me the sanction of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to their being passed. I am further to request that he will have the goodness to procure for me the authority of Government for drawing the Abstract for arrears from the 25th December 1803 to the period of my arrival here, on which I find myself necessitated to rely for his Assistance from having in consequence of my having left London at a moments notice been prevented taking up my Certificate of the period to which it had been paid at the Privy Council, being ready to declare upon Honor that it was to the date of the 25th December 1803

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16th February 1804.

(Signed) W. S. Dawson

Major 2nd Battalion 17th

Regiment N. I.

The Board approve the

several Recommendations contained in the

foregoing Minute with respect to Lieutenant

Duggan, Lieutenant Whyte and Major Da-

-vison.

Ordered therefore that a

Copy of it be furnished for the information

and guidance of the Military Auditor Ge-

-nerals

Read the following letter from the

Accountant General

To the Chief Secretary

to Government

Sir,

I have the honor to acknow-

-ledge the receipt of Mr. Secretary Strachey's

correspondence with Messrs. Colt Baker Hart

and

From the Accountant General Relative to the Claims of Major English and to the amount overpaid by the Company on account of Dutch Prize money.

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and 6th relative to a letter from Mayor English as Solvo surviving Officer of the Captors of Jaggernaickporam, and Enclose Copy of my letter to those Gentlemen informing them, that no part of the sums of Pagodas 74,279.32.62 mentioned in their letter to you under date the 5th Instant arose from Interest.

In reference to the Books in order to enable me correctly to ascertain this point, has discovered to me a circumstance with which I have no doubt, The Honorable Court are acquainted, but from bringing which to their notice no evil can arise, Viz: that by their Books under the head of "Deposit of Dutch Prize money" they have actually paid more than they ever received on the sum of Pagodas 1056.25.40 notwithstanding which it appears by the present account that there is still a Claim for

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preferred against them for the sum of Pagodas 74,279.32.62, being the remaining moiety of what is termed the Jaggernaick from Prize money.

The accompanying Account Current will shew how the transaction stands upon their General Books, and upon what sums arose the be-
-forementioned balance of Pagodas 1056.25.40 in their favor.

It will require some time to look back into the Old Books to ascertain the particu-
-lars of the Jaggernaick poram Prize money by itself, as in this account are included those of Pulicat Bemlipatam Pulicat and Sadras.

This Investigation I shall lose no time in making and acquaint Government with the result, in the mean time I have not delayed this letter that it may go by the present dispatch.

The sum of Pagodas 74,279.32.62. paid to Mr. H. Montgomery was the half of the sum of Pagodas 148559.29.45, amount Valuation of a List of Articles delivered to the Company's Agents, and which accompanied Mr. Montgomery's letter

to

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to Government of the 8th August 1788.

It does not appear that Government at that or any subsequent period actually purchased those Articles at the prices mentioned in that List, but have rather considered it as an Estimates valuation upon which to make an advance to the Captors, the more so, as had it been an actual purchase, the amount would have been at once brought to account on the Company's Books as their property, and the Captors credited for the total Value deducted for the moiety paid them, and the Decision would have remained as a balance due to them, subject to the settlement of the different claims then made upon it, but on the Contrary the amount never appeared upon the Company's Books until the actual sale had taken place, when the head of Iggemauchpooram Prize money was credited on the Subordinate Books for the different sums paid in on that account.

I have the honor to be &c.

(Signed) Cecil Smith

Account. Genl. & C. A.

Fort St. George

Account. Genl. Offce

29th February 1804

Messrs

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Messrs. Colt Baker Hart & Co.

Gentlemen,

I have received your letter of the 14th Instant, and in reply I have to inform you that a Certificate in Bengal dated 7th October 1788, was granted in favor of Major Hugh Montgomery for Pagodas 74,279.32.62, being one half of the Jaggernaickporam Prize money agreeable to the enclosed Copy of Extract from the Minutes of Council of 30th September 1788.

This sum is the half of Pagodas 148,559.29.45 arising from a list of the Goods delivered by the Captors to the Company's Agents and brought to account at their Estimated value, and no part of it arises from Interest

I am &c.

Fort St. George
Accountant General's Office
21st February 1804

/Signed/ Cecil Smith
Accountant Genl & C. A

A true Copy

/Signed/ C.H. Higginson
Asst.

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Dr. Deposite of the

1785 April				Pagodas /	6
1788 August		To Military Paymaster General		96	11
August	6	To Cash paid by a Certificate on Bengal to Wm. Balfour Agent for the Captors of Pulicat, as per Order of Council			
1790 April		To Bengal Presidency for the following Certificates granted on Bengal to Sundry people in discharge of Prize Money which has not before been brought to account			
		1 Set in favor of Captain Archd. Brown Representative of Captors of Bimlipatam dated 6th May 1788 as per account particulars	Ps. 66832 1 3.		
		1 Dr. in favor of Mr. Robert Clerke Agent for the Captors of Palicole Prize Goods as per account particulars	1153 3 31		
1791 April		1 Dr. in favor of Major Hugh Montgomery	1279 - 22 62	4265 29	16
		To a Certificate for Bengal Pagodas granted on the 27th April 1790 in favor of Mr. Barnes being for Sundry Prize Money as per order of Council of 27th April 1790, for which this head of Deposite of the Dutch Prize Money has been created in February 1802		1516	7
			Pagodas	5099	25 17

Alex. Beckett
for Thos. D. Fraser
Depy A.G.

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Dutch Prize Money 6%

			Pagodas	Fs	Fs
1781 December	By Cash receivd from Mr. Alexander Brow on that account		5000.	"	"
1782 February 1	By Do. from Mr. Theodore Jan Tanner Paymaster to the Detachment against Cocras on that account		7516.	7	"
April	By Do. from Mr. Edward Saunders being the produce of Dutch Prize Goods sold at public Outcry in the months of October and December 1781 and January 1782		67000	"	"
1782 April	By Do. from the Export Warehousekeeper in Augt. 1782 and January and march 1783 being the produce of Do. sold		16000.	"	"
	By Military Paymaster General		1593.	5	30
1784 April	By Export Warehousekeeper for Cash received from him in the month of November last being the produce of Dutch Prize Goods sold		5000	"	"
1786 April 1	By Do. from Do. in May 1784		5000.	"	"
1790 April "	By Sundry accounts for the following heads which were taken from the Books of the Factories and now Transfrd to the Credit of Deposite of Dutch Prize Money Vizt				
	Captors of Jaggernackporam	43325.19.71.			
	Do. of Permilepatam	13405.1928			
	Do. of Palicole	142.268			
			56930. 24 27		
			16043 41 57		
1791 April 6	By Balance		1056. 25 40		
	Pagodas		16099 25 17		

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Resolved that the subject of the foregoing letter be brought under the notice of the Honorable Court of Directors by the present dispatch.

Read the following letters from the Military Auditor General.

To the Right Honorable
Lord William Bentinck

Governor in Council
Fort Fort Fort

My Lord,

From the Military Auditor General submits for the decision of Government certain retrenchments made against Mr. John Jones Assistant Surgeon

At the instance of Mr. John Jones Assistant Surgeon on the Establishment, I do myself the honor to submit for your decision certain Retrenchments made against that Officer of allowances Viz.t Full Batta and Gratuity granted to him by Government in consequence of his having proceeded to Europe on Board a Cartel with French Prisoners in October 1801, this Retrenchment commenced in July 1803, and the cause of objection was because the

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the duty on which this Assistant Surgeon had been employed had long ceased, and sufficient time had elapsed to have enabled him to return to this Presidency.

2. In my opinion my Lord the Retrenchment ought to have commenced against Mr. Jones at a more early period than it did. Viz.t. from the period of the arrival of the Ship at the mauritius to which port she was carried, in consequence of an insurrection amongst the Prisoners, at what precise period I am not instructed, however it certainly was Mr. Jones's business to have returned to his duty on the Coast, as soon as it was possible after the Capture and arrival of the Ship in port when his duties ceased.

3. Mr. Jones states in his reply to the Retrenchment, that in obedience to the orders of this Government he reported himself on his Arrival in England in June 1802 to the Honorable the Court of Directors but it does

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extra allowances are continues to him until his arrival in England, it will be an indulgence he ought to be grateful for — I am indebted to His Excellency the Commander in Chief for having brought the situation of this Assistant Surgeon to my notice at the time the Retrenchments were made against him, for in the multifarious details of my Office, the allowances in question had escaped my notice altogether. Mr. Jones has omitted in his defence of the charges in question, to notice the date of the Capture of the Cartel by the Prisoners, and of his arrival at the Isle of France, neither has he stated the period at which he left the mauritius, confining himself relative to those points to the date of his arrival in England.

In the explanation given by Mr. Jones to this Retrenchment, he alludes to an allowance of Pagodas (15) fifteen per month alleged to have been granted to him for

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The difference is Retrenched as the Duty on which Mr. Assistant Surgeon Jones was directed to proceed to Europe has long since ceased, and sufficient time has elapsed for him to have returned to India ——— 133" 21/" "

Pagodas 133. 21/. "

/True Extract/

/Signed/ Chas. Maxtone

M. P. M.

True copy.

/Signed/ J. Brunton

Military Auditor Generals

In reply to this Retrenchment

Beg leave to state that having been ordered in October 1801. to take Medical charge of the French Prisoners then proceeding to England on the Prince, I accordingly embarked on that Vessel, previous to my sailing Government was pleased to direct that I should be allowed full Batta with an allowance of 15 Pagodas per month for Servants during my absence. Employed Servants and performed the duties of

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to India, to which letter not receiving any reply I waited on the Secretary at several different periods, but still there were no orders issued for my return. I again about may 1803 addressed the Secretary by letter stating the considerable time which had elapsed since my arrival in England, and requesting he would be pleased to procure me the Courts Orders for my guidance on return to Madras, in Answer to which I had the honor on the 13th of the same month to receive the accompanying letter, in obedience to the commands of which, I availed myself of the earliest opportunity of returning to India, which was in the month of July following, and I arrived at Madras on the 2nd Instant. Had I been aware of any objection being made to the continuance of my allowances I could have brought with me from Europe the most ample documents in support of what I have alleged. I have therefore to request that if the Military Auditor General shall not consider himself

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Sir,

The Court of Directors of the East India Company have considered your letter, stating that having been ordered by the Government of Madras to attend the French Prisoners on Board the Ship Prince to England, you now await the Court's Commands, and have to acquaint you that the Court require you to return to your duty by the Ships of this season.

I am &c.

East India House
the 13th May 1803.

(Signed) W. Ramsay
Secretary

(A true copy)
(Signed) J. Brunton
Military Auditor General

To the Military Auditor General

Sir,

At the request of Assistant Surgeon John Jones I have the honor to transmit herewith that Gentleman's replies to Re-
trenchments against him from my disbursements
for

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Ditto the foregoing Letters

To the Right Honorable
Lord William Bentinck

Governor in Council
&c &c &c

My Lord,

1. I beg leave to represent to your Lordship in Council that in consequence of Captain Maughan's being at Bombay with his Corps, there is no regular Channel thro which I could authorize payment of his increased allowances as Master Attendant at Malacca, agreeably to your direction of the 15th Ultimo

From the Military Auditor General submitting a Statement of increased allowances drawn by Captain Maughan as Master Attendant at Malacca states that there is no regular Channel thro which he can authorize payment and Recommends that the Statement may be forwarded to Bombay for the purpose being paid there

2. I do myself the honor therefore to enclose a Statement of the Amount due to Captain Maughan for the purpose of being forwarded to Bombay, in order that it may be paid there and this Presidency debited accordingly

3. It may be proper to add for the information of the Government at Bombay that this sum is chargeable to the Head of Extraordinary

the

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Deduct the Amount of Salary drawn by Captain Maughan from the 16th March 1796 to the 31st August 1800 — at Pagodas 30 per month ——— 1,605.. .. ..

Difference to be paid to Captain Maughan Pagodas ——— 3,485.. 26.. 20..

Military Auditor General's Office (Signed) J. Brunton

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Ordered that a Copy of the Statement submitted with the foregoing letter be forwarded to Bombay with the request of the Board that the Governor in Council at that Presidency will direct the amount, due to Captain Maughan, to be paid to that Officer and debited to the Books of Fort St. George in the manner recommended by the Military Auditor General.

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

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of His Lordship by the introduction of the names of several Civilians in the Room of those of — Officers — who has considered the permission of — Government to remain after the sailing of the — Cartel to extend to a much longer period than the dispatch of the present Fleet. the Civilians being in General desirous of returning to Europe and the Officers equally so, of remaining at — least for some time longer in India.

The greater part of the — Military Officers of Rank will embark on these Ships — Have selected the Civilians for em- — barkation from their own applications — not — having the means of ascertaining which are the most expensive to the Company.

I beg leave to recommend to the consideration of His Lordship in Council the propriety of allowing an addition of £100 — to their passage money, of such as have Families, and of allowing three months British pay to — be drawn in advance for the Officers of each Rank

to

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Mons.r Lebon

" Monrochelle

" De Labourdonnais

Wyndham

Captain Ponzet Sent.e and family

Mons.r Dutillait.

" Follenille

" Le Bellestier

Ceylon

Mons.r Dubuc

Captain Dehaurens and family

Mons.r Sauvageres Sen.r

Sauvageres Sen.r and young Son

" General Stuart

Mons.r Lamy

" Bruhet

" Le Petit Lermasure

" Chanmode

Lieutenant Tardivet

/Signed/ Alan Grant

Town Major

The

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I have also the honor to transmit a letter from Messrs. Pottinger, Macay and Nuttall on the Bombay Establishment, requesting a further advance of two hundred & 200/ Rupees each. These Gentlemen came out on the Ship Ann and received an advance of 200 Rupees each on my application to Government under date 4th February

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) Alan Grant
Town Major

Fort St. George
6th March, 1804

A. Grant Esqr.
Town Major

Being detained here longer than I expected, I am obliged to apply to you for a supply of money, for which I shall give you a receipt on Bill on the Government in Bengal, which ever you may think the more proper.

The Ship Glory in which I arrived here from England is ordered by Government from

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Bombay, We are under the necessity of soliciting a further advance of 200 Rupees each.

We have the honor to be

Fort St. George

5th March 1804

Yrs &c

Yrs &c

/Signed/ Robert Pottinger
Edward Hardy
J. Nutt

Assts, Bombay Establishment

Ordered that the following letter be

dispatched to the Military Auditor General.

To the Military Auditor General.

Sir,

Para/ I am directed by the Right Honorable

To the Military Auditor General authorizing advances of money to Gentlemen of the establishments of Fort William and Bombay as recommended in a letter enclosed from the Town Major

the Governor in Council to transmit to you the enclosed

Copy of a letter from the Town Major of Fort St.

Georges

Ls. His Lordship in Council desires

that you will authorize an advance of money

to be paid to each of the Gentlemen therein mention-

-ed, according to the sums specified by the Town

Major, and that you will debit the amount advanced

to

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Diary —

7th Received the following letter —

To the Right Honorable
Lord William Bentinck
Governor in Council
Gov Gov Gov

My Lord.

From the Military Auditor General his report on the additional estimate submitted to his examination on the 4th Instant.

Having examined the additional Estimate of Cash which accompanies a letter from the Secretary to Government in the Military — Department dated the 4th Instant, I have the honor to report that the sum of Pagodas Ninety eight Thousand three hundred and Ninety nine, and ½ fanams thirty, (Pagodas 98,399. 30½) is demandable and payable by Bills on the Military Paymaster General

This amount the sum of Pagodas Ninety five thousand four hundred and thirty three (Pagodas 95,433 ½) is required by the Military Paymaster to the Detachment serving with His Highness the Nizam for the payment of the Troops and Departments composing the Detachment.

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General's Office
Fort St. George
6th March 1804

Advance to the Engineer

I have the honor to be
Sir, Your
Sgned J. A. Brenton
Military Auditor General

Receives and sent the following

Letters entered in Mr Bs Nos 8. 9. 10. 11. 12. 13. 14.
15. 16.

From Mr Harriman — For

From the Secretary to the Military Board — warding for transmission to England duplicates of these proceedings from the 22nd January 1803 to the 2nd March 1804.

To the Military Board — Dr.

To the Military Board — reciting them to Ship Water and Provisions on the Euphrates and Glory for the use of forty European proceeding on the former to Masulipatam, and of fifteen Native Troops proceeding on the latter to Columbo.

To the Military Auditor General — authorising the payment of advances of money to the French Prisoners of War about to proceed

of those Ships— the advances recommended by him
on account of the French prisoners have been
authorized—

To Ditto Ditto— acquainting —

To the Secretary of Fort St. George.

him that authority has been given for the advances
recommended by him to be granted to certain
Gentlemen of the establishments of Fort William
and Bombay—

To Captain Perry— To receive
on Board that Ship 400 Barrels of Gun
Powder and to convey them to Ceylon—

To the Commander of the Honorable Company's extra Ship Lady.

Sent the following letters—

To Captain L. Hook

Secretary to the Government

at Fort William

Sir,

The Military Auditor General

having prepared a Statement of Pay and Allowances
issued to Mr. Stubenvolt under the Commissions
given to that Gentleman by Colonel Burn while
Commanding at the Moluccas, I am directed by the
Right

To the Secretary to the Government at Fort William— Transmitting a Statement of pay and allowances issued to Mr Stubenvoltunder the Commissions given to that Gentleman by Colonel Burn.

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Notes to be due to Majr. Geo. Geddes Ltr. from Secy. Thos. of February 1800 to Dec. 5th of January 1804.

to you the enclosed Copy of a letter from the Military Auditor General at this Presidency, and — to request that you will acquaint His Excellency the Governor General in Council that authority has been given for the payment of the allowances stated to be due to Major Ger. Geddes from the 7th of February 1800 to the 5th of January 1804 on that Officers furnishing security for the eventual repayment of the amount in the manner recommended by the Military Auditor General.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedt. Servt.
(Signed) George Strachey
Secretary to Government.

Fort St. George
8th March 1804.

Received and Sent the following letters entered on Pages Nos. 17, 18, 19, 20.

From Captain Maclean.

From the military to the Military Board.

Transmitting a Duplicate account of Gun Powder laden on the Honorable Company's Extra Ship Glory.

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At a consultation
Present
The Right Honorable
Lord William Cavendish Bentinck
Governor and President
Lieutenant General James Stuart
Commander in Chief.

Friday the
9th March 1804

William Petrie
and
John Chamier
Esqrs

Minutes of last Consultation

read and approved.

The Commander in Chief records

the following Minutes.

Minute

The Commander in
Chief has the honor of laying before the Board
a letter from Colonel Stevenson commanding
the subsidiary force, in which that Officer
applies for permission to proceed to Europe for the
restoration of his health

The

Minute of the Commander in Chief submitting an application from Colonel Stevenson for permission to proceed to England for the restoration of his health &c states his sentiments on the meritorious services of that Officer and requests that Colonel Stevenson may be recommended to the particular attention of the Court of Directors. Recommends also that any

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[illegible] experience in the Army furnish the most ample and honorable testimonies, but the Commander in Chief considers it his duty to propose that the Board will recommend to Colonel Stevenson to the particular attention of the Honorable Court of Directors as an Officer whose name does credit to the Service, and whose exertions have contributed materially to promote the success of their Arms.

Colonel Stevenson in a letter which he has addressed to the commander in Chief, and which is laid before the Board, represents that the limited state of his circumstances requires the payment of the Arrears due to him by the public; the Commander in Chief recommends that the sum of seven thousand Pagodas may be advanced to him together with his pay & allowances to the end of the present month. The Commander in Chief believes that the foregoing sum

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Dr Sir

I am sorry to intrude on your Lordships' valuable time, but trust you will excuse my requesting that the balance of Off reckonings now due to me, may be adjusted before my departure in such manner as your Lordship may find most convenient to order.

I have the honor to be &c.

Madras
6th March 1804

/Signed/ J. Stevenson
Colonel, Commanding the
Subsidiary forces

We Alexander Kennedy
and John Close, Surgeons of the Establish-
ment do hereby declare on Oath, that we
are of opinion, it is absolutely necessary, that
Colonel James Stevenson Commanding
the Nizam's Subsidiary Force should leave
this Country, and go to Europe for the recovery of
his health.

/Signed/

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request that your Excellency will be pleased to apply to Government on my behalf, and Recommend that I may receive an advance of Seven thousand (7000) Star Pagodas on account of my Off Reckonings. For the Security and repayment of which sum, I shall enter into such personal Bonds and engagements as Government may think proper to direct

I have &c

Signed J. Stevenson

Colonel, Commanding the Subsidiary Force

Fort St. George

March 7th 1804

To the Right Honorable

Lord William Cavendish Bentinck

Governor in Council

Fort St. George

My Lord,

I have the honour to enclose a Certificate of the ill state of my health, and request your Lordships permission to proceed to England by the Ships now under dispatch.

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Resolved that Colonel James

Stevenson and Captain T. Dunn of the 7th

Regiment of Native Cavalry be permitted to proceed to

Europe on Sick Certificates

Resolved that the Auditor

Auditor General be directed to authorize the pay-

ment of the proportion of Offreckonings computed

to be due to Colonel Stevenson, and of the Al-

lowance of pay recommended by the Comm[illegible] Order

in Chief to be granted to that Officer, under

such Security as may be necessary to indemnify

the Company against loss

The Board record their

entire concurrence in the sentiments expressed

by the Commander in Chief in regard to the

merits of Colonel Stevenson; and it is accord-

ingly Resolved to point them out in a particular

manner to the attention of the Honorable Court

of Directors

The Board also consider

it to be proper that the sentiments which they

entertain

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Sir.

Colonel Stevenson have been called into Action, they have been invariably signalized by the same ardor and zeal for the public interests, and by the same judgement and ability as have uniformly merited and obtained the esteem and applause of his Superiors

The confidence which was reposed in the talents and discretion of Colonel Stevenson having led to the selection of him for the unimportant Command of the Subsidiary force at Hydrabad, His Lordship in Council performs an acceptable part of his public duty, in expressing his entire approval of the manner in which the duties of that Command have been Conducted; and Colonel Stevenson having crowned a long series of important Services by the part which he sustained in the late Arduous war against the confederate Chieftains of the Mahratta Empire, His Lordship in Council derives great satisfaction in confirming by his testimony the distinguished praise which

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and respectable commands of the Northern and
Southern Divisions of the Army, is altogether in-
adequate to the extraordinary expences to which
their public situations must necessarily subject
them — The table money drawn by those
Officers may properly be considered as a staff
allowance, for it is the only advantage which they
can derive from their commands beyond the
advantage attached to the lowest command
in their Divisions; and in this light a staff
allowance of an amount which is granted
to the Assistants in all the Offices of accounts
at the Presidency, is certainly disproportionate
to the responsibility, the labours, and the ex-
pences of the Officers holding two of the
highest commands under this Government — There
are certain unavoidable expences attached to
the maintenance of the respectability of
Officers in high commands, and to the cultiv-
ation of that necessary intercourse which
enables them to acquire a knowledge of the character
and

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of the Army with extensive commands, and which require increased allowances, and the effects of — that arrangement will not be favorable to the emulation or the zeal of the Officers of the Army which reduces to a level with the lowest staff situations, the advantages of the few high and respectable commands, on which the discipline of the Army and the defence of our possessions on a great degree depend. The Court of Directors have recognized the propriety of attaching liberal salaries to important commands, in fixing the allowances of their General Officers on the staff; and it appears to be equally proper that a similar liberality should be shewn to Colonels Commanding Divisions of the Army, who exercise the same duties and sustain the same responsibility with General Officers on the staff.

The Government have manifested their obedience to the commands of the Honorable Court of Directors by reducing the table allowance of

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My Lord,

The Government Orders of the 24th February have notified to me that my Table Allowance as commanding Officer of the Northern Division of the Army is reduced from three to one hundred Pagodas per month.

Having always considered the former sum as scarcely adequate to the proper support of the respect attached to the Honorable and important situation in which I was placed, this unexpected reduction has surprized me more than I can properly describe, and I need not state to your Lordship in Council that I feel it with greater severity when I advert to the just principle usually observed of proportioning the extent of remuneration for services agreeably to the weight and responsibility which may be attached to the situation of the Officer in trust, and to the degree of expence to which he may be unavoidably subjected of

Sir

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favourable light than that in which it has
appeared to the Honorable Court of Directors
I should be sorry to recur to
so invidious a measure as that of calling in
question the Income enjoyed by other Gentlemen
residing within the limits of my command,
but it will readily occur to your Lordship in
Council that it would be not less inconsistent
with my feelings than it would be incompa-
tible with the duty expected from me, if hold-
ing the first Military Rank in the Northern
Circars I should be reduced to a mortifying
degree of inferiority in the scale of the society
in which I am placed, which must be my lot under
the operation of the recent reductions.
I cannot attribute the
reduction of my Allowances under circumstances
of such peculiar hardship to any other cause
than to an impression which may have pro-
bably existed in the mind of the Honorable
Court of Directors that the Lucrative pecuniary
advantages

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of Complaint at the orders which have effected me, but your Lordship will Most consider my thus stating the predicament in which I stand as no infringement of decorum, and as my humble services have been so fortunate as to have obtained the approval of my superiors, I am satisfied that your Lordship's candor will consider me to be justified in soliciting a reimbursement equal at least to the expense which I must unavoidably incur in my present Command.

I am convinced that it never can be your Lordships intention, nor that of the Honorable Directors, that I should serve the public at my own private expense, which must be the case if I do my duty on my present reduced allowance. I therefore rely with the most entire confidence on a fair consideration of my situation; and if your Lordship is satisfied that my case requires relief, that you will afford me such compensation as you may deem

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employed as Lieutenant Governor of Prince of Wales Island

Baronet of His Majesty's 78th Regiment not having drawn the difference of pay Gratuity and half Batta as Captain whilst employed as Lieutenant Governor of Prince of Wales Island to which he considers himself fully entitled, in common with other Officers in His Majesty's Service employed in Staff situations, whose Corps are in India; & particularly as the Regimental Allowance of half Batta is admitted to be drawn by Residents and other Officers in the Honorable Company's Service in Staff situations, but as the period for which such arrears are due being considerable, Viz.t from 7th February 1800 to the 5th January 1804, I cannot take upon me to pass this Bill without your Lordship's authority, which I do myself the honor to solicit accordingly, Major by Brevet Sir George Leith not being provided with any Document except of the period to which he has been paid, with exception of a Certificate of his last Subsistence received by him, I propose with your Lordship

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Resolved that authority be
given for the payment of the Allowances due
to Majr Sir Gr Leith on that Officer depo-
siting the Security which the Military Audi-
tor General has recommended to be taken

Ordered that the foregoing
Resolution be communicated to the Secretary
at Fort William for the information of the
Governor General in Council

To the Right Honorable
Lord William Bentinck

Governor in Council

Vice Vice Vice

My Lords,

Having received the Amboyne,

From the Military Auditor General's Statement of the allowances drawn by Captain Lieutenant Stubenvolle of the Dutch Service from November 1802 to April 1803.

Accounts up to September 1803, on the examin-
ation of which, Specific Allowances have
been drawn by Captain Lieutenant Stubenvolle
of the Dutch Service from November 1802 to
April 1803 a Statement of which I do myself
the honor to enclose as required by your orders

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Ordered that a copy of the foregoing

letter be transmitted to the Secretary to the Government at

Fort William

Read the following letter from the

Secretary to the Government at Fort William

To George Strachey Esqr.

Secretary to the Government at

Fort St. George

Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency

From the Secretary to the Government at Fort William Requesting an advance of Rupees 24,400.13.9 to Mr. Macrae on account of that Gentleman's contract for the supply of Elephants for this Presidency

The Most Noble the Governor General in Council

to requaint you for the information of the Right

Honorable the Governor in Council that an

advance of Sicca Rupees 24,400.13.9 has been

made to Mr. Macrae on account of his contract

for providing 60 Elephants for the Service of

the Presidency of Fort St. George, the amount to

be placed to the debit of that Presidency

Fort William I have the honor to be &c.

the 9th February 1804 (Signed) Lo. Hook

Secretary to Government

Copied

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Diary.

Sent the following letters.—

To the Military Auditor General.—

Sir

I am directed by the Governor in Council to enclose the extract of a Minute recorded by the Commander in Chief, for your information and guidance; and you are directed to give authority for the payment of the proportion of Offreckonings computed to be due to Colonel Stevenson with the advance of pay recommended by the Commander in Chief, under such security as may be necessary for the eventual indemnification of the Company against loss. —

To the Military Auditor Genl. Authorising the payment of Offreckonings and an advance of pay to Colonel Stevenson recommended in an enclosed extract of a Minute by the Commander in Chief.

Fort St. George
the 9th March 1804.—

I have the honor to be
Sir &c &c
(Signed) Geo: Strachey
Secretary to Govt.

To the Military Auditor General

Sir

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge

To Lt. Col. Blair authorising the payment of arrears of allowance connected to Major Sir G. Leith from the 1st of February 1800 to the 15th January 1804.

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10th Admiral Linois Squadron.—

From Captain Price — Soliciting

From the Commander of the Honorable Company's Ship Prince of Wales.—

that the usual amount of passage Money may be paid for the Invalids who are to be embarked on that Ship for England.—

Received a letter from Lieutenant

From the Commander in Chief 11th General Stuart, entered in No. B. Nº 24. With a General Return of the Troops serving under this Presidency for transmission to Bengal.—

Received and sent the —

following Letters entered in No. B. Nº 25. 26.—

From W. Rieback — Enclosing a list of persons who have been admitted to the

From the Military Paymaster General benefits of Lord Clive's fund since the 18th August last.—

To

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At a Consultation

Present

The Right Honorable

Lord William Cavendish Bentinck

Governor and President

Lieutenant General James Stuart

Commander in Chief

William Petrie }
and } Esqrs
John Chanier }

Tuesday the 13th March 1804.

Minutes of last Consultation read and

Approved.

The Commander in Chief Records the

following Minute:—

Minute of the Commander in Chief.—

The death of Lieutenant D. Kennedy of the 19th Regiment of Native Infantry has been reported to me to have happened at Ganjam on the 29th of February last.—

I recommend the following Promotions, which various Casualties in this Corps have rendered necessary.—

J. S.

Minute of the Commander in Chief recommending promotion in consequence of the death of Lieutenant Kennedy of the 19th Regiment Native Infantry — Recommends also the disposal by Public Auction of the Horses belonging to the Body Guard which have been cast by a Committee of Inspection —

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minute and for disposing of them by public Auction.

Read the following letters from the Military Board and from their Secretary.

To The Right Honourable Lord W.m Bentinck

Governor in Council &c &c &c

My Lord,

1 We have to acknowledge the receipt of Letter from the Secretary to Government in the Military Department dated the 29th February, and to report that we have in consequence ordered four hundred Barrels of Gunpowder to be embarked on the Honorable Company's Extra Ship Glory for the Service of His Majesty's Government on Ceylon.

From the Military Board Recommending a temporary addition to the establishment of the Garrison Storekeeper in Malabar that the loss incurred on the rates of Exchange by the Commercial Resident at Ingeram on the manufacture of Tents, be made good to him and that all estimates and bills for Tents be in future made out in Rupees Recommend also two Lacs of Pagodas money to be advanced

2 We enclose for your Lordship's consideration Copy of a Letter and Enclosures received from the Garrison Storekeeper in Malabar, relative to an establishment of Clerks hired by his Predecessor in Office for the adjustments of the Accounts of that Department, and beg to recommend that the establishment may be retained till the arrears are completed. We however think it necessary to state our opinion that the rate of Pay to the Clerks employed in the Field Provision Department is too high, and

should

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Fort St George
the
5th March 1804.

We have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) E Trapaud
" P. A. Agnew
" J Brunton
" Alexander Cay

To the Secretary to the Military Board
Fort St George

Sir

I am sorry to report for the information of the Military Board, the unfortunate circumstance of the death of my Predecessor, Mr. William Richardson, which happened last night.—

It is too well known to the Board that his accounts are in a state of great confusion, from which I much fear it will not be in my power to extricate them, occupied as my attention necessarily is, with the Current duties of my various and complicated Departments.—

All his papers have been sealed up in presence of several Officers, and I am endeavouring to obtain from those persons who were most in his confi-

dence

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To the President &c. Members of the Military Board
Fort St. George

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to enclose Sundry letters that have passed between me and the Paymaster at Masulipatam; from these letters it appears that he does not think himself authorized to admit the difference of Exchange on the Rupees stated in my letter of 20th Decem=ber 1803 to have been unavoidably incurred.— I have now therefore the honor to submit an account current to your Board wherein I have credited the whole sum received from him @ 385, and charged the difference in the Debit side of the account.— Rupees not being received here by any description of persons employ=ed in the preparation of Tents @ 385, and having the directions of Government thro' the Board of Trade to issue or sell them at the Bazar rate in the Commercial Department, I was of course under the necessity of paying for the Tent cloth accordingly— I duly explain=ed to the Paymaster the necessity of my receiving Gold, but it appears not to have been in his power to comply with my requisition. The sum mentioned in the account having

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of ¼ per cent, and I am in consequence induced to hope for the
interposition of your Board in my behalf to obtain the payment
of the Balance in the account enclosed, as well as for the 100
Tents now constructing on Madras Pagodas.—

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

(Signed) R. Fullerton
6th Regt

Ingeram
20th Febuary 1804.—

A true Copy
(Signed) John Macleane
Secretary Military Board

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M.Pag.s f.s 6.ths

By Cash received from M.r Samuel Young . . . . 1500 " —

By Do Do from Do of Rupees 3850 at the rate of Company's exchange a 385 Rupees 7/% Madras Pagodas } 1000

2500 " "

By Cash ordered to be paid and expected to be received from the Paymaster Rs 2921.3/2 a 385 Rupees 7/% Madras Pagodas. } " " " 758 31 74½

3258 31 74½

By Balance still due being the difference of Exchange in Rupees between the Company's and the Bazar Rate } " " " 100 9 24½

M. Pagodas. 3358 41 19

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Errors Excepted

Fr. (Signed) R. Fullerton To

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To the Paymaster
at
Masulipatam

Sir,

I have received yours of the 9th Instant, —

I enclose the account sent by me to the Military Board which appears to have been passed by which you will observe the balance due is Madras Pagodas 819 — 20 — 7½ instead of S. Pagodas 834 — 23 — 11½ which I request may be sent in Gold, as it is impossible to pass Rupees here except at 106 P. 100

M. Pagodas —

Sam Sa. Ss.

(Signed) Robert Fullerton
Commercial Resident
at
Ingeram

Ingeram
12th February 1804. —

A true Copy (Signed) Robert Fullerton
Co. R.

(A true Copy) (Signed) John Macleane
Secy. Mily. Board

To Robert Fullerton Esqr.
Comm. Resident
at
Ingeram

Lr.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 12th Instant inclosing Copy of an Account sent by you to the Military Board

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Account Current

To Cash advanced to Mr Fullerton McPags 1500 or Star Pagodas	1650 - -	By the Amount of Bill passed by the Hon.ble Military Auditor General	3584 23 42
To Do Do	1000 - -		1100 - -
	2750 - -		
To Balance due	834 23 42½		

S. Pagodas 3584 23 42½

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Errors Excepted

W.m (Signed) Samuel Young
Pay master

A true Copy
(Signed) John Maclean
Secy. Mily. Board

(a true Copy)
(Signed) Rc. Fullerton

S. Pagodas 3584 23 42

Madras 18th March 1804

Errors Excepted

(Signed) Samuel Young
Pay master

A true Copy
(Signed) John Maclean
Secy. Mily. Board

(a true Copy)
(Signed) Rc. Fullerton

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Enclosing a Statement of Arms supplied for the service of the Rajah of Tanjore—

In conformity to the orders conveyed in your Letter of the 11th. January, I have the honor to transmit a Statement of the Value of One thousand Muskets and Bayonets supplied from the Arsenal of Fort St. George for the Service of His Excellency the Rajah of Tanjore including the expense of their conveyance to Tanjore.—

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your Most Obedient Servant

(Signed) John Macleane

Secretary to Military Board

Fort St. George
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Ordered that the Statement of Arms supplied from the Arsenal for the Troops of the Rajah of Tanjaur be forwarded to the Resident at Tanjore for adjustment; and that the Accountant General be directed to place the Sum of Pagodas 4,489. 37. 46, on Account of those Arms, to the debit of the Rajah in the Books of this Presidency.

Read the following Letters from the Military Auditor General.

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

My Lord,

From the Military Auditor General transmitting copy of a letter from the Paymaster in Malabar, reporting the death of his Predecessor, recommending that the establishment of Servants required by Mr. Douglas for the adjustment of the late Mr. Richardson's accounts, may be authorised - - - States his opinion of the allowances which should be drawn by Adjutants on His Majesty's Service -

I do myself the honor to transmit to you Copy of a Letter which I have received from the present Paymaster in Malabar, dated the 15th Instant, acquainting me of the death of his predecessor, and informing me that Seals had been put on all his papers, it also appears by Mr. Douglas's letter to me that the deceased Mr. Richardson had entertained a Sett of Servants for

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explain that altho' these Allowances may be considered liberal, Yet they are not equal to the allowances drawn by Adjutants of the Honorable Company's Service, who holding two Commissions receive double Subsistence Viz.t That of their Regimental Rank and the Staff Subsistence of Lieutenant as Adjutant, to which His Majesty's Adjutants have no Claim, as they hold only Commissions as Adjutant, but take rank in the Regiment to which they belong either as Ensign or Lieutenant, and are promoted to Companies in their turn or by purchase; but for which rank in the Corps they hold no Commissions if the Pay of the Commission of Officer is deducted from the Company's Adjutants, His Majesty's Adjutants receive Pag.s 8-31-40. per Month More than they do, but the duty of Adjutant in an European Corps upwards of 1000 Strong being in itself very arduous, perhaps the difference in favor of the former description of Adjutant will not be thought more than he deserves, particularly when it is considered he only receives his Subsistence on his Commission of —

Adjutant.—

I have

procured information that can be relied on, you shall be made acquainted, with the result.—

Under these circumstances I trust that no responsibility will attach to me; for tho' willing to lend every assistance in my power towards Adjusting the Accounts of the Deceased, I must confess, that under their present Derangement I cannot flatter myself that Success will ultimately attend my endeavours. In forwarding this report, I deem it necessary to observe that, on the Death of Mr. Richardson, I found he had entertained, for the purpose of making up his Accounts, the enclosed establishment of Clerks, which Establishment I have thought necessary to retain till the Orders of Government shall arrive, as these are the only Persons Acquainted with his Affairs, and the demand for people of this description is so great that should they be once discharged it may be found impossible again to collect them, and equally so to come to any settlement of hes affairs whatever without their Assistance.—

(Signed) C. A. Douglas
Paymr. and Garrison Sub. Kr.
Madras

Sellicherry
15th February 1804.—

A True Copy
(Signed) J. Brunton Mily. Asst. Genl.

becomes my duty to report it.—

2 Colonel Sir. William Clark has also established a new Military post of Agoada near Goa, and nominated Captain Mac Intash of His Majesty's 77th. Regiment to Command which entitles that Officer to the difference between the half and full Batta of his Rank, which nomination has also received His Excellency The Commander in Chiefs Sanction, as communicated to me in a letter from the Adjutant General of the Army under date 20th. Ultimo.

I have the honor to be

&c. &c. &c.

(Signed) J. Brunton

Military Aidt. Genl.

Military Auditor
Generals Office
Fort St. George
9th March 1804.—

Extract of Station Orders by Colonel Sir William Clarke dated 28th. September 1803.—

Colonel Sir William Clarke will feel it his duty, in consequence of the trust reposed in him by his Excellency the Governor and Captain General of Goa, to direct his attention occasionly to the State and Discipline of the Portuguese Troops in the Provinces, his presence will therefore sometimes be

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Ordered that the following letter be dispatched to the Military Auditor General.—

To the Military Auditor General.—

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letters of the 27th and 28th Ultimo, and of the 1st and 9th Instant.—

2 Mr. Douglas in his capacity of Garrison Storekeeper in Malabar has transmitted to the Military Board a List of the Servants entertained by the late Mr. Richardson for the Adjustment of his accounts, and as it probably corresponds with the List mentioned by Mr. Douglas in his letter to you of the 15th Ultimo, I am directed to furnish a Copy of it for your information and guidance.—

3. The Governor in Council has been pleased to Authorise the Garrison Storekeeper and Paymaster in Malabar to retain those Servants for the purpose of enabling him to proceed with greater expedition in the adjustments of the Accounts of his Predecessor, but I am directed to desire that you will regulate their allowances

To Dr. Dr. the Military Paymaster and Garrison Storekeeper in Malabar, permitted to retain the Servants mentioned in a list enclosed, for the purpose of expediting the adjustment of his predecessor's accounts --- Lieutenants in His Majesty's Service holding the appointments of Adjutant to receive the Gratuity, Batta and Tent allowance of their Regimental rank, and their subsistence to be entered to the same allowances as that drawn by Adjutants in the Company's service, the allowances and additional subsistence of a Captain in His Majesty's service holding that appointment to be those of a Lieutenant and Adjutant only --- A decision on the retrenchment against Mr. Assistant Surgeon Jones postponed --- His Statement of the allowances due to Captain Maughan will be forwarded to Bombay for payment --- Lieutenant Colonel Spry confirmed in the command of the British Troops at Goa, to authorise the payment of full Batta to the Officers from the 25th September last, and to Captain Macintosh from the date of his appointment to command the Post at Agoada—

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Assistant Surgeon John Jones, as it is intended to bring the Subject of that Gentleman's allowances under the Notice of the Honble Court of Directors who will have the Means of Judging correctly, the grounds on which his claim appears to have been founded,—

7th Your Statement of the allowances due to Captain Maughan as Master Attendant at Malacca, under the instructions recently furnished to you on that Subject, will be transmitted to the Government at Bombay, in order that the Amount may be paid at that Presidency.—

8th His Lordship in Council having confirmed Lieutenant Colo. Spry of His Majesty's 77th Regiment in the Command of the British Troops at Goa under the orders of Colonel Sir William Clarke, from the 28th of September last, you will consider it a distinct command from that period, and Authorize the payment of Full Batta to Lieutenant Colonel Spry Accordingly.

9th You will also authorise the payment of Full Batta to Captain Macintosh of His Majesty's 77th Regiment from the date of that Officer's appointment by Colonel Sir W. Clarke to Command the

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your Lordship in Council.—

As this Communication has not been made I request to call your Lordships attention to the following Paragraph of the Accountants Generals Letter "If therefore Mr Young Continues to refuse granting Bills "payable to you in Charge of the General Treasury, you "will refuse receiving them in any other form, as also —— "making him any further Advances until he draws his "Bills in a proper form" Because if such measures are adopted much Publick inconvenience may arise.—

I have the honor to be

Fort St George
the 27th February 1804.—

&c. &c.

(Signed) B. Roebuck
Military Paymr Genl

To the Military Paymaster General
Fort St George

Sir,

The enclosed Correspondence with the Collector of this Zillah, I consider it my Duty to lay before you — It needs but little Explanation on my part I instructed by you to Indent on the Collectors / & / give my Bills in their favor, on you, have strictly

adhered

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whether you have such a Head as "Masulipatam" "General Treasury" in your Books, but of this I am certain that I cannot alter any Head in my Accounts without your previous Sanction. It is immaterial to me under what denomination the Bills are drawn, but as the Subject has become important by falling under the Animadversion of Mr. Smith, I request your immediate instructions, as to what steps are to be taken, should the Collector/s as the implies/ keep back the Cash.—

I have the honor to be

Masulipatam
20th February 1804.—

&c. &c.
(Signed) Saml. Young
Paymaster

Extract of a letter from the Military Paymaster General — Dated 28th August 1802.—

"The advice given every three Months and Continued Monthly of the Cash you may require, from the Collectors within your Range of Payments must still be adhered to."—

/True Extract/

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to you as Collector of the 3d Division of the Masulipatam District while the advances have been made from the General Treasury at Masulipatam and not from your Revenue Treasury.—

It would be advisable that you should transfer the whole of your net Revenue as Collector to your General Treasury, and make all advances from them, and he directs accordingly it may be done.—

Fort St. George
Accountant Generals'
Office 30th March 1803.—

I am &c. &c.
(Signed) M. Forbes
Dy. R. Account

A true Copy
(Signed) P. R. Cazalet
Collector &c. &c.

To the Collector in the Zillah
of
Masulipatam

Sir,

I have received your letter of this date, enclosing Extract from the Deputy Revenue accountant to you of march last year, which I cannot

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Jam &c. &c.

(Signed) Samuel Young
Paymaster

Masulipatam
2d February 1804.—

To the Paymaster
Masulipatam

Sir,

Enclosed I have the honor to forward copy of a letter this day received from a Mr. Accountant General Smith. These instruction render it necessary for me to state that the Sum of 6,810 Star Pagodas yesterday applied for by you will be paid to you from the Masulipatam General Treasury. Previous however to advancing you the Money I request to be informed whether I may expect Bills in the Form prescribed by Mr. Smith's address.—

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17th February 1804.—

Jam &c. &c.

(Signed) P. Ra. Cazalet
Collr. in Charge Mo. Ty. Ty.

Peter Reade Cazalet Esqr.
Collector in Charge of the General Treasury
at Masulipatam

Sir,

I have received your letter of the

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General Treasury you will refuse receiving them in any other form, as also making him any further advances until he draws his Bills in a proper form," and let him take upon himself the responsibility of a non compliance with the forms you have required, and which so far from tending to confuse are the only ones by which the accounts can be kept Clear and distinct.—

You had better forward to Mr. Young a Copy of this letter which will explain to him that the difficulties which he foresees in a Compliance with your Request cannot take place.—

I am &c. &c.

(Signed) Cecil Smith

Account. Genl. & C. Auditor

Fort St George
Accountant Generals Office
13th February 1804.—

(A True Copy)

(Signed) J. R. Cazalet

Collector in charge M. G. Tre.

To the Collector in the Zillah
of Masulipatam

Sir

In reply to your letter and enclosure
of

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despatched to the Military Paymaster General.—

To the Military Paymaster General

Sir,

To the Military Paymaster General— To direct the Paymaster at Masulipatam to grant Bills in favor of the Treasury at that place, according to the form required by the Collector under the particular instructions of the Accountant General.—

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 27th Ultimo, and to acquaint you that it is the desire of His Lordship in Council that you will direct the Paymaster at Masulipatam to grant bills in favor of the Treasury at that place according to the form required by the Collector under the particular instructions of the Accountant General, and His Lordship in Council does not perceive that any inconvenience would have occurred to the Public Service, if that mode had been observed in the first instance.—

2 His Lordship in Council has not approved the Orders given by the Accountant General for Stopping an Advance of Money required for the demands of the Military Service, but His Lordship in Council is not the less displeased at the Motives which appear to have Actuated the Paymaster in resorting an arrangement calculated to

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The Honorable Company Dr.

To the under mentioned Sums which I declare upon Honor have been disbursed on account of the Public Service in the Secret and Intelligence Department from the 1st to the 31st December 1803.—

		Pagodas	
December	To Cash paid 1 Writer 1 Jemidar & 16 Hircarrahs	118	—
	To Do paid Rajah Mukeepat Ropis Hircarrahs	108	—
	To Do Salabut Khan Bahaders Hircarrahs	210	—
	To Do paid one Artillery Man and a European of His Majesty's 74th Regiment who went down from the Trenches to examine the Breach at Gawzilghur each 50 Pagodas	365	—
	To Cash paid on Acct of Secret Service	2651	—
	Total Pagodas Rupias Three Thousand Seven hundred and fifty two	3752	—

Errors excepted

6th January 1804.

To Captain W. Doyle
Paymaster to the
Subsidiary force

(Signed) J. Johnston
Persian Interpreter
Subsidiary force

(Signed) J. Stevenson Colonel
Commanding the Subsidiary forces

Ordered

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Ordered that the Bill enclosed with the foregoing letter be transmitted to the Military Auditor General, with directions to Admit the amount of the Charge in the Accounts of the Paymaster to the Subsidiary forces —

Read the following Letters —

From the Officer Commanding at Pondicherry —

To the Chief Secretary to Government

Sir,

I have the honor to request you will take an early opportunity of recommending to His Lordship in Council placing Mons.r Ponchand on the list for Subsistence of the late French Civil administration until an opportunity offers of his return to Europe. —

From the Officer Commanding at Pondicherry — Recommending that M. Ponchaud may be placed on the Subsistance list at Pondicherry —

Mr. Ponchaud having rendered me essential Services on many Occasions will I hope be of reason for my Soliciting his Lordships temporary bounty towards him. —

Pondicherry
February 23.d 1804 —

(Signed) G. St. John
Colonel

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P.S. Mr. Ponchand Subsistance was one hundred and thirty Eight Rupees a Month as Chief de Loge. I have given him permission to reside at Negapatam till he receives further Orders.—

The Chief Secretary
to Government

Sir,

I beg leave to send you the enclosed, which you will be so good as to lay before the Governor,

From Do. Do. Transmitting an application from Mr. Vellers for permission to go to Tranquebar and eventually to the Isle of France.

Upon enquiry I find that Mr. Vellers is exactly in the same Situation with Mr. Moneron, who lately was permitted to go to the Isle of France, so far as that he came out in the same Ship with Mr. Moneron as a Private Merchant, and is perfectly unconnected with the late Capitulation.—

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) Alex.r Keith
Lieut.t Colonel
Commanding

Pondicherry
2. March 1804.—

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To Colonel Keith
Commanding at
Pondicherry

Colonel,

My affairs calling me away from this Place to Tranquebar and from thence to the Isle of France, I hope, from your Justice, that you will have the goodness to grant me a Passport — I am not included in the Number of the French Men who were made Prisoners under the late Capitulation, but was landed from the English Ship Albion, Captain Heelas, at Madras on the 27th August last — I am ready to fulfill all the Conditions which your Government may require of me. —

Pondicherry
29th Febry 1804

I have the Honor to be &c &c
(Signed) De Villers

A true Translation
(Signed) J. H. Keble
French Translator to Government.

Ordered

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Ordered that the following Reply be
dispatched to the Officer Commanding at Pondicherry. —

To the Officer Commanding

at

Pondicherry

Sir,

I am directed by the Right —
Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the
receipt of your letters ——— of the 23d Ultimo & 2d Instant.

His Lordship in Council has
been pleased at your recommendation to admit Mr
Panchand on the List of Civil Pensioners at Pondi=
-cherry from the 1st Instant, on a Stipend of one —
Hundred and Thirty Eight /138/ Rupees per Month. —

With respect to the application
from Mr De Villers for permission to proceed to
Tranquebar and eventually to the Isle of France,
His Lordship in Council desires that you will be guided
by the instructions furnished to you, in reply to a —
similar request of Mr Moneron, to which you
have particularly referred, and it is His Lordship's desire
that the greatest care may be taken in observing the
intention

To Do Do Mr Pan=
chand admitted on
the list of Civil Pen=
sioners at Pondicherry
on a Stipend of 138
Rupees per Month —
to be guided by the
instructions which
were furnished to
him on a former
occasion, with —
respect to the appli=
cation from Mr De
Villers for permission
to proceed to Tran=
quebar &c. —

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intention of the orders conveyed on that occasion.—

Fort St George
15th March 1804.—

I am &c &c
(Signed) George Strachey
Sec.y to Government

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

To the Chief Secretary of Government
Fort St George

Sir,

From the Town Major of Fort St George—Reporting that six French Prisoners of War have been landed from His Majesty's Ship

I have the honor to report to you for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, that 6 of French Prisoners of War, agreeably to the enclosed list, were landed from His Majesty's ship Victor the 10th Instant, and sent to Poonamallee.

I request the authority of Government for drawing the stipulated allowances for their subsistences.—

I have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) Allen Gerard
Town Major

Town Major's Office
Fort St George
17th March 1804.

List Countersigned & sent to the Military Auditor General on the 17th of March 1804.—

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Ordered that the List of French Prisoners of War, enclosed with the foregoing letter be countersigned by the Secretary and transmitted to the Military Auditor General for the information and guidance of that Officer.—

The President informs the Board, that he has confirmed Captain Allan Grant in the situation of Town Major of Fort St. George, and that he has appointed Captain St. George of His Majesty's 80th Regiment to be his Aid de Camp in the room of Captain Grant from the 1st Instant.—

Ordered that the foregoing Appointments be published in General Orders

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Orders —

W Bentinck

Wmurt

W Pitt

Thackeray

Edwd W Strange

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Diary.

Received and Sent the Sollowing

Sellers entered in M. B. Nos 27, 28, 29, 30

From Mr. Roebuck - Enclosing an

additional estimate of Cash required for the

Current Month -

From the Military Paymaster General -

To the Military Auditor General -

To authorise the payment of a bill from Colo-

-nel Stevenson on account of contingent ex-

-pences incurred with the detachment com-

-manded by that Officer -

To the Military Auditor Gener-al -

To Ditto Ditto Directing him

To Ditto Ditto

to authorise advances recommended by the

Military Board -

To the Military Paymaster at the

To the Military Paymaster at the Presidency -

Presidency - To receive and dispose of by

public Auction 14 Horses belonging to the

Body Guard which have been cast by a

Committee of Inspection.

Sent the following Letter -

To

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To I. A Grant Esqr. &c
Secretary to the Government
at Bombay

Sir

To the Secretary to the Government at Bombay — Forwarding a Statement of additional allowances which have been granted at the Recommendation of Vice Admiral Rainier to Captain Maughan for the time during which that Officer was employed at Malacca and Requesting that the Amount may be paid to Captain Maughan at that Place Disc.

Para 1st The Right Honorable the Governor in Council having Resolved at the recommendation of His Excellency Vice Admiral Rainier to grant certain additional allowances to Captain Maughan of the Bombay Marine for the time during which that Officer was employed as Master Attendant at Malacca, I am directed to transmit to you the enclosed Statement of the Amount which is to be paid to Captain Maughan under the Resolutions of His Lordship in Council

2 I am directed to request that you will submit the Statement to the Honorable the Governor in Council at Bombay with the request of His Lordship in Council that the Amount being Star Pagodas 1345.26.20 may

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may be paid to Captain Maughan at that Presidency, and Charged to the Account of the Government of Fort St. George.

I have the honor to be

Gentlemen,

Your most

Fort St. George obedient

15th March 1804. (Signed) George Strachey

Secretary to Government

To the President & Members of the Military Board

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge

To the Military Board Acquainting them that the Garrison the Rupee in Mutabar has been

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Acknowledge the receipt of your letter

of the 5th Instant

Hist Lordship in Coun-

cil has been pleased to Authorise the

Garrison Storekeeper in Malabar to

retain the Servants employed by the

late Mr Richardson, for the tempo-

rary purpose of completing the Accounts

of that Department but the Military

Auditor General has been instructed

to regulate the Salaries of those per-

sons according to the reduced Scale

Recommended in your letter

&c &c

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His Lordship in Council Ap-
=proves the Orders, which you have given
that all future Estimates and Bills for
the Manufacture of Tents shall be cal-
=culated in Rupees, and I am directed
to desire that the Loss which the Com-
=mercial Resident at Ingeriam &c. m
=stated lately to have sustained by
Exchange on that Account, may be
Reimbursed to Mr. Fullerton in Con-
=formity to your Recommendation.—

The advances of Money Recom-
=mended in your Letter of the 5th Instant
have been Authorized by His Lord-
=ship in Council.—

The Statement of Arms
Supplied

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Supplied from the Arsenal for the
Troops of the Rajah of Tanjore, which
was submitted with your Secretary's
letter of the 9th Instant, has been forward-
ed to Tanjore for Adjustment, and the
Accountant General has been directed
to place the Sum of Pagodas 4489.37.40
on that Account to the debit of His Ex-
cellency in the Books of the Government.

I am directed to transmit to
you the enclosed Extract of our Letter
from the Accountant General, and to de-
sire that you will state for the inform-
tion of Their Lordships in Council whe-
ther any Orders which you may have
issued to the Garrison Store Keeper at
Masulipatam, justified him in
making a demand on the Collector of
that Station for an advance of Money
in

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15th in gold contrary to the principle on which the 292
regulation of the exchange in the Northern
Circars has been fixed. —

I have the honor to be

Fort St George Sir Your
15th March 1804. (Signed) George Strachey
Secry to Government

Received and sent the follow-
-ing Letters entered in M. B. Nos 31, 32. —

From the Acting Deputy Paymas-ter Gnnral to the Kings Troops

From Captain Campbell — Re-
-questing a further advance of 2,000 Pagodas
on account of His Majesty's Ceylon Regi-
-ment of Native Infantry. —

To the Military Auditor General

To the Military Auditor General. —

Referring for his examination
an additional estimate of Cash. —

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At a Consultation

Present

The Right Honorable

Lord William Cavendish, Bentinck

Governor and President

Friday the 15th March 1814

Lieutenant General James Stuart

Commander in Chief

William Petrie and
John Chamier } Esquires

Minutes of last Consultation

Read and Approved.

The Commander in Chief

Records the following Minute.

Minute of the Commander in Chief

Minute of the Commander in Chief submits a draft of a GO for correcting the dates of Rank assigned to Officers of the 5th Regiment Native Infantry. Submits also an application from

The late Promotions in consequence of Casualties which have occurred in Europe produce a necessity for correcting the dates of rank assigned to Officers promoted in this Country prior to the receipt of the Official intimation announcing those Casualties

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from Lieutenant Robuck for permission to proceed to Sea — Reports the progress which has been made in the formation of the 8th Regiment of Native Cavalry and Submits the proceedings of the Medical Board —

Casualties I therefore recommend the publication of an Order to the following effect —

The following correction of the date of Rank assigned to Officers of the 5th Regiment of Native Infantry, as published to the Army —

Captain Lieutenant A. Molesworth to be Captain of a Company Vice Martin promoted — 24th August 1803 —

Lieutenant I. Stuart to be Captain Lieutenant Vice Molesworth Promoted — 24th August 1803 —

Captain Lieutenant I. Stuart to be Captain of a Company Vice Blosel deceased — 23rd September 1803 —

Lieutenant Robert Barclay to be Captain Lieutenant Vice Stuart Promoted 23rd September 1803

Captain Lieutenant R. Barclay to be Captain of a Company Vice Seeley deceased

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Deceased, 22nd. October 1803.—

Lieutenant J. Grenny to be Captain Lieutenant, Vice Barclay promoted, 22nd. October 1803.

I Submit to the Board a Letter from Lieutenant Roebuck of the 1st. Battalion of the 17th. Regiment of Native Infantry, and Recommend that he be permitted to proceed to Sea for the benefit of his Health agreeably to his Request.

I have the honor of reporting to the Board that considerable progress has been made in the formation of the 8th. Regiment of Native Cavalry. Of the number of Men and Horses required to complete that Corps, Three hundred and fifty Men have been raised at Arcot and about fifty at Trichinopoly; One hundred and eighty horses are now at Arcot, and the Remaining amount have arrived in My-

June

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Mysore from Mangalore. The establishment of Native Officers and a certain Number of Privates from the Old Regiments have been attached to the 8th Regiment, and are now employed in the instruction of the Recruits at Arcot; but the nature of the Service in which the Troops in advance are engaged has not yet admitted of completing the establishment of European Officers with the new Regiment.

I lay before the Board the Proceedings of the Medical Board in their Meeting of the 2nd Instant.

16th March 1804. (Signed) J. Stuart

To the Right Honble
Lord W. C. Bentinck
Governor in Council
Fort St. George.

My Lord,

I have the honor to enclose
Mr.

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Mr. Surgeon Ord's Certificate recommending my proceeding to Sea for the Recovery of my health and if I have your Lordships per-mission I intend going to Sea on the Rus-sell Man of War.

I have the honor to be

Fort St. George &c. &c.

15th March 1804 (Signed) T. Roebuck Lieutenant. 1st Batt. 17th Reg. N. Infantry

Lieutenant Thomas Roebuck of the 1st Battalion 17th Regiment Native Infantry has been for some Months past in such a State of Health that it is in my opinion highly advisable that he should proceed to Sea for some time as the most likely meand of ensuring his perfect Recovery.

Madras (Signed) William Ord

13th March 1804 Surgeon

Resolved and Ordered that a General Order be published to the effect Recommended

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Recommended in the foregoing Minute

Resolved that Lieutenant

Roebuck of the 17th Regiment of Native

Infantry be permitted to proceed to Sea

for the benefit of his health.

Resolved to apprize the Court

of Directors by the present dispatch of the

progress made in the formation of the 8th

Regiment of Native Cavalry.

The Board proceed to read and

pass Orders on the following Proceedings of

the Medical Board.

Resolutions of the Medical Board

Governor in Coun- 2nd March 1804.

-cil 16th March 1804

The Medical Board take this opportunity of forwarding to the Right Honorable the Governor in Coun- -cil, List of European Medecines

From the Medical Board Forwarding lists of Medicines supplied to His Majestys and the Honorable Companys Ships.

Resolved and Ordered that these Lists

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Lists be transmitted to the Honorable Court of Directors by the present despatch.

Medicines &c. Issued from the Honorable Company's Medical Stores at this Presidency for the use of the Sick of His Majesty's Navy in India, from the 1st November 1802, to the 31st January 1804

And also, List of Europ. & Asiatic Medicines &c. supplied to the Honora: ble Company's Ships, from 3rd February to the 6th September 1803, with the Invoice Prices affixed; and for which, the Amounts have been received here, on delivery by the Medical Storekeeper

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Storekeeper, and duly car-
-ried to the Honorable Com-
-pany's credit.

(Signed) James Anderson
Physician General
" Terence Gahagan M.D.
and 2nd Member Med. Board
" Nicol Mein
3rd Member Med. Board

By Order of the Right Honora-
-ble the Governor in Council.

(Signed) George Strachey
Secry to Government

Read the following letter from
the Military Board.

To the Right Honorable
Lord William Bentinck
Governor in Council Vea Vea Vea

My Lord,

We have the honor to for-
ward

From the Mili-
tary Board-
Forwarding for.

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for transmission to England a Certificate of Naval Ordnance and Garrison Stores landed at this Presidency in the present year —

Forward for transmission to the Honorable Court of Directors by the Ships under Dispatch, a Certificate, in Duplicate, of Naval, Ordnance, and Garrison Stores landed at Fort St. George in the Year 1804 from the Honorable Company's Ships General Stuart and Glory —

We have the honor to be,

My Lord,

Your Lordships

Most Obedient humble Servts

Fort St. George
16th March 1804 —

Signed
J Stuart
D Smith
E Trapaud
P A Agnew
J Brunton
Alexr Orr

Resolved and Ordered that the Certificated

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Certificates submitted with the fore=
=going letter be forwarded by the pre=
=sent dispatch to the Honorable Court
of Directors.

" W Beatniek

" Wmark

Ea Yp Strange
W. Strange

" Wm Petrie

" Hutchinson

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Diary.

16th Received and Sent the follow-
-ing Letters entered in M. B. Nos 33. 34.—

From the Secretary to the Military Board. From Captain Macleane—With a return of Provision Stores laden on the Euphrates for the use of three Ben-
-gal Lascars—

To Captain Hook—With a ret-
To the Secretary to the Govt. at Fort William. -turn of Provision Stores laden on the Euphrates for the use of Gun Lascars proceeding on that Ship to Bengal—

17th Sent the following Letter—

To the Resident at Tanjour

Sir,

To the Resident at Tanjour Enclosing a Statement of Arms for the use of the Troops of His Excellency the Raja of Tanjour, the Amount of which has been

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to desire that you will Submit to the Raj-
-jah of Tanjour the enclosed Statement of Arms supplied from the Arsenal of Fort

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bun debited to His Excellency

Fort St. George for the use of His Excellency's Troops, the Value of which together with the amount of contingent charges, being Pagodas 4,489. 37. 46 You will adjust in communication with His Excellency the Rajah, to whose account the amount has been debited.-

I have the honor to be

Fort St. George
17th March 1804.

Vex
Vca

(Signed) George Strachey.
Secry to Government

Received and Sent the following Letters entered in M. B. Nos 35, 36, 37.-

From Messrs Abbott and Maitland -- From Messrs Abbott and Maitland - Requesting that a Letter of Marque may be granted for their Ship the Orient.-

To the Military Auditor General - Authorising an advance of 2,000 Pagodas on account of His Majesty's Regiment.

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Regiment of Ceylon Native Infantry

To Mr Robuthnot Acquainting

To the Chief Secretary to the Government at Colombo

him that the Sum of 2,000 Pagodas has been

advanced at this Presidency, on account of

His Majesties Regiment of Ceylon Native

Infantry.

Order of Council

Military Department

19th March 1804.

Received the following Letter

from the Military Auditor General.

To the Right Honorable

Lord William Bentinck

Governor in Council

Vca Vca Vca

My Lord,

From the Military Auditor General Reporting on the additional estimate of Cash Submitted for his examination on the 15th Instant

Having examined the Additional Estimate of Cash for the Current Month, which accompanied a letter from the Secretary to Government in the Military

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Military Department under date the 15th
Instant, I have the honor to report that
the Sum of Pagodas Seventy Six Thousand
four hundred and fifty Nine, Fanams
twenty six, and Cash forty four, (Pagodas
76,459. 26. 44 is admissible and issuable
from the General Treasury.-

2 Of this Sum Pagodas Sixty four
Thousand and Sixty five, Fanams twenty
four and Cash Seventy three (Pagodas
64,065. 24. 73) is required by the Military
Paymaster General to discharge the
Amount of Bills drawn upon him by
Subordinate Paymasters, to make reim-
=ous advances, and for the payment of
Sundry Bills, passed in this Office, all of
which have been authorized by Govern-
=ment.-

3. The remainder is required by
the Military Paymaster and Garrison
Store Keeper

1030 Fort St. George the March 1804.

Store Keeper at the Presidency to answer de-
mands made on their respective Depart-
ments and which do not appear to have
been included in any former Estimates.

I have deducted the Sum of Pago-
das One Thousand one hundred and Sixty
two, Fanams thirteen, and Cash Seventy Six
(Pagodas 1162.13.76) (being the Amount of a
Bill for the balance due by Government
to Vencata Runga Pillay) from the Total
amount of the Additional Estimate, that
Sum having been included in the Estimate
of the Military Paymaster General, as well
as in that of the Military Paymaster at
the Presidency, by Mistake. I presume
Military Auditor I have the honor to be
General's Office Sir Sir
Fort St. George (Signed) I. Brunton
17th March 1804. Military Audr. General.

In consequence of the foregoing &c.
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To be issued from the Treasury to the Military Paymaster Genral.

report, Ordered that the Sum of Twenty Six thousand four hundred and fifty Nine Pagodas Twenty Six fanams forty four Cash (Pagodas 26,459. 26. 44.) be issued from the Treasury to the Military Paymaster Genral on Account of the additional estimate enclosed in his letter of the 14th Instant.

By Order of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council.

(Signed) George Strachey
Secry to Government

To the Military Paymaster Genral

Sent a Letter to the Military Paymaster General entered in M. B. No 38 Acquainting him that the Sum of Pagodas 26,459. 26. 44 has been ordered to be issued from the Treasury on account of his additional estimate.

At

1032 Fort St. George 20th March 1804.

At a Consultation

Present

The Right Honorable

Lord William Cavendish Bentinck

Tuesday Governor and President

the 20th Lieutenant General I. Stuart

March Commander in Chief

1804.- William Petrie and } Esqrs
John Chamier }

Minutes of last Consultation

Read and Approved.-

Read the following Letter from

the Military Auditor General.-

To the Right Honorable

Lord William Bentinck

Governor in Council

Vca Vca Vca

My Lord,

From the Military Auditor General. Requesting Opinion

In obedience to your Orders of the 29th Ultimo referring for my Opinion and

Opinion on the claim of Mr. Lord to arrears of allowances as Paymaster and Commissary at the Moluccas — submits copy of a letter from the Paymaster at Masulipatam Requesting that an allowance of 7½ Pags per Month may be granted for an office establishment to the Officer Commanding at Coringa, — observations thereon. —

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And Report a letter of the Military Paymaster General's dated the 22nd Ultimo, addressed to the Chief Secretary of Government accompanied by Copy of a letter from Mr. Lord formerly Paymaster at the Moluccas dated the 21st Ultimo on the Subject of Allowances claimed by the latter Gentleman in the above capacity, I have accordingly the honor to represent that on the 10th September 1801, a reference was made to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council by Lieutenant Colonel MacNeile who took upon himself the duties of Paymaster and Commissary at the Moluccas on the demise of Mr. Cunningham, and drew in those capacities the Sum of Pagodas 200 per mensem as a Salary, and the Sum of Pagodas 300 per mensem for Office Establishment, the Salary was objected to because not authorized, and the Establishment admitted because

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because the duties were performed, His Lord-
ship in Council decided on this reference
in Lieutenant Colonel MacNeile's favor,
which gives Mr Lord a fair claim to the
difference between the Salary he drew &
£500 Stg. per Annum or 50 Month Pagodas
167-7 fanams and the 200 Pagodas which
was allowed to Lieutenant Colonel Mac-
Neile provided, Mr Lord's standing in the
Service at the time for which the dif-
ference is claimed, entitled him to receive
a Salary of Pagodas 200 pr Month.

2 They leave to lay before your
Lordship in Council Copy of a letter from
Mr Samuel Young, Paymaster at Ma-
lipatam dated 26th Ultimo, setting forth
that His Excellency the Commander in
Chief had re-established the Post of
Coringa as a Military Station Captain
Wahab to Command with a Company of
Sepoys

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Sepoys, and requesting permission to engage a conicopoly and Shroff at an expense of Seven and a half (7½) Pagodas pr Mensem, as an Office Establishment, and a Puckally to supply the Commanding Officer with water, the Establishment does not appear to me to be necessary, as a trust-worthy Sepoy may be detached Monthly to bring the pay of the Company who will for such service be allowed Batta, the distance between Masulipatam and Coringa being inconsiderable, the Puckally ought however to be furnished to the Commanding Officer, the Regulations admitting of this indulgence to Officers in Command.

I have the honor to be

Military Auditor General's Office
Fort St. George
6th March 1804.

Fort St. George
20th March 1804.

(Signed) J. Brunton
Mily Audr General

To

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To the Military Auditor General

Sir,

His Excellency the Commander in Chief having thought proper to make Coringa a Military Station under a Captain's Command—Captain George Wahab with a Company of Sepoys having arrived at that Station I request your permission to engage a Conicopoly and Shroff as at other principal Stations within my Range, Viz.t

A Conicopoly at per Month	5.0.—
A Shroff	2.21.—
Total Star Pagodas	7.—21.—

I also Request your permission to supply the Commanding Officer with a Buckally as allowed at other Commands.—

I have the honor &c. &c.

Masulipatam 25th February 1804 (Signed) Samuel Young Paymaster

A true Copy

(Signed) J. Brunton Asst. Genl

Resolved

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Resolved, under the explana-
-tion of the Military Auditor General, that
the Arrears of Mr Lord's Salary as Paymaster
and Commissary at the Moluccas be paid
to him at the Rate of 200 Pagodas per
month for the time during which he
was employed on those duties, as this Reso-
-lution is consistent with the period of that
Gentleman's Standing in the Service of the
Company.-

Resolved that the Establish-
-ment of the Commanding Officer at Coim-
-ga be regulated according to the Recom-
-mendation of the Military Auditor
General.-

Read the following letters
from the Officer Commanding the Subsi-
-diary Force of Hydrabad.-

To

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To the Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

Sir

From the Officer Commanding the Subsidiary Force of Hydrabad Relative to contingent bills which require to be passed for payment

I have the honor to enclose Copy of a Bill drawn by me on the Paymaster of the Subsidiary Force for (20,000) Twenty thousand Rupees, the original of which, with my Letters, I fear have been lost by the Tappall, the Amount was appropriated to the Payment of the Arrears due to the Garrison of Ajeeo Ghur, agreeable to the terms on which they Capitulated.

I have therefore to request the Right Honorable the Governor's Sanction to the Bill, and an order for the Amount to be carried to the Credit of the Paymaster of the Subsidiary Force.

I beg also to mention that a Contingent Bill for 2707 Pagodas, 16 Fanams, and 52 Cash, was forwarded in January for the

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the Sanction of Government, which I fear has also been lost, the Paymaster of the Subsidiary Force will forward a Duplicate through the Military Paymaster General, and I trust when it arrives, it will receive his Lordship's sanction for Payment.

(Signed) J Stevenson Colonel
Comm.g the Subsid.y Force.

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March 1804.

Captain Doose
Paymaster Subsidiary Force

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Please to pay the Bearer Twenty thousand Rupees on account of the Public Service the exchange at 3 Rupees 1/4 to the Star Pagodas.-

(Signed) J. Stevenson, Colonel
Comm.g the Subs.y force

Afsier Ghurr
23rd October 1803.-

/A true Copy/
J. Stevenson Col.
Comg.g Subs.y force/

A true Copy
(Signed) J Doose Paymr.

N.B. For this Issue I have the receipt of the Killedar of Afsier Gurr but not in Duplicate.
(Signed) J. Doose Paymr.

Ordered

1042 Fort St. George 20th. March 1804.

Dear Sir,

The Honorable Major General Wellesley has just now received your letter of the 18th. Instant, and being particularly busy has not time to write you to night himself, he has therefore desired me to request that you will direct the Engineer to erect the Wall which you have deemed necessary between the Post-Office and the place in which the Bilgky Rajah is Confined, and that you will report to Government that you have done, without awaiting for their Orders, as a Matter of urgent necessity, the Expense whereof will be trifling. The Engineer should at the same time forward his estimate of the expence to the proper Officer.

I have the honor &c. &c.

(Signed) R Barclay

Camp at Ageyaum
26th. Febry 1804.

(a True Copy)
(Signed) H. D. de Maurow. Lt. Colonel
Comm. Seringapatam. The

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The Board approve the measure taken by Lieutenant Colonel De Meuron for the Security of the State Prisoner at Serin-gapatam under the authority of the Officer Commanding the Forces in Mysore, Ordered accordingly that a Copy of this Letter be furnished for the information and guidance of the Military Board.—

From the Officer Commanding at Pondicherry.—

To the Chief Secretary to Government

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit to you, for the information of Government, applications from Madame Leger and Colonel Korjean, for leave for themselves and Families to go to Tranquebar and eventually to the Isle of France, as also an application from Mr Decamper, (Madam Leger's Son) for leave to accom-pany

From the Officer Commanding at Pondicherry— For-warding applic-ations from certain French Prisoners of War for permission to proceed to Tranquebar and eventually to the Isle of France.—

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Ordered that a Copy of the foregoing letter be furnished for the information and guidance of the Military Auditor General, and that he be directed to admit the contengent charges, specified in the Copy of the Bill submitted by Colonel Stevenson.

From the Officer Commanding at Seringapatam.

To the Secretary to Government
Military Department
Madras

Sir,

From the Officer Commanding at Seringapatam reports that he has built a Wall for the Security of the State Prison—

I have the honor to report to you, for the information of the Right Honora-ble the Governor in Council, that a Plot for facilitating the escape of the State Pri-soner the Bilghy Rajah having been dis-covered by the Magistrate of Police, Mar-for Symons, I did immediately all what I would

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I would do to prevent it, and reporting the whole to the Honorable Major General Wellesley, I hinted the necessity of a Wall be erected between the Post Office and the Place of confinement to cut off every means of communication with Natives.-

I enclose you Copy of the Answer of the Honorable Major General Wellesley through the Deputy Adjutant General of Mysore; in conformity to which I have directed the Engineer Officer to cause that Work to be made immediately, Mean time to forward the Estimate to the Chief or Senior Officer of his Corps.-

I hope that the manner in which I did act, will not meet with the disapprobation of His Lordship in Council-

I have the honor &c. &c.

Seringapatam
10th March 1804.- (Signed) H.D. de Mauron
Lieut.t Colonel Comm.g
Dear

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accompany them to Tranquebar, and to return to Pondicherry after they have sailed. With regard to Madame Legeri and Family, I beg leave to represent them as highly respectable and worthy of every attention from Government. Mr. St Croix is one of the persons included in the late Capitulation, he declined to receive any Pension, (as Commis d'administration,) on condition, that he might not be embarked on board the Cartel Ship Matilda, with respect to Colonel Kerjean, his character is so well established as to render any comments of mine on the subject quite unnecessary. Mr. De Campere is also so well known, that I am sure he will be considered as deserving of every indulgence.

I have the honor &c &c

(Signed) Alex.r Keith

Sec.t to Lieut. Comm.r Linch.

Pondicherry,
March 17th 1804.

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Lieutenant Colonel Keith

Commanding at Pondicherry

Sir

Having been informed by a Danish Gentleman of Tranquebar, that there would be a Ship for the Isle of France, and wishing instantly to join Mons.r Leger my Husband, I request you will have the goodness to write to Madras, for the Purpose of getting a Passport to go from Pondichery to that place, and from there to the Isle of France, I was given to un=derstand that the Government of Madras would have no objection to grant me also a safe=conduct for myself and family so as to be Protected in Case, I was obliged to touch at some English ports, or of any accident in the way.—

I am quite ignorant of the mo=ment I may be able to leave Tranquebar, but

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but wishing to be at that place, as soon as Possible, so as to be able to take advantage of any opportunity that may offer, I will be extremely obliged to you to lose no time in Writing to Madras for obtaining the said Papers, as I wish to be at Tranquebar, as soon as Possible.

My Family Consists of the following.

Madame Leger

Madame Dubamper

Mad.elle Leger

Monsieur de la Croix a Relation of mine and besides a European Servant Girl, and a European Cook.

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I remain Sir Your Most Obedient Humble Servant (Signed) Jean Leger

P.S. It is only intended that Mde de la Croix is to accompany Madame Leger's family to Tranquebar and to return to Pondicherry with Mr Dubamper.

Lieutenant

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Lieutenant Colonel Keith

Commanding at Pondicherry

Sir

I had long since entertained ideas to go to the Isle of France, with all my family. Mr Seger my Sister having determined to avail her-self of any favourable opportu-nity that may offer, It is my wish to accom-pany her in consequence of which I beg you will be so good as to obtain a Pass-port from the Madras Government for myself and all my family, Consisting in myself, Mrs De Kerjean, two Young boys my Children, of two and three years old, and two other boys my pupils, the Children of the late Captain Grimer.

I must at the same time ac-quaint you that in going to the Isle of France, I trust on the approbation of the Government of Madras for my coming back

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back to this country, where my private bu-
siness commands me to return, I am con-
fident that thirty years of residence in
this country, and the light in which my
character is known, will dispose your
government to grant me such a mark
of its favour and of its justice. —

Pondicherry I remain &c &c
16th March 1804. (Signed) Dekoerjean

Lieutenant Colonel Keith
Commanding at Pondicherry.

Sir

Wishing to accompany my Mother
Madame Seger and family to Tranquebar
they are going for the purpose of availing
themselves of the first opportunity that may
offer, to go to the Isle of France. I beg you
will have the goodness to grant me the
necessary passport to go to that place,
and to return to Pondicherry after my
Mother has left Tranquebar. — I

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Pondicherry
16th March 1804 (Signed) Tremain Jca. Jca. 309 P. Du Camper

Ordered that the Commanding Officer at Pondicherry be furnished with the following Reply:-

To the Officer Commanding
at Pondicherry.

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 17th Instant, and to desire that you will furnish Madame Leger and Colonel Kier=joan with the passports which they have requested for themselves and families.-

The passports which you may furnish to M. Du Compere and St. Croix should admit of their return from Tranquebar to Pondicherry.-

His Lordship in Council will not

To the Officer Commanding at Pondichery— Directing him to furnish the passports required by Madam Leger and Colonel Kier— the passports which he may furnish to M. Du Compire and St. Croix to admit of their Return from Tranquebar to Pondicherry:-

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not have any objection to the return of
Colonel Kirjean to India in conformity
to his request, and you are in consequence
desired to communicate this in an official
Letter to him.—

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20th March 1804.

I am &c.
(Signed) George Strachey
Secy to Govern.

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

To the Chief Secretary of Government
Fort St. George

Sir

Enclosed I have the honor to trans-
mit Lists of French Prisoners of War ordered
to embark for Europe on the Ships under
dispatch, with receipts from the different
Commanders for the Prisoners passage
Money. Also papers relative to William
Mauncy late a Seaman on the Honorable
Company's

From the Town Major of Fort St. George with Lists of French Prisoners of War who have been ordered to embark for Europe on the Ships under dispatch, Submitting also papers relative to a Seaman of the Late Ship Raleigh detained in September last

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last as an evidence at a Genral Court Martial.

Companys Ship Lord Castlereagh who was detained at Madras in September last, in consequence of being called upon as an evidence at a General Court Martial then sitting.

Town Major's Office
Fort St. George
20th March 1804.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) Allan Grant
Town Major

To the Chief Secretary of Government
Fort St. George

Sir,

Knowing the circumstances stated in the Petition of William Mounsey to be correct, I have thought it my Duty to transmit it to you to be laid before the Right Honorable the Governor in Council.

The Petitioner has conducted himself in a sober orderly manner since he

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he has been in Madras.-

I have the honor to be

Fort St. George Sir Sir

20th December 1803. (Signed) Allan Grant

Town Major

To Major Allan Grant.

Town Major

The Petition of William Mounsey late Seaman on board the Lord Castlereagh Indiaman.-

Humbly Sheweth,

That your Petitioner being on Shore in September last went to the Navy Tavern, and unfortunately was present at, and an eye-witness to, a disturbance that took place there between Mr. Fulder, Cadet, and the Landlord John Turner the former being a Military Gentleman a Court Martial was ordered for his examination, and your Petitioner was consider-

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consequence calle dupon, in the Kings' name as an Evidence, and an order he believes was sent to the Captain of the Ship, from Government, to send him on shore; and during the trial the Ship sailed, took his Chest, and Bedding and left him entirely destitute of Money and Cloaths.-

That your Petitioner has been Subsisted on 3. 7. 30 C per day while on Shore, which Sum is barely Sufficient for his support and leaves him no means of providing himself with Cloaths, he therefore humbly requests, that your honor will procure for him a small advance of Cash to get some Bedding and Cloaths, and to grant him the indulgence of being allowed the same pay he received when on board Ship (45 Shillings pr Month) and as your

Petitioner

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petitioner apprehends it is too late to rejoin his own Ship in Bengal, he hopes he shall be allowed to return to Europe on one of the first Indiamen which will sail from this port, with proper Certificates of the Cause of his remaining behind, which will enable him to receive his pay &c. from the Owners of the Lord Castlereagh, when he will repay the Money advanced to him in this Country.-

(Signed) W. Mounsey Seaman
of the Lord Castlereagh

(True Copies)
(Signed) Allan Grant
Town Major

To the Town Major of
Fort St. George

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter of the 20th Instant with the Petition which accompanied it, and to inform

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Inform you that the Right Honorable the Governor in Council is pleased to authorize you to draw the Pay of William Mouncy, late Seaman of the Honorable Company's Ship Lord Castlereagh from the 27th September 1803, the day on which he was landed from that Ship for the purpose of giving Evidence at a Court Martial until such time as it may be practicable to procure for him a Passage to Great Britain.—

You will furnish William Mouncy on his departure from Madras, with the Certificate which may be necessary to enable him to substantiate his Claim to the Pay to which he will be entitled from the Owners of the Lord Castlereagh on his return to England, and which will be Assigned under this agreement to the Honorable Company.—

I am

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Fort St. George (Signed) G. G. Keble

31st December 1803 - Secretary to Government

(A true Copy)

(Signed) Allan Grant

Town Major

Fort St. George 29th January 1804.

I do hereby acknowledge to have Received from Captain Grant Town Major of Fort St. George Subsistence at undermentioned while on Shore at Madras from the 3rd September 1803 to the 31st January 1804 viz.

Pay for 27 days in September 1803			3	31 - 00
For the Month of October			5	26 - 00
..... "	November		5	26 - 00
..... "	December		5	26 - 00
1804	January		5	26 - 00
		Total 23		1 - 00
			£	9 - 4 - 33⅓

£ 9 - 4 - 33⅓

(Signed) William Moore

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Resolved and Ordered that the Lists furnished by the Town Mayor of French Prisoners of War, embarked on the Honorable Company's Ships under dispatch be forwarded to the Court of Directors, and that the Vouchers for the payment of their Passage Money be transmitted to the Military Auditor General for his information and guidance.-

Read the following letter from the Secretary at Bombay.-

To George Buchan Esq.re
Chief Secretary to the Government
at Fort St. George

Sir,

From the Secretary to the Government at Bombay Requesting that the claims of certain Grain Dealers in Canara against a Lieutenant in the Bombay Army may be ascertained.

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to transmit to you to be laid before the Right Honorable the Governor in Council the enclosed Extract being the 72.nd Paragraph of

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Sir

I have the honor to acquaint you for the information of the Honorable the Court of Directors that I have received a Letter from the Honorable the Court of Directors dated the 22d June 1803, and to request that you will be pleased to obtain the Authority of His Lordship in Council to ascertain and report for the information of this Government the Amount of the Claims of the Grain dealers in Canara on William Dodd, late a Lieutenant on the Military Establishment of this Presidency - to enable the Honorable the Governor in Council, should the Government of Fort St. George decide to appropriate the Amount adverted to by the Honorable Court as in Mr. Saunders hands (and which has been attached for that purpose) to the Satisfaction of those Claims.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your
most obedient
humble Servant
(signed) Ja Grant
Secy to Government

Bombay Castle
25th February 1804

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Extract of a Letter from the Honorable the Court of Directors dated the 22nd June 1803.

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42/ Desertion of Lieutenant Dodd whilst under the Sentence of a General Court Martial.

72. We approve of your Proceedings on the Subject of Lieutenant Dodd's Desertion, We direct that you acquaint us whether any further measures have been taken for his apprehension since his flight to Ahmednaggur in the Dominions of Dowlut Row Scindia and whether Satisfaction has been obtained for the Sum due by him on account of the Grain Dealers in Canara out of the Money belonging to him in the hands of Mr Adamson.

(True Copy)

(Signed) J. Warden Sub Secretary

Ordered

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Ordered that a Copy of the foregoing letter be transmitted to the Board of Revenue; and that they be desired to take the necessary measures for obtaining the information with which the Governor in Council at Bombay has requested to be furnished.

W Petrie

E Hepburn

W Stuart

W Petrie

Hutchinson

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Diary

21st Received the following Letters entered in M. B. Nos. 39. 40.

From the Military Paymaster Genral. — From Mr Roebuck - Enclosing an additional Indent for Stationary.

From Messrs. Abbott and Maitland. — From Messrs. Abbott and Maitland - requesting authority for passing the Military Stores issued from the Arsenal for the defence of the Ship Orient.

22nd Sent the following Letter

To the Military Auditor General

Sir,

To the Military Auditor General authorizing the payment of arrears of Salary to Mr Lord as Paymaster and Commissary at the Moluccas - His suggestion relative to the establishment of Servants for the Offrs Commanding at Amboyna approved - The contingent Charges

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 5th Instant.

His Lordship in Council directs me to desire that you will authorize the arrears of Mr Lord's Salary to be paid to him, as Paymaster and Commissary at the

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charges stated in a Bill from the Officer Commanding the Subsidiary Force to be admitted in the Accounts of the Paymaster with that Detachment

the Moluccas at the rate of Two hundred Pa-
-godas per month, for the time during which
he was employed on that duty —

His Lordship in Council approves
-ment of Servants proposed for the Command-
-ing Officer at Coringa, and desires that
it may be regulated accordingly —

I inclose the Copy of a letter from
the Officer Commanding the Subsidiary Force
of Hydrabad, for your information and guidance
and am directed to desire that you will add
accompanying Bill, in the Account of the
Paymaster with that Detachment —

I have the honor &c &c

Fort St George
22nd March 1804 — (Signed) George Strachey
Secy to Government

Received and sent the following Letter
entered in Mr B. Nos 41 42 43 —

From

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From the Military Auditor General.—

From Lieutenant Colonel Brun=
=ton — Reporting the Nett advances to the Mili=
=tary Department for November 1803.—

To the Military Board.—

To the Military Board.— Enclosing
copy of a letter from the Officer Commanding
at Seringapatam, the measures taken by
Colonel De Meuron for securing the State
prison in that Fortress approved.—

To the Commanders of the Honorable Company's Ships Ceylon, Wyndham, Prince of Wales and General Stuart.—

To Captains Hodson, Graham,
Price and Mortimer — With a list of Charter
Party passengers who are to be embarked
on that Ship for England.—

At

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At a Consultation

Present

The Right Honorable

Friday the 23d March 1804 — Lord William Cavendish Bentinck Governor and President

Lieutenant General James Stuart Commander in Chief

William Petrie and } Esqrs
John Chanier }

Members of last Consultation

The Commander in Chief

the following Minute —

Minute of the Commander in Chief

Minute of the Commander in Chief on application from Lieutenant Crosby of the Madras Cavalry for permission to transfer to the Establishment on that Presidency

May before the Board a Letter from Lieutenant R. Crosby of the 8th Regiment of Cavalry soliciting permission to return to Europe for the

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be Appointed a Major General on the Staff under this Presidency - Reports the death of three Officers of Native Infantry.-

dispatch; and Recommend that his request be granted -

I lay before the Board a Letter to me from Major General MacDowall, enclosing an Extract of Orders he had Received from His Excellency the Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Forces in India; together with a Communication to the same effect which I have received from His Excellency, through the Adjutant General of His Majesty's Forces in India - In consequence of this intimation I recommend that Major General Hay MacDowall be appointed a Major General on the Staff of the Army Serving under the Presidency of Fort Saint George -

I have to report the death of the undermentioned Officers of this Estab-lishment -

Lieutenant Patrick Hunter of the

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The 8th Regiment of Native Infantry; at Bombay on the 29th of February 1804.

Lieutenant P. O. Maundell of the 2nd Regiment of Native Infantry, at Ghur on the 25th of February 1804.

Lieutenant J. Townsend of the 18th Regiment of Native Infantry at Goothy on the 10th March 1804.

23rd March 1804. (Signed) J. Stuart.

To the Right Honorable
Lord William Bentinck
Governor in Council

My Lord,

I enclose a Certificate of the Necessity for my Returning to Europe for the Re-establishment of my Health, and to request your Lordships permission to do so by the Ships now under dispatch.

March 21st 1804. I have the honor to be &c. &c. &c.
(Signed) R. Crimsby Lt. 3rd Reg. Cavalry

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We the undersigned William Ord Surgeon, and Thomas Hart Davies Assistant Surgeon, do hereby declare upon Oath, that We are of opinion, it is absolutely necessary, that Lieutenant Richard Ormsby of the 3rd Regiment Native Cavalry do leave this country and proceed to Europe for the recovery of his health.

(Signed) William Ord
Surgeon

T. H. Davies
Assistant Surgeon

Madras
21st March 1804

Sworn to before me
(Signed) R. A. Maitland
Justice of Peace

(Signed) Nicol Mein
3rd Member of the Medical Board

His Excellency
Lieutenant General Stuart
Commander in Chief

Sir,

In obedience to the

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of His Excellency Genirale Lake conveyed to me in the Accompanying extract of a letter from the Adjutant General of the Kings Troops in India, I have the honor to report to your Excellency that having been regularly relieved in the Command of the Forces on Ceylon by Major General Wemyss, I have proceeded thus far on my route to my Station upon the coast, and expect to reach Ramnad in two or three days, from thence I shall move on to Tanjore at which place I trust I shall be favored with your Orders fixing my destination.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your Excellency's Most Obedient

and Very devoted Servant

(Signed) Hay Macdowall

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March 15th 1804

Extract

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Extract of a Letter from Lieutenant Co=
=lonel Clinton Adjutant General of His
Majesty's Forces in India, to Major Gene=
=ral Hay Macdowall, dated Head Quarters
Camp, 10th November 1803.

"I have farther received the
"directions of the Commander in Chief, to
"desire that, upon the arrival of Major
"General Wemyss, or of any other officer spe=
="cially appointed to command the Troops in
"the Island of Ceylon, you will repair to
"your Station upon the Madras Establish=
="ment, unless you should receive from
"home, instructions of a different import.

(Signed) H. Clinton A.G.

A true Extract

(Signed) Hay Macdowall

Lieutenant General Stuart

Yca Yca Yca

Sir, I am directed by the Com=
mander

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Commander in Chief to inform you that Major General Macdowall having been placed upon the Staff in India by His Majesty The Major General has been ordered to proceed to the Coast, as soon as he shall have been relieved in his present command by Major General Wemyss.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your

Camp near Hindown 22nd February 1804.

Your obedt. Servt.

(Signed) H. Clinton

A.G.

Resolved that Lieutenant Ormsby of the 3rd Regiment of Native Cavalry be permitted to proceed to England on Sick Certificate.

Resolved that Major General Hay Macdowall be appointed on General Orders a Major General on the Staff of the Army serving under this Presidency in conformity to the Recommendation of the

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the Commander in Chief.

Read the following letter from the Honorable Colonel St. John, late Commanding Officer at Pondicherry.

To the Chief Secretary of Government

Sir,

From the Honorable Colonel St. John requesting instructions relative to the balance remaining in his hands on account of the collection of Buzar duties at Pondicherry

I have to request you will inform his Lordship in Council that not having been called on by the Collector of the South Division of Arcot to deliver over the Collection of the Buzar duties of Pondicherry previous to my departure from thence, together with the Balance in my hands, I have to request his Lordship's orders concerning it.

For the period Commencing October 6th 1803 and ending February 25th 1804, the Sum (after deducting various Small incidental expences of Stationary extra Peons &c.a) Amounts to Nine Hundred and Sixty Seven Star Pagodas.

(Signed) G. St. John Colonel

March 24th 1804.

Ordered

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Ordered that the Honorable Colonel St John be furnished with the following Reply.

To the Honorable Colonel St John

Sir.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of this date, and to acquaint you that the Governor in Council has seen under the circumstances which you have stated, that it will be proper that the proceeds realized from the Bazar dated at Pondicherry during the period of your command should be paid into the Treasury of Fort St George - The Sub. Treasurer will accordingly on receiving it, give You the necessary acknowledgement for your acquittance -

I have the honor to be &c &c

Fort St. George
23d March 1804. (Signed) George Buchan
Chief Secy to Govt

To the Honorable Colonel St John
Deputy Adjutant General &c &c &c

The Military General Letter of this date to the Honorable Court of Directors approved and signed by the Board

W Kirkpatrick
W Ward

P Agnew
Mr Chamier

To the Honorable Colonel St John Deputy Adjutant General during the period of his Command to be paid into the Treasury of Fort St George