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8989. Resolution thereon.-

25th December 1806 8991. To the Secretary to the Government at Fort William Transmits Extract from a Minute of the Commander in Chief explaining the grounds on which his Lordship in Council recommends that the Provincial Battalion of Ramnad may not be reduced, together with all other Irregular Corps serving under this Presidency.-

8992 From the Acting Secretary to the Government at Fort William Reports an advance made to Captain Macbean of this Establishment.

Ibid From the Secretary to the Military Board at the Presidency Forwards a return in Duplicate of Provisions Viz. embarked on the Honorable Companys Cruzier Teignmouth.-

Ibid From the Military Auditor General. Reports on an additional Estimate of Cash of the Paymaster in the Ceded Districts Encloses Copy of a Circular

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8992. From the Accountant General Recommends that the issue of Pay Vr. to the Troops may be advertized on the 6th January.

Ibid From the Town Major of Fort St. George. Encloses a letter from certain Cadets of the Bengal Establishment requesting an advance of Cash..

Ibid From the Acting major of Brigade to the Kings Troops. Requests that two months pay Vr. may be issued to certain Officers in His majestys Service lately arrived..

8993 To the Chief Secretary to the Government at Colom. bo Reports Orders having been issued for sending under a Guard to Columbo three Malay Deserters mentioned in the enclosed Copy of a letter from the magistrate at Manargody.-

Ibid To the Military Board refers for their report Copy of a letter relative to the Construction of Buildings

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Buildings at Coimbatore and Trichinopoly.

1993. To the Town Major of Fort St. George. Authority given for the payment of an advance of Money to Cadets mentioned in his letter. Two Dutch Prisoners of war mentioned in the enclosed Copy of a letter to receive the usual treatment and allowances of their Rank.

Ibid To the Officer Commanding the New Town of Cuddalore. Desires he will exactly state the nature of the duties of certain Garrison Staff previous to the removal of Retrenchment against him.

1994 To the Secretary to the Government at Fort William Forwards return of Provisions &c. supplied the Honorable Company's Cruzer Teignmouth.

Ibid To the Military Auditor General. Desires he will authorize the issue of two months pay and allowances to certain Officers also the usual advance of Cash to the Cadets of the Bengal Establishment.

Ibid To Ditto. Transmits Extracts from His Lordships Proceedings in the Military Department the

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Pages Instant - also Copy of a letter from the Secretary at Prince of Wales Island, regarding Tent- allowances paid to an Officer of this Esta- blishment -

27th December 1806 8 99/4 Circular letters to the Officer Commanding the Forts and Garrisons under this Presidency Forwards Copy of Circular orders issued to the Magistrates under this Presidency with Copy of the enclosures to which they refer and desires he will conform in all respects to the instructions they contain.

9000 From Lieutenant Colonel Chalmers Commanding the Subsidiary Force of Travancore - In- forms that he has taken that Com- mand -

30th " Ditto Minute of the Commander in Chief submitting a letter from the Officer Commanding the District of Masulipatam forwarding an application and an abstract to Mr Brown D. Judge in Circuit for Batta due to a party of the 21st Native Infantry employed

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employed as an escort on his Tour and suggesting that a more explicit order than that of 11th March 1806 be issued specifying the person who is to pay the Escort - Submitting a letter from the Paymaster of the Hydrabad Subsidiary Force with Ecstract of retrenchments made in his Department for additional Servants employed in the grain Department and recommending their admission on readit with further authority for the continuance of that Expence while it is considered expedient to maintain a Depot of Grain in the Fort of Adjinta -

9012 Orders thereon -

30th December " 9013 Minute of the Commander in Chief - Submitting a letter from Major Mackenzie begging to decline the offered employments and recommending in consequence the appointment of Captain De Haus band to succeed Major Lennon in the Superintendance of repairs at Seringapatam also laying before the board the Chief Engineers letter to that Effect - Submitting letter from

Major

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Major General Macdowall forwarding Mr. Surgeon Scarmans explanation to a Retrenchment against him, and recommending its being removed.

924 Minute and Order thereon.

30th December 1806 Minute of the Commander in Chief. Submitting a report of the Officer Commanding at Bellary of the Confinement of Chiel Naick a Poligar formerly of great notoriety; but serving 6 Years past as a Sepoy in the D. Battalion 7th Regiment, and requesting Instructions concerning him, also for consideration of the Board a letter from the Commandant of Artillery stating the distress of the families of the Artillery men and Lascars on service at Malacca and Prince of Wales Island, and recommending that they be allowed from this Governments Bounty, as heretofore. Submitting a report from Major General Macdowall of the detection of an Imposter, who endeavoured to obtain the allowances granted to a

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9041. Resolutions thereon -

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9045 Minutes thereon.

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9051 Order thereon.

27th Dec. 1806. Ind From the Military Auditor General submitting a Draft of G. O. for granting to the Native Troops and Public Followers a Compensation in Money when not practicable to furnish them with Grain from the Public Stores.

4th " " 9056 From the Acting Secretary to the Government at Fort William Enclosing Copy of an Extract of the Proceedings of the Governor General in Council of the 4th December regarding the embarkation of His Majesty's 30th Regiment &c.

4th " " 9061. From the Acting Secretary to the Government at Fort William Enclosing Copy of the Resolutions of the Governor General in Council regarding allowance of difference of Pay to Officers assigned retrospective Rank, and requesting a similar rule may be adopted at this Presidency.

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9066. Minute thereon.-

22 Decr. 1806. 9067. From the Town Major of Fort St. George. En-
closing List of Dutch prisoners of
War taken on the Jaffna Coast, by
His Majestys Ship Caroline and request-
ing authority to draw the usual al-
lowance for their Subsistance.-

10th " — " 9068. From the Officer Commanding the Tinnevelly
District. Enclosing charge from Mr
John Baggott - Beach master at
Tutacorin for Expences of an Express
by sea to the Governor of Ceylon by
Major Welsh's desire.-

Ibid Order thereon.-

9070. To the Military Auditor General - authoriz-
ing payment of Bills and advances
of Money as recommended in the
enclosed Copy of a letter from the
Military Board, the 15th Instant.-

Ibid To Ditto - Stating that the draft of the
G. O. submitted by him relative to
the

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the payment of a Compensation to the native Troops in lieu of the usual price of Rice from the Public Stores has been approved and published — Enclosing for his information and guidance Copies of Letters from the Town Major of Fort St. George and the Commanding Officer of Tinnevelly, and authorizing payment of a Bill enclosed in the Letter — also enclosing Extract from the Proceedings of this Department Dated the 30th Instant.

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Diary

November 30th Sent the following letter

To Captain T. Sydenham

Resident at

Hyderabad

Sir,

Para 1 I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 7th Ultimo.

2 The Military Board having been desired to submit a special Report relative to the Accounts of the late Superintendent of Bazars in the camps of the Subsidiary Force of Hyderabad, you will observe by the enclosed Extract of their letter that they require to be furnished with certain documents for the purpose of enabling them to comply with the directions of His Lordship in Council on that subject.

His

To the President at Hyderabad. Directs to write transmitting as per list herein contained documents required by the Military Board regarding accounts of the late Superintendent of Bazars in the camps of the Subsidiary Force at Hyderabad.

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3 His Lordship in Council desires that you will transmit to the Presidency the documents in question with all possible dispatch.

I have the honor to be &c.

Fort S.t George 30.th November 1806 (Signed) G.o Strachey

Secretary to Government

Received and sent the following letters enters in Mem.a Nos 64 & 65

66. 67. 68. 69.

From the Secretary to the Military Board.

From Captain Marshall, Forwards for transmission to Bengal and Bombay Quarterly Returns of Serviceable Ammn.

From the Officer commanding at Trincomalee.

From Lieutenant Colonel Dodsworth — Reporting the death and funeral of a Polegar Woman at that Station.

To the Secretaries to the Government at Fort William and Bombay.

To Captain Hooke and Wm Warden — Forwards Packet of ... Quarterly

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Quarterly Returns of different descriptions of Ordnance and Military Stores in the Arsenal at this Presidency, and in the principal Magazines.

To the Military Auditor General

To the Military Auditor General — Encloses for report Copies of Letters from the Commanding Officers of the 1st Battalion 19th Regiment Native Infantry, Commandant of new Town of Cuddalore and from the Purser of His Majesty's Ship Bombay — also encloses Extract from the Proceedings of His Lordship in Council in this Department 29th Ultimo.

To the Military Board

To the Military Board — Directs he will report on the — application from the Agent for the — Principal Owner of Public Cattle at — Hyderabad — Directs immediate measures being taken for storing Rice at Chittoor

and —

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and Planeyputta.

To the Military Auditor General and Accountant General — Directs a Report on the application from the Agent for the Principal Owner of Public Cattle at Hyderabad.

To the Military Auditor General and Accountant General.

Dec. 16 — Sent a letter to the Military Auditor General — entered in Mem. B. No. 1. Directs he will authorize payment of Bills and advances of money as recommended in the enclosed Copy of a letter from the Military Board, the 17th Instant.

To the Military Auditor General.

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At a Consultation

Present

The Right Honorable

Lord William Bentinck

Governor and President

Lieutenant General Sir J. F. Cradock K.B

Commander in Chief

William Petrie

and

Thomas Oakes

Esqrs.

Tuesday the 2nd Dec. 1806.

Minutes of last Consultation

read and approved.

The Commander in Chief

records the following Minutes.

Minute of the Commander in Chief

At the request of — a Major General Gowdie, I recommend the appointment of Lieutenant John — a Welson of the 15th Regiment of Native Infantry to be his Aid de Camp; — the appointment to take place from the 22nd of October

Minute of the Commander in Chief — Recommends the appointment of Lieutenant Welson 15th Native Infy to be Aid de Camp to Major General Gowdie, he wants and recommends as complies with the request of the latter to which the Resident recommends the appointment of Lieutenant Charlesworth

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Charlesworth of the 1st Native Infantry to be Cantonment adjutant at Walligabad vice Ash resigned reports the arrival at Bengal from Europe of Captain Stokoe 5th Regt. Lieutenant Bushby 6th Regt. recommends the recommencement of their Batta allowances from that date recommends that the allowances for Palankeen be drawn by Lieutenant Fred Khedawend — Invalided

October last,

I submit an application from Colonel Cuppage Commanding — Nundidroog for permission to visit the — Presidency — and I recommend compliance with his request.

Lieutenant Ash having requested permission to relinquish his appointment as Major of Brigade to the Officer commanding Wallajahbad, I recommend the appointment of Lieutenant Charlesworth of the 1st Regiment of Native Infantry to be Cantonment Adjutant at that Station.

Captain Stokoe of the 9th Regiment of Native Infantry and Lieutenant Bushby of the 6th Regiment of Native Infantry have reported their arrival in Bengal on the 11th of November on their return from Europe — The Ships on which they embarked

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embarked having passed this Post. I recommend that their return be announced, and that their Indian allowances may recommence from the date of their arrival in Bengal.

The Commission lately assembled at Vellore having recommended Seed Khodawend an Invalid Subadar to the notice of Government in consequence of the assistance they derived from him in the course of their investigation, I recommend as a mark of the favor of Government that he be allowed to draw the usual allowance for a Palankeen

2nd December 1806.

/Signed/ J. F. Cradock
Lieutenant Genl.

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

My Lord

Fort St. George

Beg to solicit leave of absence
to

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to the Presidency which I hope your Lordship will be pleased to grant.

I have the honor to be,

Kundydroog
20th November 1806

&c. &c.
Signed A. Cuppage
Colonel

Orders and Resolutions thereon.

Ordered that the appointments recommended in the foregoing Minute be directed to take place.

Resolved that Colonel Cuppage be permitted to visit the Presidency.

Resolved that the Returns of Captain Stokes of the 8th Regiment and of Lieutenant Bushby of the 6th Regiment of Native Infantry be published in General Orders, and that they be permitted to draw the allowances of their Ranks from the 11th Ultimo, the Date of their arrival in Bengal.

Resolved that the usual

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usual allowance for a Palanqueen be granted to Lieu Khavawend from this date, and that his Family be pensioned on the half of his present Pay in the event of his Death

Minute of the Commander in Chief

Lieutenant Colonel Godfrey who recently obtained permission to proceed on Sick Certificate to Europe, has requested, in the hope of being enabled to remain in India, to withdraw that application, as I wish to retain the services of every Officer of experience, I recommend compliance with his Request

On the recommendation of the Medical Board to whom the application has been referred, I recommend that Mr Assistant Surgeon Smith of the 1st Battalion 18th Regiment ab Ind[ia] sone may be allowed

Minute of the Commander in Chief Sir recommends compliance with the request of Lieut Colonel Godfrey to withdraw his application to proceed to Europe, that Leave of Absence for a Twelvemonth on Sick Certificate on Private Affairs be granted to Assistant Surgeon Smith 18th Regiment, that Lieut Briggs be appointed Quarter Master of the 1st Battn 1st Regt Vice Burton promoted & requests the passing of the pay of certain Men struck off from 2nd Battalion 2d Regiment and 2d Battn 6th Regt. Inspector submits Copy of a letter from the Inspecting Officer of Cuddy regarding the good discipline of the 1st Battn 1st Regiment under Captain Davidson.

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allowed to draw the usual Garrison allowances for his attendance on the Invalids Pensioners &c. residing at that Station.

I recommend the appointment of Lieutenant John Briggs to be Quarter Master of the 1st Battalion of Artillery vice Barton promoted.

The receipt of the discharge certificates for certain men of the 2nd Battalion 3d Regiment of Native Infantry, and 2nd Battalion 6th Regiment of Native Infantry having been unavoidably delayed beyond the period when by a circular order they were directed to be struck off the strength of those Corps, I request that the Military Auditor General may be instructed to pass the charges for the Pay of these men between the time

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time they were struck off the strength of the Corps and that when their certificates of discharge were actually delivered to them, without which authority the Officers of Companies will be subjected to retrenchments.

I submit to the Board the Copy of a letter from the inspecting Officer of Cavalry which accompanied a very satisfactory Report of the discipline of the 6th Native Regiment, as it is highly to the credit of Captain Davidson, the Officer on temporary command of the Regiment.

I Signed J. Fd. Bradock
Lieutenant General

2nd December 1806

To the Adjutant General
of the Army

Sir

Herewith I have the honor
to

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to forward inspection Returns and Report of the 4th Regiment Cavalry

It would be an Injustice on my part to be silent in respect to the merit that Captain Dawson commands and the 4th Regiment appears to me to possess as an Officer — the Regiment having exhibited on every part his care, attention and a perfect knowledge of his profession, — and I beg leave to recommend him in the strongest manner to His Excellency the Commander in Chief —

I have the honor to be,

Sir

Your most obedient humble Servant

/Signed/ Robt. Rollo Gillespie

Colonel

23rd November 1806

True Copy

/Signed/ F. N. Agnew

Aguntant General

Resolutions thereon

Resolved that the Furlough granted

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granted to Lieutenant Colonel Godfrey be
withdrawn agreeably to his Requestn

Resolved that Mr
Assistant Surgeon Smith be permitted to
draw the usual Garrison allowances for
attending the Invalids and Pensioners
stationed at Tripassore

Resolved that Lieutenant
Briggs be appointed Quarter Master of
the 1st Battalion of Artillery vice Burton
Promoted

Ordered that the Secy
to the Military Auditor General be instructed to
admit the charges incurred on account of
the Issue of Pay to the discharged Sepoys
mentioned in the foregoing minute

The Board observe with
satisfaction the high state of discip-
line of the 4th Regiment of Native
Cavalry as reported by the Inspecting
Officer

Minute

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Minute of the Commander in Chief

Submits an applica-

Minute of the Commander in Chief submits an application from Major Blacker for leave of three months to Bombay

tion from Major Blacker Deputy Quarter

Master General for three months leave of

absence to Bombay; and for the reasons

assigned in his letter, Recommends Compliance

with his request.

(Signed) J. F. Cradock

2nd December 1806 Lieutenant General

To the Right Honorable

The President in Council

My Lord,

I beg leave to request

your Lordship's permission to be absent

from Fort Saint George during a period

of 3 months on a visit to Bombay.

I have reason to suppose,

that Colonel Barry Close who is my

Relative will embark from thence in the

month of January for England, and

I,

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a desire to see him before his Departure
from India constitutes my motive for the
preceding the Indulgence of leave of absence
I have the honor to remain

Fort St. George
1st December 1806.

&c &c &c
Signed D. Blacker
Dy. Adjt. Genl. of the Army.

Resolution thereon

Resolved that Major Blacker be permitted
to proceed to Bombay on leave of absence for three Months.

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 submits Statement of expences for Army Establishment and amount of Sick Hospitals &c.

Conformably to the reso-
lutions of your Lordship in Council,
under date the 27th April 1805, I have
the honor to submit a Statement —
shewing the expence incurred during
the

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The months of January February and March 1806 on account of Lock Hospitals at Military Stations under this Presidency, Extracted from the disbursements of the different Paymasters, and amounting to Pagodas 748. 3. 37.

I have the honor to be, with the greatest respect My Lord Your Lordship's Most Obedient and humble Servant

Signed Alex.r Orr
Military Auditor Gen.l

Military Auditor General's Office Fort St. George 27th November 1806

Statement

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Statement shewing the Expence incurred during the months of January February and March 1806 on account of Lock Hospitals at Military Stations under the Presidency of Fort Saint George extracted from the Disbursements of the different Paymasters

	Sr.	F.	Ch.	Sr.	F.	Ch.
January 1806						
Expence of the Lock Hospital at Bonamalee	15	30	"			
Ditto ——— Ditto — at Tripasore	22	13	"			
Ditto ——— Ditto — at Masulipatam	46	18	"			
Ditto ——— Ditto — at Arcot	29	1	"			
Ditto ——— Ditto — at Seringapatam	28	26	40			
Ditto ——— Ditto — at Vayagadah	13	7	45			
Ditto ——— Ditto — at Chicacole	30	6	"			
Ditto ——— Ditto — at Bellary	54	39	72			
Ditto ——— Ditto — at Goolys	31	21	80			
				271	33	37
Carried forward ———				271	33	37

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		Brought forward	27	37 37

February

Expense of the Sick Hospitals at Coimbatore			17	" "
Ditto	Ditto	at Trichinopoly	16	10 "
Ditto	Ditto	at Masulipatam	24	34 "
Ditto	Ditto	at Arcot	25	35 "
Ditto	Ditto	at Tranquebar	19	1 "
Ditto	Ditto	at Chittledroog	13	11 "
Ditto	Ditto	at Vizagapatam	18	30 "
Ditto	Ditto	at Cuddalore	23	22 "
Ditto	Ditto	at Bellary	49	31 "
Ditto	Ditto	at Goa	23	39 40
				234 5 40
		Carried forward		506 " 77

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March 1806

Expenses of the Lock Hospitals at Poonamalee 17 27 .

Ditto	Ditto	at Trippasore	10	10
Ditto	Ditto	at Masulipatam	28	8 .
Ditto	Ditto	at Arcot	33	25 .
Ditto	Ditto	at Seringapatam	32	24 20
Ditto	Ditto	at Vizagapatam	21	24 .
Ditto	Ditto	at Chicacole	31	21 .
Ditto	Ditto	at Bellary	36	. .
			242	2 60

Total Pagodas 748 3 57

Military Auditor
General's Office
Fort St. George
27th November 1806.

Signed Alexr. Orr
Military Auditor Genl.

To

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

My Lord,

1 In conformity to your

From the Substance of Mr. Secretary Cuthbert's opinion regarding the allowance to the Commandant of Artillery for the provision of an Office in the Fort.

Lordship's desire contained in Mr. Secretary Strachey's letter of the 12th Instant, I have the honor to state my opinion regarding the rate of allowance which it may be proper to grant to the Commandant of Artillery for the purpose of enabling him to provide himself with an Office in the Garrison of Fort Saint George.

2 Under the Idea that a Single Room will Answer all the purposes

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of an Office which the Commandant of
Artillery can require, when called upon to
attend in Fort Saint George his duties at the
Auction Board and the Laboratory, I consider
a monthly allowance of Ten Star Pagodas
to be sufficient to enable him to provide
himself with an Office of this description.

I have the honor to be
with the greatest respect
My Lord
Your Lordships most Obed.t
humble Servant
(Signed) Alex.r Orr
Military Aud.r Gen.l

Military Auditor
General's Office
Fort S. George
27.th November 1806.

Minute thereon

The Board approve the
Rate of allowance recommended by the
Military

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Military Auditor General to be granted to the
Commandant of Artillery for the hire of a House
in Fort Saint George.

" W Bentinck

" Mackenzie

" Wilkinson

"

"

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Diary

Received and sent the foll.ing:—

Letters entered in M B. Nos. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8.—

From Lieutenant Colonel Reynell

From the Military Secretary to the Commander in Chief.

Regarding the expediting the Journey of Lieutenant Colonel Chalmers to assume the Command of Travancore.—

From Mr. Roebuck. With Copy of a letter from the Paymaster at Trichinopoly, requesting permission to Visit Palamcottah.

From Ditto

From Ditto. Requests Sanction for an Indent of Green Cloth for his Office.—

From the Assistant of Fort St. George

From Captain Bowen. With a letter from Colonel Dodsworth reporting that it is not necessary for M. Capdevilles health that he should proceed to the Isle of France.—

To the Military Auditor Generals

To the Military Auditor General.

Approves the Allowance proposed to be granted to the Commanding Officer of the Artillery for the hire of an Office

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Office in Fort S.t George - Encloses extract from the Proceedings of His Lordship in Council in this Department the 2.d Instant.—

To the Commandant of the Artillery.

To the Commandant of the Artillery. 3d

Permits his drawing Ten Pagodas Monthly for the hire of an Office in Fort S.t George.—

To the Town Major - Directs Palanquin

To the Town Major of Fort S.t George.—

Bearers being posted for Conveying Lieutenant Colo.l Chalmers from the Presidency to Quilon on Spec.l Service.—

4th Received the following Letter.

To G. Strachey Esq.r

Secretary to the Government

Fort S.t George

Sir,

From the Acting Secretary to the Government at Fort William - stating that no regulation exists at Fort William for Compensating to Officers the loss of their baggage, but that such Compensation has, notwithstanding been granted

I Am directed by the Honorable the Governor General in Council to Acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter of the 2.d Ultimo, with its Enclosure, and to request that you will inform the

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granted occasionally in cases of peculiar hardship

Right Honorable the Governor in Council that there does not exist at this Presidency any regulation by which Officers are entitled to Compensation on Account of the loss of their Baggage. The Regulations on that Subject referred to in your Letter having been annulled in conformity to the Orders of the Honorable Court of Directors contained in the 66.th paragraph of their General Letter to this Government of the 6.th of June 1798.—

2 Since the receipt of the Honorable Courts' Orders of the 6.th of June 1798, this Government has in some instances, of peculiar hardship and distress been induced to afford relief by granting Compensation equal to the Sum allowed by His Majesty's Regulations for the loss in certain Cases of Officers Baggage, the Governor General in Council however observing from the Enclosure of your Letter that the Honorable Court has by a Subsequent Order dated the 7.th of May 1800 to the Government of Fort S.t George repeated their prohibitory Orders against granting such

Compensation

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Compensation to Officers serving in India, de-

it to be necessary that the Orders of the Honorable

Court upon this subject should be Strictly obeyed:—

3 Under these Considerations the

Governor General in Council is of opinion that

Consistently with the Courts' Orders, Compensation

for the loss of Baggage should not be granted to

any Officer without the previous Sanction of the Court

of Directors, or under some extraordinary Circum-

stances of peculiar hardship and distress, of which

the Government of Fort St. George, will be most

Competent to form a judgement.—

4 Whenever such extraordinary cases

occur, the Governor General in Council recommends

that they be immediately reported to the Honorable

the Court of Directors with a detailed Statement

of the Circumstances Connected with them.—

Fort William
6. November 1806

Jam. &c. &c.
(Signed) Thos. Reid
Acting Sec.y to Mil.y Dep.t

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Received the following Letters entered in M B. N°. 9. 10.—

From the Acting Secretary to the Government at Fort William

From Captain Hill stating that an advance has been made to Lieutenant Lambe of this Presidency.—

From the Military Auditor General &c.—

From Lieutenant Colonel Orr- Reports on an Additional Estimate of Cash of the Military Paymaster at Cellore for the present Month.—

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At a Consultation

Present

The Right Honorable

Lord William Bentinck

Governor and President

Lieutenant Genral Sir J. F. Cradock K.C.B.

Commander in Chief

Friday the
5th December 1806

William Petrie
and
Thomas Oakes
} Esqrs.

Minutes of last Consultation
read and Approved.—

The following Papers hav-
-ing returned from Circulation are ordered
to be Recorded—

To

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

My Lord,

From the Military Board - regarding the Contract of the late Agents for Spirituous Liquors, and their observations on consequence of the transfer of that Contract to the Present Agents -

1 In our Letter of the 23d January last, We alluded to a proposition which, during the examination of the Accounts of the late Agent for Spirituous Liquors, had been suggested, for Converting the Agency into a Contract; Subsequent to that period, We received proposals from the Successors of the Honorable Basil Cochrane, Copy of which We enclose, and We have now the honor to submit our Report on those Proposals - The Papers had been referred to the Office of the Military Auditor General, but as the Report of the Deputy of that Office does not profess to discuss the relative Advantages of the present and the proposed System - We have taken up the Subject at length, and have made on the Margin

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of the Deputy Auditor Generals' Report, which accompanys this, a few Remarks arising from a Comparison of the Report, with the established Regulations of the Service.—

2d. In order to elucidate the Subject We first detail the Expence incurred in each Branch of the Department under the present System, and with this We Compare the Rates at which the Proposers are willing to bear those Expences.—

3d. From the full View of the Subject it appears to us that by the present System of the Agency, the Spirits for the Public Service are purchased on Account of Government, and delivered to the Charge of the Agent; whom the Government have engaged to employ in the Sale Superintendance, Care and distribution of Spirits on the following Terms; 1st That the Agent shall at all times keep up suitable Buildings for Stores, and for the Cooperage, in Consideration of which he is to receive from Government the Annual Rent of Pagodas 950.— 2d That the Agent is to keep up Vats sufficient to hold 200,000 Gallons

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of Spirits, each Vat containing at least 2,000 Gallons, in Consideration of which the Agent is to receive ½ of all Leaguers Casks or their Materials from which Liquor may be emptied into the Vats.— 3d. That the Agent shall keep up an Establishment of Coopers for Coopering all Casks &c. that may be required for the Public Service, which he is to supply in good Condition, in Consideration of which he is to be allowed all Charges for Wages, Iron hoops &c. which it may be necessary for him to incur.— 4th. That the Agent is to distribute Spirits as required at the Presidency and out Stations, in Consideration of which he is to be allowed Salary 200 Pagodas pr. Month.— Establishment of Servants as per Regulation, and all Charges which it may be necessary for him to incur.— 5th. That he shall keep regular Accounts of the distribution of Spirits, Cooperage &c., in consideration of which he is to receive Office Rent, and Servants Allowance.— 6th. That the Agent shall Account for all the Spirits delivered to his Charge in consideration of which he is to have an Allowance

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of 8 P.r Cent P.r Annum, (in lieu of all Stealth, Los, Leakage, Wastage &c. except as specified) on the quantity of Spirits that shall be delivered to him.—

Thus it appears that the actual Cost of Spirits, as issued under the present System comprises.—

1st.....The prime Cost of the Liquor and Vessel Containing it.—

2do.....The Rent of the Buildings.—

3tio.....The proportion of Charges for Co-=ferage, from which is to be deducted half the Value of the empty Casks and Materials.—

4th.....The Agents Salary

5th.....Store Servants Wages

6th.....Road Charges, including Cart hire, Road Wastage, Peon hire, and Sundry Charges.—

7th.....Office Rent, Office Servants Wages.

8th.....Eight P.r Centum on the whole quantity

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quantity delivered to the Agent.—

9th ..... Also Wages of Serjeants, Conicopolies Servants and Godown Rent, at the Several Stations where Liquor is kept.—

4th The Proposals of Messrs. Balfour Baker and Hart, contain an Offer to supply Liquor for the Public Service at a rate which may be found on Consolidating the whole or a part of the above Charges—and in order to find that rate they proceed in the following manner.— For the Prime Cost of the Liquor they take the Average of Mr. Cochranes purchases for the half year ending 31st December 1805.— The Purchases having been made in different quantities at 45. 47. and 51. gives an average of Fanams 15 . 59 per Measured Gallon— then they make a deduction of 1. 8. Fs. 64 Gallon— and offer Liquor at 14 . 51. per Measured Gallon, being 3 Cash Fs. Gallon less than the rate of 45 Pagodas Fs. Leaguer.—

5th A question arises whether this be a fair Average of the prime Cost, for three

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or five Succeeding Years / as it is presumed that such a Term must be adopted ——

The Price paid for Arrack for the last five years is as follows ——

1800/1	per Leaguer	38.	14.	56
1801/2	"	38.	3.	26
1802/3	"	38.	2.	0
1803/4	"	37.	18.	23
1804/5	"	41.	34.	8

Average 38. 21. 5.

but We have been informed that the Price of Arrack has been rising for some time, and an Additional Duty has been laid on the Exportation from Columbo within a few Months, however Should any difficulty Arise in Settling the precise Cost on which the Contract may be formed, a Clause may be introduced, to Authorize an Alteration of the Contract Price, Corresponding with any alteration which may take place in the Market Price ——

6 We addressed a Letter No. 3

to

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to Mess.rs Balfour Baker and Hart informing them that the Board had received an offer of the Supply of Liquor at 44 Pagodas per Leaguer, and requesting to know whether this Circumstance would induce any alteration in their proposals.—In reply We received a N.o 4. informing us that they would engage to supply

	F.	C.	D.s
Liquor at 44 Pagodas per Leaguer or 14 „	27.	826	Fanams

per Gallon and Considering the rate of Liquor now in the Market, and the probability that the Price will not fall, perhaps this may be thought a favorable Offer.—

7.th Secondly, they take the Amount of M.r Cochrane's Charges during 4 Years, on account of Rent, Cooperage Charges, Agents Salary, Store Servants Wages, Office Rent, and Establishment; and for Empty Casks, and applying the Amount to the Quantity of Liquor received during the same period, they deduce the Cost on each Gallon to be Fanams 4. 79.—

8.th The principle upon which this

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this Item is extracted appears perfectly equitable, the Amount assumed Comprises every Expence incurred for the Several purposes stated, with exception of the Value of the Companys' half of the Casks which were Coopered upon account; therefore the Estimate of the future Expences, may be fairly taken from it.

9th The third Component part of the Estimated Value of the Liquor while in Store, is the proportion of 8 7/10 p/c the Allowance at present made to the Agent for Wastage &c. and no objection appears against its admission as a fair Item, but as the prime Cost has been reduced to 44 Pagodas, it will Amount only to 1. 11. 825 per Gallon instead of 1. 45. as stated in the original Proposals.

10th In those three Items, are contained the whole of the Expence which is to be incurred by the purchase of Liquor, the Custody of it, and its distribution at the Presidency - The Estimate in the Original Proposals is

Prime

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Prime Cost per Gallon 14. 51

Proportion of Charges 4. 79

Allowance of 8 P. Cent 1. 45

Total Pr. Gallon Fanams — 21. 15

By the reduction which has taken place in the proposals the result is

Prime Cost Pr. Gallon 14. 27. 826

Proportion of Charges ..... 4. 79. -

Allowance of 8 P. Cent 1. 11. 826

Total Pr. Gallon 20. 38. 652

which exhibits the whole Amount to be charged to the Company for every Gallon of Liquor which may be issued from the Depot at the Presidency —

11th. The only mode of estimating the relative Advantages of two Systems is a Comparison of the result — In the present Case the Conclusion is favorable to the Proposals of Messrs. Balfour Baker and Hart; — All the Expences on account of the supply of Liquor, Storing and Cooperage for issues at the Presidency would not exceed those of the Agency, which

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on examination have been found moderate, and by the Adoption of the Contract- Government would gain an exemption from the risk which must impend so long as the Liquor is the Property of the Public—

12.th In this Stage of the Subject it may be proper to advert to the Proposals which have come, tho' not directly before the Board, from Messr.s Latour &c.o they offer Liquor which shall have ban one year in Store at the rate of 56 Pagodas per Leaguer, while the Price in the Proposals of Messr.s Balfour Baker & Hast appears to be above 63 Pagodas P.r Leaguer, but it must be considered that most of the Contingent Expences included in the estimated price, would be added also to the price which Messr.s Latour &C.o have named; and to the prime Cost in the estimated Value, only the 8 P.r Cent should be added to bring it in Comparison with the Liquor from Messr.s Latour &C.o; under any System of Supply the Charges for Rent Cooperage Charges, Agents Salary, Store Servants Wages, Rent of Office and Establishment, must Continue, and they are necessary not

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not only on account of the Liquor which is to remain 1 Year in Store, but on Account of that which is to be issued from time to time for the Service of the Presidency and out Stations.— The Comparison between those two Offers, will therefore be thus.—

Messrs. Latours & Co.		56 —
Messrs. Balfour Baker and Hart — Prime Cost		44 —
8 P. Cent	3. 27	47. 27. —
Difference in Favr of Messrs. B. B. & H.		8. 18. —

13th Another Proposal of Messrs. Latour & Co is more worthy of Attention, they offer to supply annually 200,000 Gallons of good Arrack at 44 Pagodas P. Leaguer which is the same rate as that in the Pro-posals of Messrs. Balfour, Baker and Hart to whom, Cæteris paribus, a preference should be given.——

14th A third offer of Messrs. Latours & Co is to sell their present Stock at 46, but it is to be presumed that better Terms may be procured by the

Discussion

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Discussion now pending—

15th From what has been premised it appears that the Sum of 20. 38. 652 includes the Value of one Gallon of Liquor, and its proportion of the following Charges—

1. Prime Cost
2. Rent of the Warehouse in which it is kept at the Presidency—
3. The Charges of Cooperage
4. The Agents Salary
5. Store Servants Wages
6. Office Rent, Office Servants Wages
7. Eight P.r Cent

Which Comprise all Expences incurred, except for Liquor sent to out Stations; and it rests at the option of Government to conclude a Contract for the supply of Liquor at the Presidency — allowing the Contingent Charges for Conveyance to out Stations to Continue as at present.— However — Messrs. Balfour Baker and Hart, offer to contract for

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the Conveyance of Liquor to out Stations, and they estimate the rate to be paid them in the following manner.—

16th. For each Station they take 1st the Charges of Cart hire and freight to the Sea Ports according to the Regulations, 2d are Assumed Charge for Bon hire to Accompany the Carts, 3d a Charge for road Wastage, estimated from the Accounts of Actual road Wastage kept by Mr. Cochrane, 4th a Charge for Interest on Cash disbursed in the transportation of Liquor.—

17th. The first Charge is fair, the rates set down in the Table are lower than those usually paid.—The Second is calculated on the Pay to Peons for the Period the Liquor may be on the way, it appears moderate.—The third Additional Charge in the Proposals (road Wastage) is liable to objection; The Road Wastage to the Mount is estimated higher than to Poonamalee, that to Arcot higher than to Vellore, to Masulipatam more than double that to Vizagapatam; which inconsistency as it can only be attributed to inattention or carelessness renders the

proposed

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proposed Table of road Wastage Altogether unfit to form the Basis of a permanent Contract; The fourth Additional Charge, for Interest, appears unreasonable, as the Agents Servants will at all times have in their hands, Cash which may be received for Liquor Sold, from which, as no Interest is paid to the public, all Charges may be defrayed.—

8.th We addressed a Letter N.o 5. to Messrs.s Balfour Baker and Hart, pointing out the objections against the 3.rd and 4.th Additional Charges in their Proposals, suggesting that in lieu of their Charges, it may be more equitable to assume an average Wastage for a given distance, and to calculate the road Wastage to each Station by this rate; stating also that from an examination of the Accounts 2½ P.r C.t for 100 miles appears to be a fair allowance; to Stations within Liquor may be sent on Carts; and for Sea Ports the following rate (Vide Letter) in the Secretary's Letter) it is further remarked that the Charge for Interest appears unreasonable and should be Struck out—

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In reply the Secretary received the Letter N.o 6 - admitting the propriety of estimating the road Wastage according to the distance and agreeing to the Terms proposed, except in the rate for Masulipatam, also agreeing to withdraw the Charge for Interest.—

19th Under this modification the additional Expences for the Conveyance of Liquor to out Stations will be according to Table X, in which is also exhibited the full Cost of each Gallon of Spirits as delivered at each Station - and should these Terms appear Advantageous, Government have the option of concluding a Contract for the supply of Liquor at the Presidency and out Stations, allowing the Expences of Custody at out Stations, Godown keive, Arrack Serjeants, and Servants of the Establishment to continue as at present.—

20th Should a Contract be concluded on the premises which have been laid down, the Contingent Charges against the Company will still be considerable, and as it may be considered expedient

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to consolidate as far as practicable the whole of the Expences incident to the Custody, Superintendance and issue of Liquor, We addressed a Letter No. 5 to Messrs. Balfour Baker and Hart requesting them to state the Terms on which they would engage to bear all Expences of every description with the exception of Godown hire at out Stations and the Pay of Arrack Serjeants, In reply We received the Letter No. 6 referring to a Statement which specifies the Charges for Servants employed in the Custody and Issue of the Liquor at out Stations; besides which a Charge is made for petty Articles.

21st It is not practicable to divide these Charges on the quantity of Liquor used at each Station, so as to ascertain the proportion which ought to be borne by each Gallon; and the Average for each Station, by distributing the whole Amount on the number of Stations cannot be considered a just mode; the number of Stations, where Liquor must be issued constantly fluctuates, and the addition or Subduction of one Station will change the proportion in

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and besides the Expences stated in their Letter, an
Allowance must be made for Wastage in Store
at out Stations, which could not be calculated ₹
Gallon, and must be calculated on the quantity in
Store from time to time as at present; It will
therefore be found most expedient to Confine the
Contract to the Expences incurred on account of the
following Charges.

1st ..... Prime Cost

2d ..... Rent of Warehouse

3d ..... Charges Cooperage

4th ..... Agents Salary

5th ..... Store Servants Wages

6th ..... Office Rent and Servants

7th ..... 8 ₹ Cent

8th ..... Road Charges

9th ..... Peon hire

10th ..... Road Wastage

And to receive the Liquor ₹
from

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21st It is not practicable to divide the Charges on the quantity of Liquor used at each Station, so as to ascertain the proportion which ought to be borne by each Gallon; and the Average for each Station, by distributing the whole Amount on the number of Stations cannot be Considered a just mode; the number of Stations, where Liquor must be issued Constantly fluctuates, and the addition or Subduction of one Station will Charge the proportion in

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5th ..... Store Servants Wages

6th ..... Office Rent and Servants

7th ..... 8 ₹ Cent

8th ..... Road Charges

9th ..... Peon hire

10th ..... Road Wastage

And to receive the Liquor ₹
from

from the Contractor on its Arrival at out Stations, at the rate exhibited in Table X. and to provide for its Custody &c. there in the manner now practiced.—

22d. Upon this View of the subject We recommend that the Agency may be changed into a Contract for five years, under the Proviso that Government may renew the Agency for the period of the Charter should the Contract not be found to answer the Expectations that have been formed.—

23d. The Proposal from the Commercial Resident at Columbo being Connected with this subject, We beg to inform your Lordship that from every enquiry We could make, the Charges subsequent to the Agents Delivery would Amount to 12. 10. 16. making the Cost of each Leaguer on delivery at Madras exceed the rate at which Messrs. Balfour and Baker propose to deliver it; of those Charges We have the honor to enclose a Memorandum marked J framed from the information which it has been in our

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our power to procure—

We have the honor to be

Fort St. George
13th October 1806

&c. &c.

/Signed/ J. F. Cradock

" Robt. Bell

" E. Trapaud

" P. A Agnew

" J. Munro

To the President and Members of the
Military Board

Gentlemen,

We have the honor to acknowledge

/ the receipt of your Secretary's Letter under date the 5th Instant,
requesting us to furnish for your information a Statement
in Detail of the terms on which we will agree to supply
the Liquor required for the European Troops serving
under this Presidency, and referring us to the present
Agent for information regarding the Stations at which
it has been required to Store Arrack, and also the

average

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average yearly consumption at each Station.—

In regard to the terms on which We will deliver Spirits from the Grand Store (so denominated by Mr. Cochrane) at Madras, We beg leave to refer to the proposals we conveyed in a Letter to your Board from the present Agent under date the 24th Ultimo.— A Copy of these proposals is hereunto annexed, by which you will perceive that we offer to deliver Spirits (of approved quality) from the Stores at Madras at the rate of twenty-one Fanams, fifteen Cash per Measured Gallon, which price includes every charge for Storage, Leakage &c: &c:—

The present Agent has furnished us with Documents by which We have ascertained the expense of Conveyance of Spirits to the different Stations which you will find detailed in the accompanying Statement A, and the rate which these Charges bear on each Gallon of Spirits delivered at the respective Stations.—

We have also received from the present

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present Agent documents from which we have ascertained the actual wood Wastage which is detailed in the accompanying Statement B, and you will also perceive in it the rate which that Wastage bears on each Gallon of Spirits delivered at the respective Stations.—

Having stated the expense of conveyance of the Liquor to the different Stations We shall now propose the terms on which We will engage to deliver such quantity of the said Liquor as may be required at the different Stations, it being understood that Government are to receive from us the whole quantity they may require during the Continuance of our Contract.—

At the following Stations we will deliver it at the prices hereafter stated.—

		Ps	Fs	Cs
At the Mount.... Cost on delivery from Grand Store Ft. Measured Gallon ---------- Pagl.		"	21	15
Road Expense as Pr. Statement		"	"	16
Road Wastage as Pr. Statement		"	"	9
Interest of Money on Charges disbursed &c. &c. ------		"	"	1	"	21	41

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Poonamallee.... Cost on delivery from			
Grand Store at Madras			
Fr. Measured Gallon	"	21	15
Road expense as Fr.			
Statement----------	"	"	28
Road Wastage as Fr. Ditto	"	"	12
Interest on Charges dis=			
=bursed &c: &c: ----	"	"	1
		"	21 56
Trippasore.. Cost on delivery from			
Grand Store ------	"	21	15
Road expense as Fr.			
Statement----------	"	"	53
Road Wastage as Fr. D:	"	"	29
Interest on Charges			
disbursed &c: &c:-	"	"	3
		"	22.20
Wallajahbad Cost on delivery from			
Grand Store	"	21	15
Road expense as Fr. Statement	"	"	79
Road Wastage as Fr. D: --	"	"	39
Interest on Charges			
disbursed &c: &c: ---	"	"	5
		"	22 58

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Arcot	Cost on delivery from			
	Grand Store	"	21	15
	Road expense as Fr. Statement	"	1	53
	Road Wastage as Fr. Ditto	"	"	59
	Interest on Charges disbursed &c. &c.	"	"	8
				" 2355
Vellore	Cost on delivery from			
	Grand Store	"	21	15
	Road expense as Fr. Statement	"	1	78
	Road Wastage as Fr. D.	"	"	48
	Interest on Charges disbursed &c.	"	"	10
				" 2371
Bangalore	Cost on delivery from			
	Grand Store	"	21	15
	Road Expence as Fr. Statement	"	6	21
	Road Wastage as Fr. D.	"	1	10
	Interest on Charges disbursed &c. &c.	"	"	30
				" 2876
Seringapatam	Cost on delivery from			
	Grand Store	"	21	15
	Road Expence as Fr. Statement	"	9	1
	Road Wastage as Fr. D.	"	2	24
	Interest on Charges disbursed &c. &c.	"	"	43
				" 33 3

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Sera ... Cost on delivery from Grand Store	"	2 15	
Road Expense as Fr Statement	"	9 1	
Road Wastage as Fr Ditto ..	"	2 24	
Interest on Charges disbursed	"	43	
			" 33 3
Chittledroog - Cost on delivery from Grand Store	"	2 15	
Road Expense as Fr Statement	"	11 55	
Road Wastage as Fr Ditto	"	1 66	
Interest on Charges disbursed &c	"	56	
			" 35 32
Bellarhi Cost on delivery from Grand Store	"	2 15	
Road Expense as Fr Statement	"	11 55	
Road Wastage as Fr Statement	"	2 31	
Interest on Charges disbursed	"	47	
			" 35 68
Gooty -- Cost on delivery from Madras Store	"	2 15	
Road Expense as Fr Statement	"	10 28	
Road Wastage as Fr Do	"	1 51	
Interest on Charges disbursed	"	41	
			" 33 65

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Tritchinopoly or Tanjore	Cost on delivery from Madras	" 2 15	
	Road Expense as Pr. Statement	" 5 3	
	Road Wastage as Pr. Do. ----	" 1 6	
	Interest on Charges disbursed	" " 24	" 27 48
Hydrabad	Cost on delivery from Grand Store at Madras ----------	" 2 15	
	Road Expense as Pr. Statement	" 11 55	
	Road Wastage as Pr. Do. ----	" 1 66	
	Interest on Charges &c ------	" " 56	" 35 32
Negapatam	Cost on delivery from Madras Store ----------	" 2 15	
	Expense of Sea Conveyance ---	" " 79	
	Wastage in Conveyance -------	" 1 57	
	Interest on Charges disbursed &c	" " 4	" 23 75
Masulipatam	Cost on delivery from Madras Store ----------	" 2 15	
	Expense of Sea Conveyance ---	" 1 26	
	Wastage in Conveyance -----	" " 60	
	Interest on Charges disbursed ----------	" " 6	" 23 27

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Ellore --- Cost on delivery from

Madras Store	" 2 15	
Expense of Conveyance	" 2 58	
Wastage in Conveyance	" 1 7	
Interest on charges disbursed	" . 13	
		" 25 13

Vizagapatam Cost on delivery from

Grand Store at Madras	. 2 15	
Expense of Sea Conveyance as P.r Statement	. 1 54	
Wastage in Conveyance P.r D.o	. . 30	
Interest on Charges disbursed &c.a	" . 8	
		" 2327

Ganjam Cost on delivery from Grand Store . 2 15

Expense of Sea Conveyance P.r Statement	. 2 2	
Wastage in Conveyance as P.r D.o	. 1 6	
Interest on Charges disbursed &c.a	. . 10	
		" 24 33

Cananore Cost on delivery from Grand Store . 2 15

Expense of Sea Conveyance P.r Statement	. 3 3	
Wastage in Conveyance P.r D.o	. 1 29	
Interest on Charges disbursed	. . 15	
		. 25 62

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The Expenses stated in the preceding to attend the Conveyance of Liquor are taken from Mr. Cochrane's Accounts for the last four years, excepting the Garrisons of Trichinopoly and Hydrabad—

To the Southern Garrisons and Hydrabad Mr. Cochrane has conveyed his Arrack by Sea, but as the Conveyance of it is uncertain, and the Wastage considerably more than by Land, We have estimated the expense of Conveyance to be by Land.—

We have also estimated the Bandy-hire according to the new Regulations, the hire charged will be therefore found to vary from what Mr. Cochrane has charged.—

At the prices stated in the preceding We engage to deliver whatever quantity of Arrack you may require at the said different Stations to an extent not exceeding 200,000 Gallons, but if more should be required We engage, on sufficient notice being given to supply it.—

2.d The Arrack on its arrival at

the

the respective Stations to be stored at the Expense of the Government in a sufficient Building to protect it from theft &c:— The Officer Commanding the Station to have it surveyed on its arrival and to grant a receipt for it.— In the Store house in which it may be deposited one key to be under the charge of the Commanding Officer and one key under the charge of our Servants, and the usual Wastage at the rate of 10 P.r Cent P.r Annum from its delivery at the Station until sold to be allowed to us.—

3.d The persons employed by us at the different Stations to receive payment for the Arrack sold to the Troops, and to pay the Amount so received to the Paymaster of the Station.—

4. Our Establishment of Servants at the different Stations (similar to the establishment of the present Agent) to be a Contingent charge against Government, as well as the Conveyance of all Liquor from the Stations mentioned in the preceding to places not mentioned.—

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5th On our producing the receipt of the Commanding Officer for such Arrack as may be delivered at the respective Stations, We are to be paid for according to the prices stated in the preceding.—

6th The Period for the Commencement of the Contract with us to commence on the 1st May 1806, and it is to be understood that all Liquor shipped by Sea is to be at the risk of Government, and the Government is also to pay any additional Expense of Conveyance which may be incurred in the Conveyance of the Liquor in consequence of a War in the Countries thro' which it is to be Conveyed.—

We have now in compliance with the desire of your Board stated the terms that We propose for converting the present Agency into a Contract, which We feel confident will be Satisfactory, because We offer to provide the Liquor required at a cheaper rate than the average Cost

of

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of the purchases made by the present Agent during the last year, and at a cheaper rate than it can now be imported from Ceylon or Bengal or Bombay.—

We offer to keep it in Store for the same Wastage and Charges as have been allowed to the present Agent by his present existing Contract with Government.—

We offer to convey it to the different Stations of the Army at an Expense not greater than has been Actually disbursed by the present Agent, and to many of the Stations the Charge will be found less.—

And finally We offer to keep the Stock of Liquor at the different Stations subject to the same Charges that the present Agent Actually disburses.—

We have only to add that in all Cases where we may be subject to risk, and for which We may not have provided in the preceding proposals, We shall rely on the liberality of your Board and of Government for making good to us

losses

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losses arising from such unforeseen risk.—

We have the honor to be

&c.a &c.a

Madras
19th May 1806

/Signed/ J. Balfour
" J. Baker
" W. Hart

A true Copy

/Signed/ J. Marshall
Sec.y: Mil.y: Board

Proposals from Mess.rs J. Balfour J. Baker and W. Hart to deliver to Government 200,000 Gallons of Liquor annually from the Grand Store at Madras at a fixed price per Gallon.—

1st. Instead of the present Arrack Agency, We propose to contract with Government to supply them for the term of the Company's Charter with 200,000 Gallons of Spirits annually at 12 fanams 48 Cash Ft. Guaged Gallon, being equal to Star Pagodas 45 Ft. Leaguer of 150 Gallons, calculating the

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Pagoda at 42 fanams for one Pagoda

2d. ½ As it has been the practice however to keep the Arrack Accounts in measured Gallons, and to estimate the fanam at 45 for one Pagoda, our proposal must be 46 fanams and 51 Cash Fr. Measured Gallon (138 equal to 150 Guaged Gallons and 45 fanams to one Pagoda) being exactly equal to 46 Pagodas for 150 Guaged Gallons.—

3d. ½ The Spirit to be of approved quality, and the proof of it to be that of Batavia Arrack namely 25 Fr. Cent above London proof.—

4th. We propose to charge 46 fanams 79 Cash Fr. Gallon instead of the following Charges allowed to the present Agent by his engagement with Govern-ment Vizt.—

Salary

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Salary to the Agent

Office Rent

Ware House Rent

Office Servants

Arrack Store Servants

Sundry Charges

One half of the Empty Casks

Cooperage, and Iron Hoops—

5th These Charges of Mr. Cochrane's Amount during the years 1801/2 1802/3 1803/4 and 1804/5 to Pagodas 61988. being on a medium for one year Pagodas 15,497.—

The quantity of Arrack received by Mr. Cochrane into his Stores during the said four years is 558,508 Gallons which on a medium for one year is 139,627 Gallons; Hence if 139,627 Gallons have borne a charge of Pagodas 15,497: one Gallon has been subject to 4 fanams and 79 Cash.—

6th The Wastage of 8 P.r Cent not being

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being included in the preceding Charges of Mr. Cochrane's and being equal to 1 fanam 45 Cash P. Gallon, is to be added to the said charges.

7 The Liquor we propose to deliver will therefore Cost the Government delivered at Madras.

Prime Cost P. Measured Gallon P.	"	14.	57
Charges	"	4.	79
	.	19.	50
Wastage at 8 P. Cent on the prime Cost of the Arrack (by which we are to be at the Expence of Storage and all Charges on the Wastage)	"	1.	45
Each Measured Gallon Fanams	"	21.	15

8. Conformably to what we understand to be the present practice all Arrack imported by us for the use of Government to be free of duty.

9. We will engage to deliver the Arrack if required at different Stations at an increased price, proportionate to the distance

of

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of the place where it may be required to be deposited.—

10th As the order for keeping in Store for 12 Months so large a Stock of liquor as 200,000 Gallons, has the health of the Troops for its object, and as we have not taken into our Calculation Interest on the Stock, the Government to be in advance for its Prime Cost (45 Pagodas P. Leaguer) and the buildings appropriated for the use of the Government Stock of Spirits shall be open at all times for the inspection of the Military Board. The sum now required to complete the Stock on hand to 200,000 Gallons we suppose will be about 23000 Pagodas.—

If the Consumption should be increased beyond 200,000 Gallons we will undertake the requisite provision on the same terms.—

24th April 1806 /signed/ Balfour Baker & Hart

A true Copy

/signed/ J. Marshall

Secretary Mil. Fr. Board

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Remarks

It appears by Mr. Cochrane's Arrack Agency Accounts delivered in January last to the Military Board that the Medium rate of his purchases to the 31st December 1805 was 15 Fanams 58 Cash for each measured Gallon—

His purchases from 1st May 1805 to 31st December 1805 were as follows—

From Messrs. Latour & Co.	G. Gallons 7,576	@ 47 Rs. 7½ Fs. per Gn. is Rs.	2,911. 7. 6
Ditto	56,721	@ 51 "	2,038. 31. 7
Ditto from Captain Wintherr	52,573	@ 45 "	15,771. 42. 40
Gauged Gallons	184,968	Pags.	59,521. 34. 33

Being for each Measured Gallon Ps. " 15: 59

Mr. Cochrane's Charges exclusive of Wastage " 4. 79

Pagodas " 20. 58

We

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We offer to supply each measured Gallon at Pagodas	"	14.	51
M.r Cochrane's charges	"	4.	79
Add further charges for new Casks and Cooperage	"	"	65
Pag.s	— "	20.	35

The price of Ceylon Arrack has been at Columbo for these Six Months past R.s D.s 150 @ 440 P.s P.s or 37. 21. "

Freight to Madras ..... 5. " "

Insurance D.o ..... 2 " "

Duty, Leakage &c. &c. ..... 3. " "

Pag.s 47. 21. "

The price here has of late varied, but the importers we are sure cannot afford to sell it under 45 Pagodas as will be found on a reference to Mess.rs Latour & Co. and other extensive dealers in Ceylon Arrack.—

Our limited intercourse with

Batavia

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Batavia makes the Importation of Batavia &
Arrack very confined, and as there is none in
the market for sale a price cannot be fixed on
it.—

From a distillery we have at
Ganjam we at present receive about 40,000 Gallons
Annually of excellent Rum (a muster of which
Can be Shewn) and we propose to extend the
distillation.—

The price of new Spirits at
Bombay is from 1/4 to 1/2 Rupee P.r Gallon, and
We offer to contract to supply it at a less rate &
exclusive of Charges - Rum if imported from
Bengal with all charges will now cost landed
at Madras more than the price we demand.—

To sum up therefore all which
We have Stated it must appear.—

That we engage to provide

Annually

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annually 200,000 Gallons of Liquor at a price less than the medium rate of Mr. Cochranes for the last year, and at a rate cheaper than it can be imported from Ceylon, Bengal, or Bombay.—

That we offer to keep up a Stock of 200,000 Gallons for the same Charges as were allowed the Agent, which Considering the great expence of the Vatts, buildings and necessary Establishment of Servants, must be deemed very moderate.—

And that by our proposed Contract the Accounts every quarter will consist of only a few lines, instead of the intricate Voluminous Accounts of the Agency.—

24th April 1806

/Signed/ Balfour Baker & Hard

A True Copy

/Signed/ J. Marshall

Secy. Mily. Board

Statement

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A

Statiment Shewing the Expence of Conveyance from Madras to the

	1 Mount	2 Ponamalee	3 Tripasore
	P. F. C.	P. F. C.	P. F. C.
Cart hire for a pipe Containing 110 Gallons is	" 18 "	" 30 "	1 16 "
Pay and Batta for Peons to accompany the liquor	" 3 64	" 7 48	" 11 32
	" 21 64	" 37 48	1 27 32
The Conveyance to these Stations of one pipe containing 110 Gallons Costs as above, therefore one Gallon Costs	" " 16	" " 28	" " 53

	11 Bellary	12 Ghooty	13 Trichinopoly or Tanjore
	P. F. C.	P. F. C.	P. F. C.
Cart hire for a pipe of 110 Gallons is	24 . .	22 . .	9 . .
Pay and Batta for Peons on the road	4 25 .	3 64 .	3 64 .
Cooly Hire from Godown to Beach of one Leager	" " .	" " .	" " .
Boat hire and watching Peon on Madras Beach & in boat	" " .	" " .	" " .
Freight by Sea	" " .	" " .	" " .
Boat hire in landing the Casks & Cooly hire to the Godowns	" " .	" " .	" " .
Watching Peons in Boats	" " .	" " .	" " .
Sundry Small Charges	" " .	" " .	" " .
Cart hire from Masulipatam to Ellore	" " .	" " .	" " .
	28 25 "	25 14 "	12 14 .
The Conveyance to these in land Stations of one pipe of 110 Gallons Costs as above, hence one Gallon Costs	" 11 55	" 10 28	" 5 3
The Conveyance to the Sea ports Costs as above for one Leager of 138 Gallons, hence one Gallon Costs	" " "	" " "	" " "

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of One Gallon of Spirituous Liquor

Respective Stations.—

4 Wallajahbad			5 Arcot			6 Vellore			7 Bangalore			8 Seringapatam			9 Serah			10 Chittledroog		
P.	F.	C.	P.	F.	C.	P.	F.	C.	P.	F.	C.	P.	F.	C.	P.	F.	C.	P.	F.	C.
1	33	"	3	"	"	3	33	"	12	"	"	18	13	"	18	13	"	24	"	"
"	26	48	1	3	52	1	3	52	3	14	"	3	33	"	3	33	"	4	25	"
2	14	48	4	3	52	4	36	52	15	14	"	22	1	"	22	1	"	28	25	"
"	"	77	"	1	53	"	1	78	"	6	21	"	9	1	"	9	1	"	11	55

11 Hydrabad			15 Negapatam			16 Masulipatam			17 Ellore			18 Vizagapatam			19 Ganjam			Cannanore		
P	F	C	P	F	C	P	F	C	P	F	C	P	F	C	P	F	C	P	F	C
24	"	"																		
4	25	"																		
"	"	"		8	"		8	"	"	8	"	"	8	"	"	8	"	"	8	"
"	"	"		8	60		8	60	"	8	60	"	8	60	"	8	60	"	8	60
"	"	"	2	"	"	3	"	"	3	"	"	4	"	"	5	"	"	8	"	"
"	"	"	"	17	40	"	17	40	"	17	40	"	17	40	"	17	40	"	30	"
"	"	"	"	8	20	"	8	20	"	8	20	"	8	20	"	8	20	"	8	20
"	"	"	"	4	16	"	6	72	"	6	72	"	9	16	"	11	40	"	12	60
"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	4	11	40	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
29	25	"	3	1	56	4	4	32	8	15	72	5	6	56	6	9	"	9	14	46
"	11	55	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
"	"	"	"	1	"	"	1	27	"	2	58	"	1	54	"	2	2	"	3	3

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/signed/ J. Marshall
Sec. to Bd. of Ord. Board

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B

Statement Shewing the Actual Road Wastages on their Arrival at the respective Stations between the 1st. May

Mount ----------

Poonamallee ----------

Tripassore ----------

Wallajahbad ----------

Arcot ----------

Vellore ----------

Bangalore ----------

Seringapatam or Serak ----------

Chittledroog ----------

Bellare ----------

Ghooty ----------

Trichinopoly or Tanjore ----------

Hyderabad ---- (same as Chittledroog) ----------

Negapatam ----------

Masulipatam ----------

Ellore ----------

Vizagapatam ----------

Ganjam ----------

Cannanore ----------

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ascertained by the Quantity of Arrack taken to fill up the Casks
1804 and the 31st October 1805.

Deficiency by Road Wastage out of each 100 Gallons		Wastage on Cost of 1 Gallon of the Road Liquor at Madras out of each Liquor of 138 Gallons when issued from the Grand Store Stations.		Cost of Corn: Gallon		Total Value of 1 Arrack lost by Wastage out of each Liquor of 138 Gallons			Amount which the loss out of 137 Gallons bears on one Gallon when landed at the Station		
Gallons	Drams	Gallons	Drams	Pagodas	Fs. Chs.	Pagodas	Fs.	Chs.	Pagodas	Fs.	Chs.
"	21 2/3	"	29 2/3	"	21 15	"	"	16	"	15	69
"	21	"	29	"	21 15	"	"	28	"	15	49
1	27 1/4	2	12 3/4	"	21 15	"	"	53	1	5	53
2	9	3	2	"	21 15	"	"	79	1	22	51
3	5 1/2	4	19 1/2	"	21 15	"	1	53	2	12	3
2	24 1/2	3	24	"	21 15	"	1	78	1	38	31
4	5	5	27	"	21 15	"	6	21	3	20	62
7	24 1/2	10	20	"	21 15	"	9	1	7	2	6
5	12	7	26	"	21 15	"	11	55	5	26	39
7	12	10	2	"	21 15	"	11	55	7	15	31
5	7 1/4	7	6	"	21 15	"	10	28	5	"	39
4	5	5	27	"	21 15	"	5	3	3	13	66
5	12	7	26	"	21 15	"	11	55	5	26	39
7	29 1/4	10	26 5/8	"	21 15	"	"	79	5	11	41
3	13	4	23	"	21 15	"	1	26	2	12	79
4	22 7	6	12 1/2	"	21 15	"	2	58	3	15	57
1	37	2	12	"	21 15	"	1	54	1	7	46
4	25 1/2	6	15 1/2	"	21 15	"	2	1 2/5	3	12	72
5	24	7	29	"	21 15	"	3	3	4	7	10

A True Copy
(Signed) J. Marshall
Secy. to Mily. Board

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No 2.

Report of the Deputy Military Auditor General on the Arrack Agency Accounts and the different heads of the Contract proposed by Messrs. Baker, Balfour and Hart for supplying Spirituous Liquors as required by the Military Board in a Letter from the Deputy Secretary, Dated 23d June 1806.

1 The Deputy Military Auditor General has the honor to report on the Arrack Agency Accounts as follows.

2 The supposed great intricacy and difficulty of settling Accounts under the present Agency Systems, having suggested the idea or necessity of entering into a Contract, it is proper in the first place to observe that, had the original Spirit of the Regulations been attended to,

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no difficulty or complication of
Accounts could have existed
as will / no doubt / appear to
the Board by the following ob:
:servations —

3 It was the Agents
Duty to have employed proper
Workmen to perform the Cooperage
business of his Agency; and the
only difficulty which could have
existed, had he done so, would
have been to decide how many
Coopers should be employed, &
which surely could have been
ascertained with equal facility
as in the case of the Gun Carriage
Agent at Seringapatam, and
other Public Officers under whom
a Considerable number of Workmen
are found necessary to be constantly
employed

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employed.—The Complication of Accounts is solely attributable to the Circumstances of Coopers separate from those of His Majesty's Navy not having been employed by Mr. Cochrane, and to the Agent mixing his Accounts of purchases with his Agency Accounts, which are, or ought to be, quite distinct; had Mr. Cochrane kept them separate the latter must have been very simple, for except Coopers, every expence is fixed, the same for every Month (for each Garrison) and Capable of being written on one side of a Common half Sheet of Paper—The Abstract would be as follows:—

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The Honorable Company ---- Dr.

To My Salary for the Month of Pags. 200. .. ..

To Office Rent for D.. ------- " 50. ..

To Godown Rent, according to my Agreement with Government at 950 Pags. per Annum, being for 1 Month ------- } " 79. 7

To Head Writer ditto ------

To Ditto ---- " --------

" Maistry Cooper " -----

" Cooley Coopers - " -----

" Conicopolies --- " -----

" Peons ------ " ------

" &c. &c. --- " ----

4th. In regard to Cooperage, if a Contract is considered desirable there can be no objection to entering into it, but the trial of a year or two of the Honorable Company's Cooperage to be carried on distinct from

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from that of the Kings' Navy by employment of Separate Papers would enable the Board to form a more Correct judgement of what ought to be paid by Contract on this Account.— Inv the opinion of the Deputy Military Auditor General the uncertain Statements of Accounts which Mr. Cochrane has submitted should not be the basis for charges of this description.—

5 Bills for hire of Extra Workmen or Articles of Expenditure, such as Iron Roofs, Stores, Straw &c., which might occasionally be required would be payable when regularly Authorized by Government on the recommendation of the Military Board, as in other departments.

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Departments of the Service in which Contingent Charges constantly occur, and the sale of the old Casks would take place quarterly by Public outcry according to the reports of the Agent and the Orders of the Military Board, or otherwise be worked up for the Service of Government as might be found necessary.—

6 It appears equally by the Regulations published for this Department in General Orders dated 24th May 1797, as by the Articles of Agreement entered into by Government with the Honorable B. Cochrane, under date 5th October 1802, that the Agents was uniformly considered as an Officer of Custody Superintendence, and distribution,

but

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but by no means as the General purchaser of the Article for Govern= =ment.— The terms of the former Agency (before 1797) admitted the Agent to purchase the Liquor on the Amount of which he was allowed a Commission of 5 P.r Cent in lieu of Salary, but the present Regu= =lations (those of May 1797) appear to have been framed with the View of preventing the Agent from purchasing except on very extra= =ordinary occasions. to the non Ob= =vance of that regulation the Deputy Secretary Auditor General, as before Stated, in a great degree imputes the Confusion and difficulty which has occurred in Mr. Cochranes' Accounts. The following Paragraphs of the established regulations for

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the Arrack Agency is decisive
on this point.- "That the Agent
"shall in future be confined
"to the Custody and distribution
"of the Liquor and shall not
"be allowed to make purchases
"except on special Authority
"arising from peculiar circum-
"stances, of which Government
"will be the judge on the
"representation of the Military
"Board."

7 It is admitted that under the present regulations the Agent may Consider himself at Liberty to point out favorable opportunities to Government for the purchase of Arrack, but the Circumstance of Mr. Cochrane engrossing the whole right of

purchase

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purchase, or even being a
general purchaser was cer-
=tainly never in the Contem-
=plation of Government, it is
notwithstanding the fact that
Mr Cochrane has been equally
the sole purchaser as this
Officer of Custody, which two
Characters, in a public point
of View, ought to be Considered
(as they were intended by the
Regulations to be) totally distinct
and incompatible with each
other; so general however has
been the Idea that the provision
and purchase of Arrack were
vested in Mr. Cochrane, exclu-
=sively, that there appears reason
to believe that in this Settlement
it would have been generally

deemed

deemed an encroachment on
Mr. Cochranes' rights had any
House of business made proposals
to the Board to dispose of a
quantity of Arrack on any terms
however favorable; the private
note of a Member of a respec-
-table Mercantile House of this
Presidency which has accom-
-panied the papers referred
for report is considered a proof
that this impression exists, for
had this idea not prevailed
the proposals made by Messrs.
Latour & Co. for the disposal of
their present Stock of Arrack
would have been made direct
to the Board instead of being
proffered, as they have been,
at second hand thro' Messrs.
Baker

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Baker, Balfour and Hart wished
subjected them to the double
chance of rejection from the
probability of their proposals
interfering with other arrange-
ments of that House. It is
also to be observed that if the
extensive supplies of Arrack
required by this Government
were all purchased from that
or any other respectable house
more favorable terms of purchase
would be obtainable in pro-
portion to the extent of the
demand, and consequently
that the terms proposed by
Messrs. Latour & Co. for the par-
ticular quantity they have
now or had for sale cannot
be fairly considered to be as
favorable

favorable as those on which they would undertake to supply the same quantity every year; on the Contrary there is a strong pre= =sumption that better terms would be obtained in such case, and in a subsequent part of this re= report it will be seen that this inference is correct— The Board will also be pleased to recollect that in all the extensive purchases of Arrack made by Mr. Cockburne in no instance as far as Captain Prendergast has been able to ascertain, has there been any competition, it may consequently be presumed, that the full price of the Article has been paid by Government, the Agent having had no interest whatever to

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lysers the rate or to seek those sources
of supply from which more favour-
=ble terms might have been obtained
the conclusion to be drawn from
what has been stated is that —
supplies of Arrack to the extent
required for the Service of the Troops
under this Presidency, might pro-
=bably have been obtained on better
terms than they have hitherto been,
and consequently that Mr Cochrane's
expenditure on this Account should
not be made the grounds of a —
Contract, particularly for the length
of time to which the Agency Agree-
=ment extends, for, if during a War
Arrack has been procurable at
45 Pagodas pr Leaguer it is to be
presumed that on a Peace being
established a reduction would

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immediately follow of perhaps
ten or fifteen P.r Cent. if not more
from the Sources of supply being
opened in different quarters; a
Clause of either party being at
liberty to dissolve the Contract
by giving 6 or 12 Months notice
would however remove that
objection.—

8. The Deputy Military
Auditor General has further
the honor to state that the
nature of the Agency it should
be well understood does not by
any means preclude Government
from establishing a Separate
Contract for the purchase of
Arrack; Mr. Cochrane under
the Regulations of 24th May
1797 and by his subsequent

Agreement

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Agreement with Government —

entered into on the 5th October

1802, is but the Agent of Government

for the Custody, Care, and distribution

of Arrack; The Agent in the

event of a Contract being esta-

= blished with other persons for the

supply of Arrack would be

placed in his proper Situation

that of an Officer of Custody, and

a wholesome Check equally on

the quality as the quantity of the

Liquor, it is left to the Board

to Consider how far these Checks

at present exist, or will exist

if the Contractors shall be

allowed to be the Officers of

Custody —

9th In proposing to

transfer into other hands the

Contract

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Contract for the purchase of Arrack there
is nothing Contrary to any right or even
to any Interest of Mr. Cochrane or of
his Substitutes; he has by some mistake,
as to the extent of his Office, discharged
for years past a troublesome duty —
which it was expressly intended and
declared by the Regulations that he
should not generally perform, for
which he has had no additional
Salary or allowance nor any profit
or benefit as appears by his Accounts
Confirmed on the Solemn asseve=
=tion of his Oath - in settling the agents
right as to the extent of his duties,
it is only relieving them from an
unprofitable trouble —

10 Messrs. Baker, Balfour
and Hart having in their Memoranda
of Calculation quoted the prices of
arrack

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at the same time that it in no shape militates against the terms of Mr. Cochrane's Agency Agreement with Government.—

12th That Public Notice shall be given that Government will enter into a Contract for the supply of Arrack deliverable at certain Stations Viz.t Fort St. George, Negapatam, Masulipatam, Tellicherry &c.: &c.: for such sums as may be judged proper / and that proposals will be received by the Military Board for that purpose.—

13 That the Liquor whether purchased by the Agents or others / as hitherto / or supplied by Contract shall be in either case delivered to the Agents as

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as an Officer of Custody only, who
is to be answerable for the quantity
in his quarterly Accounts of receipts,
issues and remains as directed
by the 25th Paragraph of the existing
Regulations for his guidance.

4th A notification of the rate per
Ledger which may be paid
for it, should however be made
to the Agent to enable him to
calculate the profit at the end
of the Year on the quantity
issued as laid down in the
Paragraph abovementioned —

4th Bills for the purchase
of Arrack to be regulated in
the same manner as all other
Bills which the Military Board
are in the constant habit of
having submitted to them, and

to

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to be considered totally uncon-
=nected with the Agency - when
an advance of Money is autho-
=rized on Account of purchases
of Arrack it should be debited
personally to the Officer employed
to make the purchase in the
same manner as advances
are debited to the Agents for the
purchase of Horses, to the Superi-
=ntending Engineer &c: &c:.
when the Liquor is received the
Bill to be sent to the Military
Board, and if on examination
it is found Correct, According
to previous Agreement, it should
be recommended to Government
in order to be passed for payment
in the usual manner by the
Military Auditor General. the

Adjutant

Advance, as a matter of Course,
would be deducted and the agency
Accounts would (in that Case)
only shew the quantity received
which is all that is necessary, —
except as before stated in the
preceding Paragraph. —

15th The Agent to state
to the Military Board as directed
by the Regulations for this Depart-
-ment the Establishments of Varriers,
Conicopolies, Peons, Coopers and
other Workmen necessary for this
Department at each Station,
which, when approved of by
Government, are to be regularly
drawn for every Month in an
Abstract with the Agents Salary,
Office and Godown Rent &c. in
the same manner as the Establishments

of

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of Garrison Storekeepers and in the form proposed in the third Paragraph of this Report—

16 Should the Board be desirous of more detailed Regulations on the above principle, the Deputy Military Auditor General will be ready to submit them when called upon— in the mean time he proceeds to report upon the different heads of the Contract proposed by Messrs. Baker Balfour and Hart for supplying Spirituous Liquors as follows—

17 The Calculations and Statements of expences under all the different heads having been minutely examined and compared with the Accounts of the Honorable B. Cochrane, as far as was practicable, are found to be incorrect in the following

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following particulars.—

18th In most instances —
where the fractional part of a —
Cask occurs in the Estimate of the
different Expences of one Gallon
of Liquor such fraction is uniformly
taken by Messrs. Baker, Balfour
and Hart in their own favor Viz.t
when the charge Amounts to 15
Cask and a half they have charged
16 Casks.—

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the Expence of one Gallon of Arrack
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and Hart have included road Leakage which was recommended / by the Military Auditor Generals report to the Military Board, under date 16th April last / to be rejected from the Accounts of the Honorable B. Cochrane, it will therefore remain for the Board to decide as to this latter charge, which if deducted from the proposed rate per Gallon and the other small errors pro and con shall be rectified, the proposals may then be considered as shewing the actual average rate per Gallon at which the liquor has been hitherto purchased by Government, all expences excluded.

25. The Deputy Military Auditor General however begs leave to state to the Board that

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Mr. Cochrane's "Charges Merchandize" not having been made in detail, it became necessary to refer to the police Regulations to ascertain the correctness of the rates of Carriage &c., stated by Messrs. Baker Balfour and Hart, by which it appears that the Cart hire to the different out Stations has been calculated accordingly as far as these regulations extend, each Pipe Containing 110 Gallons being Charged at the rate of two Carts, and to those Stations to which the Police Regulations do not apply the Charges are in the same proportion with respect to distance.——

21 The Police Regulations not having established any rate of Pay and Batta for Peons, the Charges have been Compared with the rates of

Cooley

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Cooley hire and with Similar Charges in other public Departments from — which Comparisons the Calculations in this particular are presumed to be Correct —

Should the Boards proceedings on the Subject of the Arrack Agency be laid before the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, the Deputy Military Auditor General requests that a Copy of this Report may Accompany them —

Military Audr. Genl. Office
Fort St. George 2d July 1806

/Signed/ J. Prendergast
Dep. Mily.
Audr. Genl.

A true Copy

/Signed/ Jn. Marshall
Secretary Military
Board

Captain

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Captain Pringegast

Deputy Military Auditor General

Sir,

In reply to your note on the Subject of Arrack, We beg leave to observe that owing to our connections with Ceylon We have been in the practice of getting over considerable quantities of that Spirit, which We should always be glad to sell at such a rate as to give merely a fair and easy remittance of our Funds from Columbo.—

We have at present a great quantity of Arrack in store, which not being able to get a Sale for to Individuals, we would have tendered to Government but did understand that they would not Correspond or treat with any person on that Subject other than their own Agent.— As however it appears by the nature of your enquiries, that there can be no impropriety in our stating a proposal to the Military Board, We have formed an intention of doing it as follows, Viz.t.—

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To

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1st To offer our present Stock of Spirits, consisting of about 150,000 Gallons of Columbo and about 40,000 Gallons of Batavia Arrack, all of good quality, and by much the greater part of it above one year old at 46 Pagodas a Leaguer of 150 gauged Gallons.—

2d To supply two Lacs of Gallons of Columbo Arrack annually that shall be of good Merchantable quality, and at least equal to the proof you mention, We paying the Custom house duties thereon, but not the charges of Custody, at 44 Pagodas pr. Leaguer of 150 gauged Gallons.—

3 To supply the like quantity of Arrack which shall be at least one year on our Stores before it is issued and We being at all the Expence of Godown hire, Servants, Leakage &c. &c. &c. at 56 Pagodas a Leaguer of 150 gauged Gallons, payable on delivery at the expiration of the year.

We do not think better terms than these could be obtained for Government without

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a loss to the Contractor.—

We have the honor to be

Madras
30th June 1806

&c. &c.

/Signed/ Fra.s Lautour & Co.

A true Copy

/Signed/ J. Prendergast
Deputy Mil.y Aud.r Gen.l

A true Copy

/Signed/ J. Marshall
Sec.y Mil.y Board

N.o 3

To Messrs. Balfour, Baker and Hart

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Military Board to acquaint you that your Letter of the 19th May with its Enclosures is now under consideration and that their attention has been drawn to an offer which has been received from the House of Latour & Co. this offer proposes to supply to Government 200,000 Gallons of approved Spirit, per Annum, at the rate

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rate of 4½ Pagodas per Leaguer; which rate is nearly
1 Pagoda per Leaguer less than that in your Proposals,
the Board therefore refer the subject for your consid-
-eration, and previous to their forming a decision
on your Proposals, they request to know whether the
circumstance may induce any alteration in the
terms of your Proposals.—

Fort St. George
15th September 1806

I am, Gentlemen,
&c. &c.
(Signed) J. Marshall
Secy. Milly. Board

No. 4

To Captain J. Marshall

&c. &c. &c.

Sir,

We have received your Letter of the
15th Instant informing us, that, pending the proposal
We have had the honor to submit to the Military
Board, Messrs. Latour &Co. have offered to supply
200,000 Gallons of approved Spirits per Annum at
the

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the rate of 44 Pagodas per Leaguer; which is nearly one Pagoda less than we have offered at —

At the first moment of receiving your Letter, we were so convinced of the truth of our Calculations and the propriety of our offer, as well from the long practice which our Predecessor, Mr. Cochrane, has had, as from the obvious prospect of the Madras Market, that We were inclined to state the Comparative Offers and leave the result to the decision of the Board; but, reflecting that the Consequences of having a Liquor, We do not know, put into our Custody, might Commit us in a matter of so much importance as the health of the Troops, and that some imputation might rest with us, We have resolved to waive the pecuniary Consideration in respect to that, which is very important to us, the Confidence and the facility with which We hope to conduct the Contract: We therefore accept the terms of 44 Pagodas, with no other reserve, than that, if the Contract be held as an experiment for

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five years, it is clearly understood that either party may, at that period, revert to the original Agreement of Agency, which is only suspended for the experiment of the Contract proposed.—

We have the honor to be,

Navy Buildings Madras
18th September 1806

&c.a &c.a

/signed/ J. Balfour
" J. Baker

N.o 5

To Messrs. Balfour, Baker and Hart

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Military Board to inform you that on the further examination of the terms in your Proposals one of the heads of Expense on Liquor sent to out Stations appears objectionable.—

In the Statement B shewing the Actual road Wastage, the defecencies do not appear any way proportionate to the distance, the deficiency to Arcot is rated higher than that

to

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to Vellore, tho' the latter place is further distant than the former - again, the Wastage to the Mount is greater than to Poonamallee, which is more than double the distance, and the Wastage to Masulipatam exceeds that to Vizagapatam, and nearly equals that to Ganjam. such inconsistency whether it has arisen from Accident or Carelessness in the Conveyance of the Liquor renders the Table B altogether unfit to become the basis for framing an average for a permanent Contract. Instead therefore of the Wastage as rated in Table B the Board propose that an Average rate of Wastage should be assumed and from what appears of the Actual Wastage, they are of opinion that an allowance for Wastage at the rate of 2½ per Cent for each hundred Miles of distance by Land, and at the following rates for Sea Ports will be an

equitable

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equitable Allowance—

Masulipatam ..... 2½ per %

Vizagapatam ..... 4 Do.

Ganjam ..... 6 Do.

Nigapatam ..... 4 Do.

Cannanore ..... 8 Do. ..they request your reply to this Proposal—

I am further directed to mention that the Charge, in your Proposals, for Interest on Money disbursed, does not appear to be proper, as the Cash received by your Servants at Out Stations will always be sufficient for that purpose, the Board therefore think it should be struck out—

It is the desire of the Board to afford every practicable information to Government, and to be enabled to report, how far it may be expedient to include in the Contracts which may be entered into with you, the whole of the Charges Attendant on the Custody

of

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of Spirits;— in the proposals which you have sent in, the charge of Custody at Out Stations is not included, nor the charges for Servants to superintend the issue; the Board therefore request that you will state the terms on which you will engage to bear every expense, which has hitherto been debited to the Public on this Account, with the exception of Godown Rent at Out Stations, and the pay of Arrack Serjeants; this will enable the Board to compute the whole expense of Spirits at each Station, including the prime Cost, charges of all description at the Presidency, Charges of Conveyance to Out Stations, and the Charges which may be incurred at each Station respectively.—

I have the honor to be

Fort St. George
20th September 1806

&c. &c.
/signed/ J. Marshall
Secretary Military
Board

To

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No. 6

To the Secretary to the Military Board

Sir,

We have been favored with your Letter of the 20th Instant, in which you state the objections of the Board to the mode observed by us in calculating the road and Sea Wastage, as per Statement B, which accompanied our Proposals, under date the 19th May - also objecting to the charge of Interest in these Proposals; and calling upon us to state the terms on which we will agree to defray every expense attending the charge of Custody of the Liquor at Out Stations, and the charges of Servants for superintending the issues &c. &c. with the exception of Godown rent, and the pay of Arrack Serjeants.

In regard to the road Wastage, and Wastage of Conveyance by Sea,

We

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We accede to your proposals, with exception to Masulipatam. We think, to that Port, the Wastage should be 4 per Cent instead of 2½ per Cent, which We are persuaded you will not consider unreasonable, when the former is allowed by you to Negapatam; altho' the distance is not so great.—

We also agree that the Interest charged in our proposals, on "Cash disbursements" shall be withdrawn.—

With respect to the Charges incurred for issuing the Liquor at out Stations, and all Charges attending its Custody, We beg leave to refer you to the Accompanying Statement, by which you will observe the Actual Monthly disbursements, at present incurred, on this Account, and which are Countersigned by the Commanding Officers at each of the Stations.—

In

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In this Statement every charge is included excepting Godown Rent, and the Pay of Arrack Serjeants, and a Variety of Petty Charges, such as Brass Cocks, Measures, Pots, Lamp Oil, Stationary, repairs of Wooden Hoses for the Casks, Coolly hire for Storing the Casks, Sweepers &c. &c. which Amount cannot on an average exceed five Pagodas per Mensem at each Station.—

As to the Amount of the Charges of distribution, We presume it can never be intended that the Conversion of the Agency into a Contract should involve the Contractor in any loss practical out of Pocket Expenses; the disbursement of which alone, is such upon the Contractor, and being of a nature which requires confidential Service, must be Maintained above Common Cost— and one

Should

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should very gladly make over the disbursement to any appointment the Board may be pleased to direct: but under the meaning of your Letter, if it requires only that the Charges should be defined, We can only take the Amount, Which being actual Cannot be reduced, and average it among the Stations; the Monthly expense of which will then be Pagodas 17. 17. 52 per each — 31 Stations at Pagodas 17. 17. 52. Amounts to Pagodas 532. 7. 40 Monthly, and this We are willing to undertake it at, altho' from the nature of the Service it ought to be a contingent Charge, but the Spirit of your Letter being that of a strict scale of expense, We are unwilling to leave any point of it unexplained to or resisted —

Madras
22d September 1806

We have the honor to be
&c. &c.
/Signed/ J. Balfour
J. Baker

True Copies
/Signed/ J. Marshall
Sec.y to Milly. Board

Retirement

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We have the honor to be

&c. &c.

/Signed/ J. Balfour

J. Baker

Madras

22d September 1806

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/Signed/ J. Marshall

Sec.y Mil.y Board

Statement

Statement Shewing the Amount of expences at present incurred for Servants employed at the different Stations in issuing Liquor to the Troops as per Returns for July

		Amount of Conicopoly hire and Writers	Amount of Sheriff hire	Amount of Peons hire	Amount of Cooley hire	Amount of Coopers hire	Amount of Measuring Manufactories	Amount of Sundry Petty Charges	Total Charges of Servants
									S.C.P. F. Ch.
1	Mount	8	1 2240					4 2240	14
2	Fort St. George	8	3	2	2			4	19
3	Poonamallee	6	1 2240					4	11 2240
4	Tripasore	5						2	7
5	Wallajahbad	5	2					3	10
6	Arcot	8	1 2240	2			1 2240	2	15
7	Vellore	7	1	1 2240				4	13 2240
8	Negapatam	5		30				2	7 30
9	Tanjore	8		1 2240			3	4	16 2240
10	Trichinopoly	9	3				5	2	19
11	Caraby-Vine near Trichy	5	1 2240					2	8 2240
12	Dindigul	8	1 2240					4	13 2240
13	Madura	10	1 2240	1 2240				2	15
14	Masulipatam	17 2240	3	1 2240	5			7 18	34 18
15	Ellore	5						2 32	7 32
16	Vizagapatam	5	1 26				2 23	1	10 4
17	Ganjam	9	1				36	4	14 36
18	Bangalore	9	2	3 2240					14 22 40
19	Seringapatam	23	4	8			5	6	46

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20 Chittledroog	7	"	"	"	"	2	"	"	"	"	3	"	"	2	"	"	14	
21 Hurryhur	8	"	"	"	"	2	"	"	"	"	3	"	"	"	"	"	13	
22 Calicut	5	"	"	"	"	2	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	7	
23 Cannanore	13	"	"	"	"	2	"	"	2	"	5	"	"	6	"	"	28	
24 Tellichery	13	"	"	"	"	2	"	"	2	"	5	"	"	"	"	"	22	
25 Cottaparambo	5	"	"	"	"	2	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	3	"	"	10	
26 Mangalore	15	"	"	"	"	2	"	"	"	"	5	"	"	2	"	"	24	
27 Mullial	13	"	"	"	"	2	"	"	7	22	40	5	"	"	"	"	27	22 40
28 Cooty	10	"	"	2	"	6	"	"	"	"	"	6	"	"	3	"	"	27
29 Bellary	16	"	"	2	"	8	"	"	"	"	"	5	"	"	2	22	40	33 22 40
30 Goa	8	"	"	"	"	2	"	"	"	"	"	5	"	"	"	"	"	15
31 Sera	10	"	"	2	"	3	22	40	"	"	"	3	"	"	2	"	"	20 22 40
	283	22	40	18	22	40	69	33	40	18	22	40	67	36	40	81	5	"	539	7	40

Abstract

Concopolies	283	22	40
Shroffs	18	22	40
Peons	69	33	40
Coolies	18	22	40
Coopers	67	36	40
Measuring Mens	81	5	"
	539	7	40

A true Copy
/signed/ J. Marshall
Secy. Mill. Board

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Statement Shewing the Value of a Gallon of

Stations	Prime Cost and Charges on Liquor issued from the Depot at Madras		
Madras		20.	38,652
Mount		20	38652
Poonamallee		20	38652
Tripassore		20	38652
Wallajahbad		20	38652
Arcot		20	38652
Vellore		20	38652
Bangalore		20	38652
Seringapatam		20	38652
Sera		20	38652
Chittledroog		20	38652
Bellary		20	38652
Gooty		20	38652
Trichinopoly		20	38652
Tanjore		20	38652
Hydrabad		20	38652
Sea Ports			
Masulipatam		20	38652
Vizagapatam		20	38652
Ganjam		20	38652
Negapatam		20	38652
Cannanore		20	38652

Military Board Office
Fort St. George
13. October 1806

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Arrack as deliverable at the following Stations.—

Road Expens including Carriage and Pioneire	Road Wastage at 2½ Pr. Cent Pr. 100 Miles	Value Pr. Gallon on delivery.		
" "	"	"	20	38652
" "	15854 "	"	20	57783
" "	27345 "	"	20	71322
" "	32652 "	"	21	24005
" "	36072 "	"	21	51110
" 1	53563 "	"	22	42119
" 1	77563 "	"	22	71855
" 6	21091 "	1	27	60855
" 9	727 "	1	30	75721
" 9	727 "	1	30	78999
" 11	54545 "	1	33	74938
" 11	54545 "	1	33	62648
" 10	28363 "	1	33	826
" 5	2909 "	1	26	46359
" 5	2909 "	1	26	45540
" 11	54545 "	2	34	13373
" 1	26898 at 4 Pr. %	"	22	51096
" 1	54318 at 4	"	22	78516
" 2	1739 at 6	1	23	5871
" "	79246 at 4	"	22	23444
" 3	3231 at 8	1	25	12975

E. E. Pr.

/Signed/ J. Marshall

Secy. & Acct. Mily. Board

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Memoranda.

	Pag.s	Fs	Cs
Cost of a Leaguer of Arrack deliverable on the Beach at Colombo	32	..	

Charges

Expences of Shipping at Columbo		"	22 40
Freight to Madras		5	..
Insurance on P.s 38 at 3 Fs Cent		1	40 40
Agents Commissions on P.s 40 at 3 Fs Cent		2	..
Leakage and Wastage at 6 Fs Cent on P.s 32		1	41 32
There are a Variety of other risks to which Liquor is at all times incident, and for which neither the Captain nor the under Writers can be made liable. Say 2 Fs Cent on P.s 32		"	28 64
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	Pagodas	44	10 16

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/Signed/ J. Marshall
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7	Statement X. Shewing the Value of a Gallon of Arrack as deliverable at out Stations proposed by the Military Board	13.th Oct.r 1806
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/Signed/ J.s Marshall
Sec.y Mil.y Board

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

My Lords,

From the Deputy Military Auditor General - suggests certain restrictions on the Agency for the supply of Spirituous Liquors.—

1 It is an indispensable part of the duty of this Office to cause the regulations of Government to be strictly observed in every particular connected with the public Expenditure of the Military Department - I accordingly feel it incumbent on me to address the following remarks to your Lordships in Council on the subject of the Arrack Agency lately under the charge of the Honorable Basil Cochrane, and since that Gentlemans' departure for Europe entrusted (as I am informed) to Messrs. Baker and Balfour, the duties of which have been hitherto conducted in a manner that appears to me to require, in a special degree the interference of Government.—

2 In addressing your Lordships upon

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3 Under this impression I consider it to be my duty to represent to your Lordship

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Sum charged for the purposes stated &c.; as is usually affixed to every Bill of a Contingent nature — the Arrack has I presume been deposited in store after the necessary previous examination as to its quality, but when it is recollected that the Bills of the Agent for the supply of Military Stores, those of the Garrison Storekeeper of Fort S.t George and of the Agent for the purchase of horses, &c.a are uniformly required to be supported by the Affidavits of those Officers, your Lordship will agree with me I trust in the opinion that a little more solemnity ought to be required from the Agents for the Custody of Spirituous Liquors in verifying the Correctness of their accounts of purchases on occasions when they may be employed for that purpose — It seems probable that the intention manifested in the regulations / that the Agents should not be the general purchasers or providers of the Liquor) has caused the omission to define the particular nature of the Voucher which should accompany their Bills of purchase when so employed —

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5 Undefined Charges to a very Considerable Amount were incurred by Mr. Cochrane at each of the Military Stations to which Arrack was required to be sent during the several preceding years, which were brought to account under the general head "Charges Merchandize" but when his accounts came for Audit there appeared to be no rule existing by which those Accounts could be regulated or checked — the Charges were understood to be on account of Servants of different descriptions, Carriage of Liquor and Contingent Charges, but as no Establishments of Servants were fixed the public had no other security for the rectitude of Mr. Cochranes' Bills than that which his well known respectable Character gave them — The following Article of the regulations which applies to this part of the Subject appears unfortunately not to have been attended to.

Para 29 "That the Agent shall also transmit

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To the Military Board &c &c &c

Sir

I have the honor to transmit herewith for the information of the Board a Statement of the Amount of Contingencies that will be absolutely necessary next year at the different Stations and the Commencing Rate of Monthly Expenses to which they are likewise to be limited

In the Establishment that I have the honor to transmit

6 With respect to Conveyance it may not perhaps be practicable to reduce it to any fixed scale of expense, in which case the Charges on that account will require to be submitted as they occur each month or each quarter for approval to the Military Board and for recommendation to Government in the manner before stated, and in regard to Carriage of Arrack to out Stations it may be regulated on the same principles by which the expense of transportation of other descriptions

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of Stores are brought into the public Accounts every Month.—

7 Without troubling your Lordship further on the subject of the defects of the present System, I beg leave very humbly to suggest to the Consideration of Government the expediency of issueing to the Agents for the Supply of Spirituous Liquors instructions to the following general effect for the purpose of preventing in future that Confusion and difficulty in the Adjustment of Accounts which has hitherto prevailed to so great an extent.—

1st That the Salary of the Agent and the Rent of his Godown at the Presidency (these Charges being fixed) shall be drawn every Month on abstract from the Military Paymaster at the Presidency in the same manner as is customary with the Agents for the Supply of Military Stores the Garrison Storekeeper and other public Officers.—

2d That the Charge for Servants for each Station shall be in like manner drawn monthly

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the existing regulations for this important Depart-
=ment — but in case it shall be deemed expedient
to depart from the Spirit of the present Regulations
so far as to employ the Agents for the Custody of Arrack
as the general providers also of the Liquor, I submit
to your Lordship in Council the necessity of extending
to that additional branch of their duty the same
restriction in regard to the Actual Disbursement
of the Sums charged as has been established for
the Controul of the Accounts of other public Agents
Viz.t That all Bills of purchase of Liquor under
the Agency shall be accompanied by a Solemn
declaration upon Oath that the rate charged
was the lowest at which the Liquor could possibly
be obtained, that the whole Sum charged was
actually and bonâfide disbursed exclusively on
account of the public Service, and that they have
not, nor never shall directly or indirectly derive
any profit by the transaction over and above
the Salary &c.a granted to them by Government —

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10 At present there appears to be no fixed System for carrying on the duties of the Agency nor any means of ascertaining in a correct manner the expense incurred on that account — If the disbursements of the Agency cannot be established on some regular principle, it appears to me to be indispensably necessary that the Military Board shall be made acquainted with the expense as it arises each Month in detail, in order to check such unnecessary Charges as may be made, and to recommend to Government the Monthly payment of what may be approved — In every other Department of the Service the number of public Servants, Writers, Artificiers, Coniscoplies, Peons &c. are regularly Authorized for each Station, and I Confess I cannot discover why a similar restriction should not be extended to the Agency of Depe- ritorious Legions — your Lordship in Council will I trust excuse the freedom with which I have ventured to offer my opinion on this

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Subject which arises solely from an earnest
desire to bring under better Arrangement and
Controul an extensive and important public
Department, in which the Disbursement of the
Public Money appears not to be sufficiently
guarded — Should the Suggestions which I have
taken the liberty to submit be approved and
Carried into effect, the Military Board or its
Secretary and the Military Auditor General
will each have his proper Controul, the former
being the established Auditor of Quantities,
(receipts, Issues and remains) the latter of the
Disbursement of the public Money, the different
Accounts of the Arrack Agency will then be
kept perfectly distinct which must be considered
a very desirable object in place of being blended
as they have hitherto been in a manner which
rendered it impossible to Audit them by almost
any other check than that of the Affidavit of
the Agent as to his general belief of their Correctness

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11 Previous to concluding this letter it may not be unnecessary to state to your Lordship as materially connected with the present question, that having been called on by the Military Board in the Month of June last to report on this Agency and on proposals which were then submitted for establishing a Contract for the supply of Spirituous Liquors, I gave it as my decided opinion that a Contract established upon open grounds of public Competition would be more Advantageous to Government than the present System of Agency, and I have not since seen any reason to alter that opinion — if however it is determined to continue the latter, I am satisfied that the restrictions herein-before proposed will tend greatly to the public Advantage, and to the simplifying of Accounts —

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
/Signed/ S. Brendergast
Dep.t. Mil.y. Aud.t. Gen.l

Military Auditor Gen.l. Office
Fort St. George 31st October 1806

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President's Minute - Regarding the supply of Arrack for the Public Service.

There appear to me very strong objections both against the present plan of Arrack Agency, and against the proposed plan of a contract with the present Agents —

The first great objection to the Agency as it has been conducted by Mr. Cochrane, and must be conducted by his Substitutes is — that the Agents are Merchants having very extensive concerns, among which the business of the Company is but of secondary importance; however Secondary in point of consequence to the Individuals, this Arrack concern is very expensive to the Government, and I conceive that an active Superintendance would probably make as material a reduction in the Prime Cost and Charges of Arrack, as has been effected in the Supply of Military Stores under a different System —

The Government appear to me to have always been completely at the Mercy

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of the Agent to be completely dependent upon his honor - They are at his mercy both as regards the Price and quality of the Liquor, as well as in respect to the Various Contingent Charges - If the Agent is permitted to be the purchaser the great Check expected from an Agent, incontra= =distinction to a Contractor, is at once lost - If he is a very Honorable Man, he will buy the best Article - But if he is not, where is the Separate Interest which is to controul him - with the same eye of suspicion, am I disposed to view the Advantage of the Agency of the Com= =pany and the Contract for the Navy being united in the same person, a monopoly which is thus established in one Individual vigorously taking Advantage of it, is not supposed to lower the price of the Article, on the Contrary the sale being rendered uncertain, the importer can receive no encouragement. If He comes at all He comes with the knowledge of a bad market

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which must affect either the quality or quantity, and ultimately the Price. But it is not clear to me that it is the interest of the Agent, in his Capacity of Contractor for the Navy, to very much lower the price of Arrack. By his Contract he is permitted to gain. By his Agency he can neither gain nor lose. It is therefore of great Consequence to him that the terms of his Contract should be easy, as the sole purchaser, He can regulate the Price as he pleases, and whenever his Contract with the Navy may expire, His Agency with the Company, His extensive Magazines paid for by the Company, with his Stock on hand will always give him great Advantages over every other candidate for the Navy Contract. If the Government were at liberty I should certainly recommend that the present Agency be Annulled. That the Arrack be bought by publick Advertisement from the lowest Bidder, and that the Custody, Distribution &c. be vested in one of the Company's own Officers upon a very

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liberal Salary. Upon this plan I am convinced that a very great saving would be made —

It happens however that the Government cannot release themselves from the present Agency, and now the only consideration is whether it will be better to adopt the proposition of the Military Board, or of the Deputy Military Auditor General —

I shall begin with the latter —

Captain Prendergast has proposed that the Agency shall be confined within the limits of the original Agreement, that is of Custody Superintendance and distribution. He proposes that the purchase of the Arrack and the Carriage to out Stations — shall be done by Contract - That the Bills of the Agents for Cooperage Servants &c: shall be presented monthly or Quarterly to the Military Board, and be recommended for Payment on the same Manner as the Accounts and

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business of all the other Agents are passed and sanctioned.—

However good this proposition may appear in theory, I am convinced that it would not answer in practice under the present Agency. The Agents are Merchants and Contractors- without meaning to question the punctuality and liberality with which these Gentlemen mean to perform their engagements, yet Agents as we are for our own Constituents, We are not authorized by any Circumstances within our knowledge to place implicit confidence in these Individuals, and to suppose that they will pursue with less Eagerness than other Merchants their own private Interests- Supposing this disposition to exist, I conceive that it cannot be for one moment doubted that the supply of Arrack by a Separate Contractor would be very much Contrary to their own Interests, and under this Circumstance I am not

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must be obvious. The Arrack belonging both to
the Company and the Navy being kept (I believe)
in the same Magazine, the issue of an inferior
quality to one or the other would be a subject of
Continual Complaint. In such a conflict the
Agent would have much the Advantage. I
confess that I do not see how the Agency can be
managed in the manner recommended by
the Deputy Military Auditor General.—

The proposition of the Mili-
=tary Board appears to me decidedly the most
eligible. It is clearly desirable to define the
various Charges and to reduce all contingencies
to a certain fixed charge. But I must also
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First. With respect to the prime Cost of the Arrack, the first and most material of the Component parts of the whole charge, the clause proposed to be introduced to Authorize an alteration of the Contract Price Corresponding with any Alteration which may take place in the Market Price removes all objection to this point— The Price may increase if the War continues: But in the event of peace it will probably fall—

Secondly With respect to the Sum of P.s Ch. 4. 79. in lieu of Charges for Rent, Cooperage, Agents Salary, Store Servants Wages, Office rent and Establishments, and for empty Casks. This Amount is taken from Mr. Cochranes' Charges during four years. It is a matter of notoriety that Mr. Cochrane was unable to give to his very Complicated and extensive Affairs that degree of Superintendance which alone could keep within due bounds expenses so various and of such magnitude. It is the General belief that he

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he was much Imposed upon — If this be the fact it is not Just to calculate the Continuance of the same Amount of Charges under a more vigilant Controul —

Thirdly With respect to Carriage to out Stations —

From a Paper which I have lately seen I am inclined to think that whenever a Commissariat shall be established, the rates of Cart-hire will be Considerably reduced — The rates at present in use might be very fairly taken as a Standard for the present Year, but it would be injudicious I think to Adopt it as a permanent rate for the whole term of the Contract for five years as is proposed —

The term of five years proposed for the Continuance of the Contract is liable to great objection —

Upon a review of the whole proposition

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proposition I would recommend that the Contract as proposed by the Military Board, should be adopted for the present year, it being impracticable at present to make any other Arrangement.—

That before the expiration of the term of the Contract, an Advertisement shall be published inviting proposals for the supply of the Arrack required for the year and for the Carriage of it to out stations.—

If the Agents will not agree to the present proposition, I would recommend that the Arrack be supplied as heretofore under such improved regulations as the Military Board may be enabled to suggest.—

Fort St. George
25th November 1806

/signed/ W. Bentinck

Mr. Petrie's Minute stating his opinion in detail on the subject of Arrack Agency.—

Having examined with attention the Proceedings on the different modes of supplying Arrack for the use of Government, and having endeavored to obtain information on

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the Subjects upon which the Several propo=
=sitions and Calculations have been laid
before the Board, I think my duty requires that
I should state the opinion I have formed on
the general View of the question, for the Conside=
=ration of His Lordship in Council.—

By the Articles of Agreement
which in 1802 were ratified between Government
and Mr. Cochrane the Agent for the Custody,
transport, Cooperage and distribution of Arrack
&c: is to be vested in that Gentleman or his
Successors during the term of the Company's
Charter, and in Case of Mr. Cochrane going
to England he was empowered by the same
Agreement to delegate the Agency to his Agent
or Agents provided the Government had no
Individual or personal objections.—

As the Honorable the Court
of Directors was pleased to ratify that
Arrangement, it is not necessary for me now,
although

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although a member of the Government in 1802, to answer any objections which may at this time be urged against that measure. I will only say that the reasons are stated by the Military Board which induced us to think it necessary to make Mr. Cochrane the Purchaser as well as the Agents for the Company - the principle of which was to avoid Competition between His Majesty's Navy and the Company in the same Market.—

Mr. Cochrane and his Successors are also Agents for the Navy, from which (I believe it has been admitted) it is in their power however to defray the Cooperage and other Contingent Expences of the Company's Agency on more reasonable terms than could have been otherways procured - under all Circumstances the Agency must continue as at present, unless both the Contracting Parties agree to an alteration, namely the Company and the Agents

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and therefore the only alteration which Government is competent to adopt from its own Authority is, to devide the duties or functions, and to transfer to another Person, as Contractor for liquor, the supply in the first Instance.—

In this place it is not irrelevant to suggest the following Remarks which I think offer a considerable objection to the proposition of dividing the provision and Custody.—

The Clash of Interest which will be produced by this Measure, and the positive loss the Agents of the Navy must sustain by competition in the Market for purchase, renders it their Interest to Contract for the supply to the Company at a cheaper rate than can be offered by any others— But if the early Contract for providing and Agreement for Custody and transport, Cooperage and distribution are in different hands, no Liquor will be received by the Agent without a difference as to quality - without an objection to Casks &c: &c: which will produce endless

endless disputes and references - These objections on the part of the Agents will not only be justifiable but even necessary to guard his Rights and Interest, for half of the Casks are his by Agreement — He must undertake the Cooperage of the defective Casks and he must bear at an allowed 8 P.r Cent the wastage which may result in the course of transport and deposit at out Stations, and the losses which bad Casks must render unavoidable — In short I see every thing against a division of the Concern and nothing in its favor. For all the benefit which is even expected in theory will be obtained by the Agitation and discussion merely upon the question —

In general terms I apprehend it must be granted that it will be advantageous for the Company to avoid a Competition with the Agents of His Majesty's Navy, and if the Navy Agents be the Agents for the Company as they must be as long as the Navy Agency is continued to

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the Successors of Mr. Cochrane, namely Messrs. Balfour Contract
and Baker, and that the Company enter into a Fr ed
Contract with any other Person, a Competition will to
necessarily arise; and be the Zeal and integrity of the
the Company's Contractor ever so vigilant, the price charge
of Arrack to the Company may be 10 or 15 p.r Cent t
more than it would be if the sole provision is given te of
to the Persons Acting as Agents for the Company y,
and the Navy - By their having unavoidably the an
whole Command of the Market it will be impos the
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force; but it is now however in the power of Gov. w
: ment to fix the rate at which the Liquor is to be x
delivered —
Between an Agency and ng
Complete Contract, I have no difficulty in deciding ty
By the Papers before us, especially the elaborate an or
very satisfactory Report of the Military Board
well as from the recollection of remote experience
I am clearly of opinion that by the adoption of a

Contract

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Contract a great ultimate saving will appear, as by this mode we shall exclude the wide field of Contingency which is always an inexhaustible source of disbursement and abuse.—

The Military Board on a Comparison of the two Systems give the preference to a Contract as the expences are not greater than under the Agency, and the Company avoid all risk &c:—

I do not consider the Calculation of expenditure as objectionable from the average being taken from Mr. Cochrane's Accounts, for I apprehend few Men looked more narrowly into their Accounts than he did, or kept a more vigilant Eye over his Servants - I have understood that he was ever remarkable for this.—

There is I believe no analogy between the question of the supply of Stores &c and the Arrack Agency - that was an Agency at fixed rates; — formed to correct the abuses

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of a former Agency and a former System of Contract, both of which have failed to produce any good Effect. An Agent for a Certain Salary undertook to purchase on honor or on Oath if necessary the Stores required at the cheapest rate, and to charge what he paid only, paying to the Government such profit as might arise between his rate of purchase and the rates proposed by himself, 17½ Per Cent lower than any former rates, on an average of the whole. He did so and with the best effect for he reduced the rates even 13½ Per Cent more. will Messrs. Paxtons and Co. or any other Mercantile House at Madras make such a Contract? Certainly not. Mr. Cochrane's Agency as Purchaser of Arrack resembles more nearly the Agency for Stores. he purchased upon honor and charged the price he paid drawing his advantage not from that purchase, but as Agent for the Navy, in which Capacity by Commanding the Market he purchased cheaper

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than he could otherwise have done what he was bound to supply at a fixt rate, not depend-ing on or varying with his rate of purchase. So long therefore as the Agent can be trusted to give the Arrack to the Company at the real rate of purchase which he pays for that which he supplies to the Navy (and he may be bound to do so) no one can or will supply the Company so cheap as he can do. The certainty of expendi-ture allows him to make distant and large speculations in Spirits. To seek the Commodity in every quarter of India, and thus to defeat local Combinations to raise the price, by ar-rangements beyond the Calculation and know-ledge of local Speculators and Monopolists. I am informed from Authorities on the Spot, that when a Mercantile House at this place had as they imagined secured in their own hands the total supply of Spirits, and fixt a most exorbitant rate of price for Colombo

Arrack

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Arrack, Ships employed by Mr. Cochrane arrived in these roads with his supplies from Bengal — and even from Batavia in the height of our War with the Dutch which came cheaper than the Arrack of Ceylon, and compelled those who had as they imagined secured the Command of the Market, to come to his terms and to sell at a reasonable rate- No Contractor for a year can do this.—

After having troubled His Lordship in Council with the foregoing observations which bear upon the question generally, I will now endeavor briefly to state the detailed Consideration of the different propositions which were made to the Military Board.— The following His Lordship in Council is informed are the Items of Charge.—

1st Prime Cost

2d Rent

3d Cooperage

Salary

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4th Salary

5th Servants Wages

6th Boat hire road Charges &c.

7 Office Rent and Establishment

8 Eight P.r Cent Wastage.—

The Average is taken at 15 fanams 59 Cash per measured Gallon, and Messrs. Balfour & Co. offer at 14 fanams 51 Cash per Measured Gallon. Upon a reference from the Military Board Messrs. Balfour &c. offer to supply at 44 Pagodas P.r Leaguer or 14 fanams 27¾ Cash.—

Including all charges they average each Gallon at 14 fanams 79 Cash and including all Leakage &c. it will be 21 fanams 15 Cash per Gallon, but reduced still more to 20 fanams 38¾ Cash.—

It appears that Messrs. Lautour & Co. offer at 56 Pagodas per Leaguer and excluding all charges Messrs. Balfour & Co. offer will be 63

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but upon an equal Comparison and applying all charges alike the offer of Messrs. Lautour & Co. will be 56 and Messrs. Balfour & Co. 47.27 which is 9 Pagodas and a fraction cheaper to the Company.—

Another proposal from Messrs. Lautour & Co. is equally favorable as Messrs. Balfour & Co. but the Military Board remark that the latter is entitled to a preference.—

A third offer from the same House is still more favorable, but the Military Board seem to expect that even better terms will be got by the discussion that is going on.—

I request to refer to the proceedings of the Military Board for their Correspondence with Messrs. Balfour & Co. on the different modifications proposed in the Contract, whether to be delivered at the Presidency and to be allowed Contingent Charges to the Out Stations so as to cover every charge in their offer for the Contract,

and

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and I shall only add that I entirely concur with the Military Board in recommending a Contract, including all charges, till the actual delivery of the Spirits—

If the present Agents Messrs. Balfour &c. as succeeding to Mr. Cochrane will take the Contract for one year, I should be sorry to object to the proposition of the Right Honorable the President, altho I think considerable Inconveniences may result from an Arrangement so very limited in point of time, but as I suspect we are well aware that such an acquiescence is by no means probable, I hope His Lordship will be induced to extend the period at least to 3 years, and to direct the Military Board to proceed in drawing up the Contract upon the principles they recommend and, upon the most favorable terms with respect to rates, that they can procure for the Honorable Company — I take the liberty

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liberty of recommending this particularly as I am convinced that if the change which is proposed by the Right Honorable the President takes place before sufficient time is given for the necessary Arrangements and preparation, that considerable loss and irregularities will ensue - That the Measure may distress the Navy Agents, and impede the supply, while it raises the price both to the Army and Navy -

Madras
27.th November 1806

/Signed/ Wm. Petrie

Present Thomson

Ordered that the Military Board be informed that the Board will not object to conclude a Contract with Mess.rs Balfour Baker and Hart for the supply of Arrack for the Service of this Presidency, on the Terms stated by the Military Board, limiting the duration of the Contract to the period of one year from the 1.st of January next -

Resolved to postpone the consideration of the farther Checks proposed by the

Deputy

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The Quarter Master General, on receipt of such Indents, will furnish, on the receipt of the Indenting Officer, such Instruments as may be necessary for the performance of the duty on which he is employed.- and Surveyors shall be held responsible to return the Instruments so supplied, on the conclusion of their surveys, to the Quarter Master Generals Department in good order, or to make good such deficiencies as are not satisfactorily accounted for.—

Resolutions thereon.

The Board approve the Draft of the General Order submitted with the foregoing Minute, and it is ordered to be Published.—

Resolved that Lieutenant C. M. Bishop be appointed Assistant to the Superintendant of the Manufacture of Gun Powder on a Monthly Allowance of Pagodas 30.—

Minute

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Minute of the Commander in Chief

Minute of the Commander in Chief submits Papers from Major General Campbell regarding the inconveniency experienced by the Troops stationed at Cumbum as stated by Lieut. Col. Webber in consequence of their Pay being issued to them from Bellary recommends the issue of their Pay from the Collections of that District.—

I have the honor to lay before Council a Letter from Major General Campbell enclosing a Communication from Lieutenant Colonel Webber Commanding the 1st Battalion of 22d Native Infantry.—

Lieutenant Colonel Webber represents the very great Inconvenience, to which the Troops stationed at Cumbum and Gurrumcondah, are subject by the delay of forwarding their Pay from Bellary, a Distance of near 200 Miles, and — suggests the Advantage that would arise, if the Troops in question were paid from the Collections of the Cumbum District, instead of being com-pelled to await its arrival from Bellary. Lieutenant Colonel Webber states that at the Moment of his making the Application now before Council, the Families of his Regiment were expressing the greatest Distress for the want of Money, while above a Lac of Rupees were lying unemployed in the Cutcherry at Cumbum.—

Should

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Should no particular objection oppose the Measure, I beg leave to recommend to a favorable Determination, the suggestion of Lieutenant Colonel Webber, and that Authority be issued for the Monthly Payment of the Troops in Cumbum and Gorumcondah from the Collection of that District.—

Fort St. George
5th December 1806

/signed/ J. F. Cradock
Lieut. Genl.

To Lieutenant Colonel Reynell
Military Secretary To His Excellency
The Commander in Chief

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose for the information of His Excellency the Commander in Chief, a Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Webber, Commanding 1st Battalion 22d Regiment Native Infantry at Cumbum; and I beg leave to suggest that orders may be issued to prevent a similar delay in paying the Troops at Cumbum and

Gorr.

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Gurrumcondah in future, as each of these Garrisons is nearly 200 Miles from Bellary, where the pay of the Troops is generally brought from the Chief Collectors' Treasury ten days after the Arrival of the Order for paying it, and it is afterwards to be sent by Guards of Sepoys to the different Stations: Gooty being little more than fifty Miles from Bellary, the Garrison of that Place does not suffer much inconvenience by the delay.—

Madras
29th. November 1806

/Signed/ Dug.d Campbell
Major Genl.

To Major General Campbell

Commanding the Troops in the Ceded Districts

Sir,

As many of the Sepoys of the 22d. Native Regiment and their Families have been this Month on the point of starving for want of their pay which is not yet arrived from Bellary - permit me to request that authority

may

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may be obtained from Government that the pay of the Troops at this Station shall be supplied from the Collections of this District every month in future - instead of its being sent from such a Distance as Bellary - There is now, if I am correctly informed, upwards of a Lac of Rupees lying unemployed in the Cutcherry at this Station - so that the Families are experiencing Distress in the midst of plenty which may be prevented in future by the Troops being paid at an earlier period in the Month, as they are at other Stations of the Army -

Cumbum
22d November 1806

/ Signed / R. Webber
Lieut. Col. Comg.
1st Batt. 22d N. Regt

Resolution thereon

Resolved that the application submitted with the foregoing Minute relative to the payment of the Troops Stationed at Cumbum and Gurrumcondah be referred to the Accountant General for Consideration and report -

Read

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Read the following Letter from the Military Board—

To the Right Honorable

Lord William Bentinck

Governor in Council

&c: &c: &c:

My L Bd,

From the Military Board - recommend Construction of certain Buildings proposed by Colonel Campbell, state in consequence certain Buildings proposed by Colonel Campbell that certain expences of the 6th Regiment Native Cavalry should be borne by the Officer who draws the Camp Equipage Allowance, no objection to the suggestion of the acting Resident in Mysore relative to the mode of Conveying Cordial Wood to that from that Quarter - Report the Arrival of the East Horses from the Stud by the Commander - Regarding the disposal of the rejected Horses - forwarding Statement of the Engineer regarding Alteration for the scite of the Cenotaph - recommends the enclosed Estimates may be authorised.—

1 We have the honor to Acknowledge the receipt of Letters from the Chief Secretary of Government dated the 15th Instant, and from the Secretary in the Military Department dated the 12th Instant, and to state that Orders have been given in consequence.—

2 We conceive that it may be expedient to Authorize the Construction of the Guard Rooms as proposed in Colonel Campbells Letter of the 27th, and we recommend that the Estimates may be sanctioned after they may be examined.—

3 We observe that your Lordship

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22d November 1806

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Lieut. Col. Comg.
1st Batn 22d N. Regt

Resolution thereon

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Read

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

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2 We conceive that it may be expedient to Authorize the Construction of the Guard Rooms as proposed in Colonel Campbell's Letter of the 27th, and we recommend that the Estimates may be sanctioned after they may be examined.—

3 We observe that your Lordship in

in Council has given Authority for the execution of the Works reported in Colonel Campbells' Letter of the 17th October; without which Authority it would have become our duty to object to that proposal; the Regulations of the Service give to the Officer Commanding each Native Corps, an Allowance for Camp Equipage, which Allowance is expressly intended to defray all Expenses for Cover to the Native Troops, in the Field, in Cantonment or in Garrison, in Peace or War; According therefore to the letter and Spirit of the Regulation, all expense for Huts or Buildings required for the Accommodation of the Additional Men of the 6th Regiment Native Cavalry should have been borne by the Officer who draws the Monthly Allowance for Camp Equipage.—

4 We have the honor to report that We are not aware of any difficulty in adopting the Suggestion of the Acting Resident in Mysore, for Conveying hither by means of the Cattle of the Rarmahana Establishment, and Public Carts, the Sandal-

Wood

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wood which may be collected in the My
Establishment and We shall, in Communication
with the Board of Trade, make Arrangemen
employing the Public Cattle in that way to th
greatest practicable Extent.—

5 We have the honor to report
Arrival at the Presidency of 76 Mares and
Stallions, which were rejected, as unfit for
purposes of the Stud, by the Committee wh
was appointed to inspect and report on th
State of that Institution.—

6 Agreeably to the Instruct
Conveyed in the Chief Secretarys' Letter of th
1st July last, We have taken Measures for the
disposal of the Horses and Mares to the best
Advantage. Having understood that some of the
former were considered fit for the purposes o
Cavalry Duty, and being of opinion that
their Services in this Way would be more
beneficial to the Public than the Price

for

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new one ordered at Trichinopaly - Amounting
to Pagodas 26. 5. 40.—

No. 4 ..... Estimate for making Wooden
Arm Racks and Pins to be fixed on the Walls
of the European Barracks on the plain of Trichinopoly.
Amounting to Pagodas 59. 11. .——

We have the honor to be

&c. &c.

/Signed/ J. F. Cradock

" Robt. Bell

" P. A. Agnew

" Alexr. Orr

" J. Munro

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Statement

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Statement Shewing the Number of Cubic Yards of Earth required to fill up the hollow Space within the Circular Road which is intended to surround the Cenotaph. Also the Cubic Contents of the Road Already formed on the Western Side, and quantity required to form the Road on the Eastern Side.—

Measurement

Length	Breadth	Height	Cubic Yards	
506	70	2.3	2945 2/4	Extent of Road filled up by Tank Diggers and is Coloured Red.—
110	9	1	46 2/4	Deduct for high ground
			2899	
40	70	3	311	Do. ..... Do. ..... Do.
60	20	2	88 2/3	Do. ..... Do. ..... on the Sides
30	10	3	33 1/4	Do. ..... Do. ..... Do.
			3332	
390	68	2.3	2210	Do. ..... Do. by the Road Department Blue
1017	68	2.3	5763	Earth Wanting to fill up the intended road on the Eastern Side Yellow.— .....

22466 2/3 The Cubic Contents of Earth required to fill up, the hollow Space surrounding the intended Site of the Cenotaph —

Signed/ Thos. Fraser
Supr. Engineer

A true Copy
Signed/ J. Marshall
Secy. Milty. Board

Estimate

N°1

Estimate of Building 2 New Sepoy Hospitals to Contain 60 Men each at Pootoor By Order of the Offcer Commanding the Southern Division of the Army at the Current prices of the Station. with a Plan

	Measurement							Pagodas	Fanams	Cash
	Length	Breadth	Thickness	Superfs	Feet	Cubic feet				
	49	2¾	3		Cubic yards	25½	18 Piers for the Barandah			
	22½	2½	2		D°	4⅛	9 Pillars for the Varandah			
			Total			29¼	Excavation ---------- @ 5 . F^t Cub^c yd^s	3	20	20
	45	2½	3	@	@	337½	Foundation for 18 Piers			
	18	2	2	@	@	64	D° ---------- 9 Pillars			
	31½	1¾	16	@	@	882	18 Piers			
	13½	1½	7	@	@	141¾	9 Pillars			
			Total			1425¼	Brick in Clay ---------- @ 1 44 F^t Cub^c ft	52	25	11
	102	1¾	17	@	@	3036½	Mudwall between the Piers with foundation			
	16	1¾	12½	@	@	350	D° endwall of Varandah			

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64	1/2	8	"	"	896	D: Partition Wall with foundation					
			Total		4280½	Mudwall	"	28	"	F:100 Cub:feet	28 22 43
222	"	16	35	52	"	Plastering with Clay the Hospital Walls					
16	"	11	1	76	"	D: endwalls					
94	"	7	6	58	"	D: Partition Wall					
			Total	43	86	" Plastering with Clay	"	4	"	F: Square	4 7 35
70	40	"	28	"	"	Thatched roof with Verandah	2	10	40	F: D:	63 " "
64	23	"	14	72	"	Floor with Clay	"	4	"	F: D:	1 16 70
"	"	"	43	86	"	White Washing	"	2	54	F: D:	2 33 26
"	3/4	6/4	"	60 5/6	"	3 Country wood doors and frames, with hooks, hinges & bolts	"	11	"	F: Sup:l feet	15 40 25
"	3	4	"	48	"	4 Country wood windows frames and Shutters with hooks hinges and fastenings	"	9	"	F: Sup:l feet	10 12 "
											182 9 70
						The same as above					182 9 70

Total Star Pagodas 364 19 60

Errors Excepted

/Signed/ J. Fotheringham
Sup:d Eng:r S:n Division

" A. Campbell
Colonel

Camp at Cuddapah 1806

N.° 2

Estimate of the Expence of pulling down the large house in the Fort by Order of the Officer Commanding the Southern Division of the Army.—

Measurements						
Length	Breadth	Thickness	Superf.ᵉ Square	Superf.ᵉ Feet	Cub.ᵉ Feet	
176	2	10	"	"	3520	Upper Story walls
104	17½	10	"	"	1690	d.ᵒ Cross d.ᵒ
"	"	"	"	"	100	Stone Steps

Pagodas
Fanams
Cash

Pagodas
Fanams
Cash

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20	1½	4	"	"	120	Parapet Wall the Steps
9	9	¾	"	"	60¾	Do Terrace
49	48	1	"	"	2352	Whole Terrace
91	2½	18	"	"	3685½	Captains of the Days Rooms
135	2½	18	"	"	5467½	Rooms on the South and west side of Do
49	33	1	"	"	1617	Do Terrace
40	2	10	"	"	800	Cook room Wall
80	1½	8	"	"	1120	Do Cross Walls
30	30	1	"	"	900	Do Terrace
		Total	21432½			

" " 60 ℔ Cubic foot 382. 30 45

Total Star Pagodas - 382. 30 45

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9th November 1806

/Signed/ J. Fotheringham
Sup.t Engineer
Sout.n Division

Fort St. George
Pay Department
8th/17

No 3

Estimate for pulling down the Old Walls of the Old Hospital on the Plain, and removing the Materials to give place for the erection of the New one lately approved of by the Military Board. By Order of the Officer Commanding the Southern Division of the Army. At the current prices of the Station

Measurement								Pagodas	Fanams	Cash
Breadth	Length	Height	Sup.e Square Feet	Cub. feet						
46	2½	10			960	Pulling down the Mudwalls				
"	"	37	"	"		Thatched roof take down and moving				

				Pagodas	Fanams	Cash
				1	"	Fo. Cub. feet 23 " 20 "
				3	"	Fo. Square 2 27 "
			Totals Star Pagodas	26	5	"

Errors Excepted

/Signed/ I. Fotheringham
Supt. Engr. Sn. Divn.

" A. Campbell
Colonel

Trichinopoly
26th September 1806

Copie Fort St. George 28th October 1806

N°4

Estimate for Making Wooden Arm. racks, and pins to be fixed in the Walls of the European Barracks on the Plain. By Order of Officer Commanding the Southern Division of the Army. At the Current Prices of the Station.

Measurement Breadth	Length	Height	Square Feet	Cubic Feet				Pagodas	Fanams	Cash	Pagodas	Fanams	Cash
					634 Wooden racks for ferie locks & fixed in the Wall	@	3 40	Each			52.	35.	
					250 Wooden Pins	@	1.	10.			6	15.	
								Total Star Pagodas			59.	11.	

Errors Excepted
/Signed/ J. Fotheringham
Sup.g Eng.r S.n Div.n

" A. Campbell
Colonel

True Copies
/Signed/ J. Marshall
Sec.y Mil.y Board

Trichinopoly
26. September 1806

N.B. The above essential requisites were omitted in the last Estimate for repairing the Barracks.

Received 5th October 1806

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To the Right Honorable

Lord William Bentinck

Governor in Council

&c. &c. &c.

My Lord,

From the Military Board. Reporting the measures that have been taken for laying in a Store of grain in different Garrisons—

We have the honor to report the measures which We have deemed it necessary to take for laying up a Store of Grain in different Garrisons in consequence of reports which We have received relative to an apprehended Scarcity of that Article.—

2 In order to be prepared to meet the Demand for the supply of the Troops Agreeably to the Regulations, We have directed the immediate purchase of Rice or Paddy at the Stations, and in the proportions detailed in the Accompanying List No 1. With reference however to the Number of Troops that may occasionally rely for their supplies, on each Garrison; We propose, if it meets your Lordships

approbation

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Approbation, to encrease the Store to be laid up, in the proportion detailed in the List No. 2

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We have the honor to be
&c. &c.
/Signed/ J. F. Cradock
" Rob. Bell
" P. A. Agnew
" Alex. Orr
" J. Munro

No. 1

List of Stations and quantity of Grain directed to be purchased and lodged in Store.—

Cottore	20 Garce
Arcot	20 ditto
Trichinopoly	60 ditto
Madura	20 ditto
Palamcottah	20 ditto
Dindigul	15 ditto

Tanjore

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	Rice
Tanjore	20 Garce
Sankerrydroog	20 ditto
Masulipatam	150 ditto
Ganjam	20 ditto
Samulcottah	50 ditto
Seringapatam	100 ditto
Bangalore	20 ditto
Chittledroog	40 ditto
Bellary	50 ditto
Gooty	40 ditto

N.B. At Vizagapatam, a sufficient Quantity is Already in Store—

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/Signed/ S. Marshall
Secretary Military Board

Stations

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No. 2

Stations at which it is proposed to lay up Grain in the proportions detailed.—

	Rice
Poonamallee	10 Garce
Walajahbad	75 Ditto
Arcot	38 Ditto
Vellore	75 Ditto
Cuddalore	13 Ditto
Trichinopoly	100 Ditto
Madura	15 Ditto
Palamcottah	25 Ditto
Dindegul	15 Ditto
Tanjore	20 Ditto
Sankerrydroog	15 Ditto
Masulipatam	150 Ditto
Vizagapatam	20 Ditto
Ganjam	20 Ditto
Samulcottah	35 Ditto

Chicacole

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	Rice
Chicacole	30 Garce
Seringapatam	125 ditto
Bangalore	35 ditto
Chittledroog	50 ditto
Bellary	150 ditto
Cotiyoy	75 ditto

Military Board Office
Fort St. George
24th November 1806

/Signed/ J. Marshall
Secretary Mily.
Board

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

My Lord,

From the Military Board - Recommending payment of Bills and Allowances of Cash —

1 We have the honor to recommend payment of the enclosed Bills Viz.t —

No 1. ... Bill of the Barrack Master in the Southern Division of the Army, for making up 25 Barrack Cotts for the use of

the

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The Detachment of Artillery Serving with the Travancore Subsidiary Force at Quilon-Amounting to Pagodas 101. 39. 60.

N.o 2 ..... Bill of the Barrack Master at the Presidency for Furniture supplied under our Authority for the Officers' Guard Room at the St. Thome Gate. Amounting to Pagodas 27. 22. 40.—

N.o 3 ..... Bill of Messrs. Reefske, & Co. for Six Cannisters of Gun powder delivered into the Arsenal. Amounting to Pagodas 2. 11. 20.—

N.o 4 ..... Bill of the Engineer in the Southern Division for Sundry repairs executed at Tritchinopoly, under Authority of the Commanding Officer. Amounting to Pagodas 34. 3. 30.—

N.o 5 ..... Bill of the Superintending Engineer in the Presidency Division for expenses incurred in Constructing a place of

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of Arms for a Battalion of Native Infantry -
An Hospital for 80 Men, Store Room, Magazine,
Serjeants Quarter, Cook room and Necessary at
Wallajahbad - Amounting to Pagodas 4660. 34. 32.
a Balance whereof is due of Pagodas 3178. 22. 23

N.6. Bill of Mootooramah Chitty,
a Native, for timber purchased for the Gun
Carriage Manufactory at the Presidency, Amounting
to Pagodas 95. — .

2 We also recommend payment of
the following Advances of Cash Viz.t

An Advance of Pagodas
3254. 11. 4 to the Superintending Engineer on
the Northern Division for repairing and plas-
tering with Stone Chunam the Scarp and Counter-
scarp Walls of the Ditch of the Fort of Masulipatam
Authorized on the 12.th Instant. —

An Advance of Pagodas
3357. to the Superintending Engineer on the Northern

Division

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Division being the second third of the estimated Amount for repairs to the Arsenal at Masulipatam —

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24th November 1806

We have the honor to be
Sir
Sir

/Signed/ J. F. Cradock
" Robt. Bell
" P. A. Agnew
" Alexr. Orr
" I. Munro

Ordered that the following Reply be dispatched —

To the President and Members of the
Military Board

Gentlemen,

To the Military Board
Directs the necessary
Buildings for part of
the 6th Regiment of
Native Cavalry at
Trichinopoly to be pro-
vided in manner
prescribed by the
Govt

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter of the 24th Ultimo —

your

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Regulations of the Service; and that the Guard rooms be constructed as proposed - Approves mode of disposal of Horses and mares discharged from the Hind-party of Pioneers directed to level the ground for the Site of the Cenotaph - Approves Measures reported, and those recommended for storing Grain in different Garrisons for the use of the Troops - Estimates of Works submitted in Letter 24th Ultimo to be authorized and erected - payment of Bills and to advances of Money authorized as recommended -

2 You have stated with propriety your objection to the Authority which has been given for the construction of temporary Buildings for the cover of part of the 6th Regiment of Native Cavalry at Trichinopoly at the Public Charge; and His Lordship in Council desires that you will apprize the Commanding Officers of the Southern Division of the Army that it will be necessary that the expence of the Buildings intended for the use of the Men should be provided for in the manner prescribed by the Regulations of the Service.—

3 His Lordship in Council desires that the proposed Guard Rooms at Trichinopoly may be constructed after due examination of the Estimates.—

4 His Lordship in Council approves the mode in which you have disposed of the Horses and Mares which have been discharged from

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from the Companys' Stud.—

5 The Commander in Chief has been requested to give directions for a party of Pioneers to be employed in levelling the ground proposed for the site of the Cenotaph.—

6 His Lordship in Council approves the Measures which you have reported, as also those which you have recommended, regarding the Store of Grain in different Garrisons for the use of the Troops.—

7 Authority has been given for the payment of the Bills and Advances of Money recommended in your Letters of the 21st Ultimo.—

8 His Lordship in Council desires that you will Authorize the execution of the Works, of which you have submitted

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Submitted Estimates on your Letter of the 25th ultimo.

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6th December 1806

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

Read also the following Letters from the Military Board.—

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

My Lord,

Board. 1 We have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Letters from the Secretary of Government in the Military Department dated 13th and 19th November, and to report that the necessary Orders have been given.—

2 The Superintendent of the Military Institution having applied for 186 Peons

From the Military Board. Report that the Superintendent of the Military Institution has applied for a number of Peons and Tindals recommend that a few additions to Peons be entertained during their Absence—Submit Plan Estimate and recommendation of the repair of Granaries at Gooty and of an alteration in the square of the European Barracks at Seringapatam—recommend the painting of the Mysore and Delhi Gates, and forward Draft of a G. O. relative to the Accommodation of Paymasters—

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Lascars and a proportion of Tindals, We have
directed that they may be supplied, but as the
absence of so many men, will considerably impede
the Duties of the Arsenal, We beg to recommend
that a few additional Lascars may be entertained
during the Absence of the Gentlemen of the Institu-
tion; a considerable proportion of the Lascars at
the Presidency have been for some time, and
are still employed in removing the Shot &c.
from the Berme to the Interior of the Fort,
and We Consider it of Importance that this
Work should not be discontinued.

3 We beg to submit a Plan and
Estimate for the repair of the Granaries on the
upper Fort of Gooty; the present state of the
Building renders an immediate Repair ne-
cessary, and We recommend that Authority
be given for the Execution of the Work, According
to the Estimate, Amounting to Pagodas 1874. 38. 20

We

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4 We also submit Copy of a Letter from the Officer Commanding in Mysore, together with its Enclosures relative to a proposed alteration in the Square of the European Barrack in Seringapatam; Major General MacDowall considers the Alteration judicious and absolutely necessary, We therefore recommend that Authority be given for its Execution at the estimated Cost of Pagodas 625. 35. 29.—

5 We recommend for Sanction the Accompanying Estimate for painting the Mysore and Delhi Gates - Amounting to Pagodas 16. 41. 50.—

6 We have the honor to forward Draft of a G.O. introducing the Arrangement which your Lordship has been pleased to adopt relative to the Accommodation of Paymasters

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

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1st December 1806

/Signed/ J. F. Cradock
" Robt. Bell
" P. A. Agnew
" Alex. Orr

Estimate of the Expence of New Terracing and repairing a Range of Civil Store Rooms or Granaries on the upper part of Gooty Situated on the North West face on the Summit of the Hill. At the Current Prices of the Station.

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Measurements						Prices
Length	Breadth	Height	Cubic Feet	Superficial Feet		
1½	1½	12	1215	"	"	45 Pillars for Nos. 1. 2. 3 including Foundations
18	2	2	216	"	"	Rebuilding the Walls, round 3 Doors 2 feet round each
"	"	"	100	"	"	Repairing the Walls of the 5 Granaries
Total			1531	"	"	Plain Brick in Chunam ..... " 5 " per Cubic Ft. 182 11 "
						Carried Over ..... 182 11 "

Measurements							Prices						
Length	Breadth	Height	Cubic feet	Superficial feet			Pagodas	Fanams	Cash	Pagodas	Fanams	Cash	
						Brought Over				182	11	"	
142	65	"	"	92	30	New Terracing N°. 1. 2. and 3 with Palmirah Joists, and Country Wood Planks, Terrace Bricks on edge, with one Course of Terrace Bricks flat and two Coats of Coarse and one of Fine Chunam over all	18	"	"	per Sq.re	1661	16	64
3½	5	"	"	87½		5 Country Wood Doors one Leaf each Complete with Palmerah frames double Battened with hinges Bolts &c.a Complete	"	15	fan.s p.r	31	1040		
										1874	3824		
						Total Star Pagodas				1874	28	24	

Bellary
15th October 1806

/Signed/ G. Bradley Lieut.t
Superintending Engr. Cud. Distr.t

A True Copy
/Signed/ W. Monson
Dep.ty Sec.y Mill.y Board

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To the Secretary of the
Military Board

Sir,

I have the honor to forward a letter from the Superintending Engineer with a plan and Estimate of proposed improvements in the Barrack Square of His Majesty's 12.th Regiment, and as they appear to me not only judicious but necessary, I beg leave to recommend them to the Board.—

The painting of the Wood work employed in the Construction of the new Mysore Gate and Bridge seems to me indispensible.—

Seringapatam
22.d November 1806

/Signed/ Hay Macdowall

Estimate

Estimate of the excpence of Alterations to the West Front of the European Barrack at Seringapatam proposed to be Converted into a Post Office, Cook room, and Godowns &c.a

Measurement

Length	Breadth	Thickness	Sup.l Sq.re ft.	Cub.c ft. feet			Pagodas Fanams Cash
208	3	2. 9	"	"	1716	Foundation of Walls	
208	11	1. 6	"	"	3432	Above Foundation	
6	2. 9	2. 9	"	"	45½	Foundation of Piers of Gate	
20	2	2	"	"	80	Above Foundation Do. Do.	
26	3	2. 9	"	"	214.6	Foundation of Piers of Cook room	
26	11	1. 6	"	"	429	Piers above	
13	3	1	"	"	39	Chemmey above	
					5955.10		
					210	Deduct Apertures of Arches	
					5745.10	Brick in Chimneys	270 ₹ Sq.re ft. 393 12 32
20	1. 6	1. 6	"	"	45	Arch work of Chemmey	340 ₹ Sq.re ft. 3 31 40
26	3	1. 6	"	"	117	Retaining Wall Brick in Mud	169 ₹ Sq.re ft. 5 7 73

Pagodas 793 Fanams 20 Cash

208	22	.	45	76	.	Two Coats of Chunam to Walls		
20	8	"	1	60	"	Piers of Gate		
26	22	"	5	72	"	Piers of Cook room		
13	3	"	"	39	"	Chimney above		
			53	47	"			
			1	40	"	Deduct aperture of Arches		
			52	7	"	Two Coats of Chunam plaster ----------	1 22 10	Ft. Sq.rs 79 2/20
90	26	.	23	40	"	Flooring the Offices as in the proposed		
						Plan with Stone Jelly in Chunam ---	1 15 "	Ft. Sq.rs 31 3/16
12	10	"	"	120	"	A new Teakwood Gate		
7.6	3. 6	"	"	157½	"	6 Teak wood Doors		
				277½	.	Sup.l feet ----------	" 17 "	Ft. Sq.rs 112 1340

Total Star Pagodas 625. 35.29

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/Signed/ W. Caulfield Lennon
Superintending Engineer

/True Copies/
/Signed/ W. Morison
Dep.t Sec.y Mil.y Board

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To the Secretary of the Military Board

Fort S.t George

Sir,

The new Mysore Gate being nearly completed, I beg leave to recommend to the Board that the Wood work may be well painted to preserve it against the Weather, the Estimate of the expence I shall herewith send.- from the great difficultty in procuring Artificers, I am concerned to state that the expence of this Gateway already exceeds the Amount of the Estimate; otherwise, it was my intention to have painted the Woodwork without calling on the Board: The excess however will be so trifling that I do not fear explaining the causes to the satisfaction of the Board.

From the reform of the Main Guard it becomes necessary to provide a new Post Office and likewise a new Cookroom and Godown for the Mess Room of His Majesty's 12.th Regiment, and to form the present Post Office into a Godown

to

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to be attached to the Main Guard; which is much wanted - as the West side of the Barrack Square has ever been reckoned a very unhealthy Ward, from being lower than the Ground in front of it; I propose Converting a portion of it into the Offices above mentioned, and joining a New Gate Agreeably to the Accompanying Plan and Estimate, the expence of which will be inconsiderable and the improvement great——

Seringapatam
19th November 1806

/Signed/ W. Caulfield Lennon
Superintending Engineer

/A true Copy/

/Signed/ W. Morison
Dep.t Sec.y Mil.y Board

Estimate

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Estimate of Expence of Painting the New Mysore and Delhi Gates, the railing of the Bridge, the Barrier Gate Doors and Windows of the Guard Rooms attached.—

Measurement						Pagodas	Fanams	Cash
Length	Breadth	Thickness	Sup.l Cub Sq.re feet	feet		Pagodas	Fanams	Cash
11. 3 11.6	"	"	236¼	"	New Mysore Gate inside & out			
8. 6 1.10	"	"	249½	"	16 Pallasades adjoining the Barrier Gate			
184 1.8	"	"	306½	"	Railing of the Bridge			
" "	"	"	280	"	Barrier Gate			
8.3 8	"	"	132	"	Delhi Gate			
7.6 4	"	"	120	"	4 Doors of Mysore Gate Guard			
7 3.6	"	"	49	"	2 Do.s of New Guard room at Delhi Gate			
4.6 3	"	"	54	"	4 Windows of Do.s — at Do.s			
			1427½	"	or Sq.re yards — 158. 5½ — " 4 40 Sq.re			
					Star Pagodas	16	41	50
					Star Pagodas	16	41	50

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/Signed/ W.m Caulfield Lennon
Superintending Engineer

A True Copy
/Signed/ W. Morison
Deputy Sec.y to Mil.y Board

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The Right Honorable the Governor in Council has been pleased to resolve that an Allowance shall be made to Military Paymasters at Out Stations in lieu of Quarters and Offices hitherto kept up at the expense of Government, Paymasters will nevertheless be permitted to occupy the Public Buildings which have been usually allotted to them, under an Engagement to bear all the expenses which may be necessary to preserve such Buildings in the same state of repair, in which they may be at the time they may be delivered over by the Barrack Master.

The following rates are established as Allowance to Paymasters at out Stations for House and Office Rent.

Trichinopoly	30	Pagodas per Month
Masulipatam	30	Ditto
Seringapatam	30	Ditto
Bellary	25	Ditto
Vizagapatam	25	Ditto

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Cannanore ---- 25 Pagodas per Month

Palamcotah ----- 25 ditto

Vellore ----------- 25 ditto

On receipt of this Order at each Station Committees are to be held to inspect and report on the State of repair of the House and Office allotted to Paymasters respectively; the Proceedings of which Committees are to be forwarded to the Military Board, together with the engagement of the Paymaster wishing to occupy the Quarter.—

To the Right Honorable

Lord William Bentinck

Governor in Council

&c: &c: &c:

My Lord,

From the Military Board - Regarding the high rate at which rice is purchased by the Troops at certain Stations - regarding a supply of Gun powder from Bengal - recommend that the construction of the Stabling at Vellore be authorized

1 We have the honor to report for the information of Government, that the late sudden rise in the price of Rice, at certain Stations where there are not Store Rooms, has exposed the Troops

Troops to the necessity of buying Rice at a rate higher than that at which the Regulations provide for their subsistence.—

2 The Regulation on the subject directs, that "when the Price of Rice in the Public "Market is more than Seventy Pagodas P. Madras "Garce, the Native Troops shall be entitled to receive "Supplies at that rate, from the public Stores;" as this implies an intention on the part of Government to guard the Native Troops against the inconvenience they would experience when the Price of Rice may exceed 70 Pagodas P.r Garce, We beg to suggest the Expediency of Authorizing the Payment of the Amount of Loss which may be sustained on the allowed quantity of Grain to each Individual at those Stations where the Troops may not have received Supplies from the public Stores, and under such Checks as the Military Auditor General may think necessary.—

3 The delay which has occurred

in

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in the completion of the Machinery at the new Powder Mills, having interrupted the supply of Powder which we had reason to expect before this period, the Stock at present in store, is so much reduced, that we conceive it would not be prudent to defer longer an Application for a supply from Bengal.—

4 We therefore recommend that a Communication may be made to the Supreme Government, requesting that two thousand (2000) 100 ℔ Barrels may be sent round by the first opportunity; this quantity we conceive may be adequate to the Demands of this Presidency, until the new Powder Mills be completed; when the regular supply will far exceed the expenditure.—

5 We are of opinion that the Stabling recommended by Major Walker, will prove highly beneficial by the preservation of Horses which may require shelter on the landing at Mangalore; We therefore recommend that

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their Construction may be authorized in the manner suggested by that Officer, in his Address to the Adjutant General, transmitted in M.r Secretary Strachey's Letter of the 13.th September —

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1.st December 1806

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

/Signed/ { J. F. Cradock
Robt. Bell
P. A. Agnew
Alex.r Orr

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

My Lord,

From the Military Board. Recommending payment of Extra Bills.

We beg to recommend payment of the following enclosed Bills Viz.t

1 Bill of the Officer Commanding the 5.th Regiment Native Cavalry for Completing to its Establishment the new Belts of the Corps with

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Brass Buckles, none having been received with them from the Stores, Amounting to Pagodas 36. : . —

N.o 2 Bill of the Acting Paymaster in Malabar for Coolies employed at Calicut in July for preparing the condemned Grain and putty Stone ordered to be sold — Amounting to Pagodas 2. 16. 6h —

N.o 3 Bill of the Paymaster in Malabar for Coolies employed in removing Grain from the rented Banksal, to the Store House recently erected at Calicut — Amounting to Fanams 36. . —

N.o 4 Bill of Lieutenant Thomas Fraser for Timber purchased from him for the Service of the Gun Carriage Manufactory at the Presidency in February 1804 - Amounting to Pagodas 412. 24 - When this Timber was received from Lieutenant Fraser, it was stipulated that he should receive a like quantity in return; It has not however since that period been practicable to procure the Timber in sufficient quantity to answer that demand without impeding the work at the

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temporary Gun Carriage Yard; We have therefore called for the Bill in order that the Amount may be settled—

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

/ Signed /
J. F. Cradock
Robt. Bell
P. A. Agnew
Alexr. Orr

Ordered that the following Reply be dispatched.—

To the President and Members of the Military Board

Gentlemen,

1 I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your Letters of the 1st Instant.—

2 Under the Circumstances, which you have stated His Lordship in Council has deemed it to be Advisable that instead of furnishing the

To the Military Board. Gentlemen of the Military Institution to draw an allowance for Gas consumption and improvements at Wells and Springs a portion at the highest Rates of Allowance for House and Office to be explained and whether they cannot be reduced and equalized. Draft G. O. to be submitted for giving Information to the Native Troops for

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for purchase of Grain where they cannot be supplied from public Stores— Gun powder required from Bengal will be applied for. Con= =struction of Stables at Mangalore for remount Horses, Authorized. Authority given for payment of Bills as recom= =mended.—

the Gentlemen of the Military Institution with Lascars from the fixed Establishment at the Presidency they shall be permitted to draw an Allowance, under the Superintendence of the Town Mayor for the purpose of entertaining the requisite number of Persons of that description. His Lordship's orders to this effect have Accordingly been furnished to that Officer.—

3 His Lordship in Council is pleased to authorise the repair and improvements which you have recommended at Goatte and Seringa= =gapatam.—

4 His Lordship in Council desires that you will explain the principle on which you have calculated the Rates of Allowance for House and Office Rent to be drawn by Paymasters at Subordinate Stations. His Lordship in Council also desires that you will Consider whether the rates in question might not with propriety be equalized and reduced to a lower scale.—

5 His Lordship in Council approves

your

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your suggestion for granting a Compensation to the Native Troops for any extraordinary expense, &c. which they may incur in the purchase of Grain at Stations where it may not be practicable to supply them with that Article from the Public Stores, and the Military Auditor General has accordingly been directed to submit the Draft of a General Order for that purpose.—

6 Application will be made to the Supreme Government for the supply of Gun Powder, which you deem necessary to be provided from the Presidency of Bengal.—

7 I am directed to desire that the Construction of stables for the reception of the &c. remount Horses at Mangalore may be authorized agreeably to your recommendation.—

8 Authority has been given for the payment of the Bills recommended in your Letter of the 1st. Instant.—

I have

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Fort S.t George
6.th December 1806

I have the honor to be
&c.a &c.a
/signed/ G.o Strachey
Secretary to Gov.t

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

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

My Lord,

From the Deputy Military Auditor General. Encloses three Statements of Advances issued on account of other Governments.

I have the honor to enclose three Statements shewing the Amount of Advances of Cash issued by authority of Government on account of the Presidencies of Bengal and Bombay and of His Majesty's Government of Ceylon, Amounting as follows Viz.t

Bengal Presidency Pagodas	351.	14.	20
Bombay Presidency Pagodas	1536.	40.	74
Ceylon Government Pagodas	1657.	23.	44

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Fort S.t George 9.th November 1806

I have the honor to be
&c.a &c.a
/signed/ J. Prendergast
Dep.t Mil.y Aud.r Gen.l

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Statement shewing the Amount of Advances of Cash made at Fort St. George on Account of the Presidency of Bengal.—

When Authorized	Particulars of the Advance and to Whom	Amount
	Kings' Troops	
27th August 1806	2 Months Pay and Allowances to Ensign Watson 22d Regiment Foot	64. 68. 20
	Companys' Troops	
12th July 1806	Messrs. F. Heron, W. Pasmore J. Cowslade N. De Lisle, and E. Conway Cadets Rupees 200 each or Pagodas	285. 30. —
	Total Pagodas	357. 14 20

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/Signed/ J. Prendergast
Deputy Military
Auditor General

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Statement Shewing the Amount of Advances of Cash made at Fort St. George on Account of the Presidency of Bombay.—

When Authorized	Particulars of the Advance and to whom	Amount
	King's Troops	
12th April 1806	Two Months Pay and Allowances to Lieutenant Armstrong of His Majestys 65th Regiment	88 87 60
5th August 1806	Major Ottley of the 65th Regiment on account of His Pay and Allowances	253 9 20
	Captain Armstrong of Ditto ... Ditto on account of Ditto ... Ditto	153 31 4
	Ensign Bulkley of Dº Dº on Account of Ditto ... Ditto	65 26 20
28th August 1806	Two Months Pay and Allowances to Ensign Lennon 78th Regiment	64 68 20
24th Septembes 1806	To Lieutenant Jones of the 84th Regiment on account of a Detachment of 50 Men on board His Majesty's Ship Pitt under his Charge	457. 6.
5th October 1806	Two Months Pay and Allowances to Lieutenant Mr. Neale of His Majesty's 84th Regiment	154. 20
	Carried forward -	1239. 21. 64

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Brought forward 1239.21.64

Company's Troops

29th April 1806	Assistant Surgeon F. Marshall on receipt Rupees 200 or Pagodas		57	6 30
29th April 1806	Cadet T. Cooke on receipt Rupees 200 or Pagodas		57.	6 30
9th May 1806	One Months Pay to a Detachment of Bombay Sepoys under Charge of Lieutenant Shaw on board His Majesty's Ship Fox as follows. —			
	1 Lieutenant	45. " "		
	1 Subidar	12. " "		
	2 Havildars	6. " "		
	2 Naigues	5. " "		
	28 Sepoys	56. " "		
	1 Drummer	2. " "	126	" "
18th June 1806	Cadet T. Cooke on receipt Rupees 200 or Pagodas		57	6 30
	Total Pagodas		1536.	4074

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/ Signed / J. Prendergast
Dept. Mily. Audr. Genl.

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/ Signed / J. Prendergast
Dep.y Mil.y Aud.r Gen.l

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Statement Shewing the Amount of Advances of Cash made at Fort St. George on Account of the Presidency of Ceylon

Where Authorized Particulars of the Advance and to whom Amount

Kings Troops

22d February 1806	Two Months Pay and Allowances to Captain Reynell of His Majestys 3d. Ceylon Regiment		152. 76 4
9th May 1806	Two Months Pay to the undermentioned Officers of His Majestys 66th. Regiment		
	Lieutenant Crawford ..	42 21 .	
	Lieutenant Lepscombe	42 21 .	
	Ensign Stevenson	35 . .	
	Ensign Sullivan	35 . .	
	Assistant Surgeon White	56 10 40	
	Carried forward	365 2 44	

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When Authorized	Particulars of the Advance and to whom	Amount
	Brought forward	365 244
5th May 1806	Two Months pay to Paymaster Nicholls of His Majestys 19th Regiment Foot	112.. 21 .
31st May 1806	Passage Money on Account of Major Birch and the other officers of the 66th Regiment to Ceylon	180. . .
5th November 1806	To the Deputy Paymaster General Kings' Troops on Account of the Family payments of His Majesty's Ceylon Regiments of Cavalry and Infantry	1000 . .
	Total Pagodas	1657. 23.. 44

A.S. The above mentioned Sums of the several Advances to be made to His Majesty's 19th Regiment of Foot and the Detachments of the other Regiments of the Ceylon Establishment to proceed from Bengal to Madras Presidency the Cash to be supplied from out of the Treasury of the Office

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/ Signed / J. Prendergast
Dep.y Mily. Aud.r Genl.

Ordered

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Order thereon

Ordered that the Statement submitted with the foregoing Letter be transmitted to the respective Governments at Fort William Bombay and Columbo; and that the Military Auditor General be desired to furnish similar Statements Monthly.—

Read the following Letter from the Secretary at Fort William.—

To G. Strachey Esqr.

Secretary to the Government at

Fort St. George

Sir,

From the Acting Secretary in the Military Department at Fort William requesting the Answer to certain queries regarding the Medical Establishment of this Presidency.—

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor General in Council to desire that you will communicate to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council the request of the Governor General in Council to be favored at as early a period as may be practicable with the Answer to the Queries contained in the Copy of the letter from the Military Auditor General at this Presidency respecting the Medical Regulations at Fort St. George which

accompanied

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Accompanied my letter to you of the 14th of August last,
a Triplicate of which I have now the honor to enclose.

Fort William
the 13th November 1806

I have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) Tho. Hill
Actg. Secy. Milly.
Dept.

To G. Strachey Esqr.
Secretary to the Government at
Fort St. George

Sir,

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor General in Council to transmit to you the enclosed Copy of a letter from the Military Auditor General at this Presidency dated the 13th Instant, to be laid before the Right Honorable the Governor in Council of Fort St. George, with the request of the Governor General in Council, that His Lordship will take measures for furnishing this Government with the information required

required in the letter from the Military Auditor
General, with as little delay as possible.—

Fort William
the 16th August 1806

I have the honor to be
&c: &c: &c:
(Signed) Tho.s Hall
Actg. Secy. Mily.
Dept.

To the Honorable
Sir George Barlow Bart.
Governor General in Council

Honble Sir,

In obedience to the orders Comm.
=municated to me by Mr. Acting Secretary Halls letter
of yesterdays' date, I
have the honor to submit the follow
=ing Articles upon which it is necessary to obtain
information from the Governments of Fort St. George,
and Bombay, to enable me to report more fully with
regard to the expense attending the Medical System
of those Presidencies, Compared with the expense of
the new Medical System proposed to be adopted

at

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at this Presidency?—

Fort St. George

1st To What extent has Compensation been granted to the Surgeons of European Regiments, beyond the established per diem Allowance and Stoppages received by them?—

2d Under what particular Circumstances did it become necessary to grant Compensation to the Surgeons of European Regiments?—

3d Has it been found necessary to encrease the per diem Allowance granted to Surgeons of European Regiments, since the Orders of Government, dated 4th December 1793, which fixed that allowance at 60 Cash, for every Man sick or well, borne present on the Muster Rolls, exclusive of the Stoppage of fanams 2. 40 Cash from the Pay of each Man sick in the Hospital, and 20 Cash per Man, to the Medical Storekeeper. If any encrease has been granted, to what extent?—

4th During the late War but particularly

during

during the Compaign of Major General Wellesley in the Dekan in 1803/4, was the System of Regimental Hospitals, with the Assistance of a Field Hospital, " according to the principles and rules established for the Medical Department in the Field by the " Regulations of the Government of Fort St. George, dated the 2d. and 19th January, and 25th February 1799 / and " to Answer the purposes of providing for the Comfort, and due Care of the Sick, in as much as might have been expected Adverting to the every active operations of that Army.—

5th What was the Average expense of the Sick per Man, borne by Government during " that Campaign, in addition to the Sum paid by the Regimental Surgeon to the Field Surgeon, (or five fanams per diem) for each man in Hospital and the dry Batta and Stoppage of each man in Hospital exclusive of the Salary of the Field Surgeon, and fixed Establishment of the Field Hospital and also of Doolies and Hospital Tents?

6th What Salary was granted to the Surgeon

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Surgeons of the Field Hospital and what Establishment was allowed them?

Bombay

1st To what extent has Compensation been granted to the Surgeons of European Regiments, beyond the Established per diem Allowances, in peace and War and Stoppages received by them?

2d Under what particular Circumstances did it become necessary to grant Compensations to the Surgeons of European Regiments?

3d Has it been found necessary to increase the per diem allowance, granted to Surgeons of European Regiments since the orders of Government dated 31st August 1798, which fixed that allowance, on Garrison or Cantonments, at 2½ Reas per Man Sick or well borne present on the Muster Rolls, and 8 Reas daily per Man to the Apothecary, in Addition to the Ordinary Stoppage of 93 reas per day from the Pay of each Man in the Hospital;

and

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and on the Field, at 40 reas per Man, excluding the Allowance to the Apothecary besides the usual Stoppage of 93 Reas per day, for each Man on Hospitals &c

4th During the late War, but part-
=ticularly during the Campaign of the Army under Major General Jones, was the System of Regimental Hospitals, According to the principles and rules = established for the Medical Department in the Field by the Regulations of the Government of Bombay dated 28th August 1798 - found to Answer the purpose of providing for the Comfort and due Care of the Sick, to the extent that was expected &

Military Auditor Genl. Office
13th August 1806

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) W.L. Greene
Mily. Audr. Genl.

A true Copy
(Signed) Thos. Hill
Actg. Secy. Military Dept.

Ordered

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Ordered that the following

Reply be dispatched.—

To Captain L. Hook

Secretary to the Government at

Fort William.

Sir,

To the Secretary to the Government at Bengal. Transmits the required information respecting certain Disbursements on the Medical Department of this Presidency, for the Military Auditor General, which were delayed by the pressure of the late Dispatch.

1 I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to Acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 13th Ultimo, and to transmit to you the enclosed Duplicate of my Letter of the 29th of October last, containing the information required by the Military Auditor General respecting Certain Disbursements on the Medical Department under this Presidency.—

2 His Lordship in Council regrets that the pressure of the late Dispatch prevented the earlier communication of these Documents to the Honorable the Governor General in Council.—

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

(signed) G. Strachey

Sec.y to Govt.

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Read

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Read the following Letters from the Secretary at Bombay.—

To George Buchan Esqre

Chief Secretary to the Government at

Fort St. George

Sir,

From the Secretary to Government at Bombay Intimating that the difference between the pay of Ensign and Lieutenant has been ordered to be paid to Mr late Lieut. Macguire.—

1 I am directed, by the Honorable the Governor in Council, to transmit to you Copies of a

No. 1 letter from the Commander in Chief at this Presidency

2 dated the 17th of October last, and of its enclosures,

3 followed by the consequent report of the Military

4 Auditor General of the 4th Instant, and of the reply to General Nicolls of the 6th and of this further letter of the 16th following, and of its accompaniment; and to intimate that the difference of pay and allowances between Ensign and Lieutenant due to Mr. Macguire, late a Lieutenant on this establishment, has been ordered to be paid.—

2 The Governor in Council

requests

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requests to be apprized whether the Amount be
conformably to the Accounts of the Paymaster in
Malabar for the period for which the arrears have
been made good to Mr. Macguire.

Bombay Castle
18th November 1806

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) F. Warden
Secretary to Govt.

To the Honorable
Jonathan Duncan Esq.
President and Governor &c. &c. &c. in
Council

Honble Sir,

I have the honor to lay before
you a Letter with Accompaniments from Mr. Bryan
McGuire late a Lieutenant in the Honorable
Company's Service soliciting to be paid the differ-
ence of Pay between Ensign and Lieutenant
from the date of His Commission the 17th October
1801 until the 19th February 1802 the Day his
promotion

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promotion was published in orders and from which Day he has received it. as this request appears to be sanctioned by the Orders of the Court of Directors on the 30th January 1805 I have to request the Arrears may be discharged for the period he has described.—

Bombay
17th October 1806

I have the honor to be
&c: &c:
/signed/ C. Nicolls
Lieut. Genl.

To Lieutenant Colonel Gordon
Adjutant General

Sir,

Permit me to request you will lay before the Commander in Chief my request that I may be permitted to draw the difference of Pay and Allowances, between Ensign and Lieutenant from the 17th of October 1801 to the 19th February 1802.—

Sirs

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I was not paid these Allowances by the Paymasters in Malabar, in consequence of a Scarcity of Cash prevailing at the time I quitted it, and was furnished with certificates that I had not drawn it, which I presented to the Paymaster at Surat Thomas Lichmere Esqr. who informed me those Allowances ought to have been drawn in Malabar, and that he was not Authorized to pay them; I Consequently took no further care of the Certificates which I had in triplicate and they are mislaid. I never did draw those Allowances as may be seen by a reference to the Books of the Paymaster.

As I conceive my Claim to be ajust one, I hope the Governor in Council will grant my request, which I should not make, was I not quitting the Country.

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

Bombay
3d October 1806

/signed/ B. McGuire

Lieut.

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Lieutenant Colonel R. Gordon

Adjutant General

Sir,

In Answer to your Letter of the 10th Instant requesting that I would refer to the disbursements of the Paymaster in Malabar in order to ascertain from what Period Mr. McGuire received pay as Lieutenant I beg to acquaint you, for the information of the Commander in Chief, that the Disbursements necessary to refer to are not in my Office, the Province of Malabar being at the Period in question under the Government of Fort St. George and all Accounts transmitted by the Paymaster of Malabar to the Military Paymaster General of that Presidency——

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

(Signed) W. Broughton

Mil.y Pay.r Gen.l

Bombay

Mil.y Pay Office Gen.l

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P.S. Mr. McGuires Letter is herewith returned

Extract

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Extract from General Orders

Bombay Friday 19.th February 1802

By Government

Extract from the Minutes of Council under the 18.th February 1802.—

Ensign Bryan M.c Guire to be Lieutenant date of Rank 17.th October 1801

/signed/ Robert Gordon

Adj.t Gen.l

/True Copies/

/signed/ R. T. Goodwin

Sec.y to Govt.

To the Honorable

Jonathan Duncan Esq.r

President and Governor

in Council

Honble Sir,

I Have the honor to receive your Secretary's Letter of the 20.th Ultimo, referring for my Report

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Report Copies of a Letter from the Commander in Chief under date the 17th and of its enclosures from Mr. Bryan McGuire late a Lieutenant in the Honorable Company's Service, soliciting the difference of Pay and Allowances between Ensigns and Lieutenant from the date of his Commission being the 17th of October 1801 until the 19th of February 1802 the day his Promotion was announced in orders.—

2d. The Claim preferred by Mr. McGuire is Agreeable to the Orders of the Court of Directors under date the 30th of January 1805, and altho he was doing duty during the period in question with his Corps in Malabar, yet the Charge appertains to this Presidency, since it has been determined that all the Expences incurred on account of the Bombay Troops Serving there should be placed to the debit of the Bombay Government.—

3 I have not the means of referring to the Disbursements of the Paymaster in Malabar

but

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but Mr. McGuire declares that he has not received the difference of Pay which he now Claims, and that he had been furnished with a Certificate to that effect from the Paymaster on his quitting the Coast.—

I have the honor to be

Bombay
Mil.y Aud.r Gen.l's Office
4.th November 1806

&c.a &c.a

/Signed/ A Hay
Mil.y Aud.r Gen.l

True Copy
/Signed/ R.T. Goodwin
Secretary to Govt.

To Lieutenant Genl. Oliver Nicolls
Commander in Chief

Sir,

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to Acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 17.th Ultimo, and to intimate that upon Mr. McGuire's producing the Certificate or obtaining a Duplicate thereof (which he can by application to the

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the Pay Master who gave him the first Copy) the Amount difference of Pay and Allowances between Ensign and Lieutenant, which he has applied for will be paid.

Bombay Castle
6th November 1806

I have &c. &c.
/signed/ T. Warden
Secretary to Govt

True Copy
/signed/ R. T. Goodwin
Secretary to Govt

To the Honorable
Jonathan Duncan Esq.
President and Governor in Council

Honble Sir,

In consequence of Mr Secretary Warden's letter of the 6th instant, Mr Macguire was requested to furnish the Certificate required in that letter. The enclosed is Mr Macguires Answer.

There can be little doubt of the

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the Amount of Mr. MacGuire's Claim, never having been received by him, and to prevent further delay in the payment, as the money may be of the utmost Consequence to this unfortunate Gentleman - I request Honorable Sir, you will have the goodness to authorise the discharge of this demand, and I will be answerable to the Honorable Company for the Amount should any mistake hereafter be discovered. —

Bombay
15th November 1806

I have the honor to be
&c &c
/Signed/ Ol. Nicolls
L. G.

To Captain Fraser
Military Secretary

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of yours enclosing a Copy of a Letter from F Warden Esq. Secretary to Government. —

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I beg you will do me the favour to inform the General, for the information of the Honorable the Governor in Council, I have the Misfortune to loose the Certificate together with best part of my Baggage when on detachment to Golnor, and to add, that I presented the same on my arrival at Surat, to Thos. Lechmere Esq.re the then Paymaster, who made a reference to the Auditor General, and received for Answer that he was not authorised to pay those Allowances, as they ought to have been paid by the Paymaster in Malabar. Mr. W. Richardson. this latter Gentleman is since dead Consequently I cannot procure a duplicate. —

Under these Circumstances, I hope the Honorable the Governor in Council will order the Allowances to be paid me, as it may be seen by the Books of the Paymaster that I have never received the same. —

I have

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I have the honor to be

Bombay
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&c. &c.

/Signed/ B. Maguire

True Copy

/Signed/ R. T. Goodwin

Secretary to Govt.

To George Buchan Esqr.

Chief Secretary to the Government at
Fort St. George

Sir,

From the Secretary to Government at Bombay requesting to be furnished with a Copy of the Bazar regulations of this Presidency

I am directed to request that you will be pleased to submit to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, the wish of the Honorable the Governor in Council to be furnished with a Copy of the Bazar Regulations that are at present in force under the Presidency of Fort St. George; for the purpose of assisting this Government in the formation of a similar Arrangement for the

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Similar Establishment under this Government=

Bombay Castle
18th November 1806

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) F. Warden
Secretary to Govt.

Order thereon

Ordered that the Military
Auditor General be desired to furnish the
information requested in the foregoing Letter.

Read the following Letter from
Colonel Gillespie Commanding the Cantonment
of Arcot.—

To G. Buchan Esqr.
Chief Secretary to Government
Sir,

From Colonel Gillespie
of His Majesty's 19th
Dragoons - Explaining
the Motives regarding the Complaint
preferred Against
him by the Magis-
trate of Chittoor.

I have the honor to forward
herewith reply to your Letter of the 22d
inst, which I request you will do me
the favor to lay before the Right Honorable
the Governor in Council.—

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Arcot
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Sam &c. &c.
/Signed/ R. R. Gillespie
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To G. Buchan Esq.r
Chief Secretary to Government

Sir,

I have been favored with your Letter written by desire of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council on the subject of a Complaint preferred Against me by Mr. Wright—

I think it a justice I owe to Myself—the profession I have the honor to follow,—as well as the trust reposed in me by the Government, to explain for their satisfaction the Motives of my Conduct which has brought so Serious a charge Against me by the Magistrate of Chellore as that, of preventing a Civil Servant of the Honorable Company performing his public Duty.—

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It has ever been the Study of my Life to do justice to the Service in which I am engaged; - and I should Conceive were I guilty of what Mr. Wright Alledges, that I should merit the Severest reprimand. the Moderation of the Letter now before me Convinces me that my Conduct is not Considered in so Serious a light by the Government, as Mr. Wright has wished to represent it; I should hope, and trust that Gentlemen for the future will not appeal on every trivial occasion to a Head, whose thoughts are more Seriously occupied, than in giving ear to every trivial matter that may occur, and which Can only tend by such frivalous appeals to loosen the link of the Chain which should bind together the Military and Civil Service —

I Can safely assert and put my hand to my heart when I make the assertion, that I never did, nor has it ever been my intention in any way to Obstruct the Duties

of

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of the Civil Service — the reverse, to promote them —

There is however, a duty towards the Military Situation in which I am placed which I am bound to support; and the Authority that should be attached to it and which is here often attempted to be lessened in the eyes of the Natives who at this moment should be taught to hold it in respect —

I beg pardon for thus warmly entering into this subject, - but when I reflect on the little motives that caused the Complaint against me, I am compelled to be explicit —

I did not desire or sanction the Conucopoly to be disobedient to the Authority or orders of Mr. Wright — I wished in the first instance to prevent an innocent man from meting a punishment (a flogging) which I was informed awaited him at Chittoor in consequence of the prosecution of the Cutwall his inveterate Enemy — I found it my duty to do so, as I am persuaded he did not

exceed

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ceed the Orders of Government on the Subject of Selling Arrack.— Secondly to convince the Cutwall that he should treat the Commandant of the place with more respect, than to take a Person from the Cantonment suddenly at Night, and in the most violent manner, who was a public Servant under him, without first acquainting him of his having done so. also to convince him of the dis-respect towards his public situation, from the phrase, he openly made use of, that if he dared to Complain to the Commandant, he would put a Rope about his Neck &c: &c: I have to observe here, that the different Cutwalls of this District for a long time past, have been supported in the principles of their independence.—

I only prevented the Conicopoly from going that Night;— I ordered him to go next day, whenever he had appointed a Man to do his Duty in the Bazar, and await Mr. Waight's Orders at Chittoor. his Assistant at that time acted

Sick

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sick, and although there were other Servants on the Godown, they were not to be trusted in executing the Concapolys' Duty.—

I observe by your Letter of the 22d. that Mr. Wright has made a former Complaint against me—as I have not been officially informed by Government of the fault, Mr. Wright alledges I have Committed, I should presume it is of too trivial a nature to occupy the attention of Govern-

-ment;—Conscious I am that I have never acted but to forward the good of the public Service.—

I now take the liberty of enclosing two Letters addressed to me on the Subject of the Scarcity of Rice, and the difficulty of getting it in the Bazar—I have had these Complaints from every Quarter and done all in my Power to rectify it—I also take the liberty of enclosing a Copy of a Letter from Mr. Cox to me to whom I thought it necessary to Address myself on the

Subject

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Subject of the Monopoly that appears to have taken place.—I shall make no Comments on this Letter nor do I send it in the form of a Complaint—Mr. Groome was at this time at the same Station, and (I believe) in the same House with the Judge and Magistrate of Chittoor;—a Considerable time must have elapsed before Mr. G.'s Reply could have been received,—and my Official Letter have reached the Magistrate, in the mean time, the Evil Continued to prevail.—

I never should have taken up the more Serious Moments of Government with this Letter or with these enclosures, but by a Conciliatory Mode, have endeavoured to rectify it myself,—had not the fretful Complaint of Mr. Wright, and the Want of Complaisance, and the Answer of the Collector Calls upon me to do so.—

I have the honor to be

&c: &c:

Signed J.R. Gillespie

Colonel

Arcot

29th November 1806

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To Colonel Gellispie

Commanding

Arcot

Sir,

I had the honor of addressing you on the 1st instant, representing the great difficulty the Native Officers and Men of the 7th Regiment of Cavalry experienced in obtaining Rice in the Bazar, I now beg leave to state to you the Complaints of the Native Officers and Sepoys of the great hardships they undergo in consequence of the Cutwalls' caussing the Rice to be served out at such times as they are precluded by their duty from Attending; the Cutwalls having made a practice of exposing the Rice for sale very early in the morning, when they are out at Horse exercise; and in the Evening when they are at foot drill, or Stable duty; and on their applying to them afterwards his Answer is, "that the rice is all sold."

I conceive it to be my duty to State

to

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to you the manner in which the Cutwall treated Havildar Peer Mahomed of the 2d Troop 7th Regiment Cavalry; who applied to him on the 23d Instant, for two Rupees worth of Rice; at the time there was a great quantity in the Bazar, the Cutwall told him he would not give him two Rupees worth, but if he would come the next day at 4 O Clock he should have one Rupees worth; Havildar Peer Mahomed attended at the time mentioned, after waiting some time, he requested he might have the rice as being on duty he could not wait longer; the Cutwall replied he had not time then to give it as he had a Number of people to serve; but if the Havildar would leave any person to receive the rice he would give it him, Havildar Peer Mahomed left his Brother for that purpose whom the Cutwall kept till 12 O Clock at Night, and then sent away without any; The Havildar applied to the Cutwall again the following day, and was again refused; he then came to me stated the Circumstances and said that himself

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himself and family were starving I immediately sent to the Cutwall and obtained him the rice he was so much in want of, and had been three days requesting.

/Signed/ J.n Woodhouse Lieut.t

Arcot Com.g Reg.t Cavalry

26.th November 1806

/A true Copy/

/Signed/ John Doveton

Major of Brigade to Co.l Gillespie

To Colonel Gillespie

Commanding at

Arcot

Sir,

I am under the necessity of making known to you, that for several days past, my Servants have met with the greatest difficulty in procuring a small supply of rice for the use of the patients in the Sick Hospital, and I find this day - My Authority is not sufficient with the Cutwall to induce him to grant me any, I therefore beg leave to request you will be pleased to do the needful to guard against similar inconveniences in future; I have addressed my Superintending Surgeon, on the Subject of the Government supplying one Seer of Rice to each patient Agreeably to the Conditional G.l O.r of the 2.d

September

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September last.—

Arcot
28.th November 1806

/Signed/ Geo: Anderson
Asst. Surgeon

/Attrue Copy/
/Signed/ John Doveton
Major of Brigade to Co.l Gillespie

Copy of a Letter from
R. Greame Esq.r to Major Doveton
&c: &c: &c:

Sir,

"In the absence of my Assistant, I have to
"inform you in reply to your Letter of yesterdays' date, that
"the subject upon which you have written belongs as a
"matter of Police to the Judge and Magistrate of Chittoor"—

Chittoor
25 November 1806

Jam &c: &c:
/Signed/ R. Greame
Collector

/Attrue Copy/
/Signed/ John Doveton
Major of Brigade to Co.l Gillespie

To lie on the table.

Ordered to lie on the Table

Ordered that the following General Order be published.—

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G. O. By Government

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council has received with the utmost Concern a Report of the Measures which have been recently adopted by Lieut.t Colonel Moncton Grant the Officer exercising the temporary Command of the Subsidiary Force at Travancore under an erroneous distrust of the fidelity of the Native Troops under his Command. It appears that on that impression, without any appearance of improper conduct on the part of the Troops, that Officer proceeded to the extremity of disarming almost the whole of the Native Troops attached to the Subsidiary Force.

Without at present animadverting on the proceedings of Lieutenant Colonel Grant, His Lordship in Council deems it necessary to take the earliest opportunity of making known to those Troops, that the Measure adopted by that Officer was entirely unauthorized, and that it has excited the greatest regret in His Lordship's Mind. His Lordship in Council desires that it may be explained to the Troops, that entire confidence is entertained in their

G. O. By Government.
Directs that the Native Troops of the Subsidiary Force at Travancore be made acquainted that the late measures adopted by Lieutenant Colonel Grant were unauthorized by Government.

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their fidelity and good Conduct, and that His Lordship is satisfied that no adequate reason existed for imposing upon them the degradation which they have experienced.

His Lordship in Council has been pleased to resolve that these sentiments shall be conveyed to the Troops through the Channel of Lieutenant Colonel Macaulay Resident at Travancore.

By Order of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council.

/Signed/ Go. Buchan
Chief Secretary to Govt.

W Kentish
Resident
" W Petrie
" Oakes

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Diary

E. Received the following Letter.

To G. Strachey Esqr.

Secretary to the Government at

Fort St. George

Sir,

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor

General in Council to transmit to you the enclosed Copy of a Return

of the 1st Battalion of His Majesty's 30th Regiment which is

expected to arrive at this Presidency from Prince of Wales' Island

in a few days, and to desire that you will inform the

Right Honorable the Governor in Council, that it is the inten-

tion of this Government to send that Battalion to Fort St. George

by the earliest opportunity after its arrival here; such

recruits as arrive at this Presidency for His Majesty's Regiments

at Fort St. George will be sent to that Presidency by the same

opportunity. —

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

(Signed) Tho.s Hall

Actg. Secy. Mily. Dept.

Fort William

19th November 1806

From the Acting Secretary to the Government at Fort-William - States that the 1st Battalion 30th Regiment will be sent to this Presidency by the earliest opportunity.

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Sent the following Letter.

To the President and Members of the
Military Board

Gentlemen,

To the Military Board
States that His Lordship
in Council has no
objection to concluding
a Contract for the
supply of Arrack for
the Presidency on the
terms stated with
Messrs. Balfour & Co.
for one year from
1st January 1807.

I am directed by the Right
Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge
the Receipt of your Letter of the 13th Ultimo, relative
to the Supply of Arrack for the Service of this
Presidency; and to acquaint you that His Lordship
in Council will not object to conclude a Contract
for that purpose with Messrs. Balfour, Baker and
Hart on the terms, which you have stated for
the period of One Year, commencing from the
1st January 1807.

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

Received and sent the following Letters
entered in M. B. Nos. 11. 12. 13. 14. 15. 16. 17. 18. 19

From

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From the Military Auditor General.

From Lieutenant Colonel Orr.

Reports on an Additional Estimate of Cash of the Military Paymaster at Masulipatam for the preceding Month.

To the Secretary to the Government at Fort William.

To Captain Hook. Encloses Statement of Advances of Money to Officers and Cadets of that Establishment.

To the Secretary to the Government at Bombay.

To Mr. Warden. Encloses Statement of Advances of Money to Officers and Cadets of that Establishment.

To the Chief Secretary to the Government at Colombo.

To Mr. Rodney. Encloses Statements of Advances of Money to Officers and Cadets of the Establishment of Ceylon.

To the Military Auditor General.

Directs a Copy of the Bazar Regulations of this Presidency, and requested information regarding pay and Allowances due to Mr. Macquire late Lieutenant on the Bombay Establishment, being furnished to that Government. Informs of an Advance of Money

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at Fort William to an Officer on this Establishment. Monthly Statements of all Advances of Money &c. Chargeable to the Account of other Governments, to be continued. Encloses extract from the Proceedings of His Lordship in Council in this Department the 5th Instant. Bills and Advances of Money to be Authorized for payment as recommended.

To the Military Auditor General and Town Major of Fort St. George

To the Military Auditor General and Town Major. Encloses Extract and Orders regarding Lascars required by the Gentlemen of the Military Institution while employed on Survey.

To the Military Paymaster General &c.

To the Military Paymaster General. Transmits Copy of a Report of an additional Estimate of Cash required by the Military Paymaster at Vellore, for the present Month.

To Ditto

To Ditto. Transmits Copy of a Report of an Additional Estimate of Cash required by the Military Paymaster at Masulipatam for the Current Month.

To

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To the Military Paymaster General.

To the Military Paymaster General.

Permits the Paymaster at Trichinopoly to visit Palamcottah as requested.

7th Received the following Letter.

To G. Strachey Esqr.

Secretary to the Government

in the Military Department

at

Fort St. George

Sir,

From the Acting Secretary to the Government at Fort William submitting papers regarding the returns of Troops of this Presidency doing duty at Straits of Malacca.

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor General in Council to transmit to you the enclosed Copy of a Letter from the Adjutant General at this Presidency, and of its enclosures, and to desire that you will inform the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, that the Honorable the Governor and Council of Prince of Wales's Island, have been directed to return to Fort St. George, by the earliest opportunity, the Detachment of Troops belonging

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to that Presidency, now doing duty at Prince of Wales' Island; and that the Honorable the Governor and Council of Prince of Wales' Island have likewise been informed that the Governor General in Council considers it to be proper that those Soldiers, whose Contracted terms of Service may have expired, and who do not choose to renew their Contracts, should be sent to the Presidencies to which they belong, without detaining them until regularly relieved, unless on Cases where the public Service renders their detention indispensibly necessary.—

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obed.t Humble Serv.t

/Signed/ Tho.s Rill

Sec.y to Govt Mil.y Dep.t

Fort William

the 13.th November 1806

To Captain Thomas Rill

Acting Secretary to Government

Military Department

Sir

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Commander in Chief to request you will submit to the

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the Honorable the Governor General in Council the
Inclosed Papers N.os 1. 2 and 3 received from the Adjutant
General at Fort St. George, and that you will express
His Lordships' desire to be favored with the Orders of the
Governor General in Council respecting the Answer to
be written to Lieutenant General Sir John Craddock
regarding the private named John Christie of the
Madras European Regiment, as also regarding the
Detachment of the Madras European Regiment now at
Prince of Wales's Island, which has been so long
absent from its Corps and the Presidency to which
it belongs.

Fort William
Adjutant Gen.l Office
9.th November 1806

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
/Signed/ H. Worsley
Adj.t Gen.l

To the Adjutant General of the Army
Bengal

Sir,

I am directed by Lieutenant General

Sir

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Sir J. Cradock to request you will submit to the Right Honorable the Commander in Chief the enclosed Letter to the Officer Commanding the Madras European Regiment, from the Officer Commanding a Detachment of that Corps, which, on its return from service in the Eastern Islands, was detained at Prince of Wales's Island by the Government of Fort Cornwallis.

Sir John Cradock is desirous to receive the directions of the Commander in Chief regarding the requested relief of the Soldiers whose time is expired; having always considered the detention of any part of the Detachment a temporary Measure, the necessity for which would cease on the regular supply of Troops for the service of that Island from Bengal.

To compell the service of any Soldier beyond the limited period of his Engagement is contrary to the practice of this Army, and to the pledged faith of the Company's Government, and the whole of the Detachment are questionable

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has been so long absent from the Coast, that from want of regular supplies, arising from Accident in part, and partly from the constant expectation of their return, they are deficient of Cloathing and of every Article of Equipment - Whether it be necessary now to forward supplies to this party, or to look for its immediate relief, your reply, after receiving the Orders of His Excellency the Commander in Chief, will deter-

mine.-

Fort St. George
16th October 1806

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) P. A. Agnew
Adjt. Genl. of the
Army

To the Officer Commanding
The Madras European Regiment
Fort St. George

Sir,

Enclosed herewith I have the honor to forward your Monthly Returns of the Detachment

under

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Sir J. Craddock to request you will submit to the Right Honorable the Commander in Chief the enclosed Letter to the Officer Commanding the Madras European Regiment, from the Officer Commanding a Detachment of that Corps, which on its return from service on the Eastern Islands, was detained at Prince of Wales's Island by the Government of Port Cornwallis.

Sir John Craddock is desirous to receive the directions of the Commander in Chief regarding the requested relief of the Soldiers whose time is expired; having always considered the detention of any part of the Detachment a temporary Measure, the necessity for which would cease on the regular supply of Troops for the service of that Island from Bengal.

To compell the service of any Soldier beyond the limited period of his Engage-ment, is contrary to the practice of this Army, and to the pledged faith of the Company's Government, and the whole of the Detachment in question,

has

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has been so long absent from the Coast, that from want of regular supplies, arising from Accident in part, and partly from the constant expectation of their returns, they are deficient of Cloathing and of every Article of Equipment - Whether it be necessary now to forward supplies to this party, or to look for its immediate relief, your reply, after receiving the Orders of His Excellency the Commander in Chief, will determine.

Fort St. George
16th October 1806

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&c. &c.
(Signed) P. A. Agnew
Asst. Genl. of the Army

To the Officer Commanding
The Madras European Regiment
Fort St. George

Sir,

Enclosed herewith I have the honor to forward you Monthly Returns of the Detachment under

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under my Command for the Months of May June and July 1806—

I have to report Sir that John Christie Private in the Detachment has served his Contracted term and is not willing to re-enlist but that he Continues doing duty agreeably to the tenor of the enclosed order of Colonel Macalister, Comm= =mander in Chief—

I have the honor to be

&c: &c:

(Signed) Rt. Phillips

Lieutenant

Com.g Detachment

Madras European Regt.

Prince of Wales's Island

5th August 1806

Station Orders by Colonel Norman Macalister

Commanding Fort Cornwallis 5th August 1806—

John Christie a Private in the Detach= =ment of the Madras European Regiment Commanded by Lieutenant Phillips having completed his Contracted

term

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Term of Service, and being unwilling to reenlist,
Lieutenant Phillips will accordingly report him to
the Head Quarters of his Regiment and the Adjutant
General at Fort St. George, in order that he may be
relieved, John Christie will until such relief take
place, continue to do duty under Lieutenant Phillips
who will draw his full allowances as a Private.—

/ A true Copy /
/ Signed / J. Macinnes
Brigade Major

/ True Copies /
/ Signed / Geo.e Hill
Act.g Sec.y Mil.y Dep.t

From the acting Secry to the Govt at Fort Cornwallis.

Received a Letter from Mr
Raffles entered in M B. N.o 20 states that
the Troops destined for Madras and Ceylon —
embarked, and therefore Arrangements by this
Government for that purpose unnecessary —

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Sent the following Letter

To

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To the Officer Commanding
at
Ganjam

Sir,

To the Officer Commanding at Ganjam. Authorizes his Charge for the hire of a Lock Hospital at Ganjam, and directs he will state the least sum for which one can be hired in future.

The subject of your Letter of the 25th October last having been referred for Consideration to the Military Auditor General, it appears by the enclosed Extract from that Officers Report that the Monthly Charge of Fifteen Pagodas incurred at Ganjam for the hire of a Lock Hospital considerably exceeds the sums paid on that account at other Stations —

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council however has been pleased to accede to your request, and to Authorize the Admission of the Charge retrospectively, but I am directed to apprize you of His Lordships expectation that the hire of a Lock Hospital at Ganjam shall in future be attended with less expense, and to desire that you will state the least sum for which it may be practicable to rent a Building for that purpose.

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Fort St. George
8th December 1806

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

9. Received and sent the following
Letters entered in M B. N. 21. 22. 23. 24.—

From Acting Secretary to the Government at Fort William.

From Captain Hill. Reports an
Advance to certain Cadets of this Establishment.

From Ditto.

From Ditto. Forwards a Packet to the
Secretary to the Military Board at this Presidency.—

From the Military Auditor General.—

From Lieutenant Colonel Orr. Reports
on an Additional Estimate of Cash of the Military Paymaster
at Fort St. George for the Current Month.—

To the Military Paymaster General.—

To the Military Paymaster General.—

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8th December 1806

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To the Military Paymaster General.— To the Military Paymaster General.— Transmits Copy of a Report of an Additional Estimate of Cash required by the Military Paymaster at Fort St. George for the Current Month.—

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Subsidiary force —

Travancore

25th November 1806

I have the honor to be

&c: &c:

/signed/ C. Macaulay

Resident

Orders thereon —

Ordered that a Copy of the above Letter be furnished to the Commander in Chief for his information —

As it appears that no general Assessment is collected on the Articles of supply sold in the Bazar of the Subsidiary force at Travancore, there may be grounds to consider whether it would not be proper that a moderate Assessment should be levied on such Articles in order that they may contribute in a due degree to the general support of the Bazar Fund — The Board are disposed to consider it advisable that the same mode of Assessment should be established in the Bazars of the Subsidiary Force at Travancore as exists at Hydrabad, subject to such variations as local circumstances may

require

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require.—

The Commander in Chief is —

Accordingly requested to issue such orders on this subject

as His Excellency shall think proper.—

Read the following Letter from

the Deputy Paymaster General to the Kings' Troops.

George Buchan Esq.

Chief Secretary to Government

Fort St. George

Sir,

From the Deputy Paymaster General to the Kings Troops. The security bond of the late Paymaster to the 25. Dragoons lodged with Government required.

Captain Ellis of His Majesty's 25th

Dragoons having, when Paymaster to that Corps, in

the Year 1798 / when the 29th Dragoons / lodged a Security

Bond required of him by this Government, the

receipt of which the late Mr. Webb Acknowledged

in his letter of the 8th of December 1798 - and being

now about to return to Europe, has requested

of me to apply to you for the Bond in question -

as he is no longer Paymaster to the Corps, a

Paymaster

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Paymaster on the new System having joined the Regiment and lodged the necessary security in England—

King's Pay Office
Madras the 9.th December 1806

I have the honor to be
&c: &c:
/signed/ J. Campbell
Dep.t Pay.r Gen.l

Ordered in consequence 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 refer to you the Copy of a Letter from the Deputy Paymaster General of the King's Troops, and to desire that you will state as soon as practicable, if there is any objection to the restitution of the

To the Military Auditor General. Referring to a letter from the Deputy Paymaster General to the King's Troops and desiring he will state if any objection to the restitution of the Security Bond therein mentioned.

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the Security Bond thereon mentioned.—

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your Most Obedient Servant

/Signed/ G.n Buchan

Chief Secretary to Govt.

Fort St. George
11th. December 1806

W Bentinck

Macdonald

W Petrie

J. Oakes

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/Signed/ G. Buchan

Chief Secretary to Govt.

Fort St. George
11th. December 1806

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W Petrie

J. Oakes

E. Strange

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Diary

11. Sent the following Letter

To Colonel Agnew

Adjutant General of the Army

Sir,

To the Adjutant General of the Army Enclosing Translations of the Proclamation to the Native Troops with instructions concerning the publication of it —

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to transmit to you the enclosed Proclamation which it has been deemed proper to publish. It has been translated into the Malabar, Telinga and Hindoostany languages, with the greatest practicable care, and several Copies of the original Proclamation with the Translations are forwarded for the purpose of being circulated to all Officers Commanding Corps, and generally to such other Military Authorities as may be deemed proper for the purpose of giving it the most extensive publicity —

His Lordship in Council desires — that the importance of impressing the contents of the

Proclamation

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Proclamation on the minds of the Native Officers and
Troops may under the Authority of His Excellency the
Commander in Chief be carefully explained to Com-
: manding Officers, and it will be Advisable that several
Copies of the Proclamation should be issued for the
information of each Corps.

I have the honor to be

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&c: &c:

/Signed/ G. Buchan

Chief Secretary to Govt

Received and sent the following
letters entered in M.B. Nos. 25. 26. 27. 28. 29.

From Lieutenant Watkins - a
Detachment of Cuspidors to be
Wanted - Indents of Stores for the equipment of the Ships
enclosed.

From the Commander of the Rumble Company's Cooper at Tegnapatam.

To the Medical Board - Encloses
Extract of a letter from the Superintendant of Vaccination
on the Subject of Establishing an apparatus for
recovery

To the Medical Board

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recovery of drowned persons &c. Also Extract from the Board of Trade on the subject approved - directs they will issue necessary Orders for carrying it into effect.—

To the Medical Board

To the Medical Board - Refers for Consideration the enclosed Copy of a letter from Mr. B. Reyne.—

To the Town Major of Fort St. George.

To the Town Major - Enclosing the Proclamation addressed to the Native Troops with the same instructions as to the Adjutant General of the Army.—

To the Resident at Travancore.

To Lieutenant Colonel Macaulay - Encloses Copy of the Resolution of His Lordship in Council regarding Collection of duties in the Bazars of the Subsidiary force at Travancore.—

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At a Consultation

Present

The Right Honorable

Lord William Bentinck

Governor and President

Lieutenant General Sir J. F. Cradock K. B.

Commander in Chief

Friday the

12th December 1806

William Petrie
and
Thomas Oakes
} Esqrs.

Minutes of last Consultation

read and approved.

The Commander in Chief records the following Minutes.

Minute of the Commander in Chief

Minute of the Commander in Chief suggesting the propriety of arranging a regular system of Payment by each Presidency on account of the other in consequence of the Government of Bengal having refused to subscribe to the Office of this Establishment

I submit to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council a Letter from Captain Custance of the 20th Regiment of Native Infantry who is absent on Sick Certificate from this Presidency at Poonee of Wales's Island

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States the exchange of Lieutenant Wilkinson in Europe recommends that the Allowances of Adjutant for a certain period be drawn by Lieutenant Norton Report the death of a Cadet at Cuddalore Recommends that the Widow of Serjeant Lane be Admitted on Lord Clive's Pension —

Island. He states that the Government of that Island have refused to Advance to him any subsistence in consequence of which he has been obliged to grant a Bill on the Paymaster General here, to obtain the means of support; and requests Authority to Continue to do so, to the extent of his Monthly Allowances —

Aware of the inconvenience to which Officers absent sick must frequently be subject from similar difficulty, I beg to suggest to the Government the propriety of Arranging a regular System of payment in such Cases to be made by each Presidency on Account of the others, and Carried to their Debit; and in the present instance, I recommend that Authority be given for the discharge of the Bills drawn by Captain Custance to the extent of what may be due to him for pay and regulated Allowances during the period of his necessary absence —

I also submit to the Board a Letter from Lieutenant Wilkinson of Artillery, stating his Exchange in Europe, and Consequent release from

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the obligation of his Parole as a Prisoner of War— in consequence of this Communication, should the Board see no objection, it is my intention to publish his Exchange and direct his return to his duty in public Orders.—

The Officer Commanding the 1st Battalion 19th Regiment of Native Infantry has requested that Lieutenant Norton of that Corps, who did the duty of Adjutant between the period of the death of Lieutenant Crane and the Appointment of Lieutenant Delamain to succeed to the vacancy, may draw Allowances for that time Vizt. from the 12th June to the 22d of July 1806. I recommend that the Allowances of Adjutant for that period may be granted to Lieutenant Norton.

I have to report the Death, at New Town Cuddalore on the 30th of November, of Mr. Asher— Cadet of Infantry on this Establishment.

I submit the prescribed Certificate, in favor of the Widow of Christian Jean, a Serjeant of Artillery deceased, and recommend that she be admitted to the benefit of the Fund arising from

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from the Bounty of the late Lord Clive.—

9.th December 1806

/signed/ J. F. Cradock

Lieut.t Gen.l

To the Right Honorable

Lord William Bentinck

Governor &c.a &c.a

Fort S.t George

My Lord,

I have the honor to forward for your information Copies of Letters N.o 1 and 2 by which it appears no money will be advanced me by the Government of this Presidency, during the period I am under the necessity of remaining to the Eastward for the benefit of my health.

From this circumstance being put to great inconvenience and distress; and having no other means of obtaining money for my subsistence - I have drawn on the Military Paymaster General at Madras for a Month's Pay and Allowances which are now due to me - and I hope you will sanction the payment - I have also to request of your Lordship to Authorise me to draw

Monthly

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Monthly on the Military Paymaster General for such pay &c: as may be due at the time - as I am liable to be detained here for some Months before an opportunity may offer for me to return to the Coast.—

Prince of Wales's Island
7.th September 1806

/Signed/ Geo: Custance
Capt.n 2.d Batt.n 20.th Reg.t
N. I.

To Thomas Raffles Esq.r
Acting Secretary to Government

Sir,

I beg leave to Acquaint you for the infor:
:mation of the Honorable the Governor and Council of my having Arrived at this Presidency with the permission of Government of Fort S.t George for the benefit of my Health.—

It was my wish to return to the Coast; but being detained here as no opportunity Offers, by which I can rejoin my Corps — I have to request the Paymaster may be Authorised to Advance me my Pay and Allowances in Arrears for August

and

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and Advance for September 1806.—

Prince of Wales Island
4th. September 1806

/Signed/ Geo: Custance.
Capt. 2d. Batt. 28th. Regt.
Madras N. I.

To Captain G. Custance
2d. Battalion 28th Regiment
Madras Native Infantry.

Sir,

I am directed to acquaint you in reply to your letter of Yesterdays' date, that the Honorable the Governor and Council have already refused several Similar Applications, and they are sorry they cannot Comply with your request to draw your Pay and allowances here.—

I am
&c: &c:
/Signed/ Thomas Raffles
Actg: Secy: to Govt.

Fort Cornwallis
the 5th. September 1806

/A true Copy/
/Signed/ Geo: Custance
Capt. 2d. Batt. 28th. Regt.
N. I.

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To the Adjutant General of the Army

&c.a &c.a

Fort S.t George

Sir,

I have the honor to send a Copy of my Release from my Parole of honor forwarded to me from Europe, where I have been exchanged. The Original and Duplicate of which have been also sent, but have by some Accident miscarried, I trust that from the Enclosed I shall be permitted to act with my Corps and shall in consequence proceed to the Mount immediately, and there await the Orders of His Excellency the Commander in Chief.—

/signed/ T. Wilkinson

Lieut.t 2.d Batt.n Artff.

Pondicherry

5.th December 1806

By the Commissioners for Conducting His Majesty's Transport Service, and for the Care and Custody of Prisoners of War.—

(L.S.)

These are to Certify, that Lieutenant T. Wilkinson of the British Madras Artillery, taken Prisoner

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Prisoner in the Princess Charlotte, British, East India Merchant Ship, by the French, who was permitted to return to this Country on his Parole from the Isle of France, for the purpose of effecting his Exchange, is now released therefrom, and exchanged, (as also another Person as per particular Certificate) for Mons.r André Rugues and Mons.r Jean Bap.te Oge, Masters of the Achille and the Magdalaine French Merchant Vessels, late Prisoners of War in this Country, and who were permitted to return to France for the purpose of effecting their Exchange.

Given under our Hands and Seal of Office, at London, this 21.st Day of April 1806

(Signed) Rup.t George

" T. Hamilton

" J. Douglas

" In Harness

This

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This is to Certify that Christian Johnn Musician in the 2d. Battalion of Artillery was married to Magdalena Jesmina Salomone a Native, by the late Revd. Mr. Gericke at St. Thomas' Mount on the 12th. of July 1796 Given at Cspury from the Church Register this 24th. Day of November 1806.

/Signed/ J. P. Rottler

Protestant Missionary

Resolutions thereon

Resolved that Authority be given for the discharge of the Bills drawn by Captain Custance at Prince of Wales Island to the extent of the Pay and Allowances which may be due to that Officer during his Absence from the Coast, and that the Military Auditor General be desired to submit an Arrangement for preventing the inconveniences, which Officers on this Establishment are stated by the Commander in Chief to experience at other Presidencies in respect to the payment of their Allowances

Resolved that the Commander in Chief be empowered to direct Lieutenant Wilkenson

of

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of Artillery to return to his duty, in consequence of that Officers release from his Parole as a Prisoner of War.—

Resolved that Lieutenant Norton of the 19th. Regiment of Native Infantry be permitted to draw the Allowances of an Adjutant during the period of his Acting in that Capacity with the Second Battalion of that Corps.—

Resolved that the Widow of Serjeant Jean of Artillery be admitted to the usual benefit of Lord Clives' Fund.—

Minute of the Commander in Chief

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In Consequence of the Resolution of the Government on the Communications from the Governor General in Council under date the 15th. and 23d. of October 1806, I directed the Adjutant General to examine and to Report for my information the Several points affecting the Military Arrangements of this Presidency, as Connected with those Orders, that

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the necessary measures might be adopted for giving them immediate effect.—

As the Subject appears to be extremely embarrassing, I submit the Reports which I have received from the Adjutant General, to the Consideration of the Board.—

It appears that no difficulty will arise from any previous Arrangements adopted at this Presidency to impede the operation of the Plan proposed by the Military Auditor General ex Bengal for giving effect to the Orders of the Honorable the Court of Directors, and forming one General Fund from the Consolidated Profits of Off Reckonings at all the Presidencies, for equal distribution to the Colonels of the three Establishments.— But, as Commander in Chief of the Madras Army, and the more immediate Guardian of the Claims of its Officers, I deem it my duty to state and if possible to avert the injury which they must suffer from the proposed Arrangements if carried into effect.—

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The last division of the Bengal Fund /for 1801-2/ produced to each Colonel of that Establishment 9265 Sicca Rupees for the year.— The last actual division at Madras Amounted to Star Pagodas 3628. 39. 68.— that for Bombay is not exactly known to me, but it is believed to be little more than half the Amount of the Bengal Dividend. Hence the proposed Arrangement would be decidedly invidious to the Officers of the Madras Army, and probably though in a lesser degree, to those of Bengal.

If during the period of their Service in India, the Officers of the three Establishments were placed in every other respect on an equal footing of Allowances the Variety in the Amount of their monthly from the Off Reckoning Fund, might form a ground of reasonable representation for those receiving the inferior Share;— but this has never been the Case.— The Regulations of 1796 limited the expectation of equal Allowances at the Several Presidencies to the Subaltern Officers only, while those of the Superior Ranks were

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declaredly unequal, and guided, it would seem, rather by the former practise at the Several Presidencies, than by any Considerations of the relative Rank and Duty of Officers. By these Regulations a General Officer at Bengal receives a Staff Allowance of 4000 Rupees Monthly; an Officer of the same Rank at Madras Pagodas 812. 21. - and a General on the Bombay Staff. 1830 Rupees only: and on various occasions the Officers of this Establishment have been instructed that no claim to Advancement of Allowances can be founded by them on the practise of another Presidency.—

As therefore, the general equalization of Allowances at all the Presidencies is not to be expected,— as the Colonels Pensioned on the Retired List in Europe Actually receive from whatever Presidency they are sent, an equal Sum; as the number who retire from each Presidency is fixed, and Casualties in that Proportion of the General List are supplied from the Army of that Presidency exclusively, there seems to be no adequate Cause for that Consolidation

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of the Funds, which would produce so serious an injury to the Army on this Establishment. The difference of Receipt by Officers of similar Rank, only affects those Officers who continue subject to the Calls of duty on the effective Strength of the Army; and whose Receipts in this as in every other particular have ever varied from local circumstances of interior Arrangement at the Presidencies to which they may belong;—and the enforcement of the equalizing Principle on this solitary instance would I apprehend, cause the Officers of the Madras Army to feel with greater force the general inferiority of their Allowances, and to look for more general equalization.—

The Cost of every necessary of Life is known to be higher in the territories subject to this Government, than in any of the other Establishments; and, to the General Officers and Colonels not on the Staff, but excluded by regulation from Commanding and residing with their

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their Corps, the favourable division of Offreckonings on this Establishment afforded the Chief means of support, which will be very much reduced by the proposed regulation.— I beg to press these points on the Consideration of the Board.

No difficulty arises under the existing System on making the Regulated Payment to the Officers on the Retired List of Colonels from the Several Presidencies, from the Separate Funds at each; as its Amount and the number of Shares are fixed.— The Consolidation of the Funds does not tend to accelerate, but to retard the final distribution, as their Adjustment must still take place at the Several Presidencies previously to the general Adjustment in Bengal; so that any local delay on one Establishment must affect the whole— As the Materials for Cloathing are chiefly drawn at all the Presidencies from the Honorable Companys Import Warehouse, at the same Price, the Various produce of the Several Funds must arise from

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different Systems of management at the several Presidencies; and these will be most readily corrected, where the Interest of those on the Spot are exclusively promoted by the discovery and Correction of Error.— On these grounds, and to avoid Creating a reasonable Cause for dissatisfaction in the Officers of the Madras Army, I earnestly recommend that the Governor General in Council be requested to suspend, and the Honorable the Court of Directors respectfully entreated to revise a Regulation so extremely injurious to the Army on the Madras Establishment.—

The Report of the Adjutant General on that part of the Orders from Bengal, which directs the Promotion of Officers Connected with the formation of the Retired List to date from the 1st of January 1809, States the various difficulties inseparable from that measure, and the necessity for specific instructions on the prominent points of embarrassment. The most equitable System would undoubtedly be to Cancell all promotions since the 1st January 1809; to Correct the

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List of the Army to that date, and to make all subsequent Promotions on the established Principles as connected with the New date of formation for the Retired List of Colonels:— but, the encrease of the Establishment, and numerous transfers of Officers to the new formed Regiments of Cavalry and Infantry, would still em= =barrass the measure; and a general change in the Rank and Corps of Officers would be unavoidable: such a Change, at this moment, I should Consider as extremely injurious to the public Interests; but it Cannot be avoided without departing from the principles which regulate the claim of Officers in this Army to promotion, and of which it is unnecessary to State to this Board they are peculiarly tenacious.—

The extent of the change, however regulated, will necessarily require much time and attention in preparation. I have directed the Adjutant General to proceed in the preparatory measures, but, as the circumstances of the Bengal Army are nearly similar to

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that of this Establishment, I recommend that the Case be submitted to the Governor General in Council, and that information and Instruction be solicited that the Orders may have effect on this establishment on the same Principle which may be adopted in Bengal.—

I annex, as required in elucidation of our difficulties, the Regulation which guides the transfer of Officers from existing to new formed Regiments on this Establishment.—

10th December 1806

/Signed/ J. F. Cradock
Lieut. Genl.

Report from the Adjutant General to His Excellency the Commander in Chief, on the Order regarding the Off Reckoning Fund, transmitted by the Supreme Government in Letters from the Acting Secretary in the Military Department at Fort William, to the Secretary of Government of Fort St. George, under date the 15th and 23d of October 1806.—

Agreeably to your Excellency's directions I have perused the

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the Orders of the Honorable the Court of Directors, and those of the Governor General in Council on the Subject of the Off Reckoning Fund, and formation of the retired List of Colonels; and I have the Honour to report as follows.—

The last adjustment of Offreckonings, and distribution of the Surplus Profits arising from that Fund to Officers on this Establishment, was for the year 1800-1; The Adjustment was approved, and the distribution Ordered by the Government, on the 13th of September 1805.—

But, under a pre-

previous Arrangement, which has been Sanctioned by the Honorable the Court of Direc-: tors, an advance, equal to two thirds of the Computed Amount of Shares expected to arise from the Surplus Fund of the Years 1801-2, 1802-3 and 1803-4 has been paid to the Officers entitled to shares for those periods respectively; and a Committee, of which I am President, is now employed to examine and Adjust the Accounts of those Years.—

Some further Advances have been made to some few individuals under peculiar circumstances, by especial

especial Authority from the Government; but no impediment exists to interfere with the Arrangement proposed by the Military Auditor General in Bengal, as no General disbursement has been made on account of Affrichonings, affecting the distribution beyond the 31.st of December 1803.—

The proportion to be paid for that year to the Officers of the Retired List from this Establishment, may, without difficulty, be paid from the fund of 1803-4, to which it properly belongs, should such measure be deemed expedient; as, from the Payment of Compensation in lieu of Cloathing to a large proportion of the Army, the Fund

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Fund for that year will be more than usually productive.—

It appears to be my duty to represent to your Excellency, when reporting on this Measure prior to its publication, that the effect of this most unexpected resolution to consolidate the Off Reckoning Funds of the three Presidencies for equal distribution to all the Colonels of the Honorable Company's Service, will be most severely felt by those of this Establishment; who, by its operation, will lose a considerable portion of their very limited income. The

Strength

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Strength of Corps,— the pay of the
Native Troops — the nominal —
Stoppages which form the Fund
for Cloathing the Army — and
the principle on which the —
Amount of the Fund is computed
in Bengal, at Madras and at
Bombay all differ essentially! —
affording no one Common basis
on which to ground a Common
Interest! The Cloathing of the
Army on this Establishment
has been formed of better materials
than that of any other part of the
Indian Army; and the Off Reck-
oning Fund is calculated by
giving to it one Years Stoppages
for every Man, present and —
entitled to Cloathing on the 31.st
December, — the day on which
Cloathing

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Cloathing is due; thus exactly
proportioning the Allowance to
the Supply which is to be furnished
from it.— Yet, whether from the
larger establishment of the Madras

Note.

* The Honourable Regiments*— The Various Sizes of
the Court of Directors Men— the rigid Controul over the
supposed the excess of expenditure on this Head at-
Profit on Cloathing the Fort S.t George, or the Combina-
Madras Army, to resulta-tion of all these Causes, the Superior
from the incomplete state quality of the Cloathing has not
of Corps: when, in fact materially affected the distribution
the greater strength causes of Profits to the Sharers; and
the greater Profit;- its hitherto the Colonels of the-
Amount depending on an Madras Army have received
aggregate of the small rather more than those of-
profit on every Jacket- Bengal, and nearly double the
provided. During great Amount arising from the Bombay
part of the time to which Fund.— this branch of their
the opinion of the Court income thus bearing nearly a

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proportion

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alluded, the Madras Army bore numerous additionals on the returns of each Battalion proportion to their superior expences; from the higher Price, on this estab: blishment, of all the necessaries of Life!- They cannot therefore but feel most sensibly the pressure of the proposed Arrangement, and express their hope that the System may be revised.—

The Orders of the Honble the Court of Directors to give effect to their resolution for forming the retired List of Colonels, and making the promotions in succession to it from the 1st January 1803, will be attended with extraordinary difficulty on this establishment, from Various Circumstances which have subsequently occurred, to embarrass the Arrangement.

These

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These I shall have the
Honor to submit to your Excellency's
consideration, so soon as I can arrange
them in distinct propositions, on
which it may be necessary to obtain
the Instructions of the Government,
to guide the formations of the Orders
detailing the proposed Arrangement.

/Signed/ P. A. Agnew
Adjt. Genl. of the
Army.

Adjutant Generals Office
28th. November 1806.

Report to the Commander in Chief from the Adjutant General of the Army. 1st. December 1806.

Having, in obedience to your
Excellency's Commands, examined with particular atten-
tion the Orders of the Honorable the Court of Directors
as transmitted by the Governor General in Council,
directing that the formation of the Retired List
of Colonels and the promotions in the Army connected
with that Arrangement shall take effect from

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the 1.st of January 1803, I have now the Honor to report the Circumstances which tend to embarrass that Arrangement; and to request Instruction on several points, which require decision before the Orders on this Subject can be framed.—

The Arrangement which is now directed to be dated from the 1.st of January 1803, Actually took effect on this Country on the 1.st of May 1804.—On which date the several Promotions and transfers of Officers resulting from the Arrangement for the Retired List, and increase of the Establishment of the Cavalry, were made, agreeably to the supposed Rank then held by the Officers of the Madras Army.—

The new formation of the Cavalry in Brigades of two Regiments, with a Colonel to each Brigade, was a part of the Plan, now ordered to take effect from the 1.st of January 1803:— and the Instructions of the Honorable the Court of Directors authorised the Government of India in giving effect to this measure, either to reduce the 7.th Regiment of

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Madras Cavalry, or to raise an 8th Regiment to complete the 4th Brigade.— This was done; but the 8th Regiment was only formed and supplied with Officers by transfer from the other Regiments on the 1st of May 1804;—when the Promotions resulting from the increased establishment of Colonels and formation of the new Regiment were blended in one Order; in the View of giving every possible Advantage to the Officers who were Seniors in Line of their respective Ranks, and who might have suffered supercession by a different System of Arrangement.— If therefore the Additional Colonel or Colonels, be added to the Cavalry from the 1st of January 1803,— and the Promotions and transfers occasioned by the formation of the 8th Regiment be delayed till its actual formation on the 1st of May 1804, much confusion will ensue in the Rank and position of the Officers of the Cavalry Corps,—

A material change in the relative Rank of Infantry Officers will also be produced

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produced by dating the formation of the "Retired List" and making the promotions occasioned by it, from the 1st of January 1803; as all the Officers Regimentally promoted between that period and the 1st of May 1806 must necessarily change their position from the operation of this Arrangement.— But, a much more extensive change must result from the subsequent formation of four new Regiments on the 21st of September 1804; the Officers for which were transferred to those Regements, and successive Promotions made throughout the Army agreably to the Rank, Seniority on Line, and place on Corps, which each Officer was then supposed to hold, but which the Arrangement now ordered has entirely changed.—

The Order then published, with a view to provide against possible Claims that might arise Connected with unknown Casualties, directed that "All Casualties which might have occurred prior to "the 21st September 1804, but of which no official report "has yet been received at the Adjutant Generals'

Office

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"Office, will be considered as affecting Officers on
"those Regiments only to which they have been removed,
"without reference to their former Corps;" but, the
propriety of enforcing a Regulation, which was
intended only to apply to a very few possible in-
stances of individuals Claims, in a case when the
whole Army is affected by the retrospective operation
of a subsequent Order, appears extremely questionable.

The claim granted by the con-
stitution of the Honorable Companys Army to every
Officer to succeed in rotation of Regimental or Line
Seniority to all Military vacancies, from the date
of their occurrence, renders it extremely difficult if
not impossible, to avoid, without
the Confusion which must be produced by Cancelling
all promotions and transfers of Officers made since
the 1.st of January 1803; — and reappointing those
entitled to promotion and transfer, under the
Change produced by the date now ordered to be
given to the formation of the Retired List —

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I request your Excellency, pre-
paratory to the Arrangement, to obtain the decision
of the Government on the following Points, — to guide me
in the formation of the necessary Lists of Promotions
required. ——

1st Shall the List of the Army as it actually
stood at the Adjutant Generals Office on the 1st of January
1803 regulate the promotions to be made from that
date? — or, shall it be first Corrected to that date, by
alterations then unknown, and from the operation of
Orders since issued, the retrospective effect of which,
assigns to Officers a different Rank and position on
that date, from that which they were then supposed
to hold?

2 Shall one, or two Colonels of Cavalry be
added to the Establishment on the 1st of January
1803?

3 Shall the formation of the 8th Regiment
of Cavalry be supposed to have taken place on the
1st of

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1st of January 1803,— or not till the period of its actual formation on the 1st of May 1804?— and in either event shall the Officers now attached to it remain so?, or, shall it be officered by transfers regulated by the state of the List at the period fixed for its formation, as affected by the promotion of the additional Colonel or Colonels of the Cavalry Corps?—

4 Shall the Officers transferred to the four Regiments of Infantry raised in September 1804, remain in the Rank and Regiments to which they are now attached, with such Correction of Line Rank only as may be the right of those beyond the limits of Regimental Promotion, or shall the whole Arrangements of 1804 for the transfer of those Officers, be cancelled, and revised agreably to the Rank and position of Officers as affected by the new date given to the formation of the Retired List of Colonels?—

In every View of the Subject there is Considerable difficulty, I have deemed it to be

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my duty to state those points which chiefly embarrass the Question; and I hope to receive such Instructions as may guide me in the preparation of the necessary Orders, and remove those grounds for Complaint and reference which an Arrangement of this extensive and Complicated nature is calculated to produce, from those who conceive their Interests injured by the Change.

/Signed/ P. A. Agnew

Adjt. Genl. of the Army

Extract from Regulations Page 144

Promotion by Augmentation of the Army - Shall be made on the Principle of removing to new Corps, the Senior Officers of each Rank in whatever Class they may at the time be placed, provided that by such Removal, they obtain promotion to Superior Rank; are placed in a Superior Class of the same Rank, - or manner on the Regimental Succession to Line Promotion, in the same Class -

True Extract

/Signed/ P. A. Agnew

Adjt. Genl. of the Army -

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Resolved that a Copy of the foregoing Minute be submitted to the Supreme Government, and that the Honorable the Governor General in Council be informed that the Board on mature Consideration of the facts stated by the Commander in Chief have entirely concurred in His Excellencys' Sentiments.—

Minute of the Commander in Chief.

Minute of the Commander in Chief - Submits application from the Veterinary Surgeon to the Stud regarding a Monthly Allowance per Horse for Medicines - Submits application from the Commandant of Artillery that Artizan indulgence lately granted may be extended to Invalids of Golundauze and Artillery Lascars.

I submit to the Board the following application from Mr. Errolt, lately appointed Veterinary Surgeon to the Honorable Company's Stud, regarding the supply of Medicines to enable him to perform his professional duty;— which he thinks, may be better arranged on the principle of a monthly Allowance per Horse, being made to him, than by the supply of Medicines in kind;— many of which are subject to waste on Conveyance and instore, and can be readily procured on the Buzars of the Country.—

Mr. Errolls estimate is

Calculated

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Calculated on his experience of the expenditure on a Regiment of Dragoons - but the Chance of Accidents being much less in the Stud, I should Consider a smaller Allowance ample. — I recommend that the Subject be referred to the Superintendant of the Stud for an opinion and Afterwards to the Military Auditor General for a Comparison of the Expense to be incurred under this proposal, Contrasted with the Actual expenditure under the present System. —

I submit to the Consideration of the Board a Letter addressed to the Adjutant General by the Commandant of Artillery — Soliciting that a similar indulgence to that granted to Native Infantry Invalids, by the Government Orders of the 1st November last, may be extended to Invalids of Golundauze and Artillery Lascars. —

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/Signed/ J. F. Cradock.
Lieutenant General

To

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To the Right Honorable

The Governor in Council

&c. &c. &c.

My Lord,

Having seen an Order at the Office of the Adjutant General appointing me Veterinary Surgeon to the Honorable Company's Stud, I trust your Lordship in Council will feel disposed to accede to the following Arrangements with regard to the regular Supply of Europe and Country Medicine and Instruments - which Appear to me the best Calculated for enabling me to do justice to an Establishment of such importance.

In the Year 1806 an Allowance of Seventy Pagodas per Month was granted by Government for the Supply of Medicine for the use of Veterinary Surgeon Attached to His Majestys Dragoon Regiments on this Establishment Calculated for the expenditure of 500 Horses — these Articles, &c

intended

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intended for the use of His Majesty's 19th Dragoons, were Always found by me very deficient and often a great part of the supply rendered useless from bad weather and other Accidents whilst the Cooly-hire in remote situations of the Regiment from the Presidency exceeded their Value at a time when every Village Bazar would have afforded an Ample supply of Country Medicine &c. I further beg leave to observe that the Allowance as granted by the Order of 1800 can never enable the Veterinary Surgeon to do his duty, without being subject to a very heavy expence for those Articles which the Medical Store cannot possibly supply him with, and for which I believe there is at present no provision — such as Bottles, Chatties, ropes, hobbles, Nick Cords, with a great Variety of Instruments, peculiar to the Veterinary Practice.

I therefore humbly beg leave to suggest to your Lordships in Council that in order to obviate all such inconvenience and delay that a

Monthly

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Monthly Allowance of Six fanams per horse may be granted me which will at the same time remove all difficulties in the Supply of Medicine and Instrument of every description, and also be a Saving to the Company of upwards of Twenty Pagodas per Month on every 500 Horses.—

From this Allowance of 6 fanams per horse I shall undertake to Supply Europe and Country Medicine to any extent that may be required, and also furnish all Instruments and every thing that may contribute to the Convenience of Sick and Lame Horses— All Inquire is to be allowed to indent on the Medical Stores for such Europe Medicines as the State of the Stores may permit, and which cannot be procured otherwise— paying for the same.

/Signed/ St. Ernst

Veterinary Surgeon
to the Honble Company's
Stud

Madras
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To

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To the Adjutant General
of the Army

Sir,

The General Orders By Government 1st November directs that Invalids of Native Infantry may have a choice of residing where they wish — in the Vicinity of their families — and that the pay of Sepoy Invalids shall be the same as Effective Sepoy &c. — The above mentioned Arrangement specifying only Invalids of Native Infantry. I submit to the Consideration of His Excellency the Commander in Chief the case of Invalids of the Goolundauze and Gun Lascar Establishment, on the same principle. —

S. Thomas' Mount
9th December 1806

/Signed/ Robt. Bell
Col. Comg. Artillery

Ordered that the Military Board be desired to Ascertain and report for the information of the Board the most economical mode of supplying Medicines for the use of the Sheed at Ganjam. —

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The Commander in Chief is requested to submit to the Board a Comparative Statement of the Pay of Natives, Invalided from the Artillery and Infantry.—

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

Resolution of the Governor in Council
Dated 12th December 1806

Proceedings of the Medical Board—
State that Mr. Surgeon Dalton wishes to visit the Presidency.—

Approved

Medical Board
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Application having been made by Mr. Surgeon Dalton, for 20 days leave of absence, to visit this Presidency on his private affairs. and his application is supported with the sanction of the Judges of the Provincial Court, to which he is attached, as well as by

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by the Superintending Surgeon of the Centre Division, the Medical Board recommend, that leave be granted to him accordingly.—

/Signed/ Jas. Anderson

Physician General

" Terence Cahagan M.D.

and 2d. Member Med.l Board

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

/Signed/ G.n Strachey

Secretary to Govt.

The following Letter from the Military Board is ordered to be Recorded.—

To the Right Honorable

Lord William Bentinck

Governor in Council

&c. &c. &c.

From the Military Board—

My Lord,

We have the honor to acknowledge the

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the receipt of Mr. Secretary Strachey's Letter of the 29th October, acquainting us that your Lordship had been pleased to record your Satisfaction at the explanations submitted, with a Letter from the Secretary to the Commander in Chief, on the Part of the Committee of Officers assembled on the 15th of April last at Hydrabad.—

2 It is with great reluctance that We accede to the renewal of a Discussion on which your Lordship appears to have passed a Decision; but as the explanations which have proved Satisfactory to Government, Consist in an attempt to refute, (not in the most delicate Manner) the opinion which We had the honor to submit to your Lordship in Council on the 2d. July, We beg permission to call your Lordship's Attention to the principles upon which that opinion was formed; not for the purpose of establishing the inaccuracy of the Statements originally received from

Hydrabad,

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Hydrabad, but in order to remove the imputation of
our having misled the Judgement of your Lordship
in Council by the Statements and inferences contained
in that Letter.—

3 Your Lordship in Council
having by Letters of the 16.th and 28.th April called for
our opinion relative to the Accuracy of a Statement of
certain Officers at Hyderabad, which Statement the
Resident refers to as the Ground for his having continued
Batta to the European Troops, notwithstanding the
Contrary Orders of your Lordship in Council, it
became our Duty to compare the Statement and
its Several parts with our own Experience, and
the Acknowledged Custom of the Service; The Statement
of the Officers at Hydrabad professes to be a "Statement
of the cheapest manner in which a Soldier can
possibly Mess at Hydrabad" upon this princi-
ple did We examine and comment on it;
in the Course of our examination We stated our
opinion that a Man at Hydrabad could possibly

live

leive on what is known to be the usual subsistence of the Troops at other Stations; We did not suppose that the Soldier at Hydrabad any more than Soldiers at other Stations, has a right to expect to have the best provisions which are at any time procurable, and as the Letter from the Deputy Adjutant General to the Gentlemen who framed the Statement requests their opinion on the Possibility of an European Soldier subsisting himself on his Pay, We certainly do not conceive that the highest rate should have been assumed on each Article; for it is within our personal knowledge, that the description of Meat generally used by the Soldiery, is a degree inferior to that which is procured, by selection, in small quantities, for the use of those who can afford to pay an extraordinary price.—

4 The Inaccuracy of the original Statement, in regard to Prices in the Carnatic, is explained by the Gentlemen, who state that the

Prices

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Prices were taken from the Records of the 33d Regiment;
We were not informed of the Extent of the Sources of
their information, nor did we attack any Motives
to the Statement; We found it inaccurate as to
applicable to the Stations in the Carnatic, and We
stated it to be so, pointing out the instances.—

In regard to the quantity of Beef

5 to be charged for each Mans' Dinner, the Gentlemen
explain that this quantity is allowed by Government
when Provisions are served out; We did not Compare
the Statement with the Allowance of Government,
It was given as the Cheapest possible Estimate
of a Mans subsistence; and We pointed out to
your Lordship in Council, that as such it was
inaccurate; The Circumstance of their opinion
having been given to the Commanding Officer, as
a Favor, does not diminish the extent of Error to
which the inaccuracy might lead.—

In regard to the quantity of

6 Spirituous Liquor absolutely necessary to the
Existence

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Existence of an European at Hyderabad, We stated our opinion that one Dram might be = sufficient, and we are not disposed to alter that opinion from the Explanations which the Gentlemen have given.—

7 We were not aware of any In= fringement of the Dignity of the Gentlemen who framed the Statement in Styling them "President and Members of a Committee," We had adopted the Phraseology of the Commanding Officer, whom We supposed acquainted with the Nature of their Appointment; In his Letter of the 9.th June, he trans= mits a Duplicate of the Statement which the Resident had previously submitted to Government, and he Styles this Paper "Proceedings of a Committee which was ordered to assemble &c." from which Expression it would appear that he considers an Official request from a Commanding Officer to be equivalent to an Order.—

8 We should have deemed it

unnecessary

unnecessary to make any remarks on the Letter of Lieutenant Colonel Gore, Captain Dalrymple and Lieutenant Hall, had they confined themselves to the mere justification of their former opinion, or to an Acknowledgement of the Errors into which they had been led; but while it is impossible to controvert our Statement of the Inaccuracies of their Report, We perceive a Desire to Comment on our Proceedings in a manner which tends to deprive us of that Confidence indispensably necessary to the faithful Discharge of Duties, for the most part invidious, and such must ours ever be. —

9 Further, as the Censure of your Lordship in Council, which has been satisfactorily removed by the Explanations of those Gentlemen, was professedly grounded on our Report of the 2d July, We have deemed it a Duty to Government and to ourselves to shew that the Principles of that Report were accurate, and that the flattering Commendation which your Lordship was pleased to bestow on

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it, as communicated in Mr. Buchan's Letter of the 9th August was not altogether unfounded.—

Fort St. George
1st December 1806

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

/Signed/ Robt. Bell
" P. A. Agnew
" Alex. Orr

Read 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—Requests to know the Sentiments of Government respecting the Salary of Captain Wilson as Acting Paymaster at Vellore.

Having observed that the Authority of your Lordship in Council has not been received in this Office for Captain Wilson of His Majesty's 19th Light Dragoons drawing the Salary attached to the Office of Paymaster of Vellore for the period during which he acted in that Capacity, I beg leave to request your Lordship will be pleased to direct the

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The Sentiments of Government to be stated for my guardance in the Adjustment of Captain Wilsons' Accounts, the Allowances of Acting Staff Officers always requiring the Sanction of Government previous to the Admission of such Charges in the public Accounts.

2 It may be proper to state that a report of Captain Wilsons' Appointment was made to your Lordship in Council by the Deputy Military Auditor General in a letter dated the 19th July last, but the reply of Mr. Secretary Stracheys to that letter under date the 25th of the same Month does not advert to the Circumstance of Captain Wilsons' Appointment.

3 The Salary of the Paymaster at Vellore is Pagodas 300 per Month.

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

Military Auditor Generals' Office
Fort St. George 10th December 1806

/Signed/ Alex.r Orr
Milty. Audr. Genl.

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Resolved that Captain Wilson of His Majesty's 19th Regiment of Light Dragoons be permitted to draw the Allowance of Paymaster at Vellore, for the period while He officiates in that situation.—

From the Offic. Commanding the New Town of Cuddalore

To the Chief Secretary to Government

From the Offic. Commanding the New Town of Cuddalore solicits Sanction for the Establishment of a Lock Hospital at Cuddalore.—

Sir,

I had the honor of addressing you on the 21st Ultimo relative to the Cantonment Staff Allowances & thereto drawn by the Non Commissioned Officers attached to the Cadet Company, and I am further induced to address you for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council relative to the establishment of a Lock Hospital; previous to the removal of the Cadet Company from Trichinopoly I received the Sanction of His Excellency the

Commander

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Commander in Chief to erect a Building for this purpose, but in consequence of the intimated removal of the Institution, I thought it best to defer doing so until the transfer of the Station had taken place.—

I am therefore induced to solicit the Sanction of His Lordship in Council for the establishment of a Lock Hospital at New Town, and that I may be authorized either to rent a House if practicable or if necessary, instructed to erect a suitable building for the purpose.—

I have Sir the honor to be

New Town Cuddalore
5.th December 1806

&c.: &c.:

/Signed/ J. Pollock
Capt.: Com.g

Ordered that Captain Pollock be furnished with the following Reply.—

To the Officer Commanding the New Town of Cuddalore

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honorable the

Vide Dispatch to Bengal 18th Feb.y 1807 Para 4.

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the Governor in Council to Acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 5th. Instant, and to desire that you will establish a Lock Hospital at the Station under your Command at the least practicable expense, reporting for His Lordships' information the Amount of the Charge which it may be necessary to discharge on that account—

Fort St. George
13th December 1806

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

Read the following Letter from
Messrs. Harington & Co.—
George Buchan Esqr.
Chief Secretary to Government

Sir,

From Messrs Harington & Co. Request an advance on account of Offreckonings due to Colonel Close under the usual Indemnity—

We have the honor to annex Extract of a Letter from the Military Paymaster General in Answer to our application for an Advance on Account of Offreckonings due to Colonel Close, who requested us to draw such Advance as he may be entitled to, previous to his embarking

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embarking for Europe from Bombay, which advance We request may be made to us on Colonel Close's account — under the usual Indemnity.

We have the honor to be

Madras
11th December 1806

&c. &c.

/Signed/ Harrington & Co.

Extract of a Letter from the Military Paymaster General

Dated 9th December 1806.

"Your Application for an advance on Account of the Offreckonings due to Colonel Close ought to be made to Government, and they will order the usual Indemnity to be entered into by you to answer the overplus paid, if any, on the final close of the Offreckoning Fund."

Ordered that the Military Auditor General be desired to state the Amount of Offreckonings payable on account of Colonel Close Agreeably to the Principle of Adjustment observed in other Similar Cases,

Ordered that the following Letter be dispatched to the Military Board.—

To the President and Members of the
Military Board

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Right Honorable

the

Military Board —
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a Plan and Estimate for the Construction of a Barrack at Bellary, Capable of accommodating 500 Europeans, and that they will give immediate Orders for making the necessary Preparations for that purpose.—

the Governor in Council to desire that you will submit a Plan and Estimate for the Construction of a Barrack at Bellary, Capable of accommodating Five hundred Europeans—

2 It being desirable however that advantage should be taken of the present favorable period of the Season for constructing a Barrack of that description, I am directed to desire that you will give immediate orders for making the necessary preparations for that purpose.—

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

Ed. Strange
Mr. Dick
W. Petrie
Oakes

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Diary.

13th Sent the following letter.—

To Captain L. Hook.

Secy to the Government at
Fort William

Sir,

To the Secretary to the Government with Fort William — Recommends earnestly that the measures for Consolidating the Accounting Funds and revising Rank of Officers promoted on the formation of the retired List, may not as far as relates to this Presidency be carried into effect.—

Para 1. I am directed by the Right Honble the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your Letters of the 15th & 25th October last regarding the orders of the Honble court of Directors for consolidating the Accounting Funds of the Presidency of Fort William Fort St. George and Bombay, and for revising the Rank of Officers promoted in the formation of the Retired List.—

2d. Both measures having appeared to the Commander in Chief at this Presidency to be liable to very serious objections, His Excellency has deemed it to be his duty to record his sentiments on the subject in the form of a separate Minute: and His Lordship in-

in Council having enterely concurred in the opinions of His Excellency, I am directed to request that you will submit the enclosed copy of that Document to the Hon^ble the Governor General in Council, with His Lord= =ships earnest recommendation that the mea= =sures in question, as far as they concern the Military Establishment of this Presidency, may not be carried into effect without a further reference to the Hon^ble court...

Fort St. George
13th December 1806 — I am &c.
/ Signed / G. Strachey.
Secretary to the Government —

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letters entered in M. B. Nos. 31. 32. 33. 34. 35. 36. 37. —

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From the Town Major — Reports the embarkation of three Native Officers on the Teignmouth. —

To the Secretary to the Government at Fort William —

To Captain Hook — Forwards General Return for the Month of November — serving

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serving under this Presidency:-

To the Secretary to the Government at Fort William-

To ditto - Requests the Gun Powder required for the Service of this Presidency may be early supplied from Bengal.-

To the Military Board

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To Ditto-

To ditto - Encloses Extract - from the Proceedings of Hes Lordship in - Council in this Department of the 12th Inst- =tant, and directs payment of bills and Ad- =vances of Money to be authorized as re- =commended-

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recommended by the Military Board.

To the Military and Dr. General.— To Ditto — Directs that he will submit the draft of a G. O. for granting compensation to the Native Troops in Money while they cannot be supplied with Grain from the Public Stores.

14th Received the following letters, entered in M. B. Nos. 38 39 40.—

From the acting Secretary to the Government at Fort William From Captain Hill — Reports an advance to an Assistant Surgeon of this Establishment.—

From Ditto. From the same — Reports an advance to an Officer of this Establishment.—

From Ditto. From ditto — the same — Reports an advance to an Assistant Surgeon of this Establishment.—

To the President and Members of the Military Board.

Gentlemen,

To the Military Board — Directs that they will order the Garrison Para 1. I am directed by the Right Honble the Governor in Council to acknowledge the

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Garrison Store-
=Keepers to re=
=ceive the grain
transferred by
Collectors at dif=
=ferent Stations
proposed for=
storing it-the
Grain required
at Vellore Varcoh
to be supplied
as soon as=
possible from
the Residency-

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the receipt of your Letter of the 24th Ultimo en=
=closing a Statement of the Stations where You
propose that a Store of Grain shall be provided
for the use of the Troops-

2nd His Lordship in Council having
recently received a very distinct Report from the
Board of Revenue on the general question, I am
directed to enclose a copy of that Letter for your
information, and to acquaint you that His=
Lordship is satisfied on full consideration
of the circumstances stated by that Board,
that the most convenient and economical
mode of obtaining the supplies of grain
which may be required for the use of the
Troops during the present scarcity is by in=
=viting sealed proposals of supply through the
medium of the Collectors.-

3rd A Copy of your Letter and Statement
has accordingly been furnished to the Board
of Revenue who will instruct the Collectors
to take the necessary means of storing the
supplies-

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supplies of grain which you have reported to be requisite at the several Stations.—

4. His Lordship in Council desires that you will issue orders to the Garrison Storekeeper for receiving the grain which will be transferred by the Collectors, and it will be necessary that any directions which may have been issued to those Officers for the purchase of Grain should be recalled as soon as possible.—

5th You have already been apprized of the intention of His Lordship in Council that the supply of grain required at Vellore and Arcot, shall be dispatched from the Presidency, and it will be necessary that it should be dispatched with the least practicable delay.—

Fort St. George.
15th Decr 1806—

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

At

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At a Consultation

Present

The Right Honorable

Lord William Bentinck

Governor and President.

Lieutenant General Sir J. F. Cradock K. B.

Commander in Chief.

Tuesday the 16th December 1806

William Petrie
and
Thomas Oakes
} Esqrs.

Minutes of last Consulta=
=tion read and approved.-

The Commander in Chief

records the following Minute-

Minute of the Commander in Chief.

In a Statement of

Minute of the Com=
=mander in Chief=
=Recommends that
the allowances of
Rough Riders be
extended to those
men who acted in
that

Claims forwarded by Colonel Davies from
certain Individuals in Hers Majestys=
22nd Dragoons, who were lately trans=
=ferred-

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that Capacity with the Horse artillery - submits Estimate from Major Bruce of the expence in=curred by allow=ing the Turbands of his Regiment as directed by Go=vernment - For=wards Papers from Major General Camp=bell regarding Pay due to Lieutenant Macintosh as Ac=ting Deputy Judge Advocate - sub=mits the Proceedings of the Medical Board with the return of the sick of the army for August -

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=ferred to that Regiment from the 19th She following Men Viz.

Serjeant Joseph Milward

Serjeant John Webb

& Private Peter Ripps.

Claim an allowance for attending the Drill of the Troop of Horse Artillery under the Instructions of Riding Master Neville of His Majestys 19th Light Dragoons. from the 8th of August 1805. to the 15th of February 1806.

I have the honor to lay before Council the Extract of a Letter from the Adjt. General, to the Officer Commanding Arcot, and 19th Light Dra=goons under date 16th May 1805, directing the Selection of a Quarter Master and four Men, for the Purpose of acting as Rough Riders, and assisting in the Instruction of the Horse Ar=tillery -

As I find that Mr. Neville has neglected to apply for any Recompence for those Men, and as Captain Noble, to whom I re=

=ferred -

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referred their claim represents that their Services were of Importance to the Improvement of the Horse Artillery — I beg leave to recommend, that the allowance usually granted to Rough Riders in the Cavalry Regiments, be extended to those Soldiers, for the Period, that they acted in that Capacity at the Drills of the Troop of Horse Artillery. —

2. I have also the Honor to submit to the Board, a Letter from Major Bruce, Commanding the 1st Battalion of the 20th Native Infantry, forwarding an Estimate of the Expence, which will be incurred in the alteration of the Turbands of the Regiment under his Command from their original regimental Shape to the Pattern regulated for the Army, and which alteration he was directed to carry into Effect by Instructions from Government — I recommend that the Military Auditor General be instructed to examine and admit this charge, if correct. —

3 I have also to lay before Council

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a Letter from Major General Campbell forwarding Abstracts of Pay and allowances, due to Lieutenant B. Macintosh for acting as Deputy Judge Advocate from 8th September to 13th October; and from 14th October to 5th November last inclusive; which I request may be referred to the Office of the Military Auditor General for Adjustment and Payment.-

4 I have the honor to submit the Proceedings of the Medical Board of 5th Instant forwarding the Return of the Sick of the Army for the Month of August last.-

Fort St. George
16th Decr. 1806-

/Signed/ J. F. Cradock-
Lieut. General-

Extract of a letter from the Adjutant General of the Army, to the Officer Commanding Arcot, and 19th Light Dragoons, dated Fort St. George 16th May 1805.-

"The Commander in Chief
"directs that you leave at Arcot, on the March
"of the 19th Regement. a Quarter Master Capable

of

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" of Instructing the Detachment of Drafts for the Horse
" Artillery in Horsemanship, and four Tough Ti=
=ders to assist him in that duty, you will place this
party under the orders of Major Walker Commanding
the 8th Regiment who will receive instructions re=
=garding the duty.- The Quarter Master will draw
full Batta while employed on this Duty.-

(True Extract)

(Signed) P. A. Agnew.
Adjt. Genl.

To Lieutenant Colonel Reynell.
Secretary to the Commander in Chief.

Sir,

Having received instructions
from the Right Honorable the Governor in Council,
to complete the 1st Battalion 20th Regiment N.I.
under my Command with the Regulation Turband
with as little delay as possible, the amount of
which Hes Lordship informed me is to be de=
=frayed by Government. I have the honor here=
=with-

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with to enclose you an Estimate of the Total Amount required for that purpose, and request you will be pleased to lay the same before His Excellency the Com=mander in Chief.—

Madras [Signed] C.t Bruce.
11th Dec.r 1806. Major Comm.g 1st B. 20 R. N.I.

Estimate of expence to be incurred in the alteration of the Turband.—

5 yards Superfine blue Cloth for the Nat. Com.d Officers	@ 1. 40. 25. per y.d	9.. 21.. 45
200 d.o of Ordinary d.o Nat.	41/40 per d.o	184. 20.—
1006 Brass Ornaments	@ 9.f each	201.. 4.—
Dammer to prevent rust		5....
Wax cloth required to replace what is not good		5
Lining & Tape for 1030 Turbands @ 1/ each		22.. 40..
Iron		2 .. ..
Pay for one Month to 4 Armourers @ 4/ per day		10.. 30..
" d.o to 4 Smiths @ 4/		10.. 30..
" d.o to 4 Bellows boys @ 1/		2.. 30..

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	S. P.	f.	b.
Taylors Work, including Thread &c. @ 1/anam each Turband	72..	40	..
Total S.. P..	476..	40..	45.

(signed) C.. Bruce.

Major Comm.g 1st B.. 20th R.. N. I..

Madras

11th Dec.r 1806.

To the Military Secretary to
His Excellency the Commander in Chief at
Fort St. George.

Sir.

I have the honor to Enclose Ab=
=stracts from the late acting Judge Advocate at=
Bellary which I request you will lay before=
His Excellency the Commander in Chief for His=
recommendation to Government in order to their
being paid.-

(signed) Dug.d Campbell.
Major Gen.l

Madras

Dec.r 12th 1806-

Resolution thereon

Resolved that the usual allowances of a Rough Rider be paid to each of the Dragoons mentioned in the foregoing Minute during the period.

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period of their attendance in that Capacity with the Troop of Horse Artillery.-

Ordered that the estimated Expense of providing the 1st Battalion of the 20th Regiment Native Infantry with Turbands of the Established Pattern to referred to the Military Auditor General, and that he be desired to authorise it if correct.-

Ordered that the charges incurred by Lieutenant Macintosh as acting Deputy Judge Advocate in the Ceded Districts be referred to the Military Auditor General to be adjusted agreeably to the Regulations of the Service.-

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

Medical

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Proceedings of the Medical Board - Forward the return of the sick of the army for August.

Resolution of the Governor in Council.

Dated 16th December 1806

To be Recorded.

By Order of
the Right Honble the
Governor in Council

(Signed) G. Strachey.
Sec.y to Gov.t

Medical Board.

5th December 1806.

The Medical Board have the honor to forward the Monthly Return of the Sick of the Army for the Month of last August last.-

(Signed) Jas. Anderson
Physician General,

Terence Gahagan M.D.
and 2d Member Med.l Bd.

The Commander in Chief lays the following letter from Colonel Gillespie before the Board.-

G. Buchan Esq.r

Sir.

From Colonel Gillespie Recommends the Petition of Subidar ally Beg for a Grant of Land

I have the honor to recommend the Petition of Subidar ally Beg - to the Consideration -

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=sideration of Government. He is a very deserving man.—

Arcot.— /Signed/ Robt. Rollo Gillespie,
Colonel

Dect. 8th. 1806.

To Colonel Gillespie.

The Humble Petition of Alley Beg—
Subedar in the 1st. Regt. of Cavalry, Sheweth—

That your Petitioner has pur=
=chased a Piece of Land from some of the Ad=
=herents of the late Nawab on which your
Petitioner proposes to build an House for the
accomodation of his Family, but one angle of the
ground is in possession of some others who will
not part with it unless your Petitioner can pro=
=cure an equally good spot in the Neighbourhood
to give in exchange, your Petitioner therefore
requests that you will have the goodness to ob=
=tain from the Right Honorable the Gover=
=nor in Council, a Grant, of a few Cauonies of
Ground, near Arcot, which if obtained he=

will—

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will be able to arange with the present Possessors of the ground that adjoins what he has already purchased.-

Your Petitioner has served in the Cavalry for twenty Seven Years; has been present in all the Mysore wars, with the Marquis Cornwallis, Generals Harris & Floyd; was at the defeat of the Rebel Dundiah with General Wellesley; against the Southern Pollygars with Colonel Agnew; and lately assisted to quell the Mutineers on the 10th of July at Vellore, under your Command.-

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Ordered that the Board of Revenue be instructed to comply with the Petition submitted with the foregoing letter, if it should not be deemed liable to objection-

Order thereon

The Commander in Chief lays the following Memorandum before the Board-

Statement

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Memorandum from the Commander in chief Statement shewing the former and present Pay of Effective and Invalid Native Troops of different Corps.—

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Golandauze.—	Present Pay of Effectives	Former Pay of Invalids	Pay of Invalids since November 1806	
Subidar	16			not fixed
Jemidar	8			
Havildar	4			
Naique	3			
Private	2 15 ..			
Drummer	2 21 ..			
Bheestie	2			
Gun Lascars.				
Syrang 1st Class	12	7		no alteration
do 2nd do	9	7		
do 3rd do	7	7		
1st Tindal	3	2 22 ..		
2nd Tindal	2 21 ..	2 2 ..		
Lascars	2 10 ..	1 34 ..		
Bheestie	2	1 34 ..		
Native Infantry.—				
Subidar 1st Class	20	12		not fixed
do 2nd do	15	12		
do 3rd do	12	12		
Jemidar	7	6 21 ..	7	
Havildar	3	2 3140	3	
Naique	2 21 ..	2 7 ..	2 21 ..	
Drummer	2 21 ..	2 21 ..	2 21 ..	
Private	2	1 24 ..	2	
Puckally	3 2 72	1 24 ..	3 2 72	

Resolved—

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Resolutions thereon

Resolved that Lascars Invalided from the Corps of Artillery shall receive the Full Pay of Effective Sepoys.—

Read the following letter from the Secretary at Fort William

G. Strachey Esqr.
Secretary to the Government
Fort St. George

Sir,

From the acting Secretary to the Government at Fort William with Copy of a Letter from the Honble Court of Directors authorizing an increase of Field-officers for the artillery.

I am directed by the Honble the Governor General in Council to transmit to you the enclosed Copy of a Letter from the Honorable the Court of Directors dated the 21st of May last, and to request that the Right Honorable the Governor in Council will take the necessary measures for having the orders of the Honorable Court carried into effect at the Presidency of Fort St. George.—

Fort William
20th November 1806.

I am.
Your Your Your
Thos Hall
Actg Secy to Govt Dept.

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Our Governor General in Council.

at Fort William

in Bengal.

Par. 1. Our last Letter to you in this De=
=partment was dated the 2nd Instant.

2d. By our Letter of the 10th July last
you were informed that we had taken into Serious
Consideration the state of our Artillery Corps in In=
=dia, relative to the Establishment of Field officers
attached to the Battalions, and of the reference
made to the late Marquis Cornwallis on the Sub=
=ject of an Increase of that Establishment.

3d. We have learned by a Com=
=munication from G. A. Robinson Esq. the
Private Secretary to the late Governor General, that
His Lordship had discussed the subject, and
from a Conviction of the propriety and fairness
of the measure we had submitted to his Consi=
=deration, had determined to adopt it. we Con=
=clude however from the ever to be lamented

Death

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Death of the Noble Marquis so soon after his arrival in Bengal, no Steps had been taken to give effect to His Lordship's Sentiments. —

4. Under these Circumstances, as our Conviction of the expediency and Justice of the augmentation remains unaltered; and as in their Letter of the 25th July last the Governor General and Council very strongly recommended an Increase of Field Officers to the Artillery, with a view to prevent the Slow Promotion and frequent Supercessions of the Officers of that Corps, we now direct that a second Lieutenant Colonel and second Major be added to each of the Artillery Battalions in our Service at the several Presidencies, and that the Necessary Promotions do accordingly take place on Receipt of our orders — and in Consideration of the great delay that has unavoidably occurred in these Promotions, and of the Augmentations made to the Infantry and Cavalry Regiments in 1804 and 1805, by which the Hard-

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ships Complained of by the Artillery officers respecting their relative Promotion to those of the other Corps of the army, have been increased in a Considerable de= =gree, we have resolved that this new Establishment of Field Officers for the Artillery shall be consi= =dered as taking effect from the 21st September 1804, at which period four Regiments of Native Infantry were added to each of the armies of Bengal and Fort St. George.—

5. In regard to allowances we can only permit of the difference of Pay being drawn by the Officers of Artillery, to be promoted from the 21st September 1804 in Consequence of our present orders.—

London
the 21st May 1806.

We are
Your &c.
(signed) W. F. Elphinstone
" Edward Parry.
" John Manship
" T. Reid.

John.

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(Signed) John Roberts.
" John Inglis
" R. Thornton
" W. Bensley.
" Abrām Roberts
" Jas. Pattison
" John Bebb.
" T. T. Metcalfe.
" Joseph Cotton.
" " Parry.

(A true Copy)
Thomas Hull.
Actg Secy Mily Dept.

Resolutions thereon.

Resolved that the Commander in Chief be requested to state such further arrangements as may be necessary in the Corps of Artillery in consequence of the foregoing Communication.—

Read

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Read the following letters from the Military Board.

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

My Lord

From the Military Board. The orders of Government regarding the Village of Kordagudah. Communicated. recommend the improvement of the European Barracks at the Mount. Transmit Copy of a letter from the officer Commanding Chittoor suggesting the employment of the Prisoners on the Public Works.

1st. We have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Letters from the Secretary in the Military Department under date the 26th. November, and to report that the necessary orders have been given.

2nd. We have Communicated to the officer Commanding in the Ceded Districts, your Lordship's orders regarding the Village of Kordagudah.

3d. The plans and Estimate for the improvement of the European Barrack at St. Thomas' Mount Cantonment, have been examined and found correct, and as we conceive that the addition of a Verandah as proposed in the Plan. No. 2 will add considerably to the comfort and convenience of the accommodation, we recommend that the work may be-

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be authorized according to the Estimate amounting to

Pagodas 1,599.. 3.. 43.-

4th We have the honor to enclose

Copy of a Letter from the Officer Commanding

Chittoor, and we recommend that his suggestion for

employing the Prisoners in cleaning and improving

the works of the Fort, may be adopted unless there

be objections on the part of the Magistrate, of

which we are not aware.

We have the honor to be

Sir

Your

Obedt

Servts

(signed) J. F. Cradock.

" Robt Bell.

" P. A. Agnew.

" Alexr Orr.

Fort St. George
8th Dec. 1806.

The Secretary of the Military Board
Fort St. George.

Sir.

I beg leave to state for the in-
formation of the Board, the propriety of having

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

My Lord.

From the Military Board. Recommend payment of bills and advances of Cash.

1. We have the honor to recommend Payment of the enclosed Bills. Viz.

No. 1. Bill of the Barrack Master in the Northern Division, for 30 new Cotts made up for the Garrison of Vizagapatam under our authority. Amounting to Pagodas. 105. — —

No. 2. — Bill of the Barrack Master in the Centre Division for making up 11 Centry Boxes for the use of the Cantonment of Wallajahbad — — Amounting to Pagodas. 267. 17. 50

No. 3 — Bill of the Surgeon of His Majesty's 34th Regement of Foot, for expenses incurred in the temporary repairs of the Hospital of the 34th Foot in the lower Fort of Gooty. Amounting to Pagodas 8. — 60

Bill

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No. 4 —— Bill of the Officer Commanding at Sankeydroog for repairs performed to the Hospital Range within the second line of defence amounting to Pagodas 65.— whereof a Balance is due of Pagodas 21.. 30..—

No. 5. —— Bill of the Engineer at Vellore, for erecting a Place of arms for a Battalion of Sepoys at that Station— Amounting to Pagodas 773.. 46.. 31..—

No. 6 —— Bill of the Engineer at Seringapatam, for repairs made to the European Barrack, Cook Room and Necessary, with a Cistern and water drain— Amounting to Pagodas 242.. 10.. 71—

No. 7 —— Bill of the Engineer at Seringapatam for building a new drain from the Square of the European Barrack leading to the sewer of the Hospital and Necessary— Amounting to Pagodas 169. 38. 14— the balance being Pagodas 65.. 1.. 3..—

No. 8 .... Bill of the Engineer at Seringapatam for building a new Conjee House to the European—

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=ropean Barrack amounting to Pagodas 464. 7. 60.
the balance due is Pagodas 177. 27. 26.

No. 9 .... Bill of the Engineer at Seringapatam. for building a new Necessary and converting the old one into an additional Cook Room for the Ar=
=tillery Barrack. Amounting to Pagodas 567.35.19.

No. 10. ... Bill of the Engineer at Seringapa=
=tam, for Alterations to the Necessaries of the European Hospital, as also to the Channel, and for Office Furniture made up for the Garrison Surgeon under Authority of the Commanding Officer. Amounting to Pagodas 727:37:52. the balance due is Pagodas 315. 31. 16.

No. 11 .. Bill of the late Commissary of supply with the Hydrabad Subsidiary Force, for 3 Private Tents made up for the use of the Ordinance Department in December 1803. Amounting to Pagodas 80. 35. 56.

No. 12 .. Bill of the late Commissary of supply with the Hydrabad Subsidiary Force for 37

Private

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Private Tents furnished for the use of His Majesty's 9th Regiment in November 1803. Amounting to Pagodas 997. 6. 24.—

No. 13 ..... Bill of the Commissary of supply on the Hydrabad Subsidiary Force, for Gunny Bags provided for the Service of the Gram Department of the 1st Regiment Native Cavalry in October last. Amounting to Pagodas 5 11. 20. 22.—

No. 14. .... Bill of the Quarter Master of the 4th Regiment Native Cavalry for making up 301. Gram Gunny Bags for the use of the Corps, &c. amounting to Pagodas 75. 11. 20.—

No. 15. ..... Three Bills of the late agent for the supply of Military Stores, for Articles provided for the Service of the Arsenal of Fort St. George. Amounting to Pagodas. 11. 243. 39. 3.—

We also recommend Payment of the following Advances of Cash. Viz.—

2.

An Advance of Pagodas 1035. 25.

18.— to the Superintending Engineer in the Ceded Districts, being the second third of the cost for

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No. 13 ..... Bill of the Commissary of supply &c with the Hydrabad Subsidiary Force, for Gunny Bags provided for the Service of the Gram Department of the 1st Regiment Native Cavalry in October last amounting to Pagodas 511. 20. 22.

No. 14 .... Bill of the Quarter Master of the 6th Regiment Native Cavalry for making up 301 Gram Gunny Bags for the use of the Corps, &c amounting to Pagodas 75. 11. 20.

No. 15 ..... Three Bills of the late agent for the supply of Military Stores, for Articles provided for the Service of the Arsenal of Fort St. George amounting to Pagodas 11243. 39. 3.

We also recommend Payment of the following Advances of Cash &c.

2. An Advance of Pagodas 1035. 25.

18 to the Superintending Engineer in the Ceded Districts, being the second third of the cost for

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for erecting the Granary in the lower Fort of Bellary-

. An Advance of Pagodas 364.. to the Superintending Engineer at Seringapatam, being one third of the Expense of repairing the Terrace of the European Hospital, and for alterations to the Cook Room.—

. An Advance of Pagodas 130.. to the Engineer at Tellicherry being one third, the cost for rebuilding the Gun shed at that Station...

. An Advance of Pagodas 124.. to the Engineer at Cannanore, being one third of the Estimated Amount for rebuilding the Conjee -House in the European Cantonment, and for erecting two Necessaries to the same...

We have the honor to be

Fort St. George
8th Decr 1806.

Your Your Your

(Signed) I. F. Cradock

" Robt Bell.

" P. A. Agnew.

" Alexr Orr.

The Board approve the proposed im-provement

Minutes thereon.

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provement of the European Barrack at St. Thomas's Mount, and it is Resolved to authorize the execution of that work.—

Ordered that the suggestion of the Commanding Officer at Chittoor relative to the employment of the Prisoners confined in the Jail at that Station be referred for the Consideration of the Civil Magistrate.—

Ordered that authority be given for the payment of the Bills and Advances of Money recommended in the foregoing Letters.—

Read the following letter from the Military Auditor General.—

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

My Lord,

On the 27th September last the late Military Auditor General addressed a letter to your Lordship in Council on the subject of an—

From the Military auditor General. Reporting further on the claim advanced by Lieutenant Bellingham on account of Extra expences

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expences, while Pay=
=master to the Poonah
subsidiary force.—

No. 1 and 2.

an application from Lieutenant Billingham for a
remuneration on account of the sum of Pagodas
5,030, which he asserted having disbursed to Writers
&c employed in his late office of Paymaster, Copies
of Lieutenant Billingham's application and of
Lieutenant Colonel Brunton's address to Govern=
=ment, are herewith forwarded, in order that your
Lordship in Council may have immediate re=
=ference to them if necessary.—

2 In Mr. Secretary Stracheys letter
of the 29th October last, the Military Auditor General was
informed "that Government will not be disposed to pay at=
"tention to the application from the late Paymaster
"of the Forces serving beyond the Frontiers, until
"Lieutenant Billingham shall have explained to
"his Lordship's satisfaction the causes which may
"have delayed the submission of his claims to so
"late a period, when in Consequence of the depar=
"=ture of Major General Wellesley from India,
"it has nearly ceased to be practicable to ascer=
"=tain the correctness of them by reference to

that.

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that officer."

3 In consequence of a Communication to Lieuten-
-ant Billingham of the foregoing resolution of Government,

N°. 3. I have received from that officer an explanatory letter

N°. 4. of which I have now the honor to forward a Copy -
accompanied by the Copy of a letter from Major Barclay,
affording a strong testimony in favor of Lieutenant -
Billingham's claims,

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

Military Auditor General's office
Fort St. George 11th Decr. 1806-

(signed) Alex. Orr.
My Audr. Genl.

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

Sir,

When I took charge of the Pay office of
the army in the Deckan, under the command of Major
General the Honorable Sir Arthur Wellesley, my sole
business in that office was to ask for Captain Shaw
who was then the Paymaster of the Grand Army under
General-

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General Stuart, to whom all my Vouchers were forwarded.—
from which the Disbursements were made up, by him, and
my business was limited to an &c. Correspondeng. with
those Vouchers, for which the Establishment of Writers
detached from the army Pay Office was very sufficient.—

In a few Months the Grand army was broke up &
the whole responsibility of my Pay office was thrown on
me, the framing of Disbursements and every other account
connected therewith, the Servants I then had were far from
being Capable of carryeng on the business of so extensive a
Department, & I found it impossible while in so destant
a part of India, and in constank motion, to prevail on any
man whose abilities were worth payeng for, to come to
my assistance from any of the Presidency's you Sir are very
well acquainted with the Period to which my Accounts fell
in arrears owing to those circumstances, and I assure you Sir
it was out of my power to forward them—

When I arrived at Poona in 1804. I spared no ex=
=pence to endeavour to procure assistance from Bombay, and
Mr. Maxtone who was then Paymaster at Madras at last pre=
=vailed upon a man to leave that place for the enormous

Monthly

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Monthly Salary of 80 Pagodas, and to make the matter worse, this man was in my Pay at that rate for 5 Months before he joined one-

I endeavored after many exertions to prevail on some people to come to serve from Bombay, from whence I could not get a man of tolerable abilities to move under from 3 to 400 Rupees a Month, so that I was obliged to be satisfied with very indifferent performers.-

In addition to my own force I had to pay four Bombay Battalions, without any allowances being made to me for an additional Establishment, and I had also the Ac-counts of five different Field Hospitals to manage-

A short time before General Wellesley left the army he asked me if I wished for any addition to my Establishment- and I told him I did not; I gave him as a reason, that as the Force would not probably be again for some time, at least, be employed so actively as it had been, I should be able when my arrears were brought up to discharge a number of my Servants, and I should be soon reimbursed without put-ting the Government to any extraordinary Expence- this you will perceive, Sir, was under the impression that I should be-

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be continued as Paymaster, but in a few Months I was dis=
=placed and the chance of reimbursement was destroyd.

I sent with my Accounts regularly every Month acquittance Rolls of the Money paid by me which are now in the Office of the Military Paymaster General, and which have the names of each individual to whom I paid the Money annexed to the sum he received.-

I have drawn up a Statement in the form of a Debtor and Credit Account, by which you will see what a sum I have paid beyond the allowances made by Government- & I declare to you on my Honor that I have paid every fanam as stated in that account, and I am now at this moment paying eighty Pagodas a Month to Writers for the purpose of bringing my accounts to a conclusion.-

I request Sir you will do me the favor to lay this letter before Government and support it with whatever remarks you may think proper, in the hope that the Right Honble the Governor may be induced to make me remuneration.-

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Fort St. George 16th December 1806—

I can mention one Instance as a prece-
dent when an additional Office Establishment was allowed,
and perhaps you Ser may have a Knowledge of many more
. In the year 1800. when a large
Detachment took the Field under Colonel Wellesley—
Captain Robertson acted as Paymaster to that Force
for . Mr. Gordon the Paymaster in . Mysore, and the
latter Gentleman was allowed to draw for the addi-
-tional Establishment required.—

Fort St. George
September 17th 1806—

(Signed) John Geo: Bellingham
late Paymaster—

(. True Copy)
. Alex. Orr.
. Mily Audt. Genl.

Dr.

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Dr. Lieutenant Jno. Geo. Bellingham, late Paymaster in account with

1803 .....
to To Cash allowed by the Military Auditor Ge-

1805 .... neral to the Writers &c. from 1st September 1803
up to 31st Augt 1805 at Pagodas 169 pr. Month 3.718 3718

July 1st To Cash allowed by Dr. for June 1805 .. .. .. 50 .. ..

3768 .. ..

To Balance 5030 .. ..

Total Star Pagodas .. .. 8798 .. ..

E. E. pr.

I do most solemnly declare upon my honor, that the
Monies bona fide disbursed by me to the Writers, &c employed in
I have not, nor shall not derive any profit thereby either

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The Honorable Company on account of Paymasters Establishment ——— Cr.

1803 September	1st	By Cash paid to Writers &c employed in Paymasters Department, for August			169	" "
October	1st	Ditto	Ditto	Ditto for Septr	169	
November	1st	Do	Do	Do for October	169	
December	1st	Do	Do	Do for November	169	
1804 January	1st	Do	Do	Do for December	169	
February	1st	Do	Do	Do for January 1804	169	
March	1st	Do	Do	Do for February	169	
April	1st	Do	Do	Do for March	373	
May	1st	Do	Do	Do for April	373	
June	1st	Do	Do	Do for May	493	
July	1st	Do	Do	Do for June	493	
August	1st	Do	Do	Do for July	493	
September	1st	Do	Do	Do for August	533	
October	1st	Do	Do	Do for September	533	
November	1st	Do	Do	Do for October	533	
December	1st	Do	Do	Do for November	533	
1805 January	1st	Do	Do	Do for December	533	
February	1st	Do	Do	Do for January 1805	513	
March	1st	Do	Do	Do for February	513	
April	1st	Do	Do	Do for March	513	
May	1st	Do	Do	Do for April	513	
June	1st	Do	Do	Do for May	513	
July	1st	Do	Do	Do for June	160	
					8.798	" "

Total Star Pagodas ——— 8.798 " "

(Signed) J. G. Bellingham
late Paymaster

above sums was indispensably necessary, & that they have been actually my Office for the Settlement of my accounts; and that directly or indirectly, or in any way or shape whatever

(Signed) J. G. Bellingham
late Paymaster

Acquittance

(A true Copy) &c. &c.
M.y A. G.

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Acquittance Roll of Servants in the Paymasters De-
-partment in arrears for March, for 1st april 1804.

1	Head Writer	Naranapah		50	" "
1	— Writer	D. Vaso		40	" "
1	— Do	Achareyee		30	" "
1	— Do	Sevaram		40	" "
1	— Do	Ramsoore		28	" "
1	— Do	Hare		28	" "
1	— Do	Commarapah		20	" "
1	— Do	Shashachellum		20	" "
1	— Do	Setaramah		25	" "
1	— Do	Coopiah		15	" "
1	Head Conicopoly	Shashiah		20	" "
1	Second	Kistnah		10	" "
1	Shroff	Tickram		10	" "
1	Do	Soobaroyalloo		10	" "
1	Mooche	Mostiah		6	" "
1	Head Gollah	Tolasingah		5	" "
1	Gollah	Rungapah		4	" "
1	Do	Mannaroo		11	" "
1	Do	Choka		4	" "
1	Do	Navoyadoo		4	" "
	Mr. Thos Pereira from 1st May 1804			80	" "
	" Joseph Pereira		Do		20
	" Poonapah		Do		20
	" Narsapah from 1st August 1804			25	" "
	" Shashelliem			5	" "
1	Conicopoly	Shashiah		10	" "

(Signed) J. G. Billingham
late Paymaster

(A true Copy)
A. Orr.
Mty A. Gen.

To

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Fort St. George 16th December 1806.

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

My Lord,

1. I have the honor to submit, for the Con-
sideration of your Lordship in Council, a Copy of a Letter
which I have received from Lieutenant Bellingham late
Paymaster to the Detachment which served in the Dek-
kan under the Command of Major General the Hon.ble
A. Wellesley, dated the 17th Instant, together with Copies
of the papers which accompanied it.

2. Lieutenant Bellingham, my Lord, prays
for a remuneration on Account of sums which he
alledges to have disbursed to Writers, &c. Em-
ployed by him in his late Office over and above the Establish-
ment allowed him from September 1803 to June 1805,
amounting to Pagodas 5,030 as per accompany-
ing Copy of his Account which is supported by his
Solemn declaration upon honor.

3. I have no hesitation in stating my
opinion -

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opinion that the sum of Pagodas 169 — pr. Month was inadequate and insufficient to enable Lieutenant Bellingham to procure proper persons to serve in his Department after the responsibility of the Office devolved upon him, but I cannot help remarking, at the same time, that the amount which Lieutenant Bellingham states to have disbursed for Writers &c. in the Pay Department appears to me to be extravagantly high indeed, particularly in the Months of June July and August 1804. when it equalled Pagodas 693 per Month. and from September 1804. to June 1805. when it equalled Pagodas 513—— per Month— This however appears to have been owing, in a great measure, to a want of people Capable of assisting him in the duties of his Office in Consequence (no doubt) of the peculiar situation of the Detachment, and the very exorbitant Wages demanded by those whom it appears he procured, with much difficulty and trouble, from Madras and Bombay.—

4. When the Hydrabad Subsidiary Force took the Field in 1803 it was found necessary to increase.—

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crease the Establishment of the Paymaster to that Force from Pagodas 170 to Pagodas 210 per Month the strength of the Detachment which General Wellesley Commanded previous to the latter end of the Month of June 1804. was much more considerable than that of the Hydrabad Subsidiary Force, but subsequent to that date it appears to have been nearly equal in Strength, both having been placed on the same footing in regard to the number of Corps and Departments.

5. Not having received any disbursements from Lieutenant Billingham on account of the Bombay Corps which he states to have paid, I can only say that I am of opinion some additional Servants were required for that purpose, but to what extent I am unable to judge for the reason before mentioned.

6. Lieutenant Billingham's Accounts fell greatly in arrear after the Battle of Assaye, and great exertions were required by him and his Servants to bring them up again to their usual state of forwardness, which I have much pleasure

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in acknowledging, he did with as much expedition as could be expected, when every circumstance attending the situation of the Detachment (at that particular period) is duly weighed and considered.-

7. In the event however of its being your Lordships pleasure to reimburse Lieutenant Billing-=ham in the amount which he alledges to have disbursed to Writers, &c employed in his office, from September 1803 to June 1805, over and above the allow=ance granted to him for an Office Establishment, during the same period, I beg leave to suggest that he may be required to substantiate his claim by a declaration upon Oath, before a Magistrate, which he has told me he is ready to do if required.-

Military Auditor Generals Office
Fort St. George 17th Sept. 1806.

I have the honor to be
Your &c &c
(signed) J. Brunton.
Mily. Aud. Genl.

(A true Copy)
A. Orr.
Military Auditor General.

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To the Military Auditor General
Fort St. George.

Sir,

In reply to the Extract of the Right Honorable the Governor's Letter dated 29th October, I have to state that the reasons for my delaying to apply for a remuneration for the expences of my office for so long a period are as follows.

. A very short time before Lt. Genl. Wellesley left India for Europe, it was expected that he would have returned to Poona to take upon him the Command of the army, then about to open a fresh Campaign against the Mahrattas, in the event of which I should have laid the business before him in person, and it would have been forwarded by him to Government - His Departure for Europe was either determined upon very suddenly, or else kept a profound secret till a very few days before his embarkation.-

I lost no time when I heard of his intentions in writing to him a Statement similar

to

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to that which I have since sent into your office, which I enclosed to Major Barclay to be delivered to the General, but Major Barclay returned it to me immediately with the account of the sailing of the Fleet, as well as I can recollect, the very day before my Letter was received by him, I then thought that the period of finally closing my Accounts would be the most proper for making my application, which I have done and I hope I have not erred.—

As it appears that great stress is laid by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, on the information which might have been obtained from Major General the Hon^ble Sir Arthur Wellesley K. B. with " ... respect to the correctness of my Statement, I have applied to Major Barclay who from his situation with General Wellesley, might be supposed to be acquainted with all the circumstances of my situation, his answer I have the honor to enclose, which I trust will have equal force whatever might have been expected from General Wellesley—

I have—

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Fort St. George
9th December 1806.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedt. Servt.
(signed) John Geo: Bellingham.
late Paymaster.

(A true Copy)
A. Orr.
Milty Audt. Genl.

To Captain J. G. Bellingham.
late Paymaster Poonah Subsidiary Force.

Sir,

I have had the honor to receive your letter of the 5th Instant enclosing an Extract from a Letter from the Secretary to Government in the Military Department to the Deputy Military Auditor General dated the 29th October last respecting the Extra Expences of your late Office; and requiring a Statement of what I may know, on that subject, in consequence of the situation which I held in General Wellesley's Army.

As you have only stated one particular point on which you require information, my answer must for the most part be general and

I will

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must certainly have fallen very much in arrear, from the 05
difficulties above stated which you experienced in
procuring the Documents necessary for carrying them on.

When the Poonah Subsidiary Force was established by General Wellesley in February 1804. you were appointed Paymaster and Commissary of Provisions to it. the Office Establishments of all the Departments were regulated and the General sent for you to his Tent while the orders were preparing and asked you whether the allowance proposed would be sufficient; as well as I can recollect you recapitulated on that occasion the difficulties which you had experienced in procuring Writers the great arrear into which the business of the Office had been, and the very high wages which you had been obliged to give for exceeding the allowance proposed; but added that it was to be expected the Force would be more at rest than it had been, and tho' the extra Servants then in your pay would be required for a Considerable time,

yet

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yet whenever the arrears were brought up you would be able to discharge them and perhaps to get Servants cheaper than at that time, and thereby reimburse yourself for your then extra expences, and therefore you would not ask for any additional allowances to those which were proposed VVLo. the same as the Paymaster and Commissary of Provisions in the Hydrabad Subsidiary Force was allowed.-

I also remember receiving a Letter from you for General Wellesley relating to the Extra Expences of your Office, two days after he sailed, and which I returned to you- I afterwards saw in Colonel Brunton's office, an account of the Monthly wages of your Public Servants- far exceeding the sum allowed to you: but the particular- amount I do not recollect.-

This is all that occurs to me at present relating to the points on which I conceive you require information, if you will state any others which I have not adverted to, I will be happy to add any thing that I may know concerning them.-

Madras 8th Decr 1806.

(Signed) R. Barclay late
Depy Adjt Genl in Mysore-

(A true Copy)
A. Orr
M. A. G.

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Ordered that the Military Auditor General be furnished with the following Reply.—

To the Military Auditor General.

Sir

To the Military Auditor General.—Desiring he will call on Lieutenant Billingham for Copies of all Letters which he may have addressed to Major General Wellesley respecting the inadequacy of his Establishment as Paymaster to the forces Commanded by that officer, and directing him to submit a detailed Statement of the Paymaster's actual Establishment of native Writers and their Salaries, with his opinion thereon.—

Para 1. I am directed by the Right Honble the Governor in Council, to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 11th Instant, and to desire that you will call on Lieutenant Billingham for Copies of all Letters which he may have addressed to Major General Wellesley respecting the inadequacy of his Establishment as Paymaster to the Forces Commanded by that Officer.—

2. His Lordship in Council also desires that you will submit a detailed Statement of the actual Establishment of Native Writers employed by the Paymaster with their respective Salaries, together with your opinion upon the same.—

I have the honor to be.

Fort St. George
17th December 1806.

Your &c. Your &c. Your &c.

(Signed) Geo: Strachey.
Secy to the Government.

Read.—

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Read the following Letter from Messrs. Abbott and Maitland.-

To the Right Honorable
Lord William Bentinck
Governor in Council.

My Lord,

From Messrs. Abbott & Maitland Requesting to allow their Bond to lye over for three Months-

Being disappointed of funds which we expected, we take the liberty of requesting the favor of your Lordship in Council, to allow our Bond to Government for Pagodas 17,940 - due the 7th Instant, to lye over for three Months, and to permit us to make partial payments upon it, as our funds come in, engaging that the whole shall be discharged, within the time above specified.-

We have the honor to be

Fort St. George
16th December 1806-

(signed) Abbott & Maitland.

ordered that Messrs. Abbott & Maitland be furnished with the following Reply-

To Messrs. Abbott & Maitland

Gentlemen,

To Messrs. Abbott & Maitland Panel according to their request-

I am directed by the Right Honble the Governor

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request to defer payment of their Bond for Rice purchased from the Public Stores, and acquainting them that the Military Paymaster General, has been instructed not to enforce its payment until three Months shall have elapsed from the date when it became due, at which period it is expected to be paid.

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Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 4th Instant, requesting permission to defer the payment of your Bond for the sum of Pagodas 17,946. due to this Government on the 7th Instant, for the purchase of Rice from the Public Stores.—

2 His Lordship in Council is concerned that you have failed to fulfill your engagement, but under the Circumstances which you have stated is induced to accede to your request. The Military Paymaster General has accordingly been instructed not to enforce the payment of your Bond until three Months shall have elapsed from the date when it became due, but I am at the same time directed to make known to you His Lordship's expectation that you will not avail yourselves of this indulgence to a greater extent than may be absolutely necessary, and that you will consider the Debt in question to supersede all other claims.

Fort St. George
17th December 1806—

I am
Your Your Your
(Signed) Geo: Strachey.—
Secy to the Government.—

Read.

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Read the following Letters from the Milit-
-tary Paymaster General.—

To the Chief Secretary of Government
Fort St. George

Sir.

From the Military Pay-
master General de-
siring the request of the
Paymaster to His Ma-
jesty's 25th Dragoons
that his Drafts may be
taken for a certain sum
on his agents in
Bengal.—

I have the honor to enclose Copy of a-
letter from Captain Ellis late Paymaster of His Majes-
-ty's 25th Lt. Dr. stating that he had received a sum of
Money in Bengal on account of the Pay of the Regiment for
September in advance, amounting to Sonaut Rupees 26,984.
- but that from circumstances he was obliged to leave in
Bengal 16,000 Sonaut Rupees, and wishing to grant
a Bill on his agent Messrs. Trail Palmer & Co. for the
sum left behind.—

As he repays Rupee for Rupee of the
sum advanced him in Bengal, I see no objection to his
wishes provided it meets with the approbation of the
Right Honorable the Governor in Council, in which case
when his receipts come round to this Presidency we shall
debit him at the Regulated Exchange for such sums as he
has not repaid and Credit Bengal—and debit Bengal
for—

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for the amount of his Bill on his agents. This account is therefore between the two Presidencies on this Transaction will be closed.

Fort St. George
8th December 1806.

I am
Your &c. &c.
(signed) B. Roebuck.
Mily Payr.

To B. Roebuck Esqr.
Military Paymaster General
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to acquaint you that 26,984 Sonat Rupees were advanced to me on account of the Subsistence of His Majestys 25th L. D. Company's allowances for September, and Kings Pay for 25th September and 24th October 1806, to be Accounted for to the Government of Madras. I gave my Receipts for the same, which I take for granted one or will be forwarded to your office. of this Sum I have used 10,984 Rupees but I could not with safety carry down to the Ship the Balance of 16,000 Sonaut Rupees, which are left in the-

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the hands of my Agents Messrs. Trail, Palmer & Co. I wish only to be put in the same state, as if I had not received the Cash, being neither to benefit, or lose by the Exchange. and therefore request that you will take my drafts on ea. my Agents, abovementioned, for the Amounts of 16,000 Sonaut Rupees; now lying in their hands, as the Regimental allowances are to be paid by this Presidency, from the 1st. of September, and the Troops must here be paid with the Currency of the place, and as a Paymaster, According to the new Regulations has arrived from England, and the State of my health calls on me to return to Europe, I am anxious to clear all my accounts, up to the day as soon as possible.—

I have the honor to be

Sir Your Obt.

(signed) R. Ellis.

Captain H. M. 25th Dragoons

Fort St. George
2nd December 1806.

/True Copy/

B. Roebuck.

Mily Paymaster

J.

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Fort St. George
8th December 1806.

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the hands of my Agents Messrs. Trail, Palmer & Co. I wish only to be put in the same state, as if I had not received the Cash, being neither to benefit, or lose by the Exchange. and therefore request that you will take my drafts on &c. my Agents, abovementioned, for the Amount of 16,000 Sonaut Rupees, now lying in their hands, as the Regimental &c. allowances are to be paid by this Presidency, from the &c. 1st. of September, and the Troops must here be paid with the Currency of the place, and as a Paymaster, according to the new Regulations has arrived from England, and the state of my health, calls on me to return to Europe, I am anxious to clear all my accounts up to the day as soon as possible.—

I have the honor to be

Yours &c.

(signed) R. Ellis.

Captain H. M. 25th Dragoons

Fort St. George

2nd December 1806.

(True Copy)

B. Roebuck.

Mily Paymaster

To.

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To the Chief Secretary of Government

Fort St. George

Sir.

From the Military Paymaster General submitting the request of the Paymaster at Viragapatam to visit the Presidency.—

I have the honor to enclose herewith Copy of a letter from Mr. H. Wilson Paymaster at Viragapatam of the 30th Ultimo with Copy of its enclosure, requesting permission to visit the Presidency, which I request you will be pleased to lay before the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, and obtain his Lordship's Commands thereon.—

Fort St. George.
8th Dec. 1806.

I am
Yrs. Yrs. Yrs.
(Signed) B. Roebuck.
Mily. Paymaster Genl.

To the Military Paymaster General

Fort St. George.

Sir.

I will thank you to obtain permission from the Right Honorable the Governor in Council for me to visit the Presidency and eventually to proceed to Europe should my Family who have been dangerously—

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dangerously indisposed, and who are by the Faculty ordered to leave this Place not recover. I shall not be two Months absents from my Station.—

Mr. Taylor the Deputy Commercial Resident has Kindly offered to act for me during my absence, which I hope will be approved of; nothing but the extreme ill health and loss of part of Family should induce me to be thus troublesome to Government.

I have applied to the Officer Commanding the Division for the needful permission, and he sanctions my application as per his enclosed reply to my address.—

(Signed) H. Wilson.
Paymaster.

Vizagapatam
Pay office.
30th Nov. 1806.

To H. Wilson Esq.
Paymaster &c.
Vizagapatam

Sir,

I am directed by the Officer Commanding the Division to acknowledge the receipt of your

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your Letter of yesterdays, and in reply to it to inform you that in his Opinion there appears to exist no ob=
=jection to your visiting the Presidency should your application to that effect meet with the applica=
=tion of the Right Honorable the Governor in Co=
Council.—

Aft. Adjt. Genl. office N. D.
Novr. 28th 1806.
Vizagapatam

/ By order /
/ Signed / John R. Vernon
Aft. Dy. Mr. Genl. A. D.
/ True Copies / B. Roebuck.
Mily Paymaster.

To the Chief Secretary of Government.
Fort St. George,

Sir,

From the Military Paymaster. Forwards a letter from the Paymaster at Vizagapatam requesting leave to proceed to Europe—

I have the honor to enclose you a Copy of a Letter from Mr. Paymaster Wilson with its enclosure addressed to you which I have to request may be laid before the Right Honble the Governor in Council—

Fort St. George
12th Decr. 1806.

I am
Sir
Your
Obt. Servt.
(signed) B. Roebuck
Mily Payr.

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To the Military Paymaster General.

Fort St. George

Sir,

Under a flying seal I have the-
honor to enclose an address to the Chief Secretary to
Government soliciting to resign my Present appoint-
-ment and permission to Proceed to Europe, I hope &
trust you will have the goodness to send it in, with all
convenient speed, as my Family are in that state
to require immediate Departure from this Country-

Vizagapatam
4th December 1806-

(Signed) H. Wilson.
Paymaster-

(True Copy) B. Roebuck
Actg Paymaster-

To the Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George.

Sir.

Under date 30th Ultimo I address-
-ed the Military Paymaster General and solicited-
that he would procure leave from Government
for me to proceed to the Presidency and eventually to
Europe-

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I am now under the Necessity of requesting of you to inform the Right Honorable the Governor in Council that in consequence of the extreme ill health of my Family. I am under the necessity of resigning my present appointment, and of applying for his Lordships permission to proceed to Europe, which I hope will be granted, on my giving in the regular Certificate from the Military Pay-master General...

I have earnestly to solicit that a person may be as soon as convenient appointed to succeed me, that I may be enabled to deliver over charge and proceed to Madras, on the Indiamen expected to touch here from Bengal the begining of next Month, as it is of the utmost importance removing my Family from this Country by the first Fleet that sails.

I have the honor to be
Hon. Sirs Hon. Sirs Hon. Sirs

Vizagapatam
16th Dec. 1806-

(signed) H. Wilson.
Paymaster-

George

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George Buchan Esqr.

Chief Secretary of Government

Fort St. George

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose Copys of

From the Military Paymaster General — Respecting the Bond granted by Messrs. Abbott & Maitland for rice purchased by them.

a Letter I addressed on the 6th Instant Messrs. Abbott & Maitland respecting their Bond with their Answer — which I request you will be pleased to lay before the Right Honorable the Governor in Council —

I am.

Fort St. George

12th Decr 1806.

Yrs Yrs Yrs

(signed) B. Roebuck.

Mily Paymaster.

Messrs. Abbott and Maitland

Gentlemen,

Your Bond to Government for Rice purchased amounting to Ps. 17,940 — falling due tomorrow, I shall send it on Monday to the General Treasury where you will be pleased to pay the Amount —

I am

Yrs Yrs Yrs

Fort St. George

6th Decr 1806.

(signed) B. Roebuck.

M. P. G.

B.

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Fort St. George 16th December 1806-

B. Roebuck. Esqr.

. Military Paymaster General

Sir,

We have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 6th Instant, and as we have solicited the permission of Government to prosecute the payment of our Bond for Pagodas 17,940. due this day, we request the favor of you to let it be over until you shall be made acquainted with their determination regarding it.-

Fort St. George
8th Dec. 1806-

We have the honor to be
Yrs. Yrs. Yrs.

(signed) Abbott & Maitland
(True Copies) B. Roebuck

. Mily Paymaster-

ordered that the following Reply be dispatched to the . Military Paymaster General.-

To the Military Paymaster General-

Sir,

To the Military Paymaster General. approving the arrangement-

Para 1. I am directed by the Right Honble the Governor in Council to acknowledge the re-

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arrangement submitted for facilitating the adjustment of the accounts of the late Paymaster of His Majesty's 25th Regiment Light dragoons. — accepting Mr. Wilson's resignation of Paymaster at Vizagapatam, and permits him to visit the Presidency on delivering over charge of his office to Mr. Henry Taylor the Deputy Commercial Resident — Enclosing Copy of a letter from Messrs. Abbott & Maitland regarding the payment of their Bond due for the value of Rice purchased from the Public Stores, and has acceded to the request therein stated —

= ceipt of your Letters of the 8th and 12th Instant. —

2. His Lordship in Council has ap=
=proved the arrangement which you have submitted for the purpose of facilitating the adjustment of the Accounts of the late Paymaster of H. M. 25th Regi=
=ment of Light Dragoons, and a Copy of your letter on that subject has been furnished for the inform=
=tion of the Supreme Government —

3. His Lordship in Council is pleased to accept Mr. Wilson's Resignation of the Offices of Pay=
=master and Garrison Store Keeper at Vizagapatam, & permits him to visit the Presidency, on delivering over charge of his office to Mr. Henry Taylor, the Deputy Commercial Resident. —

4. I enclose for your information and guidance a Copy of the letter which has been received from Messrs. Abbott & Maitland regarding the pay=
=ment of their Bond due for the value of the rice purchased from the Public Stores, and I am direc=
=ted to acquaint you that His Lordship in Coun=
=cil has acceded to the request therein stated. —

Fort St. George
17th Decr. 1806 —

I am
Sir &c. &c.
(Signed) G. Strachey
Secy to the Govt.

8832 Fort St. George 16th December 1806-

B. Roebuck Esqr.

. Military Paymaster General

Sir,

We have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 6th Instant, and as we have solicited the permission of Government to post-pone the payment of our Bond for Pagodas 17,940. due this day, we request the favor of you to let it be over until you shall be made acquainted with their determination regarding it.-

Fort St. George
8th Dec. 1806-

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I am
Sir
Your most obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) G. Moorhey
Sec.y to the Govt.

Fort St. George
17th Decr. 1806 -

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Fort St. George 16th December 1806.

Read the following Letter from the Commander in Chief's Military Secretary, and from the Officer Commanding the Southern Division of the Army

George Buchan Esqr.

Your &c.

Sir.

From the Military Secty. to the Commander in Chief—Forwards Papers from the Officer Commanding at Arcot relative to the want of Rice in the Bazar of that Cantonment.—

I am directed by the Commander in Chief to request, that you will be pleased to take an early opportunity of bringing to the view of Government, the enclosed Letter from the Officer Commanding Arcot, forwarding a Letter addressed to him by Lieutenant Colonel Huddlestone Commanding the 7th Native Cavalry, relative to the very great difficulty of procuring Rice in the Bazar of the Cantonment.—

I have the honor to be

Your &c.

Fort St. George

December 12th 1806.

(Signed) Thos. Reynell

Mily Secretary

Lieutenant

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Fort St. George 16th December 1806–

Lieutenant Colonel Reynell
Military Secretary

Sir,

I am reluctantly obliged to enclose a report from Colonel Huddleston Commanding 7th Regiment Native Cavalry.–

I have in confirmation of it to represent, that a Body of Sepoys came to me with the Complaint. I referred them to their Commanding Officer.–

I have before applied to the Chief Magistrate at Chittoor 20 Miles from hence on the subject of the scarcity of Grain; the evil has not been remedied but increases daily.–

As this is a point affecting the Service, I think it right to forward it to His Excellency the Commander in Chief to whose consideration I beg leave to refer it.–

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
(signed) Robt. Rollo Gillespie–
Colonel–

Arcot–
16th Decr. 1806–

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&c. &c. &c.
(signed) Robt. Rollo Gillespie-
Colonel-

Arcot-
16th Decr. 1806-

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To Colonel Gillespie

Commanding Arcot.

Sir.

Agreeably to your directions I have enquired into the Complaint which the two Sepoys of 7th Regiment Cavalry have made respecting the difficulty of procuring rice in the Bazar, a Circumstance which from the testimony of many others of the Regiment has existed for some weeks past. Sheick Nutter one of the two Troopers states that early this Morning he met a bazar man, by Name Peritomby with five or six bullocks loads of rice which he was conveying to his own boutique. He asked to purchase three or four rupees worth, the bazar man replied he could sell none without an order from the Cutwall. At about 9 o'Clock as Sheick Nutter went to the bazar man's house, when he saw him in the act of pouring hot water on one of the Bags of rice, which he had laid out on the ground, for the purpose of swelling the grains and thereby apparently encreasing the quantity. This is confirmed by Meer Sulleman a Trooper present with him. Sheick Nutter then went in search of the Cutwall, but could not find him for a Consi-

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-derable time, and when he did see him which was-
at the Choultry he said he would not give him any
rice as there was not any settled Neuck, and that he
had received an order from the Judge not to establish one
for the present on account of the Scarcity. The Sepoy then
said he would make his Complaint, which the Cut=
-wall told him to do but shortly after, as the Sepoy was
going toward Lieutenant Woodhouse's the Cantonment=
-Dispitant for that purprose, the Cutwall said he might
have some rice at 8¼ Seers the Rupee. The Sepoy now pro-
duced to me a small quantity of the rice which it seems
he might have had at that price; and it is certainly of
the worst possible quality, some of which I now send as
a specimen; and this is the rice which for some time
past has been sold in sparing quantities at 7 and 8 Seers
the rupee. It appears also from the evidence of the people
in general that the Cutwall or his Servants have been in
the habit of disposing secretly of certain quantities of rice in the
middle of the night when the Sepoys were generally at
rest: but in the day time when they came to purchase, they seldom
or never succeeded in obtaining any.-

I have the honor to be
Yr. Yr. Yr.

(signed) R. Hudleston.
Lt. Colo. 7th Regt. Cavalry.

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To the Chief Secretary to Government

Fort St. George

Sir

From the officer Commanding the southern Division of the army. states the high price of Grain in that Division. and if any murmur be made by the Troops on that account will issue Paddy at 9/p/fo: =nams from the Company's Stores.—

I think it my duty to state to you, for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, that within the last Month the Price of Grain has risen so high, and Continues to rise, that I am at a loss how to act under these circumstances; for although there is not an actual Scarcity here, yet there is an Artificial one, occasioned by several opulent Inhabitants having great Stores by which means they, can raise the price at will, without any person having the Power to Control them. the General Price of Coarse Rice here is 7/p Trichy fanams to the Cullum or 40 Pagodas the Garce, it is now selling at 11/p Trichinopoly fanams or 61 Pagodas and ten Trichinopoly fanams the Garce, and as before said will Continue to rise unless some measures are adopted to regulate the Market.—

I have consulted with Mr. Wallace the Collector, and he acquaints me that he is positively forbidden

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forbidden to interfere, but suggests as the only means to lower the Price of Grains that the Government should open their own Stores, and dispose of the Grains to the Troops at a Medium Price, that is to say the common Price is 7/2 Fanams pr. Cullum, dispose of th— at 9/2 Fanams and the Troops will then have no cause to complain.—

The Military Board have directed a supply of Grain to be laid up in Store at this Station and in the Garrisons to the Southward, but the Paymaster of Trichinopoly has not yet been able to complete the quantity directed, but states that he has already procured about 40 Garce of Paddy equal to 20 Garce of Rice, being one third of the quantity ordered, and which at a Seer per Man per day will subsist the Troops and followers at this Station for about 25 days, during which period it is supposed the Paymaster will have procured the quantity ordered, which I think will suffice until the second Crop of Paddy shall be ready to cut, and as much as possible ought then I think,

to—

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to be secured in the Government Stores at this Station.—

It is not in my power to state the loss that will arise from selling the Paddy now collected; at the Medium Price proposed in the 2nd Paragraph of this letter, but I cannot suppose it will be very great, and to obviate the probable clamor that may naturally be expected from a sudden rise of fifty per Cent upon the principal Article of food- I shall if the Price of Rice continues to rise or any Murmurs or Complaints on that Account (among st the Troops are obvious) open the Company's Stores — and issue the Paddy at the Medium Price of 9/ for Rix Dollars untill I am directed otherwise by the orders of Government.—

I have the honor to be
Yr. Obt. Hble.
(Signed) A. Campbell
Colonel—

Head Quarters Southern
Division of the army
Trichinopoly 10th Decr. 1806—

Over the Seas

ordered that the Military Board be desired to take such further measures in regard to the store of Grain, as they may consider to be Necessary in Consequence

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=sequence of the foregoing communications.-

Read the following letter from the

Officer Commanding the Cantonment of Arcot.-

To the Chief Secretary to the Government-

Sir,

From the officer Commanding the Cantonment of Arcot- Forwards Estimate of a Powder Magazine in that Cantonment-

I have the honor to forward Estimate of the probable expence of erecting a Powder Magazine in this Cantonment, which I beg leave to recommend as a work essentially requisite; for under the present circumstances, should there be a deficiency of Ammunition and any sudden call upon the Troops of this Station, it were impossible to move them in a fully efficient state, with that expedition that the exigency of the moment might require-

I have the honor to be

Arcot

13th December 1806-

Your Your Your

(signed) Robt. Rollo Gillespie

Colonel-

Estimate-

Estimate of the Probable Expense of Erecting a Powder Magazine in the Cantonment near Arcot.

Measurement						Prices	Rs. fs. c.	Rs. fs. c.
Length	Breadth	Thickness	Sub. Sq. Feet	Cub. Feet				
72	4.	3	..	864	Foundation to Walls			
12	3	2	..	72	Do — to — Do			
72	2¼	½	—	243	Basement			
12	½	½	—	27½	— Do —			
72	11	2	—	1584	Walls above — Do			
12	8	¼	—	121	— Do — Do			
				2905½	Total Brick in Chunam		1 10 fs. 6 fs.	171 2 65
72	22	..	1584	—	Plastering with Chunam			

Estimate of Expense of Powder Magazine at Arcot 1806

12	16		192	Do	Do				
			1776	Total Plastering with Chunam		25	Sq.r Sq.s	9	39
20	12		240	Paving with Brick on Edge with one course of Brick underneath					
6	5		30	Do	Do				
			270	Total Paving with Brick on Edge		3	Sq.r Sq.s	8	4 40
24	16		384	Terracing with Country Wood Joists &c.a					
7	6		42	Do	Do				
			426	Total Terracing with Country Wood Joists &c.a		12	14 Sq.r Sq.s	52	20 3
				2 Beams of Country Wood each 15 by 12 by 12		5	6 32 each	10	12 64
				1 Door of Teak Wood with Copper hinges Nails Padlock &. 7 by 4		15	each	15	

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Measurement						Prices	Pr. Fs. C.	Pr. Fs. C.
Length	Breadth	Thickness	Sup. Ft. feet	Cub. feet				
						Brought over Pagodas	216 34 12	
					Compound Wall			
162	3	2	—	972	Foundation...			
162	8	1½	—	1944	Wall above Do—			
				2916	Total Brick in Clay	" 140 pr. C.ft	97 9 "	
162	16	"	2592	—	Plastering one coat of Chunam	" 25 " pr. Sq. ft	14 18 "	
					1 Gate of Country Wood 6 by 6	6 " " each	6 " "	
							117 27 "	
						Total Pagodas	334 16 12	

Vellore
4th December 1806—

(Signed) Jn.o Blakiston
Supt.g Engineer.—

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Ordered that a Copy of the foregoing
Letter be referred for the Consideration and Report
of the Military Board.–

Read the following Letter
from the Reverand Mr. Thompson.–

To the Chief Secretary of Government.
at Fort St. George

Sir,

From the Reverend Mr. Thompson Reports his arrival from England at Bengal.

I have the honor to report to you for the information of the Right Honorable Lord William Bentinck, that I am appointed a Chaplain at Fort St. George, and took my passage from England in the Honorable Company's Extra Ship the Harriette, but being prevented by the lateness of the season from Landing at Madras, have been brought to Bengal, Arrived at Diamond Harbour November 12th Ultimo. I am here Necessarily delayed for some few weeks, but shall certainly endeavour to reach my destination by

the

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the earliest opportunity, in the mean time I humbly hope, I may not be loosing any advantages to which I might have been entitled by landing at Madras direct.

I have the honor to be

Yrs. Yrs. Yrs.

Calcutta

November 26th 1806.

/ Signed / Marmaduke Thompson

ordered to lie on the Table.—

W Bentinck

" Mr Edmonstone

" W Elliot

" Oakes

Ed Wrangle

Office 8th Consultation
16th December 1806—
Paper 80. Copied by
Calen Andreen for
Vmay 1807—

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Diary

17th Sent the following Letter.

To the President and Members of The Military Board.

Gentlemen,

To the Military Board. Directs authorizing proposed Improvement of the European Barracks in the Cantonment of St. Thomas's Mount according to Estimate. The suggestion relative to employing the Prisoners confined in the Jail at Chittoor referred for consideration to the Civil Magistrate. Payment of Bills and advances of money authorized as recommended. Desires they will report, relative to the construction of a Gunpowder Magazine proposed at Arcot. Directs they will take such further measures for Store of Grain as they may consider necessary.

Para 1. I am directed by the Right Honble the Governor in Council to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letters of the 8th Instant.

2. His Lordship in Council approves the proposed Improvement of the European Barracks in the Cantonment at Saint Thomas's Mount, and I am directed to desire that it may be authorized at the Estimated Expence of Pagodas 1599 - 3 - 43.

3. The suggestion of the Commanding Officer of Chittoor relative to the employment of the Prisoners confined in the Jail at that Station, has been referred for the consideration of the Civil Magistrate.

4. Authority has been given for the payment of the Bills and advances of Money recommended in your Letter of the 8th Instant. -

Enclose

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5. I enclose for your consideration and report the Copy of a Letter from the Officer Commanding the Cantonment of Arcot, relative to the construction of a Gun-powder Magazine.—

6. I am directed to desire that you will take such further measures in regard to the Store of Grain, as you may consider to be necessary in consequence of the enclosed copies of Letters from that Officer, and from the Officer Commanding the Southern Division of the Army.—

I have the honor to be
Sir &c. &c.
(Signed) Geo. Strachey
Secy to Government

Fort St. George
17th December 1806.—

Sent the following Letters entered in M. B. Nos 41. 42.

To the Military Auditor General.

To the Military auditor General.— Encloses Copies of Letters relative to advances of Money at Fort William to Officers and Assistant Surgeons of this Establishment.—

Do. Ditto. Do. Ditto.— Transmits Extract from the

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Fort St. George 4th December 1806.

The Proceedings of His Lordship in Council in this Department, the 16th Instant. Directs authority being given for payment of Bills and advances of Money &c. recommended by the Military Board.

At a Consultation

Present

The Right Honorable
Lord William Bentinck
Governor and President

Lieutenant General Sir J. F. Cradock K.B.
Commander in Chief

Friday the 19th December 1806.

William Petrie
and
Thomas Oakes
} Esquires

Minutes of last Consultation Read and approved.

The Commander in Chief Records the following Minute.

Minute of the Commander in Chief

I have the honor to submit to the Board

Minute of the Commander in Chief relating

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Submitting Papers from Colonel Harcourt stating the good conduct of certain Men of the 1st Battalion 1st Regt. and 2d Batt.n 23d Regt. on the occasion of the late Mutiny at Vellore - several Recommendations in Consequence. -

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Board a Report from Colonel Harcourt enclosing Lists of the very few Men of the 1st Battalion 1st Regiment and 2d Battalion of the 23d - who appear from the various examinations which have been made, deserving of Pardon - of pecuniary Reward, or of Promotion from their Conduct during the Mutiny in the Garrison of Vellore -

I recommend that Subaroya and Permallo Naigs of the 1st Battalion 1st Regiment of Native Infantry - and Venkatachellum, Havildar of the 2d Battalion 23d Regiment of Native Infantry be promoted to the Rank of Jemadars from the 10th July 1806 - for their good conduct on that day. -

Should the Board approve the Measure I will direct the promotion to the Rank of Havildars of Arnachellum, and Samee Row Naigs, Venkatachellum, Mooloo, Moorke and Ramdoo, Sepoys of the 1st Battalion 1st Regiment of Native Infantry. - causing Venkatachellum to be Pensioned on the full Pay of that rank; and Recommend that a pecuniary Reward of 20 Pagodas each, be given

to

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to Moortee and Ramroo -

I also recommend that such of the undermentioned Men as are in confinement be released, and continued in the Service in their respective Ranks; and that the Pecuniary Rewards annexed to their respective Names may be given to those who appear deserving of more particular notice, but are unfit for promotion. -

1st Battalion 1st Regiment N. I.

Sepoys { Sandee Mootoo / Ramasamy } to be released.

do Mooniapah - 20 Pagodas.

do Mootookistna - 20 Pagodas.

2d Battalion 23d Regiment N. I.

	Pagodas
Havildar Mullyandy - —	30 -
Havildar Vadamally - - -	30
Sepoys - Numbyappen -	20
— Ballagroo - - -	20

The latter is not included in the Recommendation from Vellore; but every trait of humanity

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humanity in a scene of such general barbarity, seems to claim pardon and reward for the person who displayed it. -

I also recommend that a certificate be granted to each of the Individuals above recommended, entitling their families, at their decease, / should they continue on the Service and conduct themselves with propriety / to receive the Pension of the Rank they may have respectively attained. -

I recommend that Syed Ahmed and Venkataram Naigs, and Lance Naig Mahomed Yakoob, of the 1st Battalion 1st Regiment of Native Infantry receive pardon, and be retained in the Service. - I farther Reward they do not appear to merit. -

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(Signed) J. F. Cradock
Lieut. General

Lieutenant Colonel Reynell
&c &c &c

Sir,

I now have the honor to transmit to

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to you the Lists required in your Letter of the 14th ultimo, and which should have been transmitted at an earlier period had it been practicable. -

2. The number of Persons belonging to the two unfortunate Battalions, who may be consi= dered deserving of Reward for their Conduct on the 10th of July is very limited, but those who are named in the accompanying Lists appear to merit the bounty of Government in a particular degree - with the exception of the following however who appear only to have been amongst a Crowd of others who warned Captain Marriott of the danger of his exposing himself to what was then going forward. -

Lance Naigue - Mahomed Jacob
— Naigue Syed Ahmed
— " Venkaty Row

I have the honor to be,
&c. &c.
(Signed) Geo. Harcourt,
Colonel

Vellore
December 3d 1806

List

List of Men of the 1st. Battalion 1st. Regiment of Native Infantry that may be deemed deserving either preferment or pecuniary reward for their Conduct during the Mutiny at Vellore on the 10th. of July 1806.

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Rank	Names	Remarks.
Naigue	Subaroyah	Was on Guard at the Commanding Officers Bungalow on the outside of the Fort at the time of the Mutiny – Saved the lives of several Europeans, accompanied a party of Cavalry with the two other Sepoys of the 1st. into the Fort / Venketachellum & Mootoo / where they are stated to have behaved very gallantly & fired upon the Mutineers – The Naigue is well deserving of high preferment – Venketachellum might be promoted to Naigue or Havildar & pensioned on full pay, having served Twenty seven Years – the other might be promoted to Havildar & continued in the corps – The names of these three Men were delivered to His Excellency the Commr. in Chief when at Vellore in Conformity to orders received on the Head –
Sepoy	Venkatachellum	
"	Mootoo	
Naigue	Pennallee	Was on guard at the Arrack Godown in the Fort protected the European Invalids for a considerable time, the only two of them left alive – James Alexander and Francis Henshaw, speak in the highest terms of him – The Naigue is well deserving of high preferment – the disposition of

Ranjee Servant to Lieutenant Smart proves the good conduct of this Naigue.-

Naigue Armatchellum — Present during the Mutiny and on the Regimental Store Guard, appears to have done all in his power to prevent the Mutineers from forcing his guard and reported to Capt. Marriott, not finding the Native Officer of the day, joined Lieut. Colonel Forbes on the Hill-Wells deserving to be made Havildar having warned some officers of their danger.-

Lance Naigue {Mahomed Jaed — Was on the inline Picket the Morning of the Mutiny, appears by the Evidence of Captain Marriott of the 1st. Regiment to have behaved correctly in advising such Europeans as he met of their danger- might be promoted to Naigue.-

Naigue Syed Ahmed — Was on guard in the Fort at the de Amboor Gate the Morning of the Mutiny; appears by the Evidence of Captain Marrett of the 1st. Regiment to have behaved correctly in advising such Europeans as he met of their danger- might be promoted to Havildar

Naigue Venkataram — Was present during the Mutiny, and on Guard on the Nabobs Bastion, appears by the Evidence of Captain Marrett of the 1st. Regiment to have behaved correctly in advising such Europeans as he met of their danger- may be promoted to Havildar.-

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		& fired upon the Mutineers – The Naigue is well deserving of high preferment – Venketachellum might be
		promoted to Naigue or Havildar & pensioned on full pay, having served Twenty seven Years – the
		other might be promoted to Havildar & continued in the corps – The names of these three Men were deliver-
		-ed to His Excellency the Comm.r in Chief when at Vellore in Conformity to orders received on that head. –
Naigue	Pormallee	Was on guard at the Arrack Godown in the Fort protected the European Invalids for a considera-
		-ble time, the only two of them left alive – James Alexander and Francis Henshaw, speak in the
		highest terms of him – The Naigue is well deserving of high preferment – the disposition of

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Ramjee Servant to Lieutenant Smart proves the good conduct of this Naigue.-

Naigue Arnatchellum — Present during the Mutiny and on the Regimental Store Guard, appears to have done all in his power to prevent the Mutineers from forcing his guard and reported to Capt. Marriott, not finding the Native Officer of the day, joined Lieut. Colonel Forbes on the Hill - Well deserving to be made Havildar having warned some officers of their danger.-

Lance Naigue Mahomed Yacob — Was on the inline Picket the Morning of the Mutiny, appears by the Evidence of Captain Marriott of the 1st. Regiment to have behaved correctly in advising such Europeans as he met of their danger - might be promoted to Naigue.-

Naigue Syed ahmed — Was on guard in the Fort at the Amboor Gate the Morning of the Mutiny; appears by the Evidence of Captain Marrett of the 1st. Regiment to have behaved correctly in advising such Europeans as he met of their danger - might be promoted to Havildar

Naigue Venkataram — Was present during the Mutiny, and on Guard on the Nabobs Bastion, appears by the Evidence of Captain Marrett of the 1st. Regiment to have behaved correctly in advising such Europeans as he met of their danger - may be promoted to Havildar.-

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Copy of a Letter from Captain Lieutenant Coombs to Colonel Harcourt dated Vellore Dec.r 2.d 1806.

Sir,

Having been called on by you for a List of such Men of the 2.d Battalion 23.d Regiment who may appear to have conducted themselves loyally & faithfully during the Insurrection of the Garrison on the 10th. July in order to their being recommended to the favorable notice of Government. I have carefully referred to all the papers and evidence in my possession with a view of selecting such cases as appear deserving of particular recommendation. -

2. I have now the honor of forward-ing to you a List of the Men, who on the melancholy occasion alluded to, loyally exerted themselves to save the lives and protect from injury the persons of Mr.s Fancourt and Mr.s Prichard, and apprized Capt.n Grandsill of his danger and of the horrid transac-tions perpetrating in the Fort. -

3. I have confined the List to those Men who appear to have positively done the utmost in

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in their power, to manifest their attachment and fidelity.
and have rejected all dubious claims: considering
it necessary to substantiate the loyalty of the indi-
vidual throughout the whole of the insurrection,
to justify a recommendation to Reward. -

4. I deem it proper to remark that there
are many individuals who can satisfactorily prove
their not having participated in the atrocious Crimes
of that day: but that they made their escape from
the Garrison soon after the commencement of
the Mutiny. I do not however feel justified in re-
commending such men, any further than being
continued in the Service

5. Captain Pratt has stated that
at Daylight he came towards the Sepoy Barracks
where he saw a great Crowd of Sepoys many of them
undressed, many with their Jackets only - He
states that they mostly belonged to the 2d. 23rd. and
that they cautioned him of his danger telling
him he had better not go that Road or he would
be Killed - This being some hours after the Mutiny

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had commenced, it is evident these Men at that time were steady and faithful and not disposed to unite in the insurrection- There are several men now forthcoming who themselves state that they were present, and were of the party that warned Captain Marrett of his danger, but as he is unable to point them out individually and as great caution is necessary in yielding credit to a mans own deposition under such circumstances. I forbear giving in any names, but state the fact generally- Lieutenant Blake of the 2d. 23d. has also pointed out two men who accompanied him all the Morning of the 10th. of July, and appeared loyal and steady, but as these men were outside the Fort I have not included them in the list: tho' they have claims to a continuance in the Service. -

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
(signed) J. M. Coombs
Capt: 2d. Batt: 23d Regt

A True Copy
(signed) Geo: Harcourt
Colonel
Roll

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Roll of Men of the 2nd. Battalion 23d. Regiment who from their Conduct on the Morning of the 10th. of July are deserving of Reward and favorable notice for their loyalty and fidelity.—

Havildar Mullyandy— Behaved extremely kind and attentive to Mrs. Pritchard vide paper annexed— This Man has no particular recommendation as a Non Commissioned Officer being by no means smart or well acquainted with his duty but is a good Man.—

Havildar Nadamalby— Was orderly to Colonel Fancourt and appears to have behaved attentively to Mrs. Fancourt and to have prevented the Sepoys from Killing her— His general character and Conduct are favorable,

and

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and he has always manifested much attention to his duty and station. -

Number 4 pensioned Serjeant

This man went to Captain Greenhill's house awakened him, apprized him of his danger, and advised him to leave his house telling him he would otherwise be killed. This man is not qualified for a non Commissioned Officer tho' deserving of Reward. -

Havildar Venkatachellum

Appeared by the testimony of several Witnesses to have conducted himself loyally and faithfully in forbidding and preventing the men of his Grenadier Company to take Arms or leave their barracks at the Commencement of the Mutiny

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Mutiny when Jemidar Shukh Hussain came & ordered them to fall in.— He is an old Soldier, has served with much credit, and is a steady active & good non Commissioned Officer well deserving of promotion.—

(Signed) J. M. Coombs
Capt. 2d. Bn. 23d. Regiment

A true Copy
(Signed) Geo. Harcourt
Colonel

The men in the Margin were at Doctor Pritchards house Armed.

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Ramasamy 5th. Comp.y
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Havildar Mully andy of the 8th. Comp.y 2d. Batt.n 23d. Regiment

States that after the firing commenced he heard a noise at Doctor Prichard's house, he went there where he found several Sepoys belonging to the two Battalions who were making a great deal of noise and trouble.—

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Mrs. Pritchard was in great distress - The Sepoys were enquiring for the Doctor, saying they would Kill him, and threatened to Kill Mrs. Pritchard - Havildar Mully-andy told them that it was wrong to hurt a Woman, that she could do no harm and that if they ill-treated her they might expect their own Wives, Mothers, & daughters and Sisters, to be treated hereafter in the same way - They abused him for interfering - He went up to Mrs. Pritchard told her not to be afraid & brought her and the Children down to the Cook Room where he placed them - A Sepoy had plundered some of Mrs Pritchards Cloaths - Mully-andy saw him, took the Cloaths from him and gave them to Mrs Pritchard, he then told her not to be afraid, but to remain quiet and that he would go and fetch a trusty Sepoy to take care of her - He went to the Barracks and sent Ballagroo a Sepoy 8th Company to Mrs. Pritchard with orders to bring her to the Barracks - Mully-andy remained at the Barracks cleaning out a place for Mrs Pritchard, Ballagroo went to the House and brought Mrs Pritchard

to

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to the Barracks with her Iyah and Children. He placed her near the Stores and gave her Cumbies to cover her. He told her not to be afraid and sent several pariah women to sit near her. Jemidars Sheikh Hussain came, abused Mrs. Pritchard and abused Mullyandy for bringing her to the Barracks and proposed killing her. Mullyandy dissuaded him from it and placed Mrs. Pritchard in a situation of safety. -

Mullyandy's statement is confirmed, and the attention and kindness he shewed to Mrs. Pritchard proved by Mrs. Pritchard, by her Iyah and a gentoo Servant Appasamy, who states that Mullyandy's conduct was as he has stated, kind and attentive, and that he repeatedly told Mrs. Pritchard not to be afraid that he would take care of her.-

(Signed) J. M. Coombs
Capt. 2d. 23d.

Ballagroo Serjy 8th. Company 2d. Battalion 23d. Regiment.

States that about half past 6 Clock

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Mullyandy Havildar came to the Barracks and told him that Doctor Pritchards wife and children were all crying and that the Sepoys were ill using them and desired him to go and bring them to the barracks to take care of them = Ballagroo accordingly went to the house, broke down part of the Wall and went in - He took the little child in his own hands, and called Mrs. Pritchard and the Ayah, and carried them all to the Barracks over the Wall which he had broken for the purpose - When he got to the barracks he delivered them to the care of Mullyandy Havildar telling him he had done as he had been desired and brought them safe = After seeing Mrs. Pritchard in a place of safety he made his Escape. -

This man's conduct in bringing Mrs. Pritchard to the Barracks is confirmed by her, the Ayah, and Gentoo Servant. =

(Signed) J. M. Coombs

Capt. 2d. 23d. Regt.

Extract

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Extract from Captain Marett's statement.-

"Lieutenant Bisset and my-
"self came about daylight of the Morning of the 10th.
"of July last to the corner of the Palace / N. Wangle /
"where we saw several Sepoys some with their
"Regimentals and others without, most of them of
"the 23d Regiment they challenged us repeatedly
"and told us by no means to go that way as the
"balls were flying about in all directions on the
"Battalion parade, upon which we returned &
"went by the grand Magazine."-

/ A true Extract
/ Signed / J. M. Coombs
Captain

/ A true Copy /
/ Signed / Geo: Harcourt
Colonel

Minute and Order thereon.-

The Board approve the recommendations stated in the foregoing Minute; and the Commander in Chief is requested to issue the requisite orders for carrying them into effect.-

Ordered

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Ordered also that the neces-
-sary information be furnished to the Military
Auditor General, regarding the pension recom-
-mended to be granted by the Commander in
Chief.-

Read the following Letter,
from the Commander in Chief.-

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

My Lord,

From the commander in chief - Proposes that the settlings of the Military Committee of Finance should be resumed.-

The Proceedings of the Military Committee of Finance having been, for some Months, suspended, in Consequence of the absence of several of the Members, and various other causes. I propose that they shall be immediately resumed; and, in order that the place of Lieut.t Colonel Brunton, late Military Auditor General, may be supplied, it is my intention with Your Lordship's approbation to call in the aid

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of Colonel Bell Commandant of Artillery; this mea-
-sure will I trust meet your Lordships approbation.-

I have the honor to be
Yr. Jr. Yr.

Fort St George
15th December 1806.-

/Signed/ J. F. Cradock
Lieut. General

Resolution thereon.-

Resolved that the Com-
-mander in Chief be authorised to appoint Colonel Bell
to be a Member of the Committee of Military Finance,
in the place of Lieutenant Colonel Brunton.-

The Commander in
Chief records the following Minute.-

Minute of the Commander in Chief.

Minute of the Commander in Chief. Recommends the creation of certain Buildings at Bangalore for the reception of European Troops concentrated at that Station - That a suitable establishment of Ordnance &c. be in consequence provided.-

Although the Measure proposed
by the Right Honorable the Governor of Concentrating
in Mysore the principal part of the European force
under this Presidency appeared in the Judgement
of the Commander in Chief to be opposed by important
objections. Yet he entirely concurred in the expediency
of assembling at a central point in that Country such
an Amount of European Troops as could be spared
with safety for the immediate protection of the
Authority

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Authority of Government in the Provinces, and the Commanders in Chief also agreed in opinion with the President that the Station of Bangalore which His Lordship recommended for the permanent Cantonment of the central force was the most advantageous that could be selected for that purpose.-

The force that can be collected at Bangalore will not exceed a Regiment of European Cavalry and one of European Infantry. To assemble a larger force would reduce the European Troops in the Provinces to a state of dangerous Weakness; and a smaller body would not be capable of securing the objects proposed from this Measure. The Regiment of Infantry to be allotted to the Central force cannot be supplied until the arrival of the Regiment expected from Bengal; for the Number of Regiments at present under this Presidency admits only of Stationing One in each of the principal Military Divisions without leaving a disposeable Corps for General Service.-

The Regiment of Cavalry to be stationed at Bangalore will be the same that is now serving in Mysore. The experience of three Years has proved that

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that the Station of Sera which is allotted to that Regiment
is too unhealthy to be continued as a cantonment for
European Troops, and the Barracks at that place are
so bad that it would be necessary to build new Quarters
for the accommodation of the Regiment even if it
should remain at Sera. No objection, founded on
the consideration of expence exists therefore against
changing the Station of the Cavalry Regiment in Mys-
sore from Sera to any other place that may be found
more eligible. -

As the object of the formation
of the central force is field movement, the Comman
der in Chief considers it to be unnecessary that its Barracks
should be stationed within the Fort of Bangalore,
more especially as the interior area of the fort is stated
to be insufficient for their accommodation. It is
therefore proposed that the Cavalry and Infantry
shall be stationed on the outside of the fort, and that
Barracks shall be erected without delay for their
reception. The strength, resources and advantageous
position

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position of Bangalore suggest the expediency of fla-
-cing that fortress in a respectable state of defence, and
as its repair has been completed by the Mysore Govern-
-ment it will only be necessary for the Accomplish-
-ment of this object that it should be provided with
an adequate establishment of Ordnance and Stores.
This Arrangement will render it requisite that
a small European Garrison should remain in
Mysore after the Occasional Movement of the
Central force, more particularly as the sick of
that force must be left in the fort. The Com-
-mander in Chief would therefore recommend that
a Barrack for 250 Europeans together with a Hos-
-pital for the accommodation of the sick of the
Central force should be erected within the fort of
Bangalore, and that arrangements should be
made for providing that fortress with a suitable
establishment of Ordnance, Stores, and fieldequip-
-ments.—

Madras.
19th. Decr. 1806.—

(Signed) J. T. Cradock.
Lieut. Gen.
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Minute thereon

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As the Board are entirely agreed as to the expediency of collecting a small European force in the Mysore Country, for the purpose of being prepared to move in any direction which the course of the public Service may require; it is Resolved that orders be issued to the Military Board for submitting Plans and Estimates of the probable expence of constructing the buildings which will be requisite for the accommodation of the Troops, in the mode recommended by the Commander in Chief.-

Read the following Letter from the Officer Commanding the Subsidiary Force at Hydrabad.-

To the Secretary to Government

Sir,

I had the honor to receive your letter of the 25th ultimo requiring from me an explanation regarding the conduct of Subidar Meer Bahaudar ally of the 2d Battalion 15th Regiment Native Infantry.- There

From the officer Commanding the Subsidiary Force at Hydrabad. Furnishes the explanation required, regarding the conduct of Meer Bahaudar ally of the 2d Battalion 15th Regt Native Infantry.-

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There is certainly not any proof that his conduct involves the same degree of guilt as that of the other N. Officers who were sent from Hindia to Masulipatam, nor do I suspect him of being equally guilty. But as he was much connected in the City of Hydrabad and often there during the discontents in Camp, and as he was a very active man in the meeting of Raymond's Corps (for which I understand he was made a Subidar in the Company's Service. I thought him a dangerous man to remain here, particularly as his example was bad in conducting himself in a haughty manner to Lieutenant Colonel Nash Commanding the Battalion— He asked that Officer to obtain him six Months leave of absence and on being refused, said he wished he might then be allowed to Resign the Service— He afterwards denied to me having expressed such a wish but I can have no doubt of it, as Lieutenant Colonel Nash gave me his honor that he did so to him, in presence of Lieut.t and Adjutant Napier, and that he had likewise acted exactly in the same manner on a former

occasion.

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occasion. Altogether I looked upon him as a trouble-
-some and dangerous character whom it was pru-
-dent to remove.-

I have the honor to be
Sir Sir
Your Most Obedient Humble Servant
Thos G. Monteath
Colonel

Hussain Sagur
6th December 1806.-

Resolution thereon.

Resolved that a Copy of the above Letter be furnished to the Commander in Chief; and the Board are of opinion that it will be sufficient under the explanation which it conveys that Subadar Meer Bahadar Ally, should be dismissed from the service of the Company, and the Commander in Chief is requested to give orders for that purpose.-

The Commander in Chief also records the following Memorandum of the Quarter Master General of the Army.-

Memorandum from the Quarter Master General.

Memorandum from the Quarter Master General of the Army - Proposes a new arrangement for the Letter

The regulations direct that on all occasions when Corps or detachments of the troops shall

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Better mode of supplying detachments of Troops on March with Provisions &c.

"shall be ordered to March it shall be the duty
"of the Officer Commanding to give timely inti-
=mation of his approach to the Collector, in order
"that the Collector may take measures for sup-
=plying the troops with the least inconvenience
"to his district."

It is apprehended that con-
=siderable inconveniences result to the Public
Service from this regulation. As the Collector
seldom resides at the station from which the
troops March, or in the vicinity of their intend-
=ed route, the troops will frequently commence
their march before the Collector can have received
intimation of it, or have adopted any measures
for the provision of supplies. For instance a Corps
ordered to march from Madras to the Northern
Circars sends intimation of its movement to
the Collector of the Jaghire who resides at Tarangam-
=by 40 Miles to the Southward, and the Corps
will have probably passed through the whole
of the Jaghire before the Collector is apprized
of

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of it's movement. no measures can have consequent
-ly been adopted for the provision of supplies: the
troops will suffer want: and the Villages in their
route will be necessarily exposed to demands en-
-tirely beyond their resources. If the march of
the troops should even be continued through the
District of the next Collector a sufficient length
of time will not be allowed for the provision of
supplies, for the march of the troops follows so
closely the transmission of intimation to the Col-
-lector that he has not time to take general measures
for collecting supplies at the several stages, but
is forced to requisition those supplies from the vil-
-lages immediately contiguous to the route. Hence
the inhabitants of villages contiguous to the Routes of
troops are frequently obliged to part with the
grain and forage necessary for their own pur-
-poses, and to supply themselves with those ar-
-ticles at enhanced rates from the more remote
Villages. In consequence of this state of things
Villages in the Vicinity of the usual routes of troops

are

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are frequently deserted; and a situation which is considered in other Countries to afford advantages is productive in India of considerable hardships to the people.-

The best remedy for those inconveniences will be to provide for Collectors receiving the earliest practicable information of the march of troops through their Districts in order that they may be prepared to adopt suitable measures for securing the provision of supplies without pressing too much on the Villages contiguous to the routes. As all orders and routes for the March of troops are now issued through the Channel of the Quarter Master General's Office in conformity to the usage which obtains in the Armies of Europe, it is proposed that the Quarter Master General, on receiving instructions or authority from Government for the movement of troops shall transmit immediate information of the Circumstance to the Collectors of the Districts through which their

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routes may pass, stating the amount and description of the troops, the nature of the supplies required for their use, the probable dates of their entering the several Districts, and the routes by which they march. By this arrangement the Collectors will receive intimation of movements, generally before it reaches the troops themselves; and ample time will be afforded for the provision of supplies. When troops march by the order of an Officer Commanding a Division he will be required to transmit the foregoing intimations to Collectors. -

Quarter Master Generals Office
Fort St. George 20th November 1806.

Signed J. Munro
D. Q. M. General

Memo. The Board approve the arrangement recommended by the Commander in Chief for making the Office of the Quarter Master General the channel of communication with the Collectors of the Revenues on all subjects relating to the movement of Troops; and it is

Resolved

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Resolved that a General Order be published to that effect.-

Read the following Letter from the Commander in Chief's Military Secretary.-

George Buchan Esqre

Fort St. George
December 13th 1806.-

Sir,

The Commander in Chief requests that you will be pleased to lay before the Right Honorable the Governor in Council the enclosed urgent Representation from the Officer Commanding Arcot, relative to the Scarcity of Rice, which prevails in that Cantonment.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) Thos Reynell
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From the Military Secretary to the Commander in Chief - Forwards a Letter from the Officer Commanding Arcot relative to the Scarcity of Rice in that Cantonment. -

Lieutenant Colonel Reynell

Sir,

Military Secretary
&c. &c.

After having dispatched my Letter to

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to you last Night: I was alarmed from the Reports of Officers of disturbances being likely to take place in the Bazar, from the want of Rice.- Immediately ordered the Cantonment Adjutant accompanied by two steady Officers to go there: and endeavour by every conciliatory measure to quiet the Inhabitants, and Sepoys: and to procure Rice if possible: previously taking the Cutwall with them, the Moment the Cutwall saw the disposition of the Troops, and Inhabitants, & the Cantonment Adjutant and Officers pointing out a House to him where Rice was to be had; he immediately Voluntarily offered to procure sufficient for the immediate consumption; altho' he had declared not more than one hour before, that there was not any in the Bazar or a Barrecke established.-

I shall not attempt to enter further into particulars, or undertake the invidious task of throwing blame on any person; but simply state that these occurrences serve to tease and ferment

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the minds of the Troops, whose ears may have al-
-ready been too open to the Stories of Intriguers, who
are happy to find, and always ready to take ad-
-vantage of every trivial circumstance, that may
lead to forward the purpose of their Profession: before
I conclude I beg leave to state that many of the
Sepoys have been upwards of Forty eight hours
without Rice: tho' there was abundance in the Houses
of the Pettah; and what serves to inflame them e
still more is, that they are perfectly aware that
the Troopers of the Body Guard at Madras,
have the difference in the purchase made up to
them: by receiving 12 Seers of good rice for the
Rupee, which is the general regulated price,
while the Troops here receive only 8, which is of
such a bad quality that it is not equal to his-
and difficult to beg it.—

I beg leave to state that
at 2 O'Clock Yesterday I sent off an Express to
Mr. Wright, but have not received any answer,
which I ought to have done early this Morning;
nor

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nor has the Cutwall / whom the Cantonment Ad-
-jutant has just seen / received any supplies, or
heard from Mr. Wrighton the subject. -

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
Signed Rob.t R. Gillespie
Colonel.

Arcot
7 o'Clock Thursday Evening
11th " December 1806. -

George Buchan Esqr.
&c. &c. &c.

Sir,

From the Military Secretary to the Commander in Chief - Forwards Papers from Colonel Gillespie &c. relative to the want of Grain in Arcot. -

The Commander in Chief has directed me to forward the enclosed Communication, which has just been received from Colonel Gillespie, relative to the serious Inconvenience, to which the Troops in the Cantonment of Arcot, have been for some time, subject, by the great Scarcity, and uncommon Dearness of Grain in the Bazar

The Commander in Chief requests, that in submitting these Papers, you

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the minds of the Troops, whose ears may have al-
-ready been too open to the Stories of Intriguers, who
are happy to find, and always ready to take ad-
-vantage of every trivial circumstance, that may
lead to forward the purpose of their Profession: before
I conclude I beg leave to state that many of the
Sepoys have been upwards of Forty eight hours
without Rice; tho' there was abundance in the Hands
of the Pettah; and what serves to inflame them
still more is, that they are perfectly aware that
the Troopers of the Body Guard at Madras,
have the difference in the purchase made up to
them; by receiving 12 Seers of good Rice for the
Rupee, which is the general regulated price,
while the Troops here receive only 8, which is of
such a bad quality that it is not equal to this—
and difficult to be got.—

I beg leave to state that
at 2 O'Clock Yesterday I sent off an Express to
Mr. Wright, but have not received any Answer;
which I ought to have done early this Morning;
nor

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nor has the Cutwall (whom the Cantonment Adjutant has just seen) received any supplies, or heard from Mr. Wright on the subject.-

I have the honor to be

Sir &c. &c.

(signed) Robt. R. Gillespie

Colonel.

Arcot

7 o'Clock Thursday Evening

11th. December 1806.-

George Buchan Esqr.

&c. &c. &c.

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you will be pleased to inform the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, that His Excellency has directed Colonel Gillespie to use every Exertion to tranquillize the Minds of the Soldiers, to assure them that the Grievance will be but temporary, and that the loss which they may sustain by it, will be made good to them by the Government, according to Regulation. -

I have the honorable
&c. &c.

Fort St. George
December 14th 1806. -

(Signed) Thos. Reynell
Brigy Genl

To Lieutenant Colonel Reynell
Military Secretary
&c. &c.

Sir,

I am extremely sorry to be under the necessity of tormenting you so much with Official Letters, but I consider myself in duty bound to enclose two Hindoo Letters, I have just received, one from the Cutwall of the Pettah

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Pettah, and the other from the people of the Bazar; the purport of which is, that the Scarcity of Grain of all descriptions, arises from the Views of the Magistrates of this district; intercepting and conducting it to Chittoor.-

I wrote first to the Collector on the 24th. Ultimo, who Referred me to the Chief Magistrate, to whom I wrote on the 28th. both of which Gentlemen were at that time at Chittoor on the subject of the scarcity of Grain.-

On the 10th. Instant I again wrote by Express a Copy of which I enclose to the Chief Magistrate, but I have not as yet received any Answer; the Scarcity of Grain encreases; at present only six and a half Seers of Rice for the Rupee, of the worst quality.- this requires an immediate remedy.-

The European Officers and Sepoys appeal to me as Commanding the Cantonment; I have no Power to afford them Redress.- the matter now lies before His Excellency the Commander in Chief.-

I have the honor to be &c &c

(Signed) Robt. R. Gillespie
Lt. Col.

Copy

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12th. December 1806.

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Copy of a Letter from Colonel Gillespie Commanding the Cantonment of Arcot to W Wright Esqr Judge &c. at Chittoor

Sir.

The scarcity of all kinds of Grain still exists; the Sepoys are complaining in bodies, and Jonce more make a Requisition to you as Chief of the Police, to give the necessary orders for an immediate supply to be sent here. – The wants of the Troops are pressing. –

Arcot
10th December 1806. –

/Signed/ Rob: R. Gillespie
Colonel

To lie on the table.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

W Bentinck

Mr Cradock
" W Petrie
" Oakes

Ex. Thomas

Offices Sec. Comm. 19th Dec. 1806
Pages 26 Copied by A Lazaro
for 1 May 1807

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Diary

20th Sent the following Letter

To the President & Members of the
Military Board —

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to enclose for your information and guidance the extract from a Minute which has been recorded by His Excellency the Commander in Chief, and to desire that you will submit with the least practicable delay, a Plan and Estimate for the construction of Barracks sufficient for the accommodation of a Regiment of Cavalry and a Regiment of Infantry in a convenient situation in the vicinity of the fort of Bengalore. —

His Lordship in Council desires also that you will submit a Plan and Estimate for the construction of a Barrack — and Hospital within that fortress, of the nature recommended

To the Military Board Dirats they will submit with the least — practicable delay Plan and Estimate for constructing Barracks to — accommodate a Regiment of Cavalry and — Regiment of Infantry near the Fort of Bangalore — also for constructing within the Fortress a Barrack & Hospital as recommended by the Commander in Chief. — —

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20th recommended by the Commander in Chief.—

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I have the honor to be
Sir &c &c
(Signed) George Buchan
Chief Secy. to Govern

Received and Sent the follow-
-ing Letters entered in M. B. Nos. 43. 44. 45. 46
47.—

From the Military Auditor General.— From Lieutenant Colonel Anv-
Reports on the General Estimate of Cash for
January 1807.—

From Ditto.— From Ditto— Reports on the
additional Estimate of Cash of the Paymaster
at Vellore for the Current Month.

From Ditto From Ditto— Reports on an
additional Estimate of Cash of the Paymaster
at Palamcottah for the present month.

To the Military Paymaster General. To the Military Paymaster
General— Transmits Military Auditor General's
Report on an additional Estimate of Cash
required by the Paymasters at Vellore and
Palamcotta

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20 Palamcottah for the Current Month —

To Ditto — Transmits Military

To Ditto —

Auditor General's report on the General Estimate of

Cash required for the ensuing Month —

21st Sent a letter to Captain Hook

To the Secretary to the Government at Fort William —

entered in M. B. N° 48 Transmitting Copy of a —

letter from this Government to the Honorable the —

Court of Directors dated 21st October dispatched by

the Honorable Company's Ship William Pitt —

22d Received and Sent the following Letters entered in M B N° 49. 50. 51. 52 —

From Captain Hill. Reports

From the acting Secretary to the Government at Fort William —

an advance made to Mr Moore a Cadet of this —

Establishment —

From Ditto — Reports an —

From Ditto

advance made to Lieutenant Grove on account of

this Presidency —

From Ditto — Reports an ad-

From Ditto

vance made to Mr R. Calvert a Cadet of this

Establishment —

To the Military Auditor General

To the Military Auditor General —

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22 Encloses Statement of Advances of Money made at Fort William to Officers and Cadets of this Establishment.

23 Sent a letter to the Military Auditor General entered in M. B. No. 53 — Encloses Extract from the Proceedings of His Lordship in Council in this Department the 19th Instant.

To the Military Auditor General.

At a Consultation

Present

The Right Honorable
Lord William Bentinck
Governor and President

Lieutenant General Sir J. F. Cradock K. B.
Commander in Chief

Wednesday the
24th December 1806.

William Petrie
and
Thomas Oakes
} Esqrs

Minutes of last Consultation read and Approved.

The Commander in Chief — records the following Minute.—

Minute

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Minute of the Commander in Chief.

Minute of the Commander in Chief submitting the Adjutant Generals Memorandum, respecting the Corps employed in the Ramnad District and suggesting the propriety of its being continued. Submitting and recommending the request of Captain Doos of the 16th. Regiment native Infantry for leave of Absence to Europe - also an application from Lieutenant Bowes of Pioneers and recommending his being allowed four men the case of absence to Ceylan - Recommending Major Sir D. Baillie's returns being announced in Orders Reporting the death on the 8th instant at Bednore of Lieutenant John Denton of the 8th. Regiment of native Infantry - Recommending that Lieutenant H. Close of the 5th. Regiment native Infantry be appointed Persian Interpreter to the Forces in Mysore. Recommending various promotions in the Cavalry on this Establishment in consequence of vacancies recently announced - Recommending the admission on the Establishment of certain Cadets - submitting required Certificates and recommending [illegible] widow

In consequence of the proposed reduction of all Corps beyond the regular establishment of the Army, my attention was directed to the Battalion which under the Command of Colonel Marting, and in the pay of the Revenue Department, has for many years been employed in the Ramnad district, On this subject I referred to the Adjutant General, whose personal knowledge of the Corps and district gave him the best ground of information; and I think it right to submit to the Board the Memorandum I received from him, as an honourable certificate both as to the merits of the Corps, and of the highly respectable Officer who Commands it.

If that Corps should be disbanded, common justice would require that a provision should be made for Officers and Men. Its place must be supplied by a Detachment of the Regular Army, and probably by a large increase to the Police establishments, so that the measure

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Widow. for Lord Clive's Bounty. Submitting a Memorandum from the Adjutant General, and recommending that in consideration of his Services in the Deckan. Subadar Shaick Moodeen may be allowed the pay of a Subadar of the 1st. Class.

measure with no encrease of efficiency would involve a considerable addition of Expense. In this view of the Subject may it not be an advisable measure to continue to employ this Corps on its present footing, rather than to disturb an arrangement which for along series of years has produced the best effects on the Province to which it is attached? On this point I request the consideration and decision of the Board.

I have the honor to submit to the Board and to recommend for compliance the request of Captain B. Dods, of the 11th. Regiment of Native Infantry for leave of absence to Europe on most urgent private affairs. In the present state of things I have considered it to be my duty to decline recommending leave for the absence of Officers of Experience to Europe, but the urgency of Captain Dod's affairs give him a strong claim to that indulgence.

I also submit an application from Lieutenant Bowes of Pioneers for six Months leave

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leave of absence to Ceylon.— I recommend that 4 — months leave be granted to him.—

Major Sir David Ogilby

of the 9th Regiment of Native Infantry has reported his arrival at Calcutta on his return to his duty, on the 17th November 1806.— I recommend that his — return be announced in Orders, and that his allow- ances commence from that date.—

I have to report the death on the 14th Instant at Bednore of Lieutenant — John Denton of the 8th Regiment of Native — Infantry.—

I recommend the appoint- ment of Lieutenant Henry Jackson Close of the 4th Regiment of Native Cavalry, to be Deputy — Judge Advocate to the Forces in Mysore, vice Macpherson appointed Assistant Adjutant — General.—

I recommend the following Promotions in the Cavalry on this Establishment in consequence of vacancies recently announced.—

1st Regiment

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1st. Regiment Native Cavalry

Lieutenant Richard Bayer Otto to be Captain Lieutenant vice Hamilton struck off, and Cornet William Chatfield to be Lieutenant vice Otto promoted — date of Rank the 11th. August 1805.

2d. Regiment Native Cavalry.

Captain William Lewis to be Major vice Montgomery struck off; Captain — Lieutenant Francis Walker to be Captain of a Troop vice Lewis, Lieutenant Garrick Read to be — Captain Lieutenant vice Walker, and Cornet John Savery to be Lieutenant vice Read promoted; date of Commissions the 5th. March 1806

The undermentioned Gentlemen Cadets having reported their arrival on the Honourable Company's Ships Indies and Tottenham, I recommend that they be admitted on the Establishment. Viz.t

Cavalry.

Mr. John Logan

Infantry

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Infantry

Mr William Thompson

Gilbert William Eccles

Thos John Hammond

Robert Swyer

Robert John Anstruther

Henry Hackness

I submit to the Board the required Certificate, and recommend Ann Elliott Widow of the deceased Serjeant Robert Elliott for the regulated Pension resulting from the Bounty of the late Lord Clive.

I submit to the Board a Memorandum laid before me by the adjutant General on behalf of a native Officer (brought to his notice by Major Barclay) who very much distinguished himself during the late war in the Dekkan. The immediate promotion then given to him was but a short anticipation of that Rank to which he had before established a claim, had a vacancy existed; and he is now

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now distressed by the maintenance of a numerous family. I have so frequently of late been called on to propose measures of severity to Native Officers, that I feel satisfaction on the opportunity of bringing forward a proposal to reward distinguished merit in that Class of the Army in the person of Subadar Shaik Modeen of the 1st. Battalion 6th. Regiment of Native Infantry: and I recommend that in consideration of his Services in the Dekkan he be allowed the Pay of a Subadar of the 1st. Class.

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(Signed) J. F. Cradock

Lieut. General

Memorandum- on the Ramnad Battalion

The Ramnad Battalion, originally formed a part of the Army of the Nabob, in whose service Colonel Marling, an Officer of the highest respectability, has for a very long period commanded it, and the Forces employed by His Highness in the Ramnad Province. With these Forces, during the war

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War of 1780-1-2-3, that Officer maintained Ram-
nad against a Seige undertaken by the Poligars
in the Vicinity, — and kept the Country for the
Government, by frequent Expeditions, which, on
the Partizan principle, he undertook. — He and
his Corps in 1788 Cooperated usefully with the
Detachment employed against the Shevegunga
Poligars: — during the assumption of the Nabobs Terri-
tory by the Company in 1790-1-2. it was received
into the Company's Service, — and has ever since
been retained on a greater or less Establishment
under Colonel Martin's Command, in the Reve-
nue employment of the Company.

During the Rebellion of the
Shevegunga Chiefs in 1801 the Ramnad Battali-
-on was most essentially useful, and on various
occasions, under the direction of Colonel Martin,
attacked the parties of the Rebels and occupied
posts in the Ramnad district, as well as
the Fort of Ramnad. — The Battalion is
formed of men whose length of Service gives
them

them every claim to provision if disbanded; as that Service has been virtually, though not nominally in the Employ of the Honorable Company's Government.— And Colonel Martin himself, has passed much of his life in the most zealous exertions for the benefit of the Government, on which he has stronger claims, from actual service performed, than most of those who hold in reality that Rank of which courtesy has hitherto allowed him to retain the designation.—

Should the Battalion be reduced, the natives should, I think, be received on the Non effective List, with exception of such as chuse to enter and are fit for the effective Corps; and Colonel Martin should continue to receive as an Invalid Officer the pay and allowances he has hitherto enjoyed.—

The period of their actual Service should be allowed to such men as may be desirous to enter the Native Battalions, in

estimating

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estimating their title to future provision from the non Effective Establishment.

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/Signed/ P. A. Agnew

Adjut. General

/Signed/ J. F. Cradock

To the Right Honorable

Lord William C. Bentinck

Governor and President in Council

Fort St. George.

My Lord,

Having requested permission from His Excellency the Commander in Chief to visit the Presidency to settle some, Private affairs, and also laid before him, the urgent necessity that has induced me to apply for a Furlough to Europe. — I hope he will consider my request so reasonable and necessary that he will be pleased to recommend a Compliance therewith to your Lordship in Council — by granting me permission to proceed to Europe on a Furlough of three (3) Years agreable

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agreeable to the Regulations — having now served upwards of Fifteen /15/ Years in India.

I have the honor to be

Gm. Gm.

Hulliale

23d. November 1806.

/Signed/ Broughton Dod

Captain 1st. Battalion

11th. Regt. Native Infty

To the Right Honorable

Lord William Bentinck

Governor in Council

Gm. Gm. Gm.

My Lord,

I have the honor to request your Lordship's permission to proceed on furlough for 6 Months to Ceylon.

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/Signed/ Frederick Bowes Lieut.

1st. Battalion Pioneers

This is to Certify that Robert Elliot private in Captain Whites Company 1st. Battalion of European Infantry, was lawfully married to Ann Churchill, daughter of the late Thomas Churchill

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Churchill, on the 6th of December in the year of our Lord 1787 by me.

/Signed/ Christian Pohle

Eng: Miss 48 Offic: Chaplain

Copied from the Church Register Trichinopoly

31st August 1805 /Signed/ Chr Pohle

Subadar Merjaee Saheb of the 1st Battalion 6th Regiment has got to support the family of Ryman Saheb Subadar deceased, his Brother-6 people - and he has in his own family 11 / 17

This is the man who was promoted in 1803 for attacking the Stragglers of the Bounsalahs Army - when they passed Raccer. Some in their flight before General Wellesleys Army - He hoped to have fallen in with the General before he left the Country - and meant to have asked him to solicit some more particular mark of favour, for the conduct which he had approved - but that chance having failed him he has got leave to come down from Wallajahabad to represent his services and

expectations

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expectations to the General Adjutant.—

Colonel Munro says, that in the enquiries which he lately made, nothing appeared against this man.—

Extract of G. O. 23d November 1805

The Governor in Council having received through the Channel of the Commander in Chief a report of the Gallant conduct of Jemedar Shaik Modeen, of the 1st Battalion 6th Native Regiment, who with a small party of Native Troops in opposition to a considerable Force of the Enemy preserved a Post of importance on the Godavery, and attacked the Enemy with success; His Lordship in Council has been pleased in testimony of his approbation of the conduct of Jemadar Shack Modeen to direct that he be promoted to the Rank of Subadar, and be borne and paid as Supernumerary in the 1st Battalion 6th Regiment of Native Infantry untill a vacancy shall afford an opportunity for placing him on the strength of that Corps

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Corps -

Signed/ G. Strachey
Secy to Government

"This Officer was posted with a few Sepays for the protection of a small Post and Force on the Godawery - The army of the Bronselah encamped there a night - He refused to admit them - maintained his Post - and - when they marched on the morning assembled the Village Peons in aid of his Party - sallied out on the straggling Rear of the Army, and - creating great alarm, seized many Cattle and a quantity of Baggage."

He is oppressed by the necessary maintenance of a numerous Family - and might be allowed to draw the Pay of Subadar of the 1st Class - unless it was thought more advisable to give him in some other Shape a small reward, that should leave him hopes of farther advantage. -

Signed/ P. A. Agnew
Adjt General
Resolved

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Resolutions and orders thereon.

Resolved under the circumstances stated by the Commander in Chief that it will not be expedient to reduce the Revenue Battalion serving under the command of Colonel Martinz in the District of Ramnad.-

Ordered that an Extract from the Commander in Chief's Minute on this Subject together with the Resolution of the Board be communicated to the Secretary at Fort William for the information of the Supreme Government.-

Resolved that Captain Dod and Lieutenant Bowes be permitted to proceed on Furlough, the former to England, and the latter to Ceylon, agreeably to the recommendation of the Commander in Chief.-

Ordered that the Return of Major Sir D. Ogilby of the 9th Regiment of Native Infantry be announced in General Orders, and that the payment of his allowances do commence from the 17th of November last.

Resolved that Lieutenant J. H. Close

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I. H. Close be appointed Acting Deputy Judge Advocate in Mysore vice Macpherson, appointed Acting Assistant Adjutant General to the Forces serving in that Quarter; and that the Commander in Chief be requested to give orders for explaining to Lieutenant Close the arrangement under which Captain Mc. -pherson will continue to draw the personal allowances of Assistant Adjutant General in Mysore.-

Resolved that the Widow of Serjeant Elliott be admitted to the usual benefit of Lord Clive's Fund.-

Resolved that Subidar Shaik Modeen be permitted to draw the Pay of a Subidar of the 1st. Class.-

Ordered that the Promotion of Officers and Admission of Cadets mentioned in the foregoing Minute be directed to take place.-

The Commander in Chief
says

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lays before the Board the following Memorandum.

Memorandum

Memorandum of the Commander in Chief — Proposes Wallajahbad as the best station for His Majestys 30th. Regiment on its arrival; and regards the sending His Majestys 59th. Regiment to Bangalore.

As the Arrival of His Majesty's 30th. Regiment may be daily expected from Bengal, It is proposed by the Commander in Chief, That they should proceed at once to Wallajahbad, the best Station under this Government for a Regiment just arrived in this Country.

It will then require Consideration what portion, if any, should be sent of this Corps to Vellore, That His Majesty's 59th. Regiment in that Quarter, may proceed to their Station at Bangalore, as has already been determined by the Government.

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/Signed/ J. F. Cradock

Minute thereon.

The Board entirely concur in the suggestion stated in the above Minute with respect to the disposal of His Majesty's 30th. Regiment.

Read the following Proceedings of the Medical Board.

Medical

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Medical Board

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Proceedings of the Medical Board - stating their opinion that the services of the Honorable Comps Botanist at Bangalore may be more usefully employed at any other Station more favorable to his health. -

1 The Medical Board have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Mr Chief Secretary Buchan's letter, dated the 11th instant, enclosing Copy of one, from the Honorable Company's Botanist and Naturalist, bearing date the 19th Ultimo - and the Board regret, that the bad state of health, under which Mr Heyne has labourd for a considerable time past, should have prevented his making to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, the necessary

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necessary Reports, on the
researches, in which he ha
been employed.

2 Mr. Heyne state
his inability, to do justic
to his charges as Company
Botanist and Naturalist
and as Superintendent to
the Establishment of th
Honorable Company's Gar
den at Bangalore, --
owing to the frequent
attacks of his disorder,
and the climate of Mysor
proving so inimical to h
constitution; three Medica
Board are of opinion, tha
his Services may be more
usefully employed in the
Zillah of Cuddapah, or
in any other situation,

More

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Ordered to lie on the Table.-

more favorable to the recovery of his health, and to which it may be the pleasure of his Lordship in Council, to appoint him.-

(Signed) J. Anderson
Physician General
" Terence Gahagan M.D.
& Member Medical Bd

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

(Signed) George Strachey
Secy to Government

Ordered to lie over for the present.-

Read the following Letter from the Accountant General.-

To the Chief Secretary to Government

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the Receipt of an Extract of Consultation dated

Paral.

Transmitting the Journal. Reporting the measures intended to adopt to prevent the recurrence of the disease which

Policy same for the present

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inconvenience experienced by the Troops at Cumbum in the late issue of their Pay.

dated the 5th Instant containing a Minute of the Commander in Chief with Enclosures from Major General Campbell and Colonel Webber upon the Subject of the inconvenience sustained by the Troops at Cumbum in the late issue of their Pay.

2. The inconvenience alluded to by Colonel Webber might have been Remedied by an application to the Paymaster on the Spot — whom I shall direct in future to make his Estimate of Cash conformable to the Destribution of the Troops in his range, when Separate Bills can be drawn and Endorsed over by the Principal Collector payable by such of his Sub Collectors as may be most convenient for the payment of the Troops.

3. It is necessary that all the Bills should be drawn upon the Principal Collector for the purpose of his regulating his Subordinate Treasuries but this will not occasion the delay of more than one Day.

Fort St. George
Accountt. General's Office
13th December 1806.

I have the honor to be &c.
(Signed) Cecil Smith
Accountant General
Endsd

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Order thereon.

Ordered that a Copy of the
foregoing Letter be furnished to the Commander in
Chief for His Excellency's information.

Read the following Letter
from Mr Stockwell.

George Strachey Esqre

Military Secretary to Government

Sir

From Mr Stockwell late Lieutenant in the Honorable Company's Service Forwards a Memorial Soliciting a small monthly allowance for his support.

I humbly take the liberty to send the inclosed, intreating as a very particular favor, to lay it, before His Lordship, and to let me know the result.

Trutchinopoly
14th November 1806.

I have the honor to be
&c &c

(Signed) Chas Stockwell

late a Lieut. H. C. Service

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

The Memorial of Charles
Stockwell

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Stockwell late a Lieutenant in the Service of the Honorable Company, of the Madras Establishment.

Sheweth.

That in the year 1781, your Memorialist, served as an Ensign, in the late 5th. Circar Battalion, which made the Detachment, employed at the taking of Jagernaut=poram, but the late Major Lysaght, the Commanding Officer of the Districts; and the late Captain Mayne, who Commanded the Corps, Judged it expedient, to leave your Memorialist at Coringa, (a Place within Sight, and within hearing of Cannon Shot from Jagernaut=poram) in Care of the Sick, Stores and Baggage, as well as to join, incase of Emergency.

That Jagernaut=poram Surrendered, without the Smallest Resistance, and your Memorialist always considered from the above

Stated

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stated Circumstances, that he was as fully entitled to his Share of the Prize Money, as if he had been Actually on the Spot, according to the rules of the Service, and perceiving in the year 1788, when the said Prize Money, was ordered to be distributed, that your Memorialists Share, which Amounted to above 6000 Pagodas, was intended to be devid-ed among the rest of the Officers of the Detach-ment, your Memorialist applied personally to Major General Sir Archibald Campbell K. B. Governor and Commander in Chief, to Protect his case on the occasion, but he was unfortunately plac-ed to refuse, having any interference in like Cases, and referred your Memorialist, to the decision of a Civil Court, and Ordered your Memorialist to join immediately his Corps to the Northward, and as your Memorialists Attorney at Law, Messrs H. Dupuy, and Peter Walker, gave your Mem-orialist, every assurance, that they should recover for your Memorialist, his Prize Money, provided your Memorialist remained at the

Presidency

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Presidency; as that your Memorialists presence was deemed necessary, and your Memorialist, being then in a bad state of health, hee resigned his Commission, and that after the distribution of the said Prize Money; as your Memorialists Opponents (who are all since dead) were affluent, and powerful and your Memorialist poor, and unsupported, your Memorialists said Attorneys, declined to act against them, on behalf of your Memorialist, and that (as will fully appear to your Lordship, by the Records) your Memorialist was afterwards equally unfortunate, in his applications to Brigadier General Mathew, Horne the Commander in Chief, and to Government, at the time of the Administration of John Holland Esqre and Sir Charles Oakely Bt. accompanying therewith, two Certificates, copies of which, and a Certificate, from Major Robert Munro, now at Vellore, your Memorialist, most humbly begs leave to inclose, for your Lordships

Inspection

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Inspection, and regrets the death of three Valua-
-ble Officers, to further support the Character, your
Memorialist bore, while he had the honor, and
happiness to be in the Army.-

That your Memorialist, —
when a Lieutenant, in the Service, of the late —
Nabob, of Arcott, obtained a Commission, in the
Service of the Honorable Company, at the Seige of
Pondichery, in the year 1778, for his merited conduct,
thro' the recommendation of the Commander in Chief,
Major General Sir Hector Munro, K. B. and that,
your Memorialist, during a period of ten years
Servitude, he endeavored on all occasions, to be
present on Actual Services, and has been slightly
Wounded in it, —

That since the approach, of
your Memorialists misfortunes, he used every
effort in his power, to obtain a support, suitable
to his feelings as a Gentleman, but his Projects —
proved Abortive, — and he is now, in his —
advanced years, and very much decayed consti-
tution

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Constitution, languishing under extreme Indigence and Surrounded with every Gloomy Prospects — when the late Lieutenant James Walter, who likewise resigned his Commission and the late Captain Peter Moore; who was dismissed, from the Service, and others, that were also unfortunate, under Similar Cases, got admitted on the Pensioned List.-

Your Memorialist therefore, firmly relying on that humanity, which so conspicuously Adorns, your Lordships illustrious name, most respectfully, and submissively implores your Lordship to grant him some small monthly allowance, and for which act of Compassionate, and Indulgent Goodness, your Memorialist, as in duty Bound.

Shall Ever Pray

This is to certify that Mr Charles Stockwell, while a Lieutenant in the 33d. Madras Battalion under my Command, he behaved himself as a Good Officer.

[Signed] Geo. Cunyngham.
Lieut Coll. Comg

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This is to Certify that Mr.
Charles Stockwell, late a Lieutenant in the Honorable
Company's Service, did at all times, when under
my Command, do his duty his duty ..... much to my
Satisfaction, and behaved himself, as an Officer,
and a Gentleman ought, in every respects.

(Signed) John Patterson
Lieutenant Colonel

This is to Certify that —
Mr. Charles Stockwell served in the late 33d.
Madras Battalion with me as a Lieutenant —
and Conducted himself as an Officer in that —
Corps with much propriety; and so far as came
within my knowledge to the Satisfaction of his
then Commandant Captain now Major Gene-
ral George Conyngham.

(Signed) H. Munro.
late a Lieutenant 33d.
Battalion now Major
D. Battalion 20th
Regiment. —

1st. August 1806.

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I certify (at his request) that Charles Stockwell, was, as appears by the Records of this Office, appointed an Ensign in the Honorable Companys Service on the Madras Establishment of the 26th August 1778, and was permitted to resign the Service, by Government order of the 22d July 1788.

Adjutant Generals Office
Fort St George
16th October 1806.

(Signed) P. A. Agnew
Adjt Genl of the Army

Minute thereon.

The Commander in Chiefes requests to ascertain through the channel of the Adjutant General of the Army, or by such other means as to His Excellency may deem proper the circumstances which may have led to Mr Stockwell's resignation of the Service of the Company.

Read the following Letters from the Military Auditor General.

To

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To the Right Honorable

Lord William Bentinck

Governor in Council

Gen. Gen. Gen.

My Lord,

From the Military Auditor General Refers for the determination of Government Bills for full Batta and Tent allowance preferred by Lieutenant Colonel Marriott.

1 I have the honor to submit, for your Lordship's consideration, the accompanying Copy of a Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Marriott.

2 As no other Military Charges but for Regimental Subsistence and half Batta has lately been passed on account of Lieutenant Colonel Marriott, who has now presented his Bills for Full Batta and Tent Allowance, whilst on duty in Bengal, I have deemed it proper to make this reference to your Lordship, in order that Government may authorize the Extra Charges in question, and determine whether they are to be defrayed by the Civil or Military Department.

I have the honor to be Gen. Gen.

Military Aud.r General's Office

Fort St. George

13th December 1806

(Signed) Alex.r Orr.

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To the Military Auditor General

Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to forward you the Regimental Abstracts of my individual pay during my absence on duty in Bengal.

As I was employed in the Secret and political Department I have no document to produce as a Voucher for my being so employed; and therefore have to request you will submit this Letter, through the proper channel, that the previous sanction of Government may be obtained, to prevent any future Retrenchment. As Paymaster of Stipends my Regimental Tent Allowance was discontinued under the idea of my duties being confined to a fixed Spot; but as I have been employed at a distance and may probably continue to be so employed for some time further, it may be requisite to obtain the sanction of Government for a dispensation with this part of the G.O. regarding

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regarding the Paymaster of Stipends so long as he may be employed at a distance from Vellore.

Fort St. George
10th. December 1806.

I am &c. &c.
(Signed) Thos. Marriott
Paymr. Stipends Lt. Coll.
2d. Battalion 1st. Regt.

A true Copy
(Signed) Alexr. Orr
Mily Audr. General

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

From Ditto Reports on Bills transmitted by Major Morcy on Retrenchments made against the Commanding Officer of the Cadet Company and on the victualling charges for detachments of His Majesty's 19th. and 66th. Regiments submits additional charges on account of Mauss Rent for the Cadets.

1. My Lord, I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of a letter from the Secretary to Government in the Military Department under date the 30th. Ultimo, and to report as follows on the subjects referred to me therein.

2. The Estate of the late Captain Davis of the 19th. Regiment should have been made accountable for the amount of the Bills transmitted by Major Morcy, before the Assets of

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of that Estate were remitted to the Treasury, in which there appears by the Government Gazette to be a sum lodged much more than is required to answer the present demand — There appears an irregularity in transmitting the Bills in the first instance to the Chief Secretary of Government, and a deficiency of information on the subject in Major Storey's letter which accompanied them. It is but just however that the Sepoys should be paid as soon as possible the amount of the Stoppages due to them, and, if your Lordship thinks proper, the Bills shall be forwarded from this Office immediately with directions to the Paymaster at Ganjam to discharge them. Major Storey shall also be desired to afford me particular information on the subject, in order that Government may recover the amount Viz. 108 Star Pagodas from the Estate of the late Captain Davis, of which the assets have been lodged in the Treasury.

3. The Retrenchments alluded to

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to in Captain Pollocks letters, were upon the charges
at Cuddalore for a Serjeant Major, a Barrack
Serjeant, a Key Serjeant and a Linguist, the
whole amounting to Star Pagodas 17 per month.
The three non Commissioned Staff were regular-
ly authorized for the Garrison of Tripassore; the
Serjeant Major drew allowances both as belong-
ing to the Garrison and as attached to the
Cadet Company; the Barrack Serjeant was
required for the charge of the Barracks Gs., but
the Key Serjeants appointment would appear
to have been solely for the charge of the Gar-
rison Gates — no authority having appeared for
the removal of these Non Commissioned Staff
from Tripassore to the New Town of Cuddalore,
nor for keeping up such an Establishment at
that latter station, where a Key Serjeant in
particular does not seem to be required, it was
deemed necessary to make the Retrenchments
in question — Captain Pollock might have
known, that charges for such an Establishment

could

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could not be admitted, without Special Authority, at a Station where people of similar descriptions had not been drawn for before. It now rests with Government either to fix an Establishment of Non Commissioned Staff: Writers &c. for the Station occupied by the Cadets at the new Town of Cuddalore, or to authorize Captain Pollock to draw the same Allowances on those accounts as were formerly admitted at Tripassore.

4 The Bills for victualling the Detachments of His Majesty's 19th. and 66th. Regiments are supported by the proper Vouchers and Signatures, but the Charges being incorrect, it was necessary to alter them, by which the amount is increased from Pagodas 465.-.- to Pagodas 610.26.- The errors in those Bills have arisen from the Purser charging 7 fanams per man per day for the whole, instead of Charging 10 fanams for each European and 4 fanams for each Native. The Bills will be retained in this Office until the Authority of Government shall be received for their

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their being passed —

5 I take this opportunity to sub-
mit for the confirmation of Government the accom-
panying Copy of a letter from the Military
Board requesting that further charges on account
of House Rent for the Cadets at Cuddalore may
be admitted in the public Accounts — Although
these charges have been authorized by the Mili-
Board, yet as they exceed by 105 Pagodas monthly
the former Charges on the same account authorized
by Government, I thought it necessary to lay them
before your Lordship in Council —

I have the honor to be

Military Auditor
General's Office
Fort St George
13th December 1806.

(Signed) Alexr Orr.
Military Auditor Genl.

To the Military Auditor General

Sir,

By desire of the Military
Board I have the honor to transmit a Return
of Quarters which the Officer Commanding the
Cadet

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Cadet Company has been authorized to rent for the accommodation of the Gentlemen Cadets:

Captain Pollock has been directed to retain the houses, so long as they may be necessary, the new Quarters not being yet finished, and the Board request that you will give the necessary Orders for having the monthly Bills for rent, discharged.-

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Signed/ J. Marshall
Secy Mily Board.

Return.

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Return of Quarters which the Officer Commanding the Cadet Company has been authorized to rent for the accommodation of the Gentlemen Cadets at New Town Cuddalore.

No. of the Beans	Rate per Month	Since when	Amount Ps fs c
1	at 20 Pagodas	Occupied since 27th June 1806	102 30 —
2	at 10 — "	Ditto since Ditto	51 15 — "
3	at 10	Ditto 12th " August	36 30 "
4	at 10	Ditto since 12th " August	36 30 "
5	at 10	Ditto " 27th June	51 15 — "
6	at 15	Ditto " 24th " July	64 — —
7	at 4	Ditto " 24th July "	17 3 "
8	at 6	Ditto " 24th July	25 27 "
9	at 5	Ditto " 24th July	21 15 "
10	at 8	Ditto " 1st " August	32 — " "
11	at 10	Ditto " 1st " August	40 " "
12	at 12	Ditto " 27th June	61 27 — "
13	at 150	Ditto 1st October	300 — " —
14	at 15	Ditto 16th " October	23 — " —

Total Star Pagodas 363 12 — "

(Signed) J. Marshall
Secy. to Mily Board.

Military Board Office
Fort St. George
1st December 1806.

(True Copy)
(Signed) Alexr Orr
Mily Auditor General.

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To the Right Honorable

Lord William Bentinck

Governor in Council

Gen. Gen. Gen.

From Ditto. Reports that the necessary orders have been issued regarding Stoppages from Officers on this Establishment indebted to the Seringapatam Prize Funds. Lists of Officers of the Bengal and Bombay Establishments indebted to the Funds enclosed.

My Lord,

1. I have the honor to report, that, in consequence of a late resolution of Government to assist the Seringapatam Prize Agents in the recovery of their demands against the Officers of the Madras Establishment, the necessary orders have been issued to the Paymasters of Stations to make gradual Monthly Stoppages from those Officers who may be indebted to the Prize Funds, in the following proportions.

From a Colonel ..... Pa. 40 per month
" a Lieutenant Colonel ... " 25 .. Ditto.
" a Major ..... " 20 .. Ditto
" a Captain ..... " 15 .. Ditto
" a Subaltern ..... " 10 .. Ditto

2. I have the honor to enclose Lists of Officers of the Bengal and Bombay Establishments who are also indebted to the Seringapatam Prize

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Prize Funds, and I beg to know if your Lord-
ship in Council will be pleased to grant
assistance in any way for the recovery of those
Debts.-

3. The Bills against the seve-
ral Officers in question are ready in my Office,
but without Authority it would be needless
in me to forward them, neither is it likely
that the Prize Agents by forwarding them
would be able to recover the Money, or
unless with the indulgent support of the
Governments of Bengal and Bombay.-

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your
Most obedient
Humble Servant
(Signed) Alex.r Orr
Mily. Aud.r General

Military Auditor
General's Office
Fort St. George
18th. December 1806.

List of Bengal Officers Indebted to the
Seringapatam Prize Fund.

		P.s	Fs.	C.
Lieutenant Richards 1st. Bn. Bengal Artily		--	36	--
Doctor Wyatt	Bengal Artillery	32	--	--
Lieutenant Ford	Bengal Volunteers	57	6	--
Carried Over		90	--	--

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		P.	f.	c.
Brought forward		90	"	"
Lieutenant Coll. Grant 16th Bengal Regiment Native Infantry		48	"	"
Captain Hemings 16th Bengal Regiment Native Infantry		30	"	"
Lieutenant Butler 16th Bengal Regiment		6	"	"
" Broughton 16th Bengal Regiment		2	36	"
" Byres	16th Bengal Regiment	34	12	"
Captain Hetzler	Bengal Artillery	8	24	"
Captain P. Grant	Bengal Volunteers	30	"	"
Lieutenant Pennington	Bengal Artillery	29	18	"
Lieut.t Popham	Bengal Establishm.t	26	36	"
Pagodas		306	"	"

(Signed) Alex.r Orr
Military Auditor Genl

List of Bombay Officers indebted to the Seringapatam Prize Fund

		P.	f.	c.
Lieut.t Elliott 1st Battalion 4th Regiment Bombay Native Infantry		36	24	"
Lieut.t Campbell 1st Battalion 5 Regiment Bombay Native Infantry		77	30	"
Carried forward		114	12	"

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	P.	f.	C.
Brought forward --	114	12	—
Lieutenant Wood 1st Battalion 3d Regiment Bombay Native Infantry	15	30	—
Lieutenant Lock 2d Battalion 2d Regiment Bombay Native Infantry	43	30	—
Major Shiry H. M. 77th Regiment	—	24	—
Captain I Shaw His Majestys 77th Regiment	84	14	—
Lieutenant Colonel Mc Donald Bombay European Regiment	51	18	—
Major Bailie Bombay Artillery	8	—	—
Pagodas	318	2	—

(Signed) Alexr Orr.
Mility Audr Genl

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

My Lord,

From Ditto. Forwards Correspondence with Captain Lieutenant Fraser in Consequence of a Retrenchment established against him. -

1. Captain Lieutenant Edward Fraser was appointed, when Lieutenant, first assistant to the Cadet Company at Trepassore upon

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upon the Staff allowances of an Adjutant — In the
allowances the Sum of 6 Pagodas Monthly is always
included to enable the Adjutant to provide himself
with a Captains Tent - and Lieutenant Fraser conse-
quently drew 12 Pagodas Regimentally as Lieutenant
and 6 Pagodas as Extra Staff Allowance for Camp
Equipage.

2 It has hitherto been a rule in
the Service that when a Lieutenant and Adjutant
is promoted to the rank of Captain Lieutenant, he
is not permitted to draw both his Tent allowance
/Pr. 18/ as Captain Lieutenant, and his Extra Tent
Allowance /Pr. 6./ as Adjutant.

3 Captain Lieutenant Fraser's
Case appeared to be similar to that of an adjutant
and when on his promotion to the Rank of Captain
Lieutenant, he thought proper to draw 18 Pagodas
for Captain's Tent allowance and 6 Pagodas less
on account of Camp Equipage as first Assistant
to the Cadet Company. It became necessary to
Retrench the latter Sum, particularly as it did
not

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not appear that Captain Fraser had produced at
muster more than a Captains Tent

In consequence of this Retrench-
ment a Correspondence took place between Captain
Lieutenant Fraser and this Office, of which Co-
pies are herewith enclosed, together with that
Officers Original address to Government on the
Subject

I have the honor to be

Military Auditor
Generals Office
Fort St George
24th December 1806.

[Signed] Alexr Orr
Mility. Audr Genl

P. S. It may be proper also to bring to
your Lordship's notice, that Captain Pollock
now Commanding the Cadet Company was formerly situated similarly in every respect with Captain Lieutenant Fraser, and when on his promotion to Captain Lieutenant he drew Tent allowance both as Captain and as Assistant to the Cadet Company, the latter charge was Retrenched from Captain Pollock's Bills, without

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without any objection or reply to the Retrenchment on his part.-

/Signed/ Alexr. Orr

Mility Audr. General

To the Right Honble the Governor in Council

My Lord,

I am induced to lay the accompanying Retrenchment before your Lordship in Council from a perfect conviction of the justice of my claim, and that the real intention of Government is, that I receive an allowance not inferior to that granted to the second Assistant with the Cadet Company.-

I have the honor to be &c &c

Cuddalore

15th. September 1806

/Signed/ Edward Fraser

Asst. Cadet Company

Extract of the Retrenchment made by the Deputy Military Auditor General, from my Disbursements for the Month of May 1806.

Tripassore

Cadet Company

408 Captain Lieutenant Edward Fraser, draws, additional

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additional Tent Allowance, as assistant to the Officer Commanding the Cadet Company Ps. 6 " "

Which is Inadmissible, Captain Fraser, being in the receipt of Captain's Tent & Allowance Regimentally, Retrenched Pgs. 6 " "

A true Extract

/Signed/ J. Greenhill

Paymaster.

In support of the charge of additional Tent allowance, retrenched for the Month of may 1806, I have to repeat, what I stated last Month in support of the same charge — Viz. That, as I was put in Orders to receive Adjutant's allowances, and as it must have been the intention of Government, that as Assistant to the Cadet Company, I should receive a Sum equivalent to Adjutant's Allowances, this Retrenchment of 6 Pagodas forming one item of such allowance, should be admitted on Re-audit.

I am aware of the Order against drawing

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drawing the same Allowance under distinct heads, but conceive, that the Order authorizing the Assis-tants to the Cadet Company, to draw Adjutants Allow-ances, is authority sufficient to cancel such order in this case; for surely it could not be the intention of Government, who probably merely meant to fix Adjutants Allowances as a compensation for the duty of the Assistants - to take 6 Pagodas from a such Compensation, because the individual chance to be promoted, and yet, if this Retrenchment is persevered in, I shall receive Monthly 16 Pagodas less, than the 2d Assistant, or any Adjutant in the Service.-

Cuddalore
15th September 1806.

/Signed/ Edward Fraser
Capt Lieutenant
Madras E. Regiment

True Extracts
/Signed/ Alexander Orr.
Military Auor General
Captain

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Captain Lieutenant Edward Fraser

Sir,

As it is the duty of this Office to prevent unnecessary references to Government, the Military Auditor General desires me to suggest the propriety of your reconsideration of the Letter which you have transmitted to him to be forwarded to Government on the Subject of Extra Tent allowance —

You were entitled by the Orders of Government to the same Tent allowance as an Adjutant which has been admitted to you — you are not perhaps aware that Adjutants on when promoted to the Rank of Captain or Captain Lieutenant are restricted to the Tent allowance of Captain which they are entitled to in virtue of their Regimental Rank and which they formerly drew as Adjutants when Subalterns — It may be also proper to mention that no Officer can draw a higher Tent Allowance than that of the Camp Equipage he may have mustered; and it

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it appears you only mustered the Camp Equipage of a Captain for which the allowance has been admitted.-

If after this explanation you still desire your Letter to be forwarded to Government, the Military Auditor General will deem it his duty to accompany it with such observations as may produce, if the decision should be unfavorable as it certainly would, an unpleasant result to you, which it is by no means the wish of this Office to be the cause of.-

Military Auditor
General's Office
Fort St George
3d December 1806.

(Signed) J. Prendergast
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A True Copy
(Signed) Alexander Orr.
Military Auditor General's

To the Deputy Military Auditor General

Sir,

I have received the letter you have addressed to me Recommending my withdrawing a reference to Government on the Subject of Additional

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Tent allowance — I am far from entertaining a doubt as to the propriety of the Retrenchment, agreeable to Orders existing on the subject, but I hoped, that my explanation of the case would satisfy the Auditor General, that it must have been the intention of Government to allow me a Sum, in Addition to my Regimental Allowance, equal to the Nett income of the Staff Allowance of an Adjutant.

My Reasons for troubling Government on the subject was, a supposition that tho' the Military Auditor General might see the hardships of the Senior Assistant Officer with the Cadet Company drawing a Smaller Staff Allowance than the D. Assistant, and that merely because he happened to be promoted, yet as an Officer Acting on a Code of Regulations he might not think himself authorized to depart from them whatever might be the Justice of the Case and my expectations is, that Government will grant the allowance not as being clearly entitled to it by

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/Signed/ J Prendergast
Dy. Mily. Aud. Gl

Military Auditor
General's Office
Fort St George
3d December 1806.

A True Copy
/Signed/ Alexander Orr.
Military Auditor General's

To the Deputy Military Auditor General

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by

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by the Regulations, but from its being the real intention of Government, that my nett Staff allowance with the Cadet Company, should not be less than that of the 2d Assistant, I trust the Military Auditor General will, on reconsideration of the Case, be rather inclined to favor my request of Government.

(Signed) Edward Fraser
Capt.n Lieutenant
Madras European Regim.t

Masulipatam
11th December 1806.

A true Copy
(Signed) Alexander Orr
Military Aud.r General

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

My Lord,

I have the honor to forward a letter addressed to your Lordship in Council by Captain De Haviland, Engineer and Surveyor with the Nizam's Subsidiary Force, on the subject of

From Detto. Reporting on a claim preferred by Captain De Haviland for Horse allowance in the double capacity of Engineer and of Surveyor

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of a Retrenchment against him for drawing Horse allowance in the double Capacities of Engineer and Surveyor:-

2 It is true, My Lord, as Captain De Haviland observes, that both an Engineer upon Field Service, and a Surveyor are entitled respectively to draw Horse Allowance, and also, that no regulation exists, which debars an Officer serving in both those Situations from drawing two Horse Allowance in his double capacity.-

3. It has, however, been invariably a rule in this Office, not to admit of any Officer, who may hold two distinct appointments, drawing Horse Allowance for both, except in instances of Cavalry Officers upon the Staff, who have hitherto been permitted to draw Horse allowance both Regimentally, and in their Staff, two Situations.-

4 In case it should appear necessary to your Lordship in Council to issue any

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any particular Regulation on this Subject. I beg
leave to notice that by the Bengal Regulations
under the head of Staff and Staff allowances —
Para 15th) "a General Officer on the Staff is not —
"entitled, although a Cavalry Officer, to Regimen-
"tal Horse Allowance, nor a Staff Officer, in
"whose Staff Pay this Allowance is included.

Military Auditor
General's Office
Fort St. George
20th December 1806

I have the honor to be
Yr. Yr.
Signed Alex. Orr.
Mily Auditor General

To the Right Honorable
Lord William C. Bentinck
Governor in Council
Yr. Yr. Yr.
Fort St George

My Lord,

I beg to bring under your Lord-
ship's Consideration, through the usual Channel
of the Military Auditor General's Office, the Circum-

stance

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Circumstance of the Allowance for a Horse in my Capacity of Engineer as well as in that of Surveyor to the Nizam's Subsidiary Force; which the Auditor General has only admitted in my Abstracts, in one Case.

Your Lordship in Council will I trust be inclined to give your Sanction to both, if in support of my Claim, I am allowed to adduce, that while I believe, the regulations of the Service grant that Indulgence to all Officers of Engineers, on Field allowances, as well as to all Surveyors, respectively; I know of none that prohibit both being drawn by an Officer holding the two Situations.

I beg also to observe that as far as I can learn, Officers who Regimentally are entitled to similar allowances, when empl.ed on the General Staff, draw that attached to it in addition; — and that even this is not a Parallel with my Case; since when on that Staff

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Staff, they are exempt from all Regimental Duties, while on the Contrary, by the words and Intent of the Orders, I stand specially appointed to both the Duties of Engineer and Surveyor to the Nizam's Detachment.

And here I wish to bring to your Lordships particular Notice, that the Six Pagodas, for Horse allowance now in Question, will be the only advantage attached to the former of these Responsible Situations; since an Officer of any other Corps in the Army nominated Surveyor only, would in every other respect Receive what I now do, with the Duties of Surveyor alone, incumbent on him.-

I hope your Lordship in Council will be convinced of the Necessity of an Officer in my present double capacity keeping two Horses at least, if he is desirous of acquitting himself of his Laborious Task.-

and

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And if I may be allowed to add, that even in the cheapest times in the Deckan, the allowance of twelve Pagodas for two Horses has not more than kept one, your Lordship in Council on Enquiry will find it but a Just Statement.-

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

Fort St. George

10th December 1806

(Signed) D. Havilland

Captain Engineer & Sur:

Nizams Sub. Force

Ordered that the following

Reply be despatched to the Military Auditor

General.-

To the Military Auditor General

Sir,

I am directed by the Right

Parl.

Honorable the Governor in Council to acknow:

ledge the receipt of your Letters of the 13th. 18th.

19th. and 20th. Instant.-

2.

To Dlts. Permits Lieutenant Colonel Mannill to draw full Batta but not Tent allowances while on the public duties on the Establishment of Cavalry and Bengal Establishment entitled to Batta Prize money and Batta Prize money are forwarded.

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forwarded Vis — directs he will authorize payment of Pagodas 108 due from late Captain Davis's Estate deceased on account of Stoppages; a claim for which is to be referred on adjustment of his affairs — The Commanding Officer of the new Town of Cuddalore is directed to explain charges for Garrison Staff retrenched — desires he will authorize payment of victualling Bill for Detachments of His Majesty's 19th and 65th Regiments on board His Majesty's Ship Bombay — Sum charged for the hire of a house for the Cadets at Cuddalore will not be sanctioned until explained — Confirms Retrenchments against Captain Lieutenant Fraser and Captain De Havilland of Engineers, and directs he will enforce the Orders against frivolous and unnecessary appeals —

2. His Lordship in Council is pleased to permit Lieutenant Colonel Marriott to draw full Batta during the period of his late absence from Vellore on the Public Service, but does not consider that Officer to be entitled to Tent Allowance, as accommodations were provided for him at the Public Charge.

3. The Lists, submitted with your letter of the 18th. Instant, of Officers on the Bengal and Bombay Establishments indebted to the Agents for the Captors of Seringapatam have been forwarded to the Government at Fort William and Bombay respectively with the request of His Lordship in Council, that measures may be taken for the gradual recovery of the Amount of the Debts in question.

4. I am directed to desire that you will authorise the payment of the Sum of Pagodas 108. due from the Estate of the late Captain Davis of the 19th. Regiment of Native Infantry.

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Infantry on account of Stoppages from that Corps
according to the Advocate Generals Opinion it
will not be practicable to effect the immediate
recovery of this debt from the Estate of Captain
Davis under the Articles of War, but His Lordship
in Council desires that instructions may be
given to the Military Paymaster General for
assisting the claim of the Honorable Company
at such time as the legal Representatives of
the Deceased shall proceed to the adjustment
of his affairs.

5. The Commanding Officer of
the new Town of Cuddalore has been furnished
with an Extract from your Letter regarding
Retrenchments existing against him on account
of the Garrison Staff employed at that Sta-
tion, and has been further desired to ex-
plain the necessity for incurring the charges
in question.

6. His Lordship in Council
desires

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desires that you will authorize payment of the Bills for victualling the Detachment of His Majesty's 19th and 66th Regiments on board His Majestys Ship Bombay, amounting to Pagodas 610. 26. - - -

7. In the List of Charges on account of House Rent for the Cadets at Cuddalore His Lordship in Council has observed that the Sum of Pagodas 150 per Month is Charged for the hire of a Single House, His Lordship in Council will withhold his Sanction to this expence until it shall have been explained by the Military Board.

8 His Lordship in Council is pleased to confirm the retrenchment which you have established against Captain Lieutenant Fraser as Assistant to the Officer commanding the Cadet Company, and against Captain De Havilland of Engineers. His Lordship in Council considers the former Officer to

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be particularly reprehensible for having persisted in his unreasonable claim.-

His Lordship in Council

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desires that you will convey those Sentiments to Captain Lieutenant Fraser, and that you will in all cases enforce the established Orders with respect to frivolous and unnecessary appeals to the Governor in Council.-

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most

Fort St. George

25th. December 1806

Obedt. Servt.

(Signed) Geo: Strachey

Secy. to Government

Read the following Letters

from the Secretary at Prince of Wales's Island.

To George Buchan Esqre.

Chief Secretary to the Government

at

Fort St. George

Sir.

The Honorable the Governor

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and Council having received an application

from

From the acting Secretary to the Government of Prince of Wales's Island, transmitting an application from Lieutenant [illegible] and

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And his being allowed to draw Tent allowance in Consequence.—

from Lieutenant R. Phillips doing duty at this Presidency, stating the inconvenience arising to him, from his not drawing the Tent allowance of the Madras Establishment: I am directed to inform you for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, that the expence of House Rent at this Presidency being very high, the Honorable the Governor and Council have been pleased to grant the indulgence of this allowance to Lieutenant Phillips, not exceeding what is now allowed to Officers of his rank of the Bengal Establishment, which is to be borne on the face of the Muster Roll. "Lieutenant Phillips' Tent not mustered in consequence of his finding himself in Quarters".—

2 I am further directed to state the request of the Governor and Council,— that the Auditor General at Fort St. George may be authorized to pass the said allowance

to

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to account -

Fort Cornwallis
the 7th October 1806.

I have the honor to be
Sir &c &c
[Signed] Thomas Raffles
Acting Secy to Govermt

Ordered that the Auditor General be furnished with a Copy of the foregoing Letter for his information and guidance -

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

Sir,

From Dilla Reports the embarkation of two Dutch Prisoners of War for this Presidency, and requesting an early answer to the enclosed Triplicate of a letter regarding Prisoners of War -

for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, that two Dutch Prisoners of War, viz: Lieutenant Van Gole, and Dekker, late of the Batavian Brig Zeeroof, captured by His Majesty's Frigate Caroline have been embarked on board His Majesty's Sloop

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Recd Bills & Reports
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of War for this Port
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early answered & the
enclosed Triplicate
of a letter regarding
Prisoners of War.

Sloop Warrier, to be conveyed to Madras; the Honorable the Governor and Council not deeming it prudent to keep them here longer than the necessity of the case has demanded; under the present circumstances of the Island, and the probability, that from the expected change in the Batavian Government in Europe, more active persons may be sent out to their Possessions.

The Governor and Council in the want of information as to the allowance usually granted to Prisoners of War, have allowed them the Sum of Florins 100 — each per Month during their stay here, the same being the Amount of the Nett Pay (as stated in their declaration of honor) that they received, under the Batavian Government; and which allowance has been paid to them up to the last day of the preceding Month.

It was the intention of the Honorable the Governor and Council to

have

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have sent them to Europe on the returning China Fleet, if this opportunity had not offered for Madras, which I have to request you will state to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, in order that such attention may be paid to their accommodation in this respect as they may deem proper.-

I have the honor to enclose a Triplicate of the letter addressed to you on the 29th August last, to which I am directed to request, an early answer, in the event of other Prisoners of War being hereafter landed here.-

Fort Cornwallis
the 6th December 1806.

I have the honor to be
Gn. Gn.
[signed] Tho. Raffles
Actg Secy. to Govt.

Orders thereon.

Ordered that the Town Mayor be furnished with a Copy of the foregoing

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foregoing Letter, and that He be apprized of the intention of the Board that the two Dutch Officers therein mentioned shall receive the usual treatment and allowance of Prisoners of War of their Rank.

Read the following Letter from the Officer Commanding the Southern Division of the Army.

To the Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St George

Sir,

From the Officer Commanding the Southern Division of the Army - Requests Sanction for reimbursing the expences incurred in the erection of certain Buildings at Coimbatore - Submits application from Lieutenant Colonel Rumley regarding the erection of additional Buildings at that Station - has directed the conversion of temporary Stables at Chinapolypts and additional Barracks -

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acquaint you that Conformably to your letter in the Military Department of (no specific date) in October, His Lordship in Council was pleased to Sanction the erection of additional Barracks a proportion of Stabling for the 6th. Regiment of Cavalry at Trichinopoly, but as the weather has continued moderate and no appearance or expectation of any inclement weather this Season, I have sanctioned and directed Major Nuthall to convert the temporary Stables, into an additional Barrack, which is now much Required, in consequence of part of the Old building having fallen in, and this will encrase the Original Estimate of 300 Pagodas to 420 Pagodas, and which I hope His Lordship in Council will approve of.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most
(signed) A Campbell
Colonel

Head Quarters
Southern Division of the
Army - Trichinopoly -
24th December 1806

To

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To the Assistant Adjutant General
Southern Division of the
Army

Sir

As many of the Remount
Horses which have recently been received into the
Corps under my Command, are in so weak a
State as to require Cover and as the Sixteen
Stalls which have already been erected are
full of Horses suffering under actual Disease,
I have to request you will State to the Officer
Commanding the Division my wish to be allow-
-ed to provide a further Building for Sixty
Horses, as a means requisite for Bringing the Horses
of the above description into an early state for
Service, and which can be accomplished for
less than one Hundred Pagodas -

Coimbatoor
6th " December 1806.

(Signed) C Rumley
Lieutenant Coll.

A true Copy
(Signed) A Campbell
Colonel

Ordered

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Orders thereon.

Ordered that a Copy of the foregoing Letter be referred for the consideration and report of the Military Board.

Read the following Memorial from Ragaviah, principal Servant of the Paymaster at Seringapatam.

George Buchan Esqre

Chief Secretary to Government

Fort St George

Sir,

From Ragaviah Principal Servant of the Paymaster of Seringapatam stating his Claims.

With respect and submission, I beg leave to represent to your goodness that I have been employed as the Principal Servant of the Paymaster and Garrison Storekeeper in Mysore since the Commencement of the War against the late Tippoo Sultan in 1799 and still continues in that Situation.

It may be necessary to premise at this part of the Subject, that the Details of these Departments have been of the most important and at times difficult nature, independent of the great

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great Responsibility attached to the Receipts and Disbursements of very large Sums of money from the beginning of the Mysore war to the day of the Honorable Major General Wellesley's departure to Europe, — An Interval of seven years, during which there was one series of warfare, the magnitude of which can only be estimated by a Recapitulation of its successful events — First, the fall of Tippoo Sultan, and afterwards the defeat of Doondiah Waheg, the Annihilation of the Royals of Bullam and Wynaad, and lastly the important success of the Army under the personal Command of the Honorable Major General Wellesley against the Confederate Mahratta Chieftains.

The Celerity and strictness with which the orders of General Wellesley were executed in furnishing and dispatching the supplies of Cattle, Provisions and other Stores for the Equipments of the Armies and Detachments gave much satisfaction to the General, and on all

occasions

occasions of this kind, where I was necessarily
Employed, I exerted myself with zeal and integrity
and managed to the best of my abilities, the
Circumstances of which you cannot be a
Stranger to, from a Representation made in
my favor to the Right Honorable the Governor
in Council by the Military Auditor General at
Mr. Gordon, my late Experienced Employer, under
date the 4th of February last accompanied by a
written Testimony of the Honorable Major Genl
Wellesly to me.

On the Eve of Mr. Gordon's
departure to Europe and a few days subsequent
to the date of his address to Government, he was
pleased to desire me to represent thro' you to
the Right Honorable the Governor in Council,
my Claim to any reward I would wish to
receive in testimony of their approbation of my
conduct and services.

I therefore beg leave now to

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date to your goodness, that it will be gratifying to my feelings if the munificent hands of Govern-ment will restore to me in some degree, the consequence and respectability of my family by conferring upon me 3 or 4 Villages either as Enam or Sroteam as the humanity of His Lordship in Council may be pleased to deem proper.

I feel anxious to avail myself of this opportunity of making it known, that I am descended from one of the first families of the Bramny Cast and Rank on the Coast, and of the first consequence in the Carnatic, that my great Grand father received the Grants of 32 Villages, both as Enam and Sroteam from the Nabobs of Arcott for Services done to Govern-ment as one of the Principal Ministers to Sa. Adetullah Chaun and David Chaun, and from the neighbouring Rajahs and Zemin-dars as reward for his Erudition and Sanctity.

— altho most of the documents have been

lost

lost with a Superb Building (the family Seat of
Residence at Partepett a Village about 10 Miles
to the West of this place) which was committed to
flames by the Pindaries during the famous but
dreadful incursion of Hyderally. I have a few
Papers and Cadjans Remaining Yet, to support my
Assertion, and you will be pleased to observe
a great proof of their Authenticity in the Letter ad-
dressed to me by Colonel Symons, a Gentleman
well qualified for so doing from his intimate
knowledge of the Languages in which they have
been drawn, and good understanding and Judge-
ment.

I hope I shall not be considered
presumptuous in mentioning the Circumstance
detailed in the last Paragraph, for I have
done it with no other motive than that the
Right Honorable the Governor in Council will
derive an additional satisfaction from Learning
that in Conferring a Reward and encouraging the

merit

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merit of Service - they have restored the Character and consequence of an ancient Hindoo family.-

I beg your pardon for having trespassed so much on your valuable time with this long Address, which I would have shortened if I could, and earnestly solicit your kind intercession in laying my claims before Government, recommending the grant of my Petition for Enam Villages, for the success of which I entertain very little doubt from a high sense of their wonted liberality.-

I have the honor to remain

Gn" Gn"-

Madras
1 November 1806.

Signed/ P. Ragaviah Chary

To lie on the table.

Ordered to lie on the Table-

Ordered that the following Letters be dispatched to the Secretaries at Bombay and Fort William respectively.-

To F. Warden Esqre

Secretary to the Government at Bombay.

Sir.

I am directed by the Right Honble

To the Secretary to the Government at Bombay.
Requests that Monthly Reports

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Stoppages from the pay and allowances of Officers indebted to the Seringapatam Prize Fund may be made—

Honorable the Governor in Council to transmit to you the enclosed List of Officers belonging to the Bombay Establishment, who on account of property purchased from the Prize Agents for the Capture of Seringapatam are indebted to the Prize Fund arising from that Capture to the amount annexed to their respective names.—

I am further directed to transmit to you the enclosed Extract from the Proceedings of His Lordship in Council on this subject as containing a more particular explanation of the Debts in question; and am instructed to request that both Papers may be submitted to the Honble the Governor in Council at Bombay—

His Lordship in Council—having resolved to afford all reasonable assistance to the Prize Agents in recovering the Money due to the Fund, the Military Auditor General at this Presidency has been desired to make gradual monthly stoppages in the proportions stated

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From a Coll. P. £40 per month
" a Lieut. Coll. - 25 D.
" a Major — 20 D.
" a Captain 15 D.
" a Subaltern 10 D.

Stated in the Margin from the Pay and allowances of such Officers of the Establishment of Fort St. George as appear to be indebted to the Fund in the Accounts of the Prize Agents; and I am directed to state the request of His Lordship in Council that the Honorable the Governor in Council at Bombay will adopt similar measures for securing the Amount due by the Officers mentioned in the enclosed List.-

I have the honor to be

Fort St. George
25th December 1806.

Gentn &c

(Signed) George Strachey
Secretary to Govermt

The same to the Secretary at Fort William.-

Fort William.-

The Commander in Chief recommends that the Reverend Mr. Thomas be appointed Garrison Chaplain at Bellari.-

Approved and Ordered accordingly.-

Read

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Read the following Letter,

To the Right Honorable

Lord William Bentinck

Governor in Council

Fort Fort Fort

My Lord,

From the Military Auditor General - stating the merits of the Principal Owner of Cattle at Hydrabad and reporting on several proposals made by him -

1. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of a letter from the Secretary to Government in the Military Department under date the 30th. Ultimo, on which I am desired to state my sentiments on such parts of an application from the Principal Owner of Cattle with the Hydrabad Subsidiary force, as may immediately relate to the department under my charge.

2 This reference, My Lord, is to me highly gratifying, as it affords me an opportunity of publicly stating my sentiments of the merits and Services of a man, whom I considered it my duty, when I was Agent for Cattle with the Subsidiary Force many years ago, to bring forward

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in that Department, by raising him from a low situation to be the principal Owner of the Cattle employed.—

In that Capacity he has

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served with the utmost fidelity, upwards of 11 years, during which period he was most usefully employed with his Cattle in the Mysore War, in the several harrassing pursuits of the Rebel Dhoondiah, and in the late Campaigns against the Mahrattas in the Dekkan— It is a fact well known, that at the seige of Seringapatam, when almost all the hired Cattle which accompanied the Grand Army from the Carnatic, had died from fatigue, or from want of Sustenance and care, Nagunah's Cattle were constantly kept up at a most enormous expence, and were the only Cattle which were Subjected to regular musters during the most distrissing periods of that Campaign— The consequence of this was, in a great degree at least, that the Subsidiary

Force

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Force provid to be the only part of the Army im-
=mediately after the Seige, which could be de-
=tached, with a proper Equipment of Cattle for
Artillery and Stores, upon the important Service
of wresting from the Rebel Dhoondiah the vale-
=able Provinces of the Mysore Empire which he
had got possession of.

4 It is also known, that during
the late Mahratta Campaigns, no part of our
Armies was better equipped for celerity of movement,
so far at least as depended upon the Bullock
Department, than the Subsidiary Force under
Colonel Stevenson; and this may be attributed,
in a great degree, to the zeal, the activity and
the extraordinary resources of Nayenah, who
was known to feed his Cattle regularly every
day upon Grain, when it was selling in the
Bazars at the rate of 4. 3. and even 2. Seers per
Rupee; and when not a blade of forage was to
be procured in the Country:-

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5 In no one instance, I have — reason to believe, has Nagunah ever failed in the strictest performance of his Contract on the contrary he has often, upon urgent Occasions, furnished great numbers of Extra Cattle at a very short notice, when it would have been impossible by any other means to have procured such supplies, and the public Service must consequently have been impeded.

6 Having thus recorded my — public Sentiments of the merits and Services of Nagunah, I shall proceed to deliver my opinion upon the several points in his application, which have been referred.

7 The first point, upon which I consider my sentiments are called for, is the agreement which Nagunah, states having lately concluded with the Resident at — Hydrabad — As this Agreement has never been notified Officially to the Military Board, I

presume

presume to suppose, that it has not been commu-
-nicated publicly to your Lordship in Council—
I know, however, from undoubted authority, that
such an Agreement has actually been concluded,
and that it has received the fullest approbation
of the Supreme Government— The nature and
terms of this Agreement appear to be highly—
advantageous to the public, and so much a-
against the native Contractor, that no man but
an extraordinary Character like Nagunah, posses-
sed of great resources, could well be supposed
Capable of fulfilling its conditions.

B. The second point to be consi-
-dered is Nagunah's proposal to contract for the
supply of all Cattle and Carts which may be
required at Masulipatam for the conveyance
of Stores, Grain, Treasure, and other Public pro-
-perty to Wydrabad and other Stations— This
proposal being connected with his Agreement
with the Resident at Wydrabad, in as much

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as its adoption would afford employment to the great number of Cattle which he must constantly keep in readiness, and thereby enable him the better to perform the Arduous conditions of that agree-ment, I am inclined upon this view of the sub-ject, to consider his request not unreasonable, & even tho' it should not be attended with those advantages to the public, which it professes to produce — The Interests of Individuals may be injured by the acquiescence of Government in this proposal of Nagunahs, but it is not likely that the public can suffer by an engagement with a man, who is known to possess considerable pro-perty in the Company's funds, exclusive of the valuable lands which he holds in the Masuli-patam Circar, and who, from his long and faith-ful Services, seems entitled not only to the confidence of Government, but to every reasonable indulgence in their power to bestow — I beg leave however to suggest that this point be referred to

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the Military Board, who will judge, from the terms which shall be proposed, how far it may be proper to accept of them.—

9th. The third Point to be considered is Naguna's proposal of paying a certain Sum of Money annually at Hydrabad in the Current Rupees of the place, for the disbursements on account of the Troops at that Station— Being unacquainted with the Resolutions of the Supreme Government and of your Lordship in Council with regard to the supply of Cash at Hydrabad, the Coins in which it is to be issued to the Troops, and the Exchange, by which so much has already been lost, I am not prepared to offer an opinion on the subject in question— I should however hope that an acquiescence on the part of Government in this point would not be attended with any material advantage to the public, and if such an indulgence be granted, it will most likely facilitate the performance

of

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of Nagunah's Agreement with the Resident at
Haydrabad.

I shall now beg leave to
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conclude with one more observation, warranted
apparently by the present state of affairs in
this Country, namely, that I consider Nagunah
to be a man, from whose approved fedility,
liberal mind, great influence and ample re-
sources, considerable benefit might be derived
to the state, in the event either of external War-
fare, or internal commotions.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your

Most

Obedt

Humble Servt

Signed Alexr Orr

Mility Asst General

Military Auditor
Generals Office
Fort St George
11th December 1806

To the Chief Secretary
to
Government.

Sir.

I have the honor to acknow-
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ledge the Receipt of Mr Secretary Strachey's
Letter

From the Accountant
General Reporting on
the subject of Military
Disbursements at the
Residency

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Residency of Hydrabad and recommending the adoption of the Residents suggestions - stating that under certain modifications, there appears no objection to compliance with the request of Rajah Bondaver & Nagana by and recommending his payments in consequence being made into the Residents Treasury -

Letter of the 26th Ultimo, Referring for my Consideration and Report, Copy of a Letter from the Resident at Hydrabad upon the Subject of the Military Disbursements of that Residency -

2. The suggestions of Captain Sydenham are Calculated to simplify the Accounts, and I should recommend their adoption -

3 The necessary Orders to the Paymaster of the Subsidiary Force to Confine his Draughts upon the Presidency to the description of Bills stated by Captain Sydenham will, I presume, be communicated through the Channel of the Military Paymaster General -

4 The foregoing Subject being connected with the Letter of Rajah Bondaver Naganah, referred to me in Mr Secretary Stracheys Letter of the 30th November last, It becomes necessary to State the impossibility of a compliance with Naganah's Request, except

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he alter that part of his agreement where he wishes to stipulate to pay in Hydrabad Rupees, a Coin which under the arrangement proposed by Captain Sydenham will be comparatively useless in his Treasury.-

Should Vaganah agree to this

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alteration, I am not aware of any objection to a Compliance with his request, as it will furnish a certain Number of Arcot Rupees to the Residents Treasury, which must otherwise be sent from Masulipatam.-

In the event of accepting

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Naganah's Proposal, under the Modification I have suggested, it will be necessary, (adverting to Captain Sydenham's Letter), that the amount he pays be paid into the Residents Treasury, and not that of the Paymaster, and that the Bills he is to receive in return be also drawn by the Resident.-

I have the honor to be

Yr. Yr.

(Signed) Cecil Smith
Accountt Gl

Fort St George
Accountant Genl's Office.
15th Dec 1806.

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Ordered to lie on the Table -

Read the following Letter from the Advocate General -

To the Chief Secretary to Government

Sir,

From the Advocate General - Enclosing a letter from Mr Dalrymple, and reporting his having communicated to the surviving Prize agents for the Serengapatam Prize money, the Resolutions of Government regarding the Prize Funds - proposing their being furnished with a Copy of the King's Grant with other Documents requested -

I have received the accompanying Letter from Mr Dalrymple, to whom as one of the surviving Prize Agents I had Communicated the resolutions of Government regarding the Prize funds. I am not aware of any objection to giving the Prize Agents copies of the King's Grant, and of the report of the Committee - I have accordingly proposed a copy of the former, but as I have not the Report, which may contain matters not necessary to be communicated, I beg you will mention it the Right Honorable the Governor in Council and obtain directions for my guidance.

I am

Madras
20th December 1806.

Yr. Yr.

Signed / A. Anstruther
Advocate General

To

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To A Anstruther Esqr.

Advocate General

Sir,

I have received with much surprize your Communication of the Resolutions of Government relative to the Prize Funds of Seringapatam. The General view in which the conduct of the Prize Agents is there represented and the spirit which pervades these Resolutions are wholly opposite to every thing which the chain of transactions in the business had led me to expect; and I am at present in utter Ignorance of the relative situation of Government and the Prize Agents regarding the Property which is the subject matter of your Communication.

That there was some irregularity in the accounts I do not dispute; It would have been extraordinary indeed if there had not - We were selected by the Army not as being Accountants, but as possessing the Friend-

Ship

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Friendship and Confidence of our Brother Officers.
a Booty of 30 Lacs of Pagodas was in a moment
poured into our hands, and an immediate distri-
-bution ordered in a situation where, independent
of every other disadvantage, it was impossible even
to obtain the aid of Ordinary Clerks to assist us
in keeping our Accounts. We not only were obliged
to pay on the Spot, but were ordered to go after
Detachments for the purpose of distributing their
Prize property, and with hundreds of Claimants
daily around us, we laboured under the additi-
-tional difficulties which arose from the hasty
and often inconsistent directions of the then Prize
Committee, of which almost every act has since
been condemned by the late Governor General.

We also laboured from the
first under a peculiar disadvantage, a deficiency
having been very early discovered in the amount
of Cash in hand as will appear from the follow-
ing Extract of our Letter to the Adjutant General

accompanying

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accompanying a Statement of the Captured property
in 2d June 1800 -

"We of Course signed the State-
"ment as Agents generaly do "Errors Excepted:"
"but we have more particular reason for taking
"this precaution at present, as owing to some
"Errors which have Crept into our Books, and which
"we are not now able to discover, there is a Consider-
"able Balance against us over and above the
"Funds in our hands -"

"Agreable to the Accounts
"of Sales 9th 9th 9th in our Books we consider ourselves
"in the mean time liable for the full amount
"due the Army, but should we hereafter be able
"to make it appear how these Errors have arisen,
"and to account Satisfactorily for the same, we
"of course shall consider ourselves entitled to
"take Credit for the Amount, or such part of it
"as may be so accounted for, — when the payment
"of the 1st Dividend was ordered, the army was

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"about moveing to a Considerable distance from Seva-
"gapatam, and several detachments were ordered
"at the same time to the Northern Provinces, the
"Corps and Individuals, prefsed and hurried the
"Agents for their money and Jewels, which of
"course every Officer was anxious to receive before his
"departure, Some of the Agents were at the same
"time employed in accommodating Officers with
"articles they were in immediate want of. It is
"perhaps not to be wondered at under these Circum-
"stances, and no possibility of getting Clerks pro-
"perly qualified to assist, if Errors and omissions
"have arisen — But by these whatever the Agents
"may lose, the Army can be no sufferers"—

I am happy to say that I have very lately understood from my Colleague Colonel Fraser that he and Major Armstrong before his Death had traced the Error to a cause which when ascertained will entitle us to rectify the mistake Viz! "a Difference of Exchange at which

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the Sultany Pagoda was originally accounted for by us, from that at which we were afterwards order-ed to issue it.- This apparent difficiency has hitherto taken from us the only Correct Check we had upon our Accounts, by comparison with the Amount of Cash in hand, in the absence of Regular Mercantile Books which we did not, and could not be expected to keep or to under-stand.-

When the present Committee were appointed at the Presidency, I had occasion frequently to Communicate with it on behalf of the Prize Agents, and the investigation of our Accounts which it gave rise to, led to the dis-covery of some mistakes which I readily agreed to rectify - The aggregate of them amounted but to a mere trifle, when the property that passed thro' our hands is considered — The whole amount was only 450 Pagodas while the Errors against ourselves and which we now shall claim to

rectify

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rectify

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Rectify amounts to near Double that Sum..

Under these Circumstances it is with great Surprise that I have received the communication of the Resolution of Government Censuring the whole of our Conduct and Accounts, and ascribing to the Committee the merit of having recovered to the Army the Amount of 22,993 Pagodas by Corrections of our Errors.

If I had not received the Communication of this very unexpected Statement I should as far as I am individualy concerned have most readily sworn to the Correctness of our Accounts to the best of my knowledge and belief but when I find that Errors to this great Amount, which have never even been suggested in any of our Communications with the Committee, have not only been stated, but have been decided against us by the Resolutions of Government, I trust Government will be of opinion that I cannot with propriety swear to the Accounts as they now stand without

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at least being Acquainted with the objections to them,
and having an opportunity to consider their validity.
— I therefore request that you will be pleased
to procure from Gouernment and furnish to me,
for my own guidance and that of my Colleague,
a Copy of the Report of the Committee and of its
accompanyments.—

Before I can make or even o o
suggest for the consideration of my Colleague o o
Colonel Fraser any Answer to your demand on
the part of Gouernment, that we will conform our-
selves to its orders, I must repeat the request to be
furnished with Copies of the Authority under which
we are Called upon thus to act.—

When we received the o o
charge of the Prize property we considered our-
selves bound in the distribution of it to obey
the orders of the Commander in Chief from —
whom we derived our authority, and the Com-
mittee whom he and the whole army appointed

to

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to Control the distribution — If we had received opposite orders in any particular, from the Superior local authority, of the Gouernor in Council of Madras, or of the Gouernor General, we should have felt ourselves bound to obey them, For as the property was at the disposal of the King according to usage, we readily admitted that in every act to be done regarding it, before the Kings pleasure could possibly be known, the Supreme local authority had the best right to give the proper directions Concerning it: But we afterwards understood that the King had made known his pleasure regarding the property and from that moment considered ourselves bound, to look up to his Majestys Grant alone, as the guide for our subsequent conduct regarding it.

When I received a Letter from the Secretary to Gouernment dated 4th December

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December 1805 Calling upon the Prize Agents to pay into the Treasury the Balance of property in their hands, I stated in my answer dated 14th December that we considered ourselves to be in law immediately Responsible to the respective Claimants for their several shares — and Requested that the grounds upon which the Government proceeded might be stated to us, for the purpose of enabling us to obtain Legal aduccie for our guidance — To this request I have received no answer, nor have we ever yet been favored even with a Copy of the King's Grant, under which I suppose we are bound to act. We have nothing to direct us, or to lead the opinion of Council in advising us — we had afterwards occasion upon applications for payments on behalf of Major General Smith and Major Lieth, (under the Authority of Government) to remind His Lordship in Council,

by

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by our Answer to those applications, that our Letter of 14th December 1805. Remained unanswered, and that it is impossible for us to act until we shall be favored with a Communication of the Grounds upon which we are Called upon to follow any particular course.

Under those Circumstances I am very much mortified to find that our Conduct has been considered as throwing obstacles in the way of an immediate distribution of the Funds in our hands. In justice to myself and to my late and surviving Colleagues I must take the liberty to say that not the Slightest obstacle has ever proceeded from us — that we always have been ready to pay over the Balance in our hands, as soon as we shall receive such information as will enable us to regulate the payment.

The persons entitled to

Distribution

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Distribution under the Orders of General Harris, are not the Persons to whom it is now intended by Government to give the residue of the Prize Funds. as the Kings Grant is known to have been since obtained, we naturally presume that it is by the Authority of that Grant, or by some other derived from it, that Government has called upon us to pay the balance into their Treasury, and has afterwards authorized Major General Smith and Major Leith, to call upon us for payment contrary to the Orders given to us for our directions in the former distribution. But until we shall receive information as to the nature of the authority which we are called upon to obey. Iconceive we should not be doing Justice to our Brother Officers, nor to ourselves, to give up the trust confided to us.

I have, therefore again to request

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request that we may be furnished with Copies of the Kings Grant, and of such other documents as may point out to us and to our Legal Advisers the course which we ought to pursue.— I have also to express my hope that upon reconsideration of our Conduct, Government will relieve us from the imputation of having thrown the slightest obstacle in the way of an immediate Settlement of those Accounts.

If the intention of Government to withhold from us the Payment of the Prize property granted by the Honorable Company, at the very moment when the similar gift of Prize property of Columbo and Pondicherry was in Course of Payment by the Prize Agents of their Armies with all accustomed advantages, shall have proceeded upon the impression, which seems to have been conveyed by the Committee,

that

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that our Accounts have been generally more
inaccurate than was to be expected, or that
we have thrown obstacles in the way of a
general Settlement; we trust to the Jus-
tice of Government that our Answer to those
objections, now first Communicated to us,
shall be received and that we shall be or
allowed an opportunity to exculpate our-
selves before a final determination against
us.

I have the honor to be
Sir
your very obedient Servant
(Signed) K. Dalrymple
Prize Agent

Nellore
24th December 1806.

Resolution thereon

Resolved that the Advo-
cate General be empowered to use his
Discretion in furnishing the Prize
Agents

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Agents for the Captors of Seringapatam with
Copies of such papers as they may require
for their information relative to the Proceedings
of this Board in the Case of the Prize Fund.

" A Bentinck

" Murdoch

" W Petrie

J Bakes

Ed Stratton

Office of Consult.
24th Dec. 1806. Paged 10th
Cost & Lieut Commissary

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Diary

25th Sent the following Letter.—

To Captain L. Hook

Secretary to the Government at

Fort William.

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honora-
-ble the Governor in Council to request that you will
submit to the Honorable the Governor General in Coun-
-cil the enclosed Extract from a Minute recorded by the
Commander in Chief at this Presidency, in explana-
-tion of the grounds on which His Lordship in Coun-
-cil is induced to recommend to the Honorable the Go-
-vernor General in Council that the Provincial Batta-
-lion of Ramnad may not be included in his Order
for the General reduction of the Irregular Corps serv
-ing under the Government of Fort St. George.—

I am

Your &c. &c. &c.

Fort St. George

25th December 1806.

(Signed) G. Strachey.

Secy to the Govt.

Received

To the Secretary to the Government at Fort William requesting an extract from a Minute of the Commander in Chief explaining the grounds on which his Lordship in Council recommends that the Provincial Battalion of Ramnad may not be reduced together with all other Irregular Corps serving under the Presidency.—

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25th Received and Sent the following Letters

entered in M.e B.e Nos. 54. 55–56–57–58–59–60–61–62

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From the acting Secretary to the Government at Fort William–

From Captain Hill. Reports an advance made to Captain Macbean of this Establishment–

From the Secretary to the Military Board at the Presidency–

From Captain Marshall. Forwards a return in Duplicate of Provisions &c.a embarked on the Honorable Company's Cruizer Teignmouth.–

From the Military Auditor General–

From Lieutenant Colonel orr. Reports an additional Estimate of Cash of the Paymaster in the Ceded Districts. Encloses Copy of a Circular Letter in Consequence, regarding the purchase of Grain by Collectors.–

From the Accountant General–

From Mr.e Smith. Recommends that the issue of Pay &c.a to the Troops may be advertized on the 6th. January.–

From the Town Major of Fort St. George

From Major Barclay Encloses a letter from certain Cadets of the Bengal Establishment requesting an advance of Cash.–

From the acting Major of Brigade to the Kings Troops–

From Captain Austen. Requests that two

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two Months pay &c. may be issued to certain Officers in His Majesty's Service lately arrived. —

To the Chief Secretary to the Government at Columbo —

To Mr. Rodney Reports orders having been issued for sending under a Guard to Columbo three Malay Deserters mentioned in the enclosed Copy of a Letter from the Magistrate at Manargoody —

To the Military Board —

To the Military Board — Refers for their report Copy of a letter relative to the construction of Buildings at Coimbatore and Trichinopoly —

To the Town Major of Fort St. George —

To the Town Major — authority given for the payment of an advance of Money to Cadets mentioned in his Letter. Two Dutch Prisoners of War mentioned in the enclosed Copy of a letter to receive the usual treatment and allowance of their Rank —

To the Officer Commanding the new Town of Cuddalore —

To the Officer Commanding the New Town of Cuddalore — Desires he will exactly state the nature of the duties of Certain Garrison Staff, previous to the removal of Retrenchment against them. —

26th Sent the following letters entered M. B.

Nos 64 — 65 — 66 —

To —

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To the Secretary to the Government at Fort William

96 To Captain Hook — Forwards return of Provisions &c. supplied the Honorable Company's Cruizer Tugnmouth —

To the Military Auditor General

To the Military Auditor General — Directs he will authorize the issue of two Months pay and allowances to certain Officers — also the usual advance of Cash to the Cadets of the Bengal Establishment.

To Ditto

To — Ditto — Transmits Extract from His Lordship's Proceedings in the Military Department the 24th Instant — also Copy of a letter from the Secretary at Prince of Wales Island, regarding Tenth allowances paid to an Officer of this Establishment. —

27th Sent the following Letter —

To Colonel Campbell.
Commanding the Southern Division of the army.

Sir,

Circular Letters to the Officer Commanding the Forts and Garrisons under this Presidency forwards Copy of circular orders issued to the Magistrates under this Presidency, with Copy of the extracts to which they refer and desires he will conform in all respects to the instructions they contain —

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to transmit to you the enclosed Copy of Circular orders which have been issued to the Magistrates under this Presidency, —

with

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with a Copy of the enclosure to which those orders refer, and to desire that you will Conform in all respects to the instructions conveyed in these Papers—

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27th December 1806.

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

To the Magistrate of the Zillah of— . . . .

Sir

I am directed by the Right Honora=
=ble the Governor in Council to transmit to you the enclosed Copy of a description Roll of some of the Mu=
=tineers who escaped from the Garrison of Vellore on the Morning of the 10th July last— From the part which those persons are described to have taken in the atrocities attending that Event, His Lordship in Coun=
=cil deems it highly important that they should be apprehended, and it is His Lordship's desire that you will exert particular vigilance for that purpose—

His—

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His Lordship in Council permits you to offer a reward of 500 Pagodas for the seizure of any of the persons mentioned in the accompanying paper —

I am directed to inform you that similar orders have been issued to all Officers Commanding Military Stations. —

I have the honor to be

Sir.

Your Most Obedient Servant.

(Signed) George Strachey

Secretary to the Government —

Fort St. George

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Register.

Register and Description Roll of the undermentioned men, considered as Principals in the late insurrection at Vellore and supposed to be now at large—

1st Battalion 1st Regiment

Corps	Names	Rank	Caste	Colour	Age	Size	Country	Time of Service	Remarks
	Mahummid Jaffer	Private	Mussulman	Dark	40	5 6¾	Arcot	years 5	Formerly in the Service of the Sultaeen of Mysore, the Principal & most active agents in the conspiracy— supposed to be still in the Carnatic— probably about Chittoor—
	Jaffer Beg	"	"	Dark	33	5 5¾	Hydrabad	6	a Principal in the conspiracy— supposed to be gone towards Hydrabad.—
	Ebram Saib	"	"	"	24	5 8¼	Tanjore	15	Very active in the insurrection, has an uncle a Jemidar in the 1st Bn 20th Regt N. I. named Sheikh Ebram—
	Emam Cawn*	"	"	Light Bamboo	22	5 4¾	Chinnapatam	5	One of the Principals, and most early and most active agent in the conspiracy and mutiny— probably gone to the Mysore Country—
	Ryman Saib	"	"	Bamboo	22	5 2½	Trichinopoly	12	A short stout and good looking young man: speaks English remarkably well— a Principal in every stage of the conspiracy and most active in the insurrection.—

* Appears to have been well known to Prince Moizuddeen, and is stated to have been one of the first to excite sedition in this Corps.—

1st Battalion 1st Regiment

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Names	Rank Cast Colour	Age	Size	Country	Time of Service	Remarks
Abdul Cawder	Private Musulman very dark	29	5 3½	Trichinopoly	10	A stout good looking man, a principal in every stage and particularly active on the insurrection - shot Lt. Upham on the Main Guard - shot Colonel Fancourt - shot Lt. O'Reilly and many others.
Mohammed Saib	do do D.K. Bamboo	29	5 5	do	14	Principal in the conspiracy - very active on the Morning of the 10th July.
Mohammed Ally Naigue	do do	25	5 11¾	Hydrabad	6	Very active in the insurrection, worked the Guns and was a principal actor during the Muting.
Sheikh Adum	Private	28	5 4¼	Arcot	16	Lance Naigue was on the Main Guard, commanded a party and was very active in the Muting.
Gholam Hussain	do do Copper	28	5 6½	Trichinopoly	15	Very active in the muting — supposed to be gone towards Tanjore and Trichinopoly.
Sheikh Ismael	do do do	28	5 3½	do	16	Very active, came into the Fort from the Hospital, and Killed Lieutenant Jolly.

Register.

+ Appears to have been well known to Prince Moorudeen and is stated to have been one of the first to excite mutinies in his Corps.

Copy

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Register Continued

Names	Rank	Cast	Colour	Age	Size		Country	Time of Service	Remarks
Humza Beg	Private	Mussulm.	Bamboo	24	5	3¾	Arcot	14	These two men were active in the mutiny and assisted in hoisting the Mysore flag.
Cawder Beg	"	"	"	31	5	3¾	"	14	
Sheikh Dennis	"	"	—	33	5	10	———		Shot Lieutenant Colonel McKenzas and is supposed to have escaped.
Sheikh Hussain Jemedar	"	Bamboo	36	5	6½	———			This officer is supposed to have made his escape but as he was seen wounded in the leg it is equally probable that he was killed or died of his wound — he was extremely active on the Morning of the 10th July.

2nd Bn 2nd Regt || 1st Bn 1st Regt

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I recommend that a Proclamation be issued for the apprehension of the above persons.

(signed) J. F. Cradock
Lieut. Gen.

19th December 1806

Received

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From Lieutenant Colonel Chalmers Commanding the Subsidiary Force of Travancore.—

Received a letter from Lieutenant Colonel Chalmers entered in Mem. B. No. 67. Informing that he has taken that command.—

At a Consultation

Present

The Right Honorable

Lord William Bentinck

Governor and President

Lieutenant General Sir J. F. Cradock K. B.

Commander in Chief

Tuesday the 31st December 1806.

William Petrie and Thomas Oakes } Esqrs

Minutes of last Consultation read and approved.—

The Commander in Chief records the following Minutes.—

Minute of the Commander in Chief

Minute of the Commander in Chief submitting a letter from the Officer Commanding the District of Masulipatam forwarding an application and an abstract to Mr. B. now Judge in circuit for Balance due to a party of the 1st Native Infantry employed as an escort on his Tour, and suggesting

I have the honor to lay before Council

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suggesting that a more explicit order than that of 8th. March 1806 be issued specifying the person who is to pay the Court. submitting a letter from the Paymaster of the Hyderabad Subsidiary Force with Extracts of a Memorandum made in his Department for additional Servants employed in the grain Department, and recommending this address from Mr. Scandret with further authority for the Continuance of that Expence, while it is considered expedient to maintain a Depot of Grain in the Fort of Anjinta.—

Council a Letter from Lieutenant Colonel A. Taylor, Commanding the District of Masulipatam, forwarding an Application with an Abstract, to Mr. Brown. the 2nd. Judge in Circuit, for Batta, due to a Party of the 21st. Native Infantry, which was employed as an Escort, upon his Tour.

The reply to this application from Mr. Brown, is likewise enclosed, by which it appears, that he did not conceive himself authorized, by existing Regulations, to discharge the Demand, but that his Duty extended no further than to the Countersignature of the bills, for the Period that the Detachment attended him, in his Tour of Circuit.—

The General order of 8th. of March 1806, by Government directs, that charges of this Nature, shall be brought to account in the Judicial Department, so that the Amount shall be included in the Monthly Indents of the Magistrate, at whose Requisition, the Employment of the Troops may have taken place.

Ordered—

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It would seem, that the meaning implied by this order, is that the bills for the Batta of the Escort, should be paid by the Judge, but as it appears to be liable to doubt and Misconstruction, and as it is desirable to avoid a Repetition of similar Applications, I beg leave to suggest, that a more explicit order be issued, specifying the Person from whom, the Troops employed as Ecort, are to receive their Batta.

2 I have also to submit a letter from the Paymaster of the Hyderabad Subsidiary Force, forwarding Extracts from Retrenchments made in his Disbursements on account of additional Servants employed by order of Lieutenant Colonel Lang when commanding that Subsidiary Force, in the Grain Department at Adjunta.—

The Necessity of entertaining the extra Servants in Question has already been represented to Government, in an Application from the late Paymaster of the Subsidiary Force, Major Dowse, submitted in my Minute of 11th November last and a

Resolution—

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resolution passed granting Payment of the Expence in-
=curred on that account, in the Month of July 1805–

As the Authority for admitting the charge is expressly
confined to that Month, the Military Auditor Gene=
=ral has retrenched the Paymaster his similar charges,
for the seven succeeding Months, which I recommend,
that he may be instructed to admit on Readdt, and
that a further authority is issued for the Admissi=
=on of this Expence, so long as it is found expedient
to maintain a Depot of Grain in the Fort of Ad=
=jinta–

(signed) J. F. Cradock
Lieut. Gen.

Fort St. George
December 30th 1806–

To the Military Secretary to his Excellency the
Commander in Chief–

Sir

I beg leave to inclose to you for
the Information of his Excellency the Commander
in Chief, the Copy of a letter sent to Mr. Brown
the 2nd Judge in that Circuit, along with the Abstract

for

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for the Batta which has become due to the Party of the 2nd Battalion 21st Regiment lately employed at the examination of Wm. Brown as an Escort during his Tour.

His Reply, which is enclosed, to the request, that he would discharge those abstracts in Compliance with the orders of Government under date the 11th March 1806, induces me to lay the matter before his Excellency, and to solicit information respecting the mode to be adopted for procuring the batta to the party.—

Masulipatam
28th Novr 1806.

(signed) A. Taylor
Lt Colr Comm.g 2d B. N.I.

To William Brown Esqr
2nd Judge &c.
Masulipatam

Sir,

I am directed to enclose to you for Payment, in Conformity with the orders of Government, under date the 11th March 1806, two abstracts for Batta to the guards from the 2nd Battalion 22d Regiment, employed as Escorts to you during the Tour

of

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of Circuit. one of those abstracts for 11 days Batta=
in March last, which ought to have been presen=
=ted on the 1st April, appears to have been un=
=till now overlooked. I hope, however, these omissi=
=ons will be Considered as of little Consequence.—

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most

Obedt Servt

(signed) I. Baxter

Lt Adjt 2d B. 21st Regt.

(A true Copy)

A.W. Taylor

Lieut. Colonel —

To Lieutenant I. Baxter

Adjutant 2d Batt. 21st Regt. N.I.

Sir.

I have been favored with your
letter of the 22d Instant with certain batta abs=
=tracts due to the Escort which attended me on the
Circuit requesting me to pay the same, agreeable
to General orders of Government dated 11th March
1806.—

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The adjutant of the 2nd Battalion 8th Regiment Native Infantry sent me abstracts of the same nature in August last on the authority of the same orders which he only requested me to counter-sign.-

If you will send me abstracts for the same purpose, I have no objection to put my name to them for the period I was on Circuit - From the 1st September last you should apply to Mr. Fullerton, who assumed the duties of the Circuit from that date, as has been stated to Colonel Taylor - I have seen no General orders directing the Judge of Circuit to make these payments, nor can I make any without assuming the subject to Government, through the medium of the Sudder Foujdary adawlut.

I am

Sir Your most

Obt. Servt.

/Signed/ Wm. Brown

2nd Judge.

Masulipatam

23d. Novr. 1806.

The abstracts you sent me are herewith returned.

(signed) Wm. Brown

2d. Judge.

To

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To Lieutenant Colonel Reynell
Military Secretary
&c. &c. &c.

Sir,

The authority of Government not having been produced in support of certain charges made in my accounts, for Extra Servants employed by Major Dowse, late Commissary of Grain in the Field, I am under the necessity of laying before the Commander in Chief Extracts from Retrenchments made from my Disbursements, with Copies of the order issued by the Officer Commanding the Subsidiary Force relating this Extraordinary Expence.—

If nothing objectionable should appear in these charges, I request His Excellency may be pleased to move for the necessary Instructions being given to the Military Auditor General for their admission on Record.—

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
/signed/ T. M. Hall
P. M. Hyd. L. F.

Extract

Hydrabad
Dec. 11th 1806.

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Extract of Retrenchments from the remarks of the Military Auditor General on the Disbursements of Lieut. T. M. Hall Paymr. to the Hydrabad Subsidiary Force on account of Expences 1805/6 for the following Months.

			P. R. C.	Ps.	Ps.	C.
N. Voucher		Commissary of Grain				
		Major Dowse Commissary of Grain drawn for an Extra Establishment of Servants in his Department authorised by Lieutenant Colo. Ross Lang for August 1805		22	21	—
183		Ditto September		22	21	..
192		Ditto October		22	21	..
199		Ditto November		22	21	..
243		Ditto December		22	21	..
260		Ditto January 1806		22	21	..
		Ditto February		22	21	..
		Ditto March		22	21	..
		Pagodas		180	..	..
		Which is retrenched as in preceding Months vide Remark on Voucher N. 208. Field Establt.		180	..	..
		Total Star Pagodas		180	..	..

(A true Extract)

*The authority of Government not having been produced —

(Signed) T. M. Hall

P. M. Hyd. S. F.

The

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The Paymaster to the
Hydrabad Subsidiary Force.

Sir,

In reply to the several Retrench=
=ments made from your Disbursements on acct. of
additional Servants employed by order of Lieuten=
=ant Colonel Lang commanding the Hydra=
=bad Subsidiary Force in the Grain Depart=
=ment at Ajuntah. I have to observe that I receivd
an official and written Authority from the Acting
Deputy Adjutant General which was annexed
to the first abstract for Pay drawn on account of
those Servants in July 1806, Copy of which is
inclosed No 1.-

That abstract was entered in
my Disbursements for August 1806, and having
been retrenched until sanctioned by Govern=
=ment, I addressed His Excellency the Comman=
=der, and the change was in consequence ordered
to be passed, Copy of the Resolution of Govern
=ment-

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=ment. is enclosed. No. 2.

Having communicated upon the subject with the Military Auditor General in order to ascertain if he considered that authority sufficient to remove the Retrenchment, made in subsequent Months from your Disbursements, I was informed that it would be necessary to pass them all through the same Forms, before the charges could be ad=
=mitted.—

I must therefore request that you will do me the favor to forward to the Secre=
=tary. of the Commander in Chief a List of the Re=
=trenchments, with the necessary official Docu=
=ments from the Deputy Adjutant Genl. Office, that the authority of Government may be obtained for the charge till the 31st March 1806, when the removal of the=
=rice from Nyuntah was officially reported.—

Fort St. George
2nd Decr. 1806.

I am
Yr. Yr. Yr.
(Signed) Wm. Dowse
Late Comy. of Grain Hy. Subsy. Force

To

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To Major Dowse

Commissary of Grain

Sir,

The Convoy of Rice coming from Hydrabad under charge of Captain Lindsay is to be thrown into the Fort of Rajanta, and you are requested to receive it on your Books, and as you will require an Extra Establishment of Servants for that duty, the Officer Commanding the Force authorizes you to entertain and draw for 1 Conicopoly at 15 Star Pagodas pr. Month, and 1 Weaving man and 1 Peon at the usual Rate of pay from this date.—

19th July 1805.—

/signed/ C. Heath

Actg. Dep.y Adj.t Gen.l

/A true Copy/

J. Conway—

Dep.y Adj.t Gen.l

Extract from Do. by.

Lieut.t Colonel Lang Commanding the Hydrabad Subs.y Force

31st. March 1806.

The additional Establishment of

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of Conicopolies and other Servants of the Grain Depart-
-ment at Adjuntah to be paid up to the 1st April
and discharged.-

/True Extract/

/signed/ T. H. S. Conway

Depy Adjt Genl

Extract from the Minutes of the Right Honorable
the Governor in Council in the Military Depart-
-ment- Dated the 15th November 1806-

"Resolved to authorize the
charge of Pagodas 9 on account of additional Ser-
-vants employed in the Grain Department at Ela-
-juntu in the Month of July last."-

/True Extract/

/signed/ G. Strachey.

Secy to Govt

/True Extract from Extracts/

/signed/ Thos. Reynell

Mily Secy

Ordered that the Accountant Gener-
-al and Civil Auditor be desired to state the most
Orders thereon.- preferable

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preferable mode of adjusting the charges incurred on account of Troops employed in escorting the Judges of Circuit—

ordered that authority be given for the payment of the Monthly charges incurred on account of additional Servants employed in the Grain Department at Adjunta, so long as that expence shall continue to be necessary.

Minute of the Commander in Chief—

In obedience to the command of Government, I communicated to the Chief Engineer, for the Information of Major Mackenzie of that Department, the gracious Intention of the Board, to employ that Officer, in superintending the Repairs of the Public Works at Seringapatam, upon the resignation of Major Lennon, provided, that the important occupation, in which Major Mackenzie was engaged, would admit of his transferring his Services to that Duty.—

J.

Minute of the Commander in Chief submitting a letter from Major Mackenzie tendering the resignation of Captain De Havilland to be appointed Major Lennon in the Superintendance of repairs at Seringapatam, also laying before the Board the Chief Engineer's letter to that Officer forwarding a letter from Major General Mackenzie forwarding Lt. Colonel Sherman's application for Retirement against him, and recommending the being removed.—

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I have the honor, now to lay before Council a Letter addressed to the Chief Engineer, by Major Mackenzie, expressive of his Gratitude for the honor conferred on him, but Soliciting to decline the offered Employment in Consequence of an anxious desire to perfect the survey, in which he is occupied and in the Completion of which he appears to be greatly interested

I therefore again beg leave to recommend Captain de Haviland, as an Officer highly qualified to succeed Major Lennon in the Superintendence of the Repairs, that may be undertaken at Sevengapatam, and I also lay before the Board the Chief Engineers Letter to that Effect.

2 I have the honor to submit a Letter from Major General Macdowall, forwarding an Explanation made by Mr Surgeon Scarman to a Retrenchment exhibited against him, by the Military Auditor General. It appears that in the Months of February and March last, during the absence of the Assistant Surgeon of the Battalion, on Urgent

Mr

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Mr. Surgeon Scarman took charge of the Sick of the 2nd Battalion of the 1st Native Infantry, and included them in his abstracts, as Garrison Patients; whereas, Seringapatam being the Head Quarters of the Corps, Mr. Scarman should have been put in order to afford Medical Attendance to the Battalion, and then to have charged for them, in the usual Regimental Manner.-

The Sick of this Battalion just returned from the unhealthy climate of Wynaad, were in these so many instances uncommonly numerous, and Mr. Scarman's strict attention to them, is represented by General Macdowall in the Strongest Terms of Approbation.-

Under these Considerations I beg leave to recommend a removal of the Retrenchment, and I feel the more induced to this from a Knowledge of the very trifling Expence, which the difference between the charge for Garrison & Regimental Patients will produce, in the short space of two Months.-

(Signed) J. F. Cradock
Lieut. Genl.

Fort St. George
December 30th 1806.

Colonel-

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Colonel Trapaud

Chief Engineer

Fort St. George

Sir

I have no time in replying officially, agreeably to your request, to the Minute of Council communicated to me in your letter dated the 29th Ultimo and received yesterday—

Although I am fully sensible of the confidence manifested by Government in proposing me for the important charge of the reform of Seringapatam: Yet as the survey with which I have the honor to be charged, of the territories subjected to the Company and the Raja of Mysoor in 1799 is in that state which will require a certain period of tranquillity to wind up its results, it will be my wish to avail myself of the option which the Right Honorable the Governor in Council has condescended to afford to me, by declining the acceptance of this highly Honorable and more advantageous charge, in order,

that

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that I may with his Lordship's indulgence, have the leis-
sure requisite for completing a work, on which I consider
the humble credit of my professional pursuits to be in
some degree involved.-

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your Most

Obedt

C. Mackenzie

Mysoor

16th Decr 1806-

(Signed) C. Mackenzie

(A true Copy)

(Signed) C. Mackenzie.

To His Excellency

Lieutenant General Sir John Cradock K.B. &c.

Commander in Chief

Sir,

I had the honor on the 17th to forward
to your Excellency a letter from Major Mackenzie of Engi-
neers, declining the acceptance of the Mysore Station-
ers, declining the acceptance of the Mysore Station-
ers, declining the acceptance of the Mysore Station-
on account of his being fully occupied in finishing his
extensive Survey.-

I now beg leave to recommend Captain
Lieutenant de Havelland of Engineers as a fit and proper
officer

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officer to execute the repairs of Seringapatam.—

I have the honor to be

Pondicherry
21st Dec. 1806

Sir

Yr. Yr. Yr.

(Signed) E. Trapaud

Chief Engineer

Lieutenant Colonel Reynell

Military Secretary—

Sir,

I have the honor to forward to you for the purpose of being laid before the Commander in Chief. Mr. Surgeon Scarman's explanation in regard to a retrenchment made against him by the Milit=tary Auditor General—

although Mr. Scarman was placed in charge of the sick of the 2nd Battalion 1st Regiment before my arrival here, yet as I know that his ex=pences were much greater than in common Cases, and that his attention & skill were unceasingly ma=nifested in restoring to health the remarkable num=ber of patients which the Corps brought with it to Ma=dras, I have no hesitation in warmly recommend=ing

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cing a consideration of the circumstances to His Excel=
lency, that if he approves of the application, he will be
pleased to submit to the decision of Government.—

Seringapatam
Dec.r 16th 1806.

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

(Signed) Hay. Macdowall.

To. Major General. Macdowall
Commanding the Mysore Division

Sir

I am retrenched the allowances
which I drew for the Sick of the 2nd Battalion 1st Regi=
ment Native Infantry, who were under my care, in
the absence of the Assistant Surgeon of the Corps ordered
on duty in Wynaud, during the Months of February and
March last; because the Head Quarters of the Corps being
present, I should have been placed in charge of the whole
Corps and drawn at the usual rate of four Pagodas for
every hundred men,

My duty with the Sick of that Corps
the whole of the two Months I had the care of them was
so very severe, that I am induced to hope the Government

may

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may in consideration of the great trouble and Expence occasioned by such an unusual proportion of Sick be pleased to authorize these allowances — I Therefore beg the favor of you to represent to Government, that in the Months of February and March last, when the most unhealthy Corps in the Division had no more than one hundred and fifty men in Hospital throughout the Month, and the other Corps in general less than one hundred, the Sick in Hospital of the 2nd Battalion 1st Regiment Native Infantry were in each of those Months between three hundred and fifty, and three hundred and seventy —

It was not my intention to draw these allowances contrary to custom, but at the time I was not aware of the necessity of being in orders to afford Medical assistance to the Corps, and in consequence drew for the sick of the Corps as I did for the other sick in the Garrison Hospital. —

The additional expence complained of in the accompanying Letter of the Military Auditor General, is only Twenty one Pagodas, one fanam and

forty

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forty Cash in the Month of February, and no more than Five Pagodas, twenty nine Fanams and forty Cash in the Month of March, beyond the usual Medical allowance of a Corps — For my Abstract of Seventy six Pagodas, one Fanam, and forty Cash for the whole of the Month of February, together with nine Pagodas drawn by the Adjutant of the Corps for one Dresser and two Sollies exceeds the usual Monthly allowance of sixty four Pagodas for Country Medicines Dressers and Sollies only — Seventy one Pagodas, one Fanam and forty Cash, and the Abstract of sixty Pagodas, twenty nine Fanams and forty Cash for the whole of the Month of March with the nine Pagodas drawn by the Adjutant exceeds the usual allowance, Five Pagodas, twenty nine Fanams and forty Cash. —

I have the honor to be

Sir Sir Sir

Seringapatam

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(Signed) J. Seaman

Garrison Surgeon

Mr

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Mr. I. Scarman

Garrison Surgeon

Seringapatam

Sir

In your reply to a retrenchment on account of Medical allowances to the 2nd Battalion 1st Regiment Native Infantry in the Month of March last, you desire, if the authority you have forwarded shall not be considered sufficient, that the question may be referred to Government.

The Military Auditor General considers it proper to acquaint you that the Allowances you have drawn viz. 4 p Cash pr. man pr. day for the men in Hospital are only granted "in order to provide for the care of the Native sick who may be left behind their Corps upon being ordered into the "Field or to a distant Station," but in regard to a Corps which may have no Surgeon present with it, it is customary for the Garrison Surgeon to be placed in Medical Charge, drawing the regulated

allowance,

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allowance of four Pagodas pr. hundred men pr. Month for the whole Sick and well. It appears therefore to be desireable that this circumstance may be stated to the Officer Commanding in Mysore, in order that his sanction for your being in charge may be forwarded with such an explanation regarding the additional expence incurred, as may enable the Military Auditor General to explain the case fully to Government.

If you had been placed in charge of a Native Corps of 1000 Strong your charge would be but 40 Pagodas for one Month by the sick only of the 2nd Battalion 1st Regiment being placed under your charge while the whole Corps was present at the Station, and your drawing for them at the rate of 40 Cash pr. man pr. day the Hospital expence of 365 Men for a broken period of the Month comes to Pagodas 76. 1. 40.

I have the honor to be

Sir Your most obedt. Servt.

(Signed) J. Prendergast

Deputy Mily Auditor Genl.

Military Auditor Generals Office

Fort St. George 15th Novr. 1806.

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Minute and Order thereon

The Board highly approve the principle on which Major Mackenzie has declined the appointment of Superintending Engineer at Seringapatam, and it is resolved to appoint Captain De Haviland to that Trust.—

Ordered that authority be given for admitting the charges included in the Abstracts of the Garrison Surgeon of Seringapatam for attendance on the sick of the 2nd Battalion 1st Regiment of Native Infantry agreeably to the recommendation of the Commander in Chief.—

Minute of the Commander in Chief.

Minute of the Commander in Chief submitting a report of the officer commanding at Bellary of the confinement of Chief Narick a Polygar formerly of great notoriety but residing in private at Sa Sepoy in the 2nd Battalion 1st Regiment and requesting Instructions concerning him; also for consideration of the Board a letter from the Commandant of Artillery stating the distresses of the families of the artillery men and Lascars on service at Malacca and Prince of Wales' Island, and recommending that they be attended from this Government's Bounty, as heretofore; submitting a report from Major General

I have the honor to submit to the Board a Report transmitted by the Officer Commanding at Bellary, through Major General Campbell, reporting the confinement of Chief Nack, a Polygar, formerly of great notoriety, as the Chief of a tribe of Banditti, occupying the Hills between the Carnatic, and the Mysore Dominions, and alternately plundering both.— This man has, it appears on enquiry,

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General Abercrombie all of the Artillery, who under returned to Madras the allowances granted to Corporals Subsidiaries as a reward for his services, and requesting Instructions respecting him - Recommending the requested assignation of Captain Lieutenant Carpenter of the 2d Regt N. I. as Fort adjutant of Chittledroog being accepted, and Lieut Rivers one of the N. Regt N. I. being appointed in his room as Fort adjutant; submitting and recommending an application for 3 Months leave of absence to Bengal from Capt. to Ensigns Jones of the 19th Regt N. I. Recommending that Mr. C. Mr. Chard and John Logan, Cadets be promoted to Cornets of Cavalry from the 27th June 1805.

for four years past been a sepoy in the 2nd Battalion of the 7th Regiment, and of late his conduct has attracted notice, and given rise to suspicions which have led to his confinement. I request such Instructions as the Government may think proper concerning this person.-

I also submit to the Consideration of the Board a letter addressed to the Adjutant General, by the Commandant of Artillery stating the distress of the Families of the Artillery men and Lascars on service to the Eastward (at Malacca and Prince of Wales's Island) Bearmen had assigned a proportion of their pay for the support of their Families when they embarked, ten years ago, on Foreign Service, a measure they were enabled to adopt by the Extra allowance of Provisions which they were promised during the period of their absence - This allowance the Government of Prince of Wales's Island has discontinued, and, as without it the residue of their Pay will not supply to them the means of subsistence, they have been compelled to withdraw from their

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Families what is required for their own support=
so that the Wives and Children of Soldiers detained
on Foreign Service are now dependants for support
on the Charity of their Comrades, This the Govern=
=ment should not, I think, permit. The Governor
General in Council has recently noticed his inten=
=tion to order back to the Coast the Troops of this Es=
=tablishment, detained at Malacca and Penang,
and Recommend that their Families continue to
receive from the Bounty of this Government, un=
=til they do return, the same allowances which
the regulations of another have rendered it impossi=
=ble for the Troops any longer to afford from their
reduced receipts; as a measure necessary to the
Character of our Military Service —

I further submit to the Board a re=
=port from Major General Macdowall stating the
detection by Lieutenant Colonel Agg: of an impostor
who, having possessed himself of the Pensioned
Certificate of a deceased Subadar attempted to obtain
in his name, the allowance granted to the deceased as

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a reward for his Services. I request Instructions re=
garding the man, who is confined till further or=
=ders.

Captain Lieutenant Carfrae, of the
3d. Regiment of Native Infantry, having reques=
=ted permission to resign his situation as Fort Ad=
=jutant of Chittledroog, I recommend that his resignation
be accepted, and that Lieutenant Keevan of the 1st. Re=
=giment of Native Infantry be appointed Fort Adju=
=tant of Chittledroog, vice Carfrae resigned.

I lay before the Board an applic=
=ation from Captain W. Ireland Jones, of the 1st. Regi=
=ment of Native Infantry, requesting 3 Months leave
of absence to Bengal, and I recommend compliance
with his request.—

I recommend that Messrs. Charles
Morgan, Chase and John Logan, Cadets of Cavalry,
be promoted to the Rank of Cornets, from the 27th.
June 1806.

(Signed) J. F. Cradock
Lieut. Gen. To.

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To the Adjutant General
of the Army
Fort S.t George

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose you
letters from Lieutenant Colonel Marlen, and Cap-
=tain Wright, relative to the conduct and confine-
=ment of Chief Naick; for the information of
His Excellency The Commander in Chief.—

Madras
17th December 1806—

(signed) Dug.d Campbell
Major Gen.l

P.S. Lieutenant Colonel Martins letter
of the 16th was mislaid but is not now of any
consequence.—

(signed) D. C.

To Major General Campbell
Commanding the
Ceded Districts &c &c

Sir.

I did myself the honor to address
you

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you on the 4th Instant. respecting that once notori=
=ous Maurauder Chief Naick who some years since in=
=fested the Borders between Chittoor and Hestnaghery=
=-pettah

Having a strong suspicion from
the present tenor of his conduct connected with the
reputation of his former name, of what his inten=
=tions might be, I directed Captain Wright in
command of the 2nd Battalion 1st Regiment to
have a watchful attention on his actions and to
report to me accordingly.

In consequence of this instruction
I have been favored with a Letter of report from
Captain Wright which I have the honor to send
you herewith.—

Grounded upon this authority
and at the recommendation of the Judge of Bel=
=lary, I have placed Chief Naick in confinement
in the Main Guard under a proper security, ap=
=prehensive if not anticipated by such a measure
that he might give us the slip, and return to
his—

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his once occupation of plundering and distressing the Country the scene of his former exploits.

I propose he shall remain in his immediate situation until I receive your Commands respecting him.—

(signed) Geo. Marten
Lieut. Col. Com.g

Bellary
10th Decr 1806—

To the officer commanding Bellary

Sir,

I have the honor to address you on the subject of the conduct of the Polygar Chief Naick which is now become of a nature to require immediate notice being taken of it— Since I last communicated with you respecting him, his influence has considerably increased, and his revenue has been daily augmenting; He now has several Horses and a greater number of men attending him in State, some of them with Swords. The Bazar people — either out of respect for him, or from the dread his former exploits have attached to his name, supply him

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to a great extent with whatever of their articles he desires from them— He promises to pay when he receives a larger sum of money, which he states to be due to him by the Cutwall of the Cawl Bazar, and gives out that he is to be allowed a pension by Government— He comes mounted and attended to the daily Muster of his Company, leaving his Horse and attendants at a short distance from it— A short time since, a man arrived here who he calls his Brother, they frequently ride out together, attended by men running before and after their Horses, some of them with swords, and once several with Pikes.— He and his Brother the day before Yesterday went, attended by men running before and after their Horses, to a Savoury House at some distance from Bellary, where there is a Man who pretends to Prophesy— He consulted him, as to the time he would obtain his discharge and of his return to his Country, whether he would ever be reinstated in the Government of it, and when he would see his Brother; and received for reply, that

He

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he had suffered many hardships, that his adverse for-
=tune was nearly at an end, and that about the time
of the next Devaulee Feast he would be in poss-
=esson of his Country and with his Mother as happy
as he formerly was.— His demeanour is considerably
altered, he before was an inoffensive, negligent,
insignificant looking man, he now walks erect —
and with an air of consequence, and talks largely
of his expectations, — several men in the Batta-
=lion shew him very marked attention.—

As I am apprehensive, from
his known character and increasing influence, he
may, if longer permitted to go at large, desert and
recommence committing depredations in the Coun-
=try — I am induced to beg the favor of your opinion
whether it would not be advisable to have him
immediately secured.—

(Signed) Thos. Fras. Wright
Capt.n commanding
2nd Batt.n 1st Regiment N.I.

Bellary—
10th December 1806—

To

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To the Adjutant General of the Army

Sir.

On the 2nd. February last. I had the honor to address you for the information of His Excellency the Commander in Chief respecting a Detachment of Artillery serving to the Eastward, being detained at Penang by that Government - and inclosing Casualty Roll of Family Certificates to be withdrawn from some of the families here, The Soldiers there detained, being unable to subsist on their Pay - The Wives and Children of such men have since been subsisted on Charity, or by Subscription of the Soldiers here - and although I am satisfied His Excellency must have paid attention to such representation, no alleviation has taken place, on the contrary I am now under the necessity, of reporting a similar distressing communication from that detachment, which was sent from Penang to Mallacca, as I am informed to quell a mutiny occasioned by scarcity and dearness of

Provisions

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Provisions) Those who before struggled to afford their Wives and Children left here a subsistance during their absence on Service, have at length been obliged to withdraw that allowance—

The accompanying extract of a Letter from Captain Ross the Officer commanding the Detachment, to the Military Auditor General and the Remarks in the Casual by Roll, herewith forwarded; of the distress of the case, renders unnecessary my saying any thing further on the subject, but to request this letter with its enclosures may be submitted to His Excellency the Commander in Chief.—

St. Thomas's Mount
26th December 1806—

/Signed/ Robt. Bell
Colr. Comg. Arty—

Extract of a Letter from Captain D. Ross of the 2nd Battalion of Artillery to the Military Auditor General, dated Malacca 1st Septr. 1806—

"Enclosed I have the honor of transmitting a Family Roll of a Detail of Gun Lascars

on

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"on Duty at this Station under my command, and
"as it is my intention on account of the great distress
"of the men who cannot manage to live upon
"their present reduced Pay, and 1/2 Sear of rice per
"man per day to draw full Pay for them from the
"1st of February 1807 inclusive, you will be
"pleased to direct immediately upon receipt thereo
"of payments being Stopped of the Several Sums
"therein Specified."

(A true Extract)
(Signed) Alex. Orr.
Mily Asst Genl

Casualty.

Casualty Roll of Family Certificates

Of a Detail of Gun Lascars attached to a Detachment of European artillery on Duty at Malacca under the Command of Captain David Ross

Malacca September 1st 1806

Number	Names	Rank	Reg.t for:	amount of Certificates Payable	When Payable	To whom Payable	Remarks
1	Mahomed Hussain	1st Lindal	2	2	Month	Mardad Jah his Mother	
1	Hoolan	Gun Lascar	1	21	Ditto	Mooloo his Father	
	Meer Cause	Ditto	1	34	Ditto	Buckter Gn. Lascar	
	Mangeel	"	1	34	Ditto	Meeran Gun Lascar	
	Subbo	"	1	34	Ditto	Subbo Lindal 2d Lascar	
5	Carckoom	"	1	34	Ditto	Sultan his Wife	
	Jas Mahomed	"	1	34	Ditto	Jaan Bibbee his Wife	The whole of the Ripple born on this
	Shaik Abdoul	"	1	34	Ditto	Deen mahomed Gn. Lascar	Bill desires that the amounts of their
	Jeseen	"	1	34	Ditto	Khaun his wife	Certificates may be stopped in consequence

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Aria Putrah	"	1	Ditto Amoho G. Lascar	of being unable to subsist on their present Pay and reduced Provisions after the 31st Jan.y 1807
Mahomed Raffee	"	1	Ditto Muran alle G Lascar	
Cairo	"	1	Ditto Apum Gun Lascar	
Coodabuckas	"	1	Ditto Pasandang G. Lascar	
Raffee	"	1	Ditto Sayna his Wife	
Veerapen	"	1	Ditto Veerapen his Father	
Modkeem	"	1	Ditto Moda Raffee G. Lascar	
Shaik Subboo	"	1	Ditto Hasaallee G. Lascar	
Abdallah	"	1	Ditto Assan mahomed G. Lascar	

Total 25 9

(Signed) D. Ross Capt.n 2.nd Batt.n Artillery
(A true Copy)
A. Orr
Mil.y Aud.r Gen.l

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To the Adjutant General of the Army.

Fort St. George

Sir,

I beg of you to lay the annexed Copy of a letter from Lieutenant Colonel Agg of the 13th Ins:tant. before His Excellency the Commander in Chief, A Crime of this kind being probably more frequently committed than discovered, I do not re=collect an instance of any one having been punished for such an act. This man shall be continued in con=finement till I receive his Excellency's orders

Seringapatam 16th Dec. 1806. (Signed) Hay. Macdowall.

To the Deputy Adjutant General in Mysore.

Sir,

I have confined a man who ap=peared at Muster for the purpose of representing Mar=shorned Ally a Pensioned Subidar who has been dead some Months. Inclosed I send the Subidar's Certificate with a Copy of the Pay Certificate received from Tri=chinopoly. This man refuses to refund any of the money

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money he has received, declaring that he has spent it all.

Inquest General. Macdowall's orders on the subject.-

(Signed) S. W. Ogg. Lieut. Col.

Com.g Bangalore

Bangalore

13th December 1806.

The original of the Pay Certificate is in

the Pay Office at Seringapatam.-

(A true Copy)

(Signed) Wm. Macpherson

a.d.a. G. M.

To His Excellency

Lieutenant General Sir J. F. Cradock K. B.

Commander in Chief

&c. &c. &c.

Sir.

I request your Excellency will or

have the goodness to permit me to resign the Fort Ad-

-jutancy of Chittledroog, and allow me to join my corps,

the 2nd Battalion 3rd Regiment. Native Infantry. My

reason for making this request, is the great dis-

-tance of Chittledroog and my being so near pro-

-motion.

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emotion, that I would soon be obliged to vacate that appointment.-

Madras
28th. Decr. 1806.

I have the honor to be
Sir &c. &c. &c.
(Signed) Jno. Carfrae
Capt. Lt. & Qr. Mr. 3d. Regt.
Fort Adjutant of Chittledroog.

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

My Lord,

I beg leave to solicit your Lordships permission for my proceeding to Calcutta on board the Honorable Company's Ship Tottenham now in the roads, and that I may be absent from the Presidency of Fort St. George for the space of three Months from the Ships departure.-

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I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
(Signed) W. Ireland Jones.
Capt. 2nd. Batt. 18th. Regt.
Aud.

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Resolution thereon

Resolved that Chiel Naick be transferred to the charge of the Civil Magistrate at Bellary, and that he be detained in custody as a state Prisoner so long as it may be deemed necessary for the preservation of the Public Tranquillity.

Resolved that the Families of the Artillery men and Lascars employed to the Eastward be permitted to draw the same allowances as formerly; and that the amount be charged to the account of the Honorable Company.

With respect to the Imposter mentioned in the Letter from the Commanding Officer of Bangalore. The Commander in Chief is requested to direct the Officer Commanding the Forces in Mysore to give orders for the delivery of that person to the charge of the Civil Magistrate at Seringapatam or of the Resident in Mysore according as he shall be found to be a subject of the Company or of His Highness the Rajah of Mysore.

Resolved that Captain Wm. Jones be permitted to proceed on Leave of Absence

to

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to Bengal for three Months.-

ordered that the Promotions and

appointments recommended in the foregoing Minute

be directed to take place.-

Minute of the Commander in Chief

Minute of the Comr. stating certain deficiencies in the Military Establishment regarding the communicating to the comprehensions of the Native Troops such General or other orders as are necessary and proposing to attach well qualified Translators to the Office of the Adjutant General for that purpose &c.

I deem it my duty to bring to the Notice of the Board in a separate Minute certain deficiencies in the Military Establishment which recent event have brought under my observation, and which it appears to me to be essential to remedy without delay.-

One of the most important is the want of an efficient and certain mode of communicating to the Comprehension of the Native Troops such orders as the Government or the Commander in Chief may deem it expedient or necessary to issue for their information and guidance. Various regulations have been made to encourage the European Officers to acquire a Knowledge of Native Languages of India; yet I have reason

to

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to believe that few make sufficient progress to translate with accuracy, communications beyond those of the most simple nature, and when the Public Interpreters are employed on occasions of peculiar importance, I fear that an elevation of style which rises beyond the level of the comprehension of those to whom it is addressed, is more studied that the plain exposition of the instructions to be conveyed to the Troops.—

One of the earliest regulations of the Sepoy establishment stated that the officers of Sepoys, having an additional allowance made "them as such, it is required that they provide themselves with good Linguists at their own Expense." Subsequent Regulations have abolished this allowance, and no admissible channel of interpretation now Exists:— for the Adjutants, altho' required to have some Knowledge of the Hindoostaunee dialect, are seldom sufficiently masters of that Language to translate with accuracy Papers of any difficulty, and a Knowledge of other Languages is not required

from

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from them.—

Hence, I have reason to believe that—
few of the orders intended to convey instruction to the Na=
=tive Troops, reach them in an intelligible form.—

The remedy for the defect which ap=
=pears to present the greatest facility would be to
attach to the Office of the Adjutant General well quali=
=fied translators in the Hindoostannee, Tamul—and
Telinga Languages, so that under his Inspection, such
orders as required precise communication to the Na=
=tive Troops, should be translated, Printed in the
several Languages at the Government Press, and cir=
=culated to the several Native Regements and Batta=
=lions, for general Information.—

As such translation requires Prac=
=tise in the Terms of Military communication and
a simplicity of style suited to the Comprehension of
the lower classes of the Native, it will be necessary
to have such translators in constant Pay:— but as this
duty might not occupy the whole of their time—

I should—

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I should imagine the expense would not be great
- The expense however I consider of little import, when
weighed in the scale by the importance of the sub-
-ject-

A similar want of Interpreters
has hitherto prevented the publication and general
circulation of the Necessary Translations of the Arti-
-cles of war - on this point I request authority to call
for the aid of the several Translators of the Govern-
-ment, to render the substance of those Articles in the
most simple and intelligible manner into the Lan-
-guages of this Country. The Malabar Translation for-
-merly published, having been of little use from the
style of the Work, which was beyond the comprehen-
-sion of the common people.-

(Signed) J. F. Cradock
Lieut. Gen.

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The Board concur in opinion with the
Commander in Chief respecting the expediency of attach-
-ing to the Office of the Adjutant General of the Army
an

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an Establishment of Translators in the Native Languages and they are further of opinion that the proposed Translation of the articles of War will be best effected by means of that Establishment.

Resolved therefore that the Commander in chief be requested to submit to the Board the extent of the Establishment which he would recommend to be appointed.

The Commander in Chief also records the following Memorandum, on the subject of the application lately received from the Garrison Surgeon of Fort St. George.

Memorandum of the Commander in chief. Stating that Mr. White prefers paying for the treatment of the men at the general Hospital at the regulated Rate and that his allowances should not be diminished approving his proposal to draw one fanam in money.

Mr. White, having no Hospital so good as the General Hospital, prefers paying for the treatment of the men there at the regulated rate of 5½ fanams, but as he pays all the Expense of Medical treatment they there receive, his allowances either in Money or Medicine should not be diminished: his proposal to draw one fanam in Money in place of 60 Cash in Money and 20 in Medicine seems a proper arrangement.

24th Novr 1806.

(Signed) J. F. Cradock

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ordered in consequence that the follow-
-ing letter be dispatched to the Military Auditor General-

To the Military Auditor General.

Sir

I am directed by the Right Ho-
-norable the Governor in Council to transmit to you
the enclosed Copy of a Letter from the Garrison Surgeon
of Fort St. George, and to desire that the Medical Allowance
of that Officer on account of Europeans of all description un-
-der his charge may be adjusted in the manner pre-
-scribed in the accompanying Copy of a memorandum
by His Excellency the Commander in Chief.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient
(signed) G. Stracheys
Secy to the Govt

Fort St. George
31st Dect 1806.

To the Military Auditor General
with Copy of a letter
from the Garrison
Surgeon of Fort St George
and covering Mad the
Medical allowances
of that Officer for
Europeans under his
Charge may be ad-
-justed as proposed
in the accompanying
Memorandum
of the Commander
in Chief

Read the following letter from the
Military Board.

To

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To the Right Honorable

Lord William Bentinck

Governor in Council

Vrs. Vrs. Vrs.

My Lord,

From the Military Board - recommending payment of bills and advance of Cash -

1. We beg to recommend payment of the enclosed Bills Viz -

No. 1 — Bill of the Commercial Resident at Salem, for providing 131 Private, and 35 Suballterns &c Tents for the Public Service, amounting to Pagodas 375 fl. 20. 59 - whence a Balance is due of Pagodas 750. 20. 59 -

No. 2. Bill of the Officer Commanding the 7th. Regiment Native Cavalry for 31 Saddles and Bridles made up under our authority, in lieu of a like number lost in the Battle of Assaye - Amounting to Pagodas 153. 21 -

No. 3 — Two Bills of the Officer Commanding the 2nd. Battalion 6th.; and 2nd. Battalion 13th. Regiments Native Infantry, for 21 Doolies purchased

from

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from them for the Public Service Amounting to Pago=
-das 158.-

No. 4 — Bill of the Engineer in the Ceded
Districts, for building a wall across the Berme at the
South West angle Tower of the lower Fort of Bellary by
order of the Commanding Officer - Amounting to Pa=
-godas 15. 12. 48.-

No. 5 — Bill of the Engineer at Vellore,
for erecting 20 Sentry Boxes under our Authority - Amoun=
-ting to Pagodas, 131. 38. 33.

No. 6. — Bill of the Engineer at Vellore
for expences incurred in inclosing for a Barrack Yard,
a part of the interior of that Fort, adjoining the Euro=
-pean Barracks Amounting to Pagodas 289. 37. 54.
The Balance due is Pagodas 215. 37. 54.-

No. 7 — Bill of the Engineer at Vellore.
for repairing the European Barracks and a part of
the Ramparts in the Fort of Vellore, executed by authority
of his Excellency the Commander in Chief - Amounting to
Pagodas 137. 26. 61. a Balance whereof is due of Pagodas.
137. 26. 61.—

Bill -

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No. 8 — Bill of the Engineer at Vellore, for various works and Repairs executed in the Fort by authority of the Commanding Officer amounting to Pagodas 585. 1. 36.

2. We recommend also payment of the following Advances of Cash Bills.

An Advance of Pagodas 2500. to the Commercial Resident at Salem for Tents which he has been required to make up.

An Advance of Pagodas 4025, to the Superintending Engineer in the Presidency Division, being the 2nd Third of the estimated Cost for constructing the Barrack for the Artillery at St. Thomas's Mount Cantonment

A further advance of Pagodas 12,000 to the Superintending Engineer at the Presidency on account of the new Powder Mills.

We have the honor to be
Yr. Yr. Yr.

Fort St. George
15th Decr. 1806.

(signed) J. F. Bradock
" Robt Bell
" P. A. Agnew
" Alexr. Orr.
" J. Munro.

Read.

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Order thereon.

ordered that authority be given for the payment of the Bills and advances of Money recommended in the foregoing Letter.-

Read the following Letter from the Military Auditor General.-

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

My Lord.

In conformity to your Lordship's desire, I communicated in Mr. Secretary Strachey's Letter to one of the 13th Instant, I have now the honor to submit a Draft of a General Order for granting to the Native Troops & Public Followers a Compensation in money in such cases where it may not be practicable to furnish them with Grain from the Public Stores.-

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

Alex. Orr.
Mily Audr Genl

Mily Audr Genl Office
Fort St. George 27th Decr 1806.

From the Military Auditor General submitting a Draft of G.O. for granting to the Native Troops & Public Followers a Compensation in money when not practicable to furnish them with Grain from the Public Stores.-

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G. O. By Government.

When the price of Rice in the Public Market is more than 71 Star Pagodas per Madras Garce, and it may not be practicable to issue it at that rate from the Public Store, The Right Honorable the Governor in Council is pleased to direct, that the difference between the rate of 70 Pagodas per Garce and the current rate of the Market shall be drawn Monthly from the Paymaster in Cash, and issued to the Native Troops with their Pay in arrears. The amount so drawn is to be in the proportion of one seer of Rice per day for each man, and to be entered in the Public Accounts under the head of "occasional charges."

The following Form is to be invariably observed in drawing Compensation Money.

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Money for rice, and Paymasters are directed to re-
ject all abstracts which are not made out a-
greeably thereto in every respect—

In like manner Compen-
sation Money for rice is to be drawn for Pub-
lic Followers attached to Corps and Departments
when the Current price in the Public Market
is more than 80 Star Pagodas per Madras Garce-

To—

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Form.

To Mr. A. B.

Paymaster at

Sir.

Please to order Payment of the following sum arising in the purchase of Rice between the Company's regulated price and

	Subedars	Jemadars	Havildars	Naigues	Drummers & Fifers	Privates	Pioneers	Native Doctors	Sepoy Recruits	Sepoys	Total number of Men	Total amount of the rations and Rice at 4 Rs. per 100 Sepoys per Diem
Grenadier Company	1	1	5	5	2	1	1	2	8	90	116	3596
1st Battalion Company	1	1	5	5	2	1	"	"	8	90	113	3,503
2 do do	1	1	5	5	2	1	"	"	8	90	113	3,503
3 do do	1	1	5	5	2	1	"	"	8	90	113	3,503
4 do do	1	1	5	5	2	1	"	"	8	90	113	3,503
5 do do	1	1	5	5	2	1	"	"	8	90	113	3,503
6 do do	1	1	5	5	2	1	"	"	8	90	113	3,503
7 do do	1	1	5	5	2	1	"	"	8	90	113	3,503
8 do do	1	1	5	5	2	1	"	"	8	90	113	3,503
Light Company	1	1	5	5	2	1	"	"	8	91	113	3513
Total	10	10	50	50	20	10	1	2	80	901	1133	35123

This is to Certify that owing to a deficiency of Grain (or if from other cause it is to be here inserted) in the public Stores at this Station the Indents of the Battn Regiment Native Infantry for Rice could not be complied with in the Month of January last.

(here enter Station and date)

(Signed) A B.

Garrison Storekeeper

This is to Certify that the average price of Rice sold in the Bazar at this Station during the Month of January last was 13 seers per Rupee.

(here enter Station and date)

(Signed) R. S.

Lieut. Col. Commanding

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Sums to the — Battalion — Regiment Native Infantry being the differ-
ence of the price of Rice in the Bazar for the Month of January 1807.-

Bazar Rice of Rice at 13 Seers per Rupee		Company's price of Rice at — Seers per Rupee or 70 Pag.s per Gauce		Difference between Company's & the Bazar price		Signatures of the Officers Commanding Companies-
Fanams	cas	Fanams	cash	Fanams	cash	
3556	38	2368	47½	1187	71½	C. D. Captain
3464	40	2298	67½	1165	52½	E. F. Lieutenant
3464	40	2298	67½	1165	52½	G. H. Capt.n Lieut.t
3464	40	2298	67½	1165	52½	I. K. Captain
3464	40	2298	67½	1165	52½	L. M. Lieutenant
3464	40	2298	67½	1165	52½	N. O. Lieutenant
3464	40	2298	67½	1165	52½	P. Q. Ensign
3464	40	2298	67½	1165	52½	R. S. Lieutenant
3464	40	2298	67½	1165	52½	T. V. Lieutenant
3464	40	2298	67½	1165	52½	W W. Captain
34736	78	23058	15	11678	63.	Fanams Eleven thousand, six hundred & seventy eight and cash sixty three —

(signed) I. P.
Major Comd.g — Batt.n — Regt.
Native Infantry

Received payment the — day of February 1807-
(signed) I. P.
Major

Resolved-

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Resolved that the Draft of the General Order submitted with the foregoing letter be approved and published.—

Read the following letters from the Secretary at Fort William.—

G. Strachey Esqr.

Secretary to the Government at

Fort St. George

Sir

From the acting Secretary to the Government at Fort William. Enclosing Copy of an Extract of the Proceedings of the Governor General in Council of the 1st Dec. regarding the embarkation of His Majesty's 24th Regiment for

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor General in Council to transmit to you the enclosed Copy of an Extract from his Proceedings in the Public Department of this date, for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council.—

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedt Servt

(signed) Thos. Hill

acting Secy Mily Dept.

Fort William

1st December 1806.—

Extract

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Extract from the Proceedings of the Honorable the Governor General in Council in the Public Department dated the 4th December 1806.

Fort William 4th December 1806.

The Governor General.-

From the information Communicated in the Letter which has been recently received from the acting Secretary to the Government of Prince of Wales Island, His Majesty's 30th Regiment together with the Detachments of Troops for other Kings Regiments in Bengal (which were ordered to be embarked on the Honorable Company's Ships Despatched from this Port in the Month of October last, for the purpose of conveying those Troops to this Presidency) may be daily expected to arrive in the River - and it having been determined that His Majesty's 30th Regiment should proceed to Fort St. George with the least practicable delay. The Governor General has considered it to be proper to ascertain from the Marine Board their

opinion -

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opinion with respect to the most expeditious and eligible mode of conveying His Majesty's Regiment to Fort St. George — It is recommended by the Marine Board, that the Honorable Company's Ships Marquis Welles-ley and Marchioness of Exeter, which form part of the Fleet expected from Prince of Wales Island with the Lord Nelson, which Ship is ordered to proceed to Bombay, should be appointed to receive all the Troops destined to proceed to Fort St. George, and that the Commanders of the other regular Ships on which Troops have been embarked at Prince of Wales Island, should be directed to transhipe the Troops immediately on their arrival at Kedgeree to the three Ships abovementioned. The Marine Board further recommend, that the period of dispatching those three Ships to Madras, should be fixed for the 15th or 20th Instant — It is also proposed by the Marine Board, that the Commanders of the Marquis Wellesley, Marchioness of Exeter and Lord Nelson, should be directed to victual the Troops during the passage to Madras

in such

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which at this period of the year, is not expected to exceed five or six days.—

The Honorable Company's ex= Ship Lord Nelson, after landing the Troops which may be embarked on her, will proceed from Ma= =dras to Bombay, and as there is no probability of the Honorable Company's Ships Marquis Wellesley and Marchioness of Exeter being wanted for the pur= =pose of being laden with Cargo at this Presidency, no Inconvenience to the public Service can arise from sending those Ships to Fort St. George after having landed the Troops at that Presidency, the Marquis Wellesley and Marchioness of Exeter may be ordered to return to Bengal, unless the Governor of Fort St. George should find it necessary to appoint one of them to proceed to Ceylon for Cinnamon, in consequence of an application which has been re= =ceived from His Excellency the Governor of Ceylon for Tonnage for this purpose.—

The Governor General is of opinion

that

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that the arrangement proposed by the Marine Board will not only insure the safe and early arrival of His Majesty's Troops at Fort St. George, but will be the means of guarding against considerable inconvenience and expence which must necessarily be incurred by bringing the Troops up to Fort William, and afterwards sending them down to Kedgeree for the purpose of being embarked for Madras—

The Governor General proposes that the foregoing arrangement for the conveyance of His Majesty's 30th Regiment to Fort St. George be adopted.—

/Signed/ G. H. B.

" L.

" G. H.

Ordered, that a Copy of the foregoing Minute be sent to the Military Department for Information, and for such Orders as may be deemed necessary.—

/A true Extract/
/Signed/ Thos. Brown
Chief Secy to Govt

/A true Copy/
Wm. Hill
Actg Secy Mily Dept.

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To G. Strachey Esqr.
Secretary to the Government
Fort St. George

Sir,

I am the acting Secretary to the Government at Fort William enclosing Copy of the Resolutions of the Governor General in Council regarding Allowance of Difference of Pay to Officers of this Presidency

I have the honor to inform you that the Honorable the Governor General in Council adverting to the question contained in the last Paragraph of the letter from the Military Auditor General of the 18th of October, a Copy of which accompanied my letter to you of the 23d October last, has deemed it to be proper to determine that the Officers of this Presidency, referred to in that Paragraph, to whom retrospective Rank is to be assigned, in consequence of the orders contained in the General Letter from the Honorable Court of Directors dated the 12th of July 1805, an Extract from which was also transmitted to you in my letter of the 23d of October last shall only be allowed to draw the difference of Pay betwixt the Rank formerly held by them and the Rank to be assigned them in consequence of the orders

of

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of the Honorable Court, above adverted to.

2d The Governor General in Council accordingly requests that the Right Honorable the Governor in Council will direct the same rule to be observed with respect to the allowances to be granted to the officers belonging to the Presidency of Fort St. George to whom retrospective rank may be assigned in consequence of the orders of the Honble Court.

3d The Right Honorable the Governor in Council will observe, that the Lieutenant Colonels entitled to the Rank of Colonel from the 1st of January 1803. are to receive under the Court orders, a sum equal to £500 per annum from the offsetting fund.

4th Enclosed I transmit for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council a Copy of the Resolutions of the Governor General in Council on the subject.

Fort William
the 4th December 1806.

I have the honor to be
Your &c &c
(Signed) Theo. Hill
act. Sec. Mily Dept.

Resolution

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Resolutions of the Honorable the Governor General in Council in the Military Department dated 4th December 1806.

The Governor General in Council, in directing the publication in General orders of the arrangement of Rank of the Officers mentioned in the List received with the Adjutant Generals Letter of the 25th Ultimo, by which rank has been assigned from the 1st of January 1803 to the Officers entitled to promotion in the room of those who died, transferred to the Retired List from that date, according to the principles prescribed by the orders contained in the general Letter from the Honorable the Court of Directors dated the 12th July 1805, deems it to be proper to refer to those orders with a view to determine the questions submitted in the letter from the Military Auditor General of the 18th of October last Viz.t whether the Officers, who under the Courts orders, are to have new dates of Rank assigned to them, prior to the dates of Rank formerly fixed for them, are to receive for the time between

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between these two periods the difference of pay only, or the difference of pay and Batta and other personal Allowances.—

It is evident from the 264th paragraph of the Courts orders upon this subject as that the Officers are to have their respective Ranks dated on the 1st of January 1803. In the same paragraph it is stated that, in regard to allowances the Lieutenant Colonels entitled to promotion must receive the pay of Colonel and a sum equal to £500 per annum from the offreckonings. This is the only part of the Orders of the Honorable Court which contains any directions respecting the personal allowances of the Officers in question, forming an Index; and although the Court in giving these directions Confine their observations to Officers of the Rank of Lieutenant Colonels who were entitled to the rank of Colonel under their former order, yet they expressly direct that they receive the pay of Colonel, without authorizing the Batta or other personal allow-

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=ances retrospectively. The sum allowed them from the Reckonings is of a different Nature from the personal Indian allowances of the different Ranks of the Officers of the Army.

Under these Considerations and adverting to the recent orders of the Honorable Court granting Considerable retrospective Rank to the Officers of Artillery by which the Officers of that Corps were exprefsly restricted to the difference of pay only, without the difference of Batta or other personal allowances, The Governor General in Council is of opinion that it will be proper to grant to the Officers mentioned in the List which accompanies the Adjutant Generals Letter, the difference of pay only between the periods of the dates of Rank formerly assigned to them, and the dates now given to them under the Courts orders of the 12th of July 1805.

The subject will of course be stated to the Honorable Court by the first Despatch, with

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with the reasons by which the Governor General in Coun-
-cil have been guided in passing the above order.-

(signed) Tho.s Hill

Act.g Secy Mily Dep.t

c Minute thereon

It does not appear to the Board
that the information received from the Supreme Gov-
-ernment relative to the embarkation of His Majesty's
30th Regiment of Foot will require the issue of any or-
-ders from the Military Department. With regard to the
instructions of the Supreme Government relative
to the Pay and allowances of Officers promoted in
consequence of the formation of the retired List of
Colonels; ordered that the Letter containing them
do lie on the Table until the result of the late re-
-ference from the Board to the Governor General
in Council on that subject shall be known.-

Read the following Letters from
the Town Major of Fort St. George, and from the Of-
-ficer commanding the Tinnevelly District.-

To

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To the Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

Sir,

Enclosed I have the honor to transmit a List of Dutch prisoners of War captured on the Europe Corvette by His Majesty's Ship Caroline - and I request the authority of Government for drawing the usual allowance for their Subsistence. -

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obt. Servt.
/signed/ R. Barclay
Town Major. -

Town Majors office
Fort St. George
22nd Dec. 1806.

From the Town Major of Fort St. George Enclosing List of Dutch Prisoners of War taken on the Europe Corvette by His Majesty's Ship Caroline and requesting authority to draw the usual Allowance for their subsistance -

List of Dutch Prisoners of War Captured in the Europe Corvette by His Majesty's Ship Caroline landed at Fort St. George and sent to Poonamallee on the 21st December 1806.

Rank	Names	Remarks
Lieutenant	Van Gale	
	Dickier	

/signed/ R. Barclay
Town Major

Town Majors office
Fort St. George
22nd Dec. 1806.

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To the Chief Secretary
to Government
Fort St. George

Sir,

From the officer Commanding the Tinnevelly District Enclosing charge from Mr. John Baggott Beach Master at Tutacorin for the expenses of an Express by sea to the Governor of Ceylon by Major Welsh's desire.

I have the honor to request you may be pleased to lay before the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, the enclosed charge from Mr. John Baggott Beach Master at Tutacorin, for the expenses of an Express sent by sea, to the Governor of Ceylon, at the desire of Major Welsh on the 21st. November, amounting to three hundred and twenty Porto Novo Pagodas.

Palamcotah
10th Decr. 1806.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most
(Signed) Alexr. Dyce
Lieut.t Colonel Commanding
Tinnevelly District.

Order thereon.

Ordered that the Military Auditor General be furnished with Copies of the foregoing Letters, and that he be desired to authorize payment

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of the Bill submitted by Lieutenant Colonel Dyce-

W Kentish

Murdoch

" W Peter

" Oakes

Ex Strange

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Diary to the End of the year 1806

31st Sent the following Letters entered on

M. B. Nos 68. 69.

To the Military Auditor General

To the Military Auditor General authorizing payment of Bills and Advances of Money as recommended in the enclosed Copy of a Letter from the Military Board, the 15th Instant.

To Dillo.

To Dillo. Stating that the Draft of the G. O. submitted by him relative to the payment of a Compensation to the Native Troops in lieu of the usual free of Rice from the Public Stores has been approved and published. Enclosing for his information & guidance Copies of Letters from the Town Major of Fort St. George & the Commanding Officer of Pennacully, and authorizing payment of a Bill enclosed in the Letter. Also enclosing Extract from the Proceedings of this Department Dated the 30th Instant.

W. Kaitnick

Murdoch

" W. Petrie

Oakeley

E. Strange

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Private Tents furnished for the use of His Majesty's 9th Regiment in November 1803 amounting to Pagodas 997. 6. 24.

No. 13 ..... Bill of the Commissary of supply &c with the Hydrabad Subsidiary Force, for Gunny Bags provided for the Service of the Gram Department of the 1st Regiment Native Cavalry in October last amounting to Pagodas 511. 20. 22.

No. 14 .... Bill of the Quarter Master of the 6th Regiment Native Cavalry for making up 301 Gram Gunny Bags for the use of the Corps, &c amounting to Pagodas 75. 11. 20.

No. 15 ..... Three Bills of the late agent for the supply of Military Stores, for Articles provided for the Service of the Arsenal of Fort St. George amounting to Pagodas 11243. 39. 3.

We also recommend Payment of the following Advances of Cash &c.

2. An Advance of Pagodas 1035. 25.

18 to the Superintending Engineer in the Ceded Districts, being the second third of the cost for

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be authorized according to the Estimate amounting to

Pagodas 1,599.. 3.. 43.-

4th We have the honor to enclose

Copy of a Letter from the Officer Commanding

Chittoor, and we recommend that his suggestion for

employing the Prisoners in cleaning and improving

the works of the Fort, may be adopted unless there

be objections on the part of the Magistrate, of

which we are not aware.

We have the honor to be

Sir

Your

Obedt

Servts

(signed) J. F. Cradock.

" Robt Bell.

" P. A. Agnew.

" Alexr Orr.

Fort St. George
8th Dec. 1806.

The Secretary of the Military Board
Fort St. George.

Sir.

I beg leave to state for the in-
formation of the Board, the propriety of having

a

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

My Lord.

From the Military Board. Recommend payment of bills and advances of Cash.

1. We have the honor to recommend Payment of the enclosed Bills. Viz.

No. 1. Bill of the Barrack Master in the Northern Division, for 30 new Cotts made up for the Garrison of Vizagapatam under our authority. Amounting to Pagodas. 105. — —

No. 2. — Bill of the Barrack Master in the Centre Division for making up 11 Centry Boxes for the use of the Cantonment of Wallajahbad — — Amounting to Pagodas. 267. 17. 50

No. 3 — Bill of the Surgeon of His Majesty's 34th Regement of Foot, for expenses incurred in the temporary repairs of the Hospital of the 34th Foot in the lower Fort of Gooty. Amounting to Pagodas 8. — 60

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No. 4 —— Bill of the Officer Commanding at Sankeydroog for repairs performed to the Hospital Range within the second line of defence amounting to Pagodas 65.— whereof a Balance is due of Pagodas 21.. 30..—

No. 5. —— Bill of the Engineer at Vellore, for erecting a Place of arms for a Battalion of Sepoys at that Station— Amounting to Pagodas 773.. 46.. 31..—

No. 6 —— Bill of the Engineer at Seringapatam, for repairs made to the European Barrack, Cook Room and Necessary, with a Cistern and water drain— Amounting to Pagodas 242.. 10.. 71—

No. 7 —— Bill of the Engineer at Seringapatam for building a new drain from the Square of the European Barrack leading to the sewer of the Hospital and Necessary— Amounting to Pagodas 169. 38. 14— the balance being Pagodas 65.. 1.. 3..—

No. 8 .... Bill of the Engineer at Seringapatam for building a new Conjee House to the European—

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=ropean Barrack amounting to Pagodas 464. 7. 60.
the balance due is Pagodas 177. 27. 26.

No. 9 .... Bill of the Engineer at Seringapatam. for building a new Necessary and converting the old one into an additional Cook Room for the Ar=
=tillery Barrack. Amounting to Pagodas 567.35.19.

No. 10. ... Bill of the Engineer at Seringapa=
=tam, for Alterations to the Necessaries of the European Hospital, as also to the Channel, and for Office Furniture made up for the Garrison Surgeon under Authority of the Commanding Officer. Amounting to Pagodas 727:37:52. the balance due is Pagodas 315. 31. 16.

No. 11 .. Bill of the late Commissary of supply with the Hydrabad Subsidiary Force, for 3 Private Tents made up for the use of the Ordinance Department in December 1803. Amounting to Pagodas 80. 35. 56.

No. 12 .. Bill of the late Commissary of supply with the Hydrabad Subsidiary Force for 37

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Private Tents furnished for the use of His Majesty's 9th Regiment in November 1803. Amounting to Pagodas 997. 6. 24.—

No. 13 ..... Bill of the Commissary of supply on the Hydrabad Subsidiary Force, for Gunny Bags provided for the Service of the Gram Department of the 1st Regiment Native Cavalry in October last. Amounting to Pagodas 5 11. 20. 22.—

No. 14. .... Bill of the Quarter Master of the 4th Regiment Native Cavalry for making up 301. Gram Gunny Bags for the use of the Corps, &c. amounting to Pagodas 75. 11. 20.—

No. 15. ..... Three Bills of the late agent for the supply of Military Stores, for Articles provided for the Service of the Arsenal of Fort St. George. Amounting to Pagodas. 11. 243. 39. 3.—

We also recommend Payment of the following Advances of Cash. Viz.—

2.

An Advance of Pagodas 1035. 25.

18.— to the Superintending Engineer in the Ceded Districts, being the second third of the cost for