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Ibid. To the Military Auditor General - Transmitting Copies
of Correspondence with the Military Paymaster
General and with the Military Board - res-
pecting certain unadjusted Balances -

Ibid. To Ditto -- Ditto - Enclosing 3 Bills from
the Town Major of Fort Saint George for adjust-
ment, and Extract from the Proceedings of
Government -

Ibid. To Ditto - Ditto - Enclosing Extract of a
letter from the Military Board relative to
the Removal of Ordnance and Stores from
Madura. -

Ibid. To the Accountant General and Civil Auditor
Enclosing Copy of a Letter from Major Leith
relative to his allowances together with
the Enclosures to which it refer. -

The same to the Military Auditor General.

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7849. To the Military Paymaster General - Enclosing copy of a Report from the Military Auditor General on the Additional Estimates of Cash Required for the payment of the Army for the ensuing Month and informing him that authority has been given for paying the Advance of Money Required in the 4th. para of the Report.

7850. To the Military Paymaster General - Transmitting Extracts of letters from and to the Military Board.-

Ibid. To the Town Major of Fort Saint George - The Bill submitted with his letter of the 23d. Instant referred to the Military Auditor General for Examination and adjustment.-

Ibid. To the Military Paymaster General - Transmitting Copy of Report from the Military Auditor General on an Additional Estimate of Cash Required by the Paymaster in Mysoor.-

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6th July 1808. 7851. From the Commander in Chief's Military Secretary.

With a Memorial addressed to the Supreme Government by Major Lindsay Commanding the 11th Regiment of Native Infantry, appealing from the decision of this Government against the claims of the Native Battalions to a Compensation for loss on Exchange.-

7852. Order thereon.-

30th July " Ibid. To the Commander in Chief - Enclosing the Memorial above mentioned, and a letter Received from Lieutenant Colonel Sentleger on a similar subject - Censuring Major Lindsay's, and Lieutenant Colonel St. Leger's Conduct and observing that the decision formerly passed on such Claims has been found to have been incorrect.-

22d July " 7855. From the Commander in Chief's Military Secretary - Stating that there is no occasion for a party of Artillery at Tranquebar but

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but that the Native detail in that Garrison
cannot be diminished. -

7856. Resolution thereon. -

26th July 1808. Ibid. From the Assistant Adjutant General - With ap-
plications, from Lieutenant Roberts of the 8th.
Regiment for leave to Proceed to Bengal, and
from Lieutenant Newall of the 20th. for leave
to proceed to Sea - Enclosing also a Certificate
entitling the Widow of Serjeant Roberts to
Lord Clive's Fund. -

7859. Resolutions thereon. -

13th July " Ibid. From the Military Board - Recommend the
Payment of Bills and advances of Money -
Enclose an Account Current with the Su-
perintending Engineer's at the Presidency
Division and Propose a mode for adjust-
ing the Balance. -

7868. Minute and Order thereon. -

18th July " Ibid. From the Military Auditor General - Submits

in

in the usual form Statements of the Military Disbursements for the Official Year 1807/8 with an analysis of the Military Establishments States also the probable expenses of the Current years.-

25th July 1808. 7880. From the Military Auditor General. With Statements of the Salaries of the Danish Civil and Military Servants.-

26. do - .. 7888. From the Military Auditor General - Suggests the diminution of the Salaries allowed to Officers Charged with Payment of Family Certificates - and the discontinuance of Lieutenant Watsons appointments as Paymaster of the Certificates of the Hydrabad Field Detachment.-

26th. do. - 7889 From the Military Auditor General. Encloses Copies of Correspondence with the Paymaster at Masulipatam regarding retrenchments, and Complains of the Style observed by Mr. Savage.-

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30th July 1808. 7900. To the Military Auditor General. Approving his Annual Statement. Desiring him to state the Salary proper to be allowed to Paymasters of Family Certificates. Observing that the appointment of Lieutenant Mateon has not taken effect. Enquiring the Conduct of Mr. Paymaster Savage. and furnishing him with the Copy of a letter addressed to that Officer.

30th July " 7902. To Mr. Savage Paymaster at Masulipatam. Enquiring his Correspondence with the Military Auditor General, and Warning him against the repetition of such Conduct.

10th July " 7903. From the Secretary at Bombay. Reports an Advance of 1 Rupees 600 to Captain Mansell of H.M. 25th Regiment of Light Dragoons.

7904. Order thereon.

30th July " Ibid. To the Military Auditor General. Furnishing him with a Copy of the late Letter from Bengal on the subject of Finance. Desiring him to

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to Continue to suggest all practicable reductions
of expence, and directing his attention to the
European part of his own Establishment.-

30th July 1808. 1905. To the Secretary at Fort William- Requesting
to know if any Prisoners of War shall be
sent to Fort William from this Presidency.-

1907. From the Military Auditor General- Reporting
that an Additional Estimate of Cash
required by the Paymaster at Trichinopoly
is Admissible.-

Ibid. From the Accountant General- Recom:
-mending that the issue of Pay and Allow:
-ances may be advertized for the 10th
August.-

Ibid. To the Secretary to the Government at Fort
William- Enclosing Copy of a further Re:
-port on the Work Carrying on for the
Security of the Sea Face of Fort St. George.-

Ibid. To the Secretary to the Government at Bombay-
Informing

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informing him that authority has been given for Crediting to the Government of Bombay the sum of 600 Rupees Advanced to Captain Mansell of His Majesty's 25th Dragoons -

1907. To the Commander in Chief - Transmitting Extract from the proceedings of Government -

Ibid. To the Military Board - Authority has been given for the payment of the Bills and Advances of Money Recommended in their letter of the 18th Instant, and the mode proposed by them for Adjusting the Accounts of the Superintending Engineer of the Presidency Division approved -

1908. To the Military Auditor General - Enclosing Extract of a letter from the Military Board - To Authorize the payment of the Bills and Advances of Money therein Recommended. The mode proposed by the Board for Adjusting the Balance of Account

with

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With the Superintending Engineer - Presidency
Division approved - Enclosing Extract of a letter
from the Marine Board, to Authorize the pay
-ment of the Sum therein mentioned - Enclos.
-ing Copy of a letter from the Secretary at
Bombay - The Advance of Money made
to Captain Mansell of His Majesty's 25th
Light Dragoons to be Admitted to the
Credit of that Government -

7908. To the Military Paymaster General - Trans.
-mitting Copy of a Report from the Military
Auditor General on an Additional Esti.
-mate of Cash Required by the Pay:
-master at Pitchinopoly -

7909. To the Acting Collector and Magistrate at
Pondicherry - Enclosing letter from
Monsieur De Lafuge a French Inhabitant
of Pondicherry, with an observation -

25th July 1808. 7910. From the Military Board - State their
opinion

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opinion that the Executrix of the late Mr. A. Johnstone has no claim to Interest, on the sum due to that Gentleman's Estate, and enclose the Separate opinion of the Military Auditor General to the same effect, grounded on a doubt respecting the existence of the Debt.-

3d August 1808 7913. To Mr. Johnstone - Informing him that the principal of the Debt to his late Father will be paid to him on Account of Mrs. Johnston on his personal Bond of Indemnity, and that his claim to Interest on her behalf will be stated for the determination of the Court of Directors.-

3d Augt " 7915. To the Military Board - Observing that the Correctness of the claim of Mr. Johnstone to the principal sum of Pagodas 3330: 32: 28. has been already recognized, the payment of it being subject to the Indemnity

specified

specified in the letter from the Court of Directors of the 28th. of February 1806; to whom the Claim to interest will be reserved.-

3d. Aug.t 1808. 7917. To the Military Auditor General - Authorizing the payment of Pagodas 3330: 32: 28. to Mr. Johnstone on Account of the Executrix of the late Mr. I. Johnstone, or his personal obligation to indemnify the Company.-

7919. From the Assistant to the Secretary to the Government at Fort William - Transmitting letter to the Address of the Secretary to the Military Board.-

Ibid. From the Secretary to the Military Board - Transmitting Quarterly Returns of Stores &c. in the Arsenal of Fort Saint George.-

Ibid. To the Secretary to the Government at Fort William - Enclosing letter addressed to the Secretary to the Military Board containing Quarterly Returns of Ordnance Stores &c. in

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in the Arsenal of Fort Saint George.-

7919. To the Secretary to the Government at Bombay -
Enclosing Letter addressed to the Secretary
to the Military Board containing Quarterly
Returns of Ordnance Stores &c. in the
Arsenal of Fort Saint George.-

Ibid. To the Military Board and to the Medical
Board - Enclosing Extracts from the Pro-
-ceedings of Government in the public Depart.

Ibid. To the Military Auditor General - Enclosing
Certificate of a Widow Entitled to the benefit
of Lord Clive's Fund.-

17th July 1803. 7920. From the Commander in Chief's Military Secretary -
Submits a Memorial from Subadar Venatlow
Stating his Services and those of his Family
and Requesting a Compensation for the loss of
the Cashire of Mandawash - a Petition from
Manager for a pension on the ground of long
Service indifferent Corps and unexceptionable
Conduct

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Conduct - a letter from the Commanding Officer of His Majesty's 69th Regiment requesting that the Serjeant detached from that Corps with the Public Cattle may receive the authorized Batta -

7932. Minute and Order thereon -

23d July 1808. 7933. From the Commander in Chief - Submits a Plan of the Quarter Master General for supplying Camels for the Camp Equipage from Cutch - Concurs in the preference given by that Officer to the employment of Camels in most cases, but considers it advisable that a proportion of Elephants should be maintained for the European Regiments -

7938. Minute and Order thereon -

23d July " 7939. From the Military Secretary - Requests authority for the pay of 7 Supernumerary Serjeants with His Majesty's 69th Regiment, and explains the Charge -

Resolution

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7941. Resolution thereon -

30th July 1808. This. From the Military Secretary to the Commander in Chief - With a Request from the Agent for the purchase of Horses for permission to draw full Batta -

7942. Minute thereon -

26th July " 7943. From the Adjutant General - Stating the promotions which will become necessary on the formation of a new Regiment of Cavalry -

7943. Ordered to Lie on the Table

27th July " This From the Adjutant General - With a Request from Lieutenant Colonel Macleod for permission to Resign the Command of the Cadet Company -

7948. Resolution thereon -

30th July " This. From the Adjutant General - Submits applications from two Officers for leave of Absence on Sick Certificate, and a Complaint from Lieut. Melne of the Pioneers against a Coach Maker named

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named Umpherston: reports the death of
Lieutenant Smith of the Madras European Regt.-
4th Aug.t 1808. 7955. From the Adjutant General - With a Request
from Conductor Wells to be transferred to the
Invalid Establishment - and applications from
two Officers for leave of Absence.-
7958. Resolution thereon.-
25th July " 7959. Proceedings of the Medical Board - Report the
admission of a Patient into the Lunatic Hospital
and Recommend that Mr. Surgeon Betty be
permitted to visit the Presidency - Orders -
thereon.-
29th July " 7961. Proceedings of the Medical Board - Report the
recovery of Mr. Surgeon Tait and regret the
Censure lately passed on the Majority of their
Board - Submit a Separate Minute of the
Second Member.-
30th June " 7964 From the Military Board - Report the result of
their investigation of the Memorial addressed
by

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by Lieutenant Colonel Norris to the Court of Directors, with a separate Minute on the same - subject by the Chief Engineer. -

19th March 1808. 3093. From Lieutenant Colonel Norris - Submits for transmission to the Court of Directors a Memorial of facts in Justification of his Conduct. -

6th August " 3099. To Lieutenant Colonel Norris - Furnishing him with a Copy of the Military Board's Report and of the Chief Engineer's Minute on the subject of his Memorial; informing him that these papers will be Submitted to the Court of Directors by the first General Dispatch; but that this Government perceive no ground for Changing their measures toward him. -

3100. Order thereon. -

18th July " 3101. From the Military Board - Explain the nature of the Arrangements made by the General Agent for the purchase

of

of Works - Submit the Draft of a G. O. respecting the transmission of Returns in the Ordnance Department - State that the Works at Vellore have been transferred to the Engineer, and that he has been called upon for a particular Report on the further repairs Recommended by Captain Bagshaw - Recommend that a third Serjeant be allowed to the Ordnance Department at Trichinopoly - explain an error in the G. O. of the 17th of June with respect to the allowance for Stationary at Seringapatam, and Recommend its Correction - Recommend that a Native guard of 4 Sections be stationed at the Powder Mills &c. - Recommend that some damaged Rice delivered at Negapatam by the Collector to the Garrison Storekeeper at Trichinopoly may be sold, and that the loss thereby

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thereby be not charged to the Revenue De-
partment - Recommend payment of a Bill
of the Garrison Store Keeper at Palamcottah -
on Account of Rice delivered to him by
the Collector, and report a supposed
deception in the delivery of the Rice
- Submit Comparative Estimates of Cons-
tructing Sentry Boxes of Wood, and
of Masonry at Bangalore, and recom-
mend a certain number of both for
that Station, and for the neighbouring
Cantonment - Submit a Minute of the
Quarter Master General relative to an
advantageous mode adopted in Removing
the Stores &c. from Madura; and notice
the favorable Contract before concluded
for a similar purpose by the Paymaster
at Vellore - Submit a tender of Two Camels
for Sale with the Quarter Master Generals
Recommendation that they may be
purchased

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purchased - Recommend a reference to the Export Department regarding the Embankment mentioned in the Petition from the Inhabitants of Chintadrapettah -

25th July 1808. 8134. From the Military Board - Submit a report on the Machinery Constructed at the Powder Mills, and Recommend the temporary Continuance on that Establishment of the European Artificer employed in their Construction - Report an improvement of the Kitchens of the 2d Regiment of Light Dragoons at Bangalore which they have authorized -

25th July " 8139. From the Military Board - Enclose a list of Works which have been suspended under the late orders for Reverting to the system of building by Contract, and state that they have authorized the Completion by the Engineers of such works as were in considerable forwardness - Recommend that the Terrace of the new Hospital

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Hospital at Seringapatam may be Completed by the Engineer, in consequence of a deviation having been authorized in that Work as an Experiment.-

25th July 1808. 8144. From the Military Board - Recommend payment of Bills; and submit a further explanation of two Charges included in the Register of Extraordinaries for February last.-

5th Aug.t " 8147. From the Military Board - Submit a plan and Estimate for an Embankment before the Houses of Messrs. Latour and Co. Messrs. Dalrymple and Greig; and of Lieutenant Fraser on the Beach - also a letter from Messrs. Latour & Co. Remonstrating against the delay which would attend the Execution of the Work by Contract - Enclose an Estimate for extending the European Barrack at Hyderabad.-

8156. Resolutions thereon:-

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8156. Resolutions thereon.-

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6th Augt. 1808. 815/7. To the Military Board - approving generally their suggestion in the above letters stating that the Collector of Tinnevelly will be required to explain the deficiency in the Rice delivered to the Garrison Storekeeper at Palamcottah - commends the Arrangements made for the Removal of Stores from Madura and Chittoor, under the Superintendence of Messrs. Mainwaring and Dent respectively - Desiring that the necessity of repairing the Embankment at Chintadrapet may be ascertained - postpones the repair of the N. E. Lunette of the St. Georges Gate, and the Construction of a New Magazine at the Presidency also of the proposed Draw at Seringapatam authorises the execution of the other works and desires that a Plan and Estimate for a Powder Magazine on a larger scale may be

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be submitted - Authorises the Completion of the terrace at the New Hospital at Seringapatam by the Engineer; and desires them to state the Orders given to that Officer respecting the execution of Works of an urgent nature - Authorises the improvement of the Kitchen of the Dragoons at Bangalore - Passes the Recommended Bills and the explained Charge in the Register of Extraordinaries for February.-

29. July 1808. 8162. From the Military Auditor General Recommends that the Officers of His Majesty's 30th Regiment lately sent on Foreign Service be Relieved from the Retrenchment of their Tent Allowances.-

8th. Augt. " 8167. From the Military Auditor General - Requests to know if he is to pass two Bills of Major Travers of His Majesty's 22d. Regiment of Light Dragoons for employing petty Stores for Remount Horses at the former rates

rates as authorised in the case of the Agent.

2d Aug.t 1808. 8169. From the Military Auditor General. Requests to know if Major Leith's actual Charge for Passage Money is to be paid, or only the Established allowance on that account.

3d do. " 8172. From the Military Auditor General. Explains the difficulty in adjusting Captain J. Johnston's claim to the subsistence of his Rank while under Suspension.

8174. Order thereon.

6th do. " Ibid. To the Military Auditor General. Relative to the above mentioned Officers of His Majesty's 30th Regiment from the Retrenchment of their Tent allowance - stating that the resolution for allowing the Agent for the purchase of Horses to charge at the former Rates for petty Stores supplied last season was applicable to the Officers in Charge of the Regimental Lots, that Major Leith's Charge for Passage

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Passage money is to be fully paid; and that payment of Captain Johnston's subsistence can not be authorised without Special Orders from the Court of Directors.-

30th July 1808. 8176. From the Military Paymaster General - submits a letter from the Security for Mr. late Colonel Oliver, Requesting that the claims of that Officer on the Off Reckoning Fund may be adjusted at the same time that the sum over paid to him on Account of that Fund for the year 1802/3 is discharged.-

8180. Order thereon.-

28th July " Ditto. From the Town Major - submits a Charge for the passage of those discharged Soldiers from Masulipatam according to an agreement concluded by the Officer Commanding at that Station.-

29th July " 8182. From the Town Major - With a List of Prisoners of War landed at this Presidency.-

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29th July 1808. 8183. From the Town Major - Requests authority for drawing subsistence for Prisoners of War newly arrived.-

30th July " 8186. From the same - Submits a letter from the Mathematical Instructor of the Military Institution respecting the difficulty experienced by the Junior Class in Continuing to Rent Gent's Gardens under the late order for reducing their allowance for House Rent.-

8187. Order thereon.-

28th July " 8188. From the Town Major - Submits Correspondence with Mr. Stanley late a Captain in the 25th Regiment Native Infantry Relative to a Demand of that Gentleman for the Copy of a letter addressed by Lieutenant Colonel Bowness to the Assistant Adjutant General in the Ceded Districts.-

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28th July 1808. 8192. From the Town Major - With a letter from Lieutenant Colonel Browne - stating that Mr. Stanley has been within his Garden, and Requesting that he may be restrained from entering it in future -

28th July " 8193. From the Town Major - With a further letter from Lieutenant Colonel Browne Complaining of Mr. Stanley's intrusion into his house, and of his improper Conduct -

29th July " 8194. From the Town Major - With a letter from Mr. Stanley enclosing Copy of one which he has addressed to Lieutenant Colonel Browne demanding the paper in question, and Requesting that measures may be taken for obtaining that paper from him -

8196. Minute thereon -

5th August " Ibid. From the Town Major - Submitting an application

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application from Mr Fair an Assistant Surgeon on the Bengal Establishment for permission to Remain behind the Fleet proceeding to Bengal, and to visit his Brother at Chicacole - explains Mr Fair's wish not to Remain unless measures are taken to prevent his loss of Rank -

5th Augt 1808 3198. From the Town Major - Requesting an advance for an Officer of the Bengal Establishment -

5th Augt " 3199. To the Town Major - Permitting Mr Fair to Remain behind the Fleet, but stating that no assurance can be given respecting his Pay and Rank, which might interfere with the Regulations of the Bengal Service - stating also that the Supreme Government will be apprized of the Circumstances under which Mr Fair has been permitted to Remain - authorizing the Advance Requested - to

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5th August 1808 8200 To the Chief Secretary at Fort William - Stating the Circumstances under which Mr. Assistant Surgeon Fair has been permitted to Remain at this Presidency. -

26th July " 8201 From the Officer Commanding the Southern Division - Reports the Circumstances under which a Detachment has marched from - Dindigul for the protection of the Jail at Daraporam. -

8204 Order thereon. -

25th July " Ditto From the Commanding Officer at Vellore - En- -closes the Proceedings of a Committee on the Bazar Accounts of the Pettah; and a general Account of Collections and Dis- -bursements - States a Remission which he has granted to the Arrack Contractor -

8205 Order thereon. -

1st August " 8206 From Major Leith - applying for permission to Resume the office of Persian Interpreter of Head Quarters in conformity with the orders

orders of the Court of Directors and in
consequence of the late discontinuance of
his Salary in the Judicial Department.

8207. Resolution thereon.-

15th July 1808. Ibid. From the Resident at Hyderabad - Encloses further papers respecting the Contract Concluded by the Deputy Acjutant General of the Subsidiary Force with Naganah for the supply of Grain, tending to prove the fulfilment of the Contract and the propriety of Captain Conway's Conduct in having Concluded it. Submits for decision whether any Compensation should be granted to Naganah for his loss by the refusal of the General Agent to Rectify the agreement.-

8249. Order thereon -

4th August " 8250. From the Acting Secretary to the Marine Board - Suggesting that ten

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ten French Prisoners of War may be
embarked on each of the Honorable Company
China Ships, as Mariners to be surrendered
as Prisoners on their Arrival in England.-

8251 Resolution thereon.-

Ibid. From Messrs. Tulloh & Co. claiming some
iron guns at Tranquebar formerly belonging
to the Honorable Company's Ship Kent as
Mortgaged to them but which have been
declared to be the property of another Claim
-ant.-

8255 Order thereon.-

VII.

7597 Fort St. George — July 1808

Diary

19th Received and Sent the following letters entered in M. B. Nos. 45. 46. -

From Captain Macpherson - enclos-
From the Military Secretary to the Commander in Chief. - =ing proceedings of the Medical Board and List of Sick of the army for the month of april

To the Town Major of Fort St. George.
To the Town Major of Fort St. George enclosing Copy of a letter from the acting Secretary to the Board of Trade. The Prisoners of War — therein mentioned to be Embarked on the David Scott. -

20th Sent the following letter

To John Thornhill Esqr.
Secretary to the Government at
Fort William.

Sir,

To the Secretary to the Government at Fort William. Informing him that the accounts of the Bazar Fund — Committee for the Years 1806 and 5 will be sub. — mitted to the Supreme Government so soon as the Military Auditor General shall have completed

Para 1 I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 20th. Ultimo, and to request that you will acquaint the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council that the Proceedings of the

Committee

7598.

Fort St. George — July 20th 1808

Completed his Examination of them and Enclosing Statement of Stoppages on account of Army Cloathing for the years 1807/8.—

To Committee appointed to adjust the Offreckoning Fund of this Presidency for the years 1804-1805 and part of 1806 are now under the examination of the Military auditor General at Fort St. George, and will be submitted to His Lordship in Counal with that Officers report with the least possible delay.

2 I am directed to take this opportunity of requesting that you will submit to the Governor General in Council the enclosed Statement of the Computed Stoppages on account of the Cloathing of the army of this Presidency for the year 1807/8.—

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

/Signed/ G. Strachey
Secy to Govt

Fort St. George
20th July 1808.

Received and Sent the following letters entered in M. B. Nos. 47-48-49-50-51-52-53-54-55-56-57-58.—

From the Military Auditor General.

From Major Brice - Enclosing Statement of an advance of Cash made by the Paymaster

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Fort St. George — July 1808

20th Paymaster to the Kings Troops on account of a Detachment of His Majestys 56th Regiment with an observation.

From the Town Major of Fort St. George. From Major Barclay. - enclosing letter from Captain Epron. Complaining of the Conduct of Mr. Freval, late an Officer of the La Piedmonteese French Frigate. -

From D. D. Reports that 12 prisoners of war are ready to be embarked on the David Scott, and request an order for their reception by the Commander. -

From the Acting Magistrate at Pondicherry. - From Mr. Fullofield. - Enclosing Correspondence between Captain Epron, Mons.r Freval, and himself; with observations thereon.

To the Commander in Chief - To Lieutenant General Macdowall. Enclosing Extracts from the proceedings of Government

To D. D. To D. D. Informing him that Orders have been given for paying the Family Certificates of the Detachments of Artillery &c. Pioneers proceeding to Bombay. -

To the Military Board - To the Military Board. Enclosing Copy

Fort St. George — July 1808.

20th — Copy of a letter from Captain Johnstone, and directing them to report whether the mode of adjusting that Officers accounts in the manner therein proposed will be unobjectionable. —

To the Military Auditor General — Directing him to adjust the payment of the Family Certificates in the manner recommended in his letter of the 14th Instant — Enclosing Copy of a letter from the Accountant General and directing that the Exchange of the Star Pagoda may be regulated according to the rate therein proposed. Enclosing Extracts of Letters from the Military Board and directing him to authorize the payment of the Bills and advances of money therein required. Enclosing Extracts of Correspondence with the same Board regarding a Contract for the supply of Gram at Trichinopoly and of certain expences attending the destruction of the Fort of Innaconda. Enclosing Extract of a letter from the Town Major of Fort St. George and authorizing the payment of the Subsistence money therein required

To the Military Auditor General —

Fort St. George — July 1802

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required. Directing him to explain the difficulty which has occurred in paying to Captain Johnstone the Subsistence assigned to him. Enclosing Copy of a letter from the Secretary at Fort William relative to Prisoners of War and Copies of 2 letters from the Secretary at Bombay. —

To the Military Auditor General.

To the Military Auditor General

Enclosing Certificate of a Widow entitled to — receive Lord Clive's Bounty.

To the Accountant General. Informing that the rate of exchange for the Star Pagoda recommended by him will be universally adopted. —

To the Accountant General.

To the Town Major of Fort St. George. —

To the Town Major of Fort St. George - acquainting him that authority has been given for granting the usual Subsistence to the Prisoners of War ~~and to the~~ Woman and Children mentioned in his letter of the 12th. Instant: and that the letter from Captain Johnstone has been referred to the Military Board and to the Military Auditor General. —

To

Fort St. George — July 1808.

20th

To the Commander of the Honorable Company's Ship David Scott. Directing him to receive on Board his Ship 12 Prisoners of War, with an observation.

To the Commander of the Honble Company's Ship David Scott.

At a Consultation

Present

The Honorable

Sir George Hilaro Barlow Bart & K.B

Governor and President

Friday the 22d July 1808

Thomas Oakes } Esqrs

and

I. H. Casamajor }

William Petrie Esqre

absent Indisposed

Minutes of last Consultation read and approved.

The Board proceed to pass orders on the following Proceedings of the Medical Board.

Resolution of the Governor in Council Dated 22nd July 1808.

Proceedings of the Medical Board.

Medical Board

4th July 1808.

Proceedings of the Medical Board — Report that Mr Surgeon Spalding of the

The 1st Battalion 18th Regiment Native

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Native Infantry at Tripassore being left without medical aid by the absence of Mr. Surgeon Thomas Trotter seriously ill and on Sick Certificate the medical Board recommend to His Excellency the Commander in Chief that Mr. Assistant Surgeon Irving at present doing duty with His Majestys 1st. Battalion Royals be directed to take medical charge of the 1st. Battalion 18th. Regiment until further Orders. -

2d Mr. Surgeon Spalding of the Invalid Establish-ment having by an order from His Excellency the Commander in Chief dated 18th

the Invalid Establish-ment has been directed by the Commander in Chief to afford medical aid to the Garrison of Tranquebar, and state the allowances proper to be granted to him - Enclose the Return of the Sick of the Army for April last - Order thereon.

Ordered that the Military Auditor General be desired to state the Compensation which it may

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may be proper to grant to Mr. Surgeon Spalding while in medical charge of the Garrison of Tranquebar -

By Order of the Honorable the Governor in Council -

(Signed) G. Strachey
Secy to Govt.

18th Ultimo been appointed to the medical charge of the Troops forming the Garrison of Tranquebar and having by a letter to the medical Board transmitted to them through the medium of the Superintending Surgeon of the Southern Division requested to know the allowance he may be permitted to draw, the Medical Board would recommend that he may on that account be for the time he has acted considered to have been on a footing with the Surgeon at Negapatam as suggested by Mr. Superintending Surgeon Watson

3 The Medical Board have the honor to forward the

General

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General Return of the Sick
of the army for the month
of april last. -

/Signed/ Jas. Anderson
Physician General
" Terence Gahagan. M.D
& 2d. Member medl. Board
" Andw. Berry
3d. Member medical Board

Ordered that the following letter
be dispatched. -

To Lieutenant General Hay Macdowall
Commander in Chief

Sir

Para 1 The Honorable the Governor in Council having taken into Consideration the Proceedings of the Medical Board under date the 4th. Instant, I am directed to inform you that the Military Auditor General has been desired to state the Compensation which it may be proper to grant to Mr. Surgeon Spalding for the period during

To the Commander in Chief - noticing the irregularity of Mr. Surgeon Spalding's appointment to Tranquebar, and requesting that another medical Officer may be nominated for that duty. -

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during which he may have performed the duty of Garrison Surgeon at Tranquebar.

2 I am further directed to inform you that from the circumstance of Mr. Surgeon Spalding having been placed on the non effective List the Governor in Council is apprehensive that it would not be regular to continue him in the medical Charge of the Garrison of Tranquebar for a longer period than has been requisite to provide for the immediate emergency of the case, I am accordingly directed to request that you will desire the medical Board to submit to you for the purpose of being laid before the Governor in Council another arrangement for the performance of that duty.

3 I am directed to request that the enclosed orders passed by the Governor in Council on the Proceedings of the Medical Board dated the 4th. Instant may be communicated to that Board in the usual manner.

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

Read

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Read the following letters from

the Military Board -

To the Honorable Sir G. H. Barlow Bart. K.B.

Governor in Council

&ca &ca &ca

Honorable Sir

We have the honor to forward

From the Military Board - recommend payment of Bills and an advance of money -

and to recommend payment of the following -

Bills Viz.t -

No. 1. Bill of the Superintending

Engineer at the Presidency for making alterations

at the new Goal, amounting to Pagodas 825. 22. 60 -

No. 2 - Bill of the Superintending

Engineer for repairs to the fortifications of Fort

St. George for the month of may 1808, amounting

to Pagodas 227 - 10 - 40 -

No. 3 - Bill of the Superintending

Engineer at the Presidency for improvements -

made to the General Hospital, amounting to

Pagodas 119 - 24 - 69.

No. 4 - Bill of the Officer Commanding

at

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a Store room or to the construction of a new Store room that part of the Riding House be converted to that purpose. State that the Hospital at Calicut requires repair and submit an Estimate. Submit an abstract report by the Commanding Officer of the 1st. Battalion of Pioneers of the works constructed at Vellore under his Superintendence. Recommend that the Balances outstanding against the Department of the Garrison Storekeeper of Fort St. George be written off to "Profit and Loss" and "Military Board Provision Department".

Copy of the orders transmitted to Major Evans at Chatterpore connected with the subject of Mr. Strachey's letter of the 29th. June.

3 We enclose Copy of the Report of the Commandant of Artillery on the Petitions of the Inhabitants of the Village of Allandoor, we consider the object of the Petitions to be unreasonable, and the style of them to be improper; the report is accompanied by a Copy of the valuation originally made by the Superintending Engineer which was transmitted to Government by the Commandant of Artillery. we conceive that the Petitioners should be thankful for the allowance already made by Government, and which under all circumstances may be considered as a Gratuity.

4 We beg to forward two letters from the Officer Commanding Arcot, one of the 3d. the other of the 6th. of July, the first contains the Engineer's Report on the building lately erected by the Pioneers at Arcot, from which we are sorry

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to observe that the building is not capable of being converted to the accommodation of Stores at present and the quality of the materials is such that it cannot be expected to last any time.-

5 The second letter from Lieute.-nant Colonel Hare / of the 6th. / forwards an Estimate of the Expence of converting a part of the Pioneers building into a Store Room for the Regiment of Dragoons. the objections against this measure appear to be just, and we therefore decline recommending the Estimate amounting to Pagodas 152.. 25.. 64, and as the Expence of erecting a new Store room is stated at Pagodas 470-36-36. we recommend that a part of the riding House be allotted for the purpose, at the moderate charge of Pagodas 194-0-12. the objections of Lieutenant Colonel Hare to this arrangement we do not consider valid, as the Sentry must necessarily be posted over the Stores wherever they be, and the attention of a Sentry will obviate

the

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the inconveniences which Colonel Hare has ap-
=prehended.-

6 We enclose letter from the Officer Commanding in Malabar and Canara accompanied by the Proceedings of a Committee of Survey and an Estimate for the Repair of the Hospital at Calicut, the Estimate amounts to Rupees 130. 3. 72 and the Repair appears to be much required.

7 We beg to transmit Copy of a letter from the Officer Commanding Vellore, accompani-
=ed by a Report from the Officer Commanding the Pioneers which contains an abstract report of the work executed under his Superintendance.

8 Having examined the Papers refer-
=red with Mr. Secretary Strachey's letter of the 13th. april, relative to certain outstanding balances in the department of the Garrison Storekeeper at Fort St. George, we beg to submit our Report on that subject.-

9 These Balances amount to Pago-
=das 21,085. 17. 58. and they appear to have arisen-

from

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from deficiencies which happened previous to the 30th. april 1797. and were regularly reported to Government by the Garrison Storekeeper — whose Reports were forwarded to the Office of audit: which having been referred to, the amount of the Paymaster Generals Statement of defi- =ciencies is found to correspond with the — Garrison Storekeepers reports: with the excep- =tion of the three last Items amounting to Pagodas 1,053. 39. 38. these are outstanding balan- =ces of Cash in the Books of the Garrison Storekeeper: on accounts, one of which com- =mences in the year 1778. one in 1786 and the other in 1797: and the Individuals against whom they stand are dead. they may therefore be considered as desperate and irrecoverable debts and we recommend that they be written off the books under the Head of "Profit and loss" — we also recommend that the remaining Sum Pagodas 1,452. 39. 46. may be carried to the debit of Military Board. Provision Depart- =ment:

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=ment." as suggested by the Military Paymaster General.- It appears by the accompanying letter and Enclosures marked A. B. C. from the Garrison Storekeeper to the Military Paymaster General dated 17th. June that the Sum of Pagodas 503.22.57 has been carried to the Credit of the Company- this Sum includes the whole amount of the Balance of deficiencies.-

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

Fort St. George
11th. July 1808.-

(Signed) E. Trapaud
Robt. Bell
I. Munro

To the Superintendent
of the Honorable Company's Stud
at Chatterpore

Sir

I am directed to inform you that agreeably to your suggestion the Honorable the Governor in Council has determined to postpone the march of the horses and mares from Chatter=pore either towards Bengal or madras until the

expiration

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expiration of the rainy season.

In obedience to the orders of the Honorable the Governor in Council I am directed to desire that the unserviceable mares and unpromising foals of every age may be immediately disposed of to the best advantage agreeably to your suggestion.

The Board request that you will forward a report of the probable number of mares which will be applicable to the Service of the Cavalry at the period when the season may admit of their removal towards madras.

In addition to the Stallions intended to be sent to Calcutta it has been determined in conformity to the orders of the Supreme Government to send all the Colts which may be able to perform the journey at the appointed Season and may be otherwise unexceptionable also such of the fillies as may be eligible after selecting

the

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the number fit for the Cavalry.

The Colts and fillies which may be too young for removal to Bengal or for the Cavalry are to be Kept at Chatterpore under your Superintendance.

The accompanying Extracts from a letter of the Secretary to Government in the Milit= =ary Department which I have been directed to forward for your information will shew you the determination of Government relative to your proposal of proceeding to Calcutta with the Colts &ca. destined for that place: also their intention respecting the Veterinary Surgeon and the arrangements that have been made relative to the future expences of the establish= =ment at Chatterpore.

Fort St. George
11th July 1808.

/Signed/ A Stock
D S. M.B

True Copy

/Signed/ A. Stock
D S. M. B.

To

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To the Secretary to the Military Board

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of Deputy Secretary's letter of 30th. June covering extract of a letter from the Secretary to Government in the Military Department of 18th. June Parā. 3 - accompanied by the original Petition to which it refers, and desiring that I may afford the Board the information necessary to enable them to make a just report to Government on the subject -

I have the honor to transmit a true Copy of the valuation made by the Superintending Engineer of the Houses and Huts on the Ground lately cleared - The names however do not agree with those in the Petition, but are the names given by the owners to the Superintending Engineer's man. when the Valu-ation was made - and I do consider that it is a fair compensation to be paid to the individuals.

The original valuation was forwarded to Government -

St. Thomas's Mount
5th. July 1808 -

/Signed/ Rob. Bell
Lt. Col. Comg Lisb

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List of Proprietors and Valuation of their Houses and Huts on the Ground lately cleared at the Mount taken from the Superintending Engineer's Valuation.

No.		Ps.	Fs.	C
1	Mootoosawmy Pindal House and Well	40	"	"
2	Vencatachellum Small House and Well	7	"	"
16	Pamachella Naig General Smiths Butler House and well	30	"	"
99	Coomarasamy moodelly House and Well	45	"	"
104	Parasooramah Pindal House	2	"	"
105	Cheravanah Pilley D°	5	"	"
106	General Smiths Mootacherry House and Well	10	"	"
107	Cenah Vencatachellum D°	25	"	"
115	Aryapah D° D°	1	22	40
116	Cenaverpilly Rungaraw naig D° D°	20	"	"
117	Tanapen Bricklayer D° D°	15	"	"
40	Huts at average 2½ Rupees 100 Rupees	28	22	40
	Pagodas	279	"	"

St. Thomas's Mount
6th March 1808.

/Signed/ Robt. Bell
Lt. Col. Comg Art.y

A true Copy
/Signed/ W. Cullen
Lt. acty Ca. Sr. Offr

True Copies
/Signed/ A. Stock
D. S. M. B

To

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To the Honorable

Sir George H. Barlow Bart. KB

&ca. &ca. &ca.

The humble Petition of

Inhabitants of Aulundoor near

St. Thomas's Mount.

Humbly Sheweth,

That your unfortunate and indigent Petitioners Submissively begs leave to represent to your Honor in Council, which they labour under from Lieuteniant Colonel Bell by taking down their dwellings unjustly pre-tending their said Houses were built on the public ground and from having remained about 3 months without your favorable notice we are still remaining without Shelter expos-ed by the excessive heat of the Sun with their families &ca. are labouring under great hard-ships and inconveniences; they therefore humbly supplicate your Honor in Council will be graci-ously pleased to order Colonel Bell to pay the

losses

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losses and to restore them their ground for their peaceable possession, for which beneficient consider=ation your poor Petitioners as in duty bound.

Mount 22d. June 1808.

Will Ever to Pray

Secretary to Military Board

&c. &c. &c.

Sir

In obedience to the orders contain=ed in your letter, received yesterday I have the honor to enclose the Engineers Report on the tem=porary Barracks built by the Pioneers, for the use of the Cavalry Depot.

The Estimate for the converting a part of the said building into a Store for the use of the European Cavalry Regiment Cantoned at this place, shall be forwarded as soon as it can be made out. at the same time I think it my duty to add, that from the nature of this build=ing, in every respect, and its distance from the Barracks I do not conceive it can well be converted into a proper building for the preser=

=vation

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- vation of Cloathing and Stores and certainly not for ammunition -

I have the honor to be &c &c

Arcot
July 3d. 1808

/Signed/ I. Hare
Lt. Col. 22d. Drags.
Commandg at Arcot

Report on the temporary Barrack built by the Pioneers for the Cavalry Details at Arcot. -

The Barrack consists of uncon- = nected buildings forming three sides of a square, the walls of which are of Taw brick 2¼ feet thick and 8½ feet high plastered with Chunam on the outside and whitewashed within. the roof is thatched and has alternately large bamboo and Palmira tafters the whole being supported by trees placed in the Centre of the barrack: The window Shutters are made of bamboo mats with frames and bars of black palmiras. the doors are also constructed of the same materials. The floors are of clay and raised a foot above the ground level.

The interior clear of the Centre range

is

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is 194 3/4 feet long by 18 1/2 feet broad and those on the Flanks 197 1/2 feet by 18 1/2 feet each making in all a length of 589 3/4 feet and capable of containing 300 men it may however be proper to observe that there is neither a guard or Corjee house nor any other Office necessary for the accommodation of European Troops -

From no bamboo mats being placed under the thatch there is great reason to apprehend danger more particularly so by the facility of the hill grass taking fire -

/Signed/ I. Cleghorn
Lieut and Superty Engr

Arcot
3d July 1808

True Copies
/Signed/ A. Stock
D. S. M. B

Secretary to the Military Board
&c &c &c

Sir

In obedience to the orders of the Military Board I have the honor to enclose you the

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the Engineers Estimate of the probable expence of converting a part of the temporary Barracks into a Store Room for the European Regiment of Cavalry cantoned at this place.

I humbly beg leave to remark that this Building from being thatched is quite ineligible for a Powder Magazine or indeed for a Store, from the quantity of Insects it will harbour - and it would be extremely inconvenient from its distance from the European Barracks, being a good half mile distant from them. -

I think it my duty to add that the ammunition and Stores of the 22d. Dragoons are at present in an old Building, fitted up at the expence of the Regiment, and which is perfectly ineligible in every respect. -

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

Arcot
6th. July 1808.

(Signed) J. Hare
Lieut. Col. 22d. Dragrs
Comdg at Arcot

Estimate

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Estimate of the probable expence of Converting part of the Temporary Barrack built for the Cavalry Details into a Store room for His Majestys 22d. Light Dragoons at Arcot 5th. July 1808.

Length	Breadth	Thickness	Sqr. ft.	Cubic feet	Cubic Yards				Pr.	Fs.	Cs.
								Measurement			
								Supl. ft			
				135.8				Foundation of two walls 18½ ft. by 1.10 by 2 ft.			
				749.3				Two walls 18½ by 13½ by 1½ feet each.			
				824.11				Brick in Clay	"	1	40
10	12½	"						One Coat of Chunam to walls 37½ ft. by 13½ ft.	"	25	.
60	18½	"	11	10	.			Flooring brick on edge	3	"	"
								7 Country wood windows with bars frames and Shutters 3 ft. Sqr.	2	22	40
								2 Doors of Country wood 6½ ft. by 3½ ft.	4	35	.
								15 Wooden horses 10 ft. long for the Saddles	1	11	20
								6 D. for Cloathing &c.	3	"	"
30	1½	"	"	"	Sqft. 120			Shelves	"	6	"
								160 Wooden pegs	"	1	20

Pr.	Fs.	Cs.	Rates	Pr.	Fs.	Cs.
1	40		₹ Cft	29	22	30
25	.		₹ Sqr	5	28	10
3	"	"	₹ Sqr	33	13	4
2	22	40	each	17	22	40
4	35	.	D.	9	27	"
1	11	20	D.	18	33	60
3	"	"	D.	18	"	"
"	6	"	₹ Pc	16	"	"
"	1	20	each	4	20	"

Total Star Pagodas 152 25 64

True Copies

/Signed/ A. Stock
D. S. M. B.

/Signed/ J. R. Cleghorn
Lt. & Supt. Engr.

To

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To the Secretary Military Board

Sir

In conformity to the directions of the Military Board I transmit the Bill for the repairs of the Sepoy Barrack at Calicut likewise Proceedings of a Committee on the Hospital at that Station with Estimate of the probable Expence. -

I beg to mention to the Military Board that it will be absolutely necessary on these occasions if repairs being executed by the Officer in Command that the amount shouldbe paid in advance, it otherwise may fall on young men who have not the means. -

Cannanore
5th. July 1808. -

/Signed/ I. Cuppage
Lieutenant Colonel
Commanding

Report

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Report of a Committee assembled by order of Lieutenant Colonel Cuppage Commanding the Provinces to examine and Report on the State of the Hospital at this Station. -

Captain G. Wahab. President

Lieutenant A. Cowan. Members. Ensign T. W. Scoones. -

Names of Places	Description and Dimension of Building	Repairs	Remarks.
Station Hospital	of temporary materials also 90 feet by 25. -	Requires to be rebuilt	Blown down and the materials with the exception of the greater part of the Bamboos are totally useless.

Calicut
17th. June 1808. -

/Signed/ G. Wahab. - Captn. & President
Alex Cowan. Lt. - -
T. W. Scoones Ensign } Members

An Estimate of the probable Expence which will be incurred in the Repairs of the Hospital at this Station. -

		R	2	R
18	Coconut Trees			
	Carriage for the above to the Hospital	5	"	"
16	Beetle nut Trees	10	1	32
	Carriage for the same	2	1	20
400	Bamboos	4	"	"
	Carriage for the same	20	"	"
6	Maund of coir Strong	3	"	"
	Carpenters	4	2	"
	Coolies for erecting the Hospital	8	"	"
2000	Cadjans	40	"	"
120	Green Ditto	32	"	"
	Total Rupees	1	3	20
		130	3	72

Calicut
18th. June 1808. -

True Copies
/Signed/ A. Stock. D. S. M. G.

/Signed/ G. Wahab. Captn. Comg

To

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To the Secretary to the Military Board

Fort St. George.

Sir

I conceive from my letter of the 20th. Ultimo not being deemed fully explanatory that a report of the works which have been undertaken since the arrival of the Pioneers at this Station is wanted I in consequence requested Captain Bagshaw to give me a particular Detail of such works stating by whose authority they had been executed, and I have now the honor to transmit to you Captain Bagshaw's Letter on the subject. -

On my arrival at this Station I found the Ditch commenced upon, and as Instructions had already been given to Captain Bagshaw as to the mode of clearing it out, I desired him to proceed accordingly; no works but such as were absolutely necessary connected with clearing away the mud have been undertaken without authority - The

rebuilding

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rebuilding of the Counterscarp, (which was not included in the Estimate transmitted by you to me) was authorized by your letter dated the 20th. July 1807.

I take the liberty to refer the Military Board, to Captain Bagshaw's letter, for an account of the Expence, and of the time which it will take to Completete the works already undertaken.

I beg to be favored with an answer to my letter dated the 11th. Ultimo respecting the Cavalry Quarter.

Lieutenant Blakiston has frequently mentioned to me, that he could not have cleared the Ditch for the Sum mentioned in his Estimate.

Vellore
4th. July 1808.

(Signed) Ross Lang
Lieut. Col. Comng

To Lieutenant Colonel Lang
Commanding at Vellore

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of this Day covering one from the Military Board. In my letter of the 18th. Ultimo

I

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I fully stated the nature of the works executed here under my direction - and for the information of the Board, as to the authority under which I acted I have to offer as follows -

In my Instructions from the Quarter Master General under date the 25th. Novem=ber 1806 is the Paragraph I now quote -

"All orders and Instructions which you may receive from the Officer Commanding the Division or Garrison in which you are em=ployed are to be carried into Execution, but you will report to this Office without delay such of those Orders as may effect the Destribution and Duties of the Battalion under your Command." -

"Upon the strength of these Instructions I considered those of Colonel Harcourt the then Commanding Officer of Vellore as entit=led to prompt and ready Obedience and conse=quently my Exertions were directed to such Duties as he thought proper to point out - These on the outside were Chiefly confined to the Inside

of

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of the Fort in pulling down and removing old Buildings - rebuilding to a great Extent from the Foundation a considerable proportion of the Ram= part, cleansing the Fort, levelling the Parades and filling up with dry Earth the outer Ditch on the East Face of the Fort.

When I commenced on these works my Instructions were from Colonel Harcourt to Complete them in an efficient and durable Style - On Colonel Harcourts departure the Command devolved on Lieutenant Colonel Forbes who Instruc= tions to Lieutenant Scott then in charge of my Corps/ owing to my absence on account of ill = Health/ were precisely the same - On my return a Covertway had been partly lined out by the = Superintending Engineer and orders issued for a Glacis being formed of the mud taken out of the Ditch, and which had been partially com= =menced on - On your taking Command of the Station Lieutenant Blackiston of the Engineers Completed the lining out of the Covertway and

Glacis

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Glacis, and if I recollect rightly on seeing the Depth of the Mud expressed his satisfaction that he had not the Direction of removing it, assigning as a reason that he could not have done it for any thing like the Estimate he had given in.

That Estimate I never saw until you did me the Honor to send it for my Examination, and on my comparing it with my own Experience of what the Depth of mud really amounted it appears evident that had the Clearance and repairs of the Ditch been attempted for the amount specified the Work must have been left incomplete or the Charge increased to at least five times that Sum to have done Justice to the undertaking. When Lieutenant Blackiston Surveyed the Ditch it contained in many Parts considerable Depth of Water, which together with the mud and immense Heaps of Stones accounts for his not being able to ascertain with Precision the exact quantity of Labour it would be necessary

to

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to bestow

About two thirds of the Counterscarp of the South Face had fallen into the Ditch, this I rebuilt from the Foundation to the original Level of the Coverterway and the same with the entire of the West and north Faces together with a part of the East and in so doing I concluded I was only complying with what was expected - The orders of my Superiors and fulfilling my own Duty.

As I advanced in the Duties confided to my Direction, it became my particular study to examine with scrupulous care and attention what I considered as necessary for the preservation of such Parts of the works as from being inundated were threatened with certain Destruction - I therefore supported the works denominated the Ambore Gate with strong shores of Stones in Chunam as also a part of the curtain to guard them from Injury - Had this precaution not been taken the whole would have fallen in and the rebuilding have caused great

Labour

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Labour and Expence.

In forming the Glacis I found the aqueducts for the conveying the Water to the Ditch so much out of Condition as to render it necessary to give them a perfect repair and to guard against the Fort being inundated should the water at any time reach the original Level to construct a Channel of solid Masonry under the Covert way and Glacis to Carry it off. These Improvements and their necessity being duly appreciated will I hope be considered by the Board as coming within the Orders I received.

In regard to the probable Expence to be incurred and the period when the Works may be finished I have the honor to state that with One thousand Coolies for one Month and the Pioneers for two the whole of the outside of the Fort will be Completed.

The Charge for the Coolies will not exceed Star Pagodas 1,333.15 fanams

and

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and Shave to hope the Board will be pleased to recommend the works being completed before the approaching Rains.

Vellore
4th. July 1808

/Signed/ C. B. Bagshaw Captn
Comg 1st Battn Pioneers and
Superintg the works Carrying on
at Vellore

True Copies

/Signed/ A. Stock
D. S. M. Board

To the Military Paymaster General

Sir

Shave the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 24th. Ultimo requesting I should furnish you particulars of the three Items Contained in a Statement forwarded by my Predecessor on the 25th. Febru-ary 1807.

In reply to which I beg leave to forward to you the particular explanation that I can afford from the documents remain-ing in the Office of the Garrison Storekeeper

as

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as Pr. accounts No. A B & C. -

Letter A. Contains an account of the balance of Pagodas ------ } 768. 27. 68.

From which Credit appears to have been given to the Military Paymaster General in the account Current of the 31st. January 1799 } 508. 22. 54.

The remain due should be written off to the Head of the Profit and Loss as you will perceive by the same account that the Persons on whom the amount becam due are dead ---------- } ----- 260. 5. 14

Letter B. Contains an Account of Cash advanced to the Cow. = keepers and the amount realized in different peri= ods since which they have been dead and the amount must be written off to Profit and Loss. - } ------ 314: 19. --

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Letter C Contains an account Current of advance made to Messrs Corbet & Boyd in the year 1786 by which you will perceive that the Share of the late Mr. Boyd only remained to be accounted for and as that Gentleman is dead the amount must be written off to Profit and Loss 479. 15. 24

Fort St. George
17th June 1808.

/Signed/ I. Greenhill
Garrison Storekeeper

True Copy
/Signed/ B. Roebuck
Mily Payr Genl.

A true Copy
/Signed/ A. Stock
D. S. M. B.

Outstanding

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B

A

Outstanding Balance of Account Outcry until 30th. April 1797 as Pr. Journal				768 27 68
Received Collected and Credited to Military Paymaster General in the Quarterly account Current on the 31st January 1799 as follows. -				
Received from Honorable Basil Cochrane for 99 Gals of Vinegar			67 22 ..	
D°. from D°. D°. for 2 Pipes of Madeira			206	
D°. from Lawlah for 30 empty Casks			24 22 ..	
D°. from Mr. Brodie for 2 Pipes of Madeira			205	
D°. from Sooboo Chitty for 20 Bags of Biscuit			2 33 .	
D°. from Tyebraiyum for 10 Bags of Biscuit			1 16 40	
D°. from Trevangadum for 3 Bags of Salt			.. 8 ..	
Received for Salt account			1 5 14	508 22 54
This Balance is not to be recovered and must be carried under the head of Profit and Loss as follows.				
Mr. W. Webbe		12 22 40		
Mr. Darke		11 22 40		
Mandavichitty		236 5 14		
				260 5 14

Fort St. George
17th. June 1808

(Signed) J. Greenhall
Garrison Storekeeper

True Copy
(Signed) B. Roebuck - M. P. G.

A true Copy
(Signed) A. Stock - D. S. M. B.

Statement

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B

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		P	F	C
December 31st	Advanced Nunnyah Narrain and Veeranah & Co. Cowkeeper in the time of Mr. C.B. Dent Garrison Storekeeper	2000	"	"
	Pagodas	2000	"	"

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1783 January	31st	Received in Cash from Cowkeeper in the time of Mr. A. Brodie Garrison Storekeeper	P. F. 6	950 — —
1783 October	31st	D. D. in the time of I. Turing Garrison Storekeeper		528 17 —
1790 August	31st	D. D. in the time of Mr. Joseph Greenhill Garrison Storkeeper		192 — —
1791 March	31st	D. D. in the time of Mr. D. D.		15 — —
				1,685 17 —
		Balance is to be carried in the head of Profit and Loss they are Dead		314 19 —
			Pagodas	2,000 — —

/Signed/ I. Greenhill
Garrison Storkeeper

True Copy
Signed/ B. Roebuck
Mily Payr. Genl.

A true Copy
/Signed/ A. Stock
D. S. M. B

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C

Dr. Messrs Corbett and Boyd in account Current with

1786			
March 31st	To Cash paid them by Bills upon Governor General and Council for the Provision of Rice	1,000	1 72
	To Cash advanced at Calcutta for the Provision of 30,000 Bags of Rice — Sicca Rs. 170,000 or Arcot Rupees 182,592. 9 6 a 375 Rs. ℔ Cr. Os.	43691	12 72
		53692	14 64

Pagodas ---- 53692. 14. 64

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The Honorable Company ..... Cr.

1786 April 30	By 25.986 Bags of Rice weighing neat 414. 20 3/4 @ 110. 15. 25 Pr. Garce is	4577	1	42
	By an allowance @ 4 Pr. Cent by Order of the Board dated 4th September 86 on 431. 31 3/4 is 17. 109 @ ditto	1907	10	57
		6484	12	19
1790 March 31st	By 2767 Bags of Rice received from Vincente Corbet half of the Balance due to the Honorable Company Weighing neat 47. 348. 15/16 @ Do.	5286	9	70
	By an allowance @ 4 Pr. Cent on 49. 346 13/16 is 1. 397 7/8 @ Do.	220	9	33
		5506	19	23
July 30th	By Military Storekeeper	295	"	30
	By 433 Bags of Rice weighing neat 7. 88. @ Do. 797. 9. 31			
	By an allowance @ 4 Pr. Cent on 7. 200 1/2 is 120 1/2 Ms @ Do.	33	5	65.
		830	15	16
		1125	15	46
1791 May 31st	By 1906 Bags of Rice weighing neat 21. 311 1/16 @ Ditto	2404	27	72
1792 April 30th	By Cash received	1496	32	40
		3901	24	32
		58212	35	10
	By Balance	479	15	24
	Pagodas	58692	14	64

E. E. Pr.

/Signed/ I. Greenhill
Garrison Storekeeper

A true Copy
/Signed/ A. Stock
D. S. M. B.

True Copy
/Signed/ B. Roebuck
Mily Pay. Genl.

Ordered

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Ordered that the following letter be dispatched.

To the President & Members of the
Military Board

Gentlemen,

Paras 1 I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 11th Instant.

2. Under the explanation which you have stated, the Compensation already granted to the Inhabitants of the Village of Allundoor appears adequate.

3 From the information stated in the different papers which you have submitted the Governor in Council is of opinion that it will be adviseable to allot a part of the Riding House at Arcot for the accommodation of the Regimental Stores of His Majesty's 22d. Dragoons, and you will accordingly give orders for that purpose it being estimated that the expence will not exceed the Sum of Pagodas 194.. 0_12.

The

To the Military Board concurring in their opinion respecting the compensation made to the inhabitants of Allundoor and the allotment of part of the Riding House at Arcot to Military Stores authorizing the repair of the hospital at Calicut authorizing the proposed adjustment of the Balances in the Garrison Storekeepers Department with the exception of the Debt of Messrs Corbett & Boyd, for which the former is to be held responsible. Requiring an Estimate of the expence of erecting an Embankment for the security of the houses belonging to Messrs Lautour & Co. Messrs Dalrymple and Grey and Lieut. Fraser on the Sea Beach, and stating that the work is to be performed by Contract.

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4 The Governor in Council authorizes the repair of the Hospital at Calicut at the estimated expence of Rupees 130-3-72.

5 The Governor in Council authorizes the adjustment of the outstanding balances in the department of the Garrison Storekeeper in the manner which you have recommended with the exception of the amount due by Messrs. Corbet and Boyd. In respect to that Charge, I am directed to notice that from the nature of the engagement which is understood to have existed between Messrs. Corbet and Boyd, there appears reason to conclude that they were jointly and separately responsible for the Debts incurred during their copartnership, and if that construction is correct, it would be of course improper that Mr. Corbet should be released from the Amount stated to be due to the Company.

6 The Governor in Council having it in contemplation to authorize the Construction of

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of such an embankment as may be calculated to give security to the buildings lately erected on the South Beach by the proprietors named in the margin. I am directed to desire that you will with the least practicable delay submit an Estimate of the probable Cost of that work framed on the most moderate scale of computation. If the work is undertaken it is the intention of the Governor in Council that it shall be executed by Contract, and it will be necessary that early notice should be given of this intention in order that if it shall be authorized it may be completed previously to the Commencement of the Monsoon

Messrs. Lawlour &c.
Lieut. S. Fraser
Messrs. Dalrymple & Greig

Fort St. George
23d. July 1808.

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

Read the following Letters

To the Honorable
Sir George Hilaro Barlow Bart. and K.B
Governor in Council &c. &c. &c.

Hon'ble Sir,

From the Military Auditor General. In explanation of the Retrench.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt

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Retrenchments and Disbursements for march.

receipt of a letter from the Chief Secretary to Govern-
=ment under date the 2d. Instant, in which I am
required to give an Explanation of the Cause of the
unusual amount of Retrenchments in march last,
and of the unusual amount of advances to the
Paymasters in that month. I have accordingly the
satisfaction of bringing more particularly to the
notice of your Honorable Board, the whole advan-
=ces which were specially submitted in my diffe-
=rent Reports upon the General and additional
Estimates for the month of march last, by laying
before you Copies of these Reports from No. 1 to 14
inclusive, which either upon perusal of them
or by referring to the corresponding Estimates
may fully satisfy your Honorable Board that
due attention was paid in examining the different
Items previous to their being recommended, the
Total of which is Pagodas 6,76,714 -

2 As the amount of these General
and additional Estimates did not agree with the
Total of the advances reported on the 28th. Ultimo

by

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by the sum of Pagodas 1,26,190. it was necessary to ascertain how this difference has arisen. I accordingly examined the account of advances for the month of march made out in the Depart. -ment of the Accountant General, from which the report of the monthly advances on account of the Military Expenditure is prepared, and after Extracting the sums therein stated under the head of the respective Paymasters and Comm. -paring them with the sums reported on in the General and additional Estimates, the accom. -panying Statement marked A. shows the result.

3 It may also be proper to advert here that the sums stated to have been advan. -ced to the military Paymaster at the Presidency is less in the accountant General's Statement by Pagodas 17,229 than Estimated and reported on, and that the sum advanced on account of the Deputy Paymaster General King's Troops is in like manner less by Pagodas 16,763. than what was Estimated and reported on, which being

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being deducted from the beforementioned sum of Pagodas 1.26.190 leaves a Balance above the sum reported on by me upon the 28th Ultimo of Pagodas 92.198.-

4 From the said Statement of the accountant General, it also appears that advances to the military Department unconnect-ed with my Reports upon the Estimates have been made to the amount of Pagodas 29,068 being for Drafts accepted by the Military Paymaster General in the month of march, and there is also an Item of Pagodas 13,571 for medicines expended, of arrears not before entered in the Paymasters accounts.-

The following abstract will accordingly show as far as my Department is connected how so considerable a difference between the sums advanced and the sums admitted on Audit have taken place, in Obedience to the Orders Communicated in the letter from the

Chief

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Chief Secretary.

Amount of advances Extracted from the Official letter of the accountant General to the Military Paymaster General stating the advances in the Military Department for the month of march ---------- 7,94,398

Admitted on audit ---------- 6,12,389

Amount of Retrenchments ---- 35,945

Amount of advances not reported by the Military Auditor General 1,26,190

Amount of Drafts accepted by the Military Paymaster General in the month of march ---- 20,061

7,94,585

Difference Pagodas -- 187.-

5 Having thus stated where the un=usual advances for the month of march have taken place and accounted for the difference in the amount of the advances and the Sums admitted on audit, I have only to observe that the above small difference may (if deemed requisite)

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requisite) be hereafter more particularly investigated when the above mentioned sum of additional advances is accounted for. and I have to observe that the Retrenchments upon audit of the Disbursements for march do not greatly exceed in general those of other months.

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

Military Auditor Generals Office Fort St. George 15th July 1808.

/Signed/ P. Bruce
Mily Audr. Genl.

Order thereon.

Ordered that the Military Auditor General be informed that the explanation submitted in the foregoing letter is perfectly satisfactory, and that the Estimates which he has laid before the Board be returned to him.

The Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

Sir,

From the Town Major. With a request from the Surgeon of the French Privateer L'Union for permission to visit the Presidency.

I have the honor to forward to you for the consideration of the Honorable the Governor in Council a letter from the Officer Commanding

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Commanding Poonamallee with an application from the Surgeon of the Privateer L'Union for permission to visit the Presidency for a few days on his private affairs.

Major Austen speaks highly of the behaviour of this Gentleman at Poonamallee.

The Crew of the L'Union was sent to Poonamallee immediately on the arrival of the Vessel in these roads but I did not get the names or rank of the Officers for a considerable time afterwards which I presume is the reason that the Surgeon of the Ship has not received the usual Subsistence of his rank. but I have written to Major Austen for more particular information on that subject.

I have the honor to be &c &c

/Signed/ R. Barclay

Town Major

Fort St. George

25th July 1808

To the Town Major

&c &c &c

Fort St. George

Sir

I have the honor to forward to you

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a letter I have received from the Surgeon of the Prize L'. Union requesting to be permitted to visit Madras for three or four days. -

This Gentleman says he is a German and entering on board of the French Ship on a mercantile speculation - he is undoubtedly not a Frenchman for he cannot even speak the Language fluently - his wish to visit the Presidency is for the purpose of disposing of some Gold Dust and some other private property he saved from on board the Prize - and to deliver some letters he has to Gentlemen at the Presidency - He is a very decent well behaved Gentleman and I make no doubt will Conduct himself properly if he procures permission, he has been here now six weeks and has had nothing but his private means to subsist on -

Depot Poonamallee
19th July 1808 -

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
/Signed/ H. Austen
Major Comng
To

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To Major Auston

Sir

I have the honor to request that you will permit me to go to Madras for three or four days as I am possessed of a bill of Exchange which will enable me to procure all the necessaries of which I am at present in want.

Poonamallee
19th July 1808

I have the honor to be
&ca &ca
/Signed/ C. Schmuttzansun

A true Translation
/Signed/ G G Keble
French Translator to Govt.

Resolution thereon

Resolved that the French Prisoner of war mentioned in the foregoing letter be permitted to visit the Presidency; and that he and all other Prisoners of war receiving such permission be instructed to report their arrival at the Office of the Superintendant of Police

The

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The Chief Secretary to Government

Fort St. George

Sir,

From the Town Major - Reports the Admission of Mootoo a native into the Lunatic Hospitab.

I have the honor to forward to you for the information of the Honorable the Governor in Council - the report of the medical Board - on the situation of Mootoo - a Pensioned naick, in consequence of which I have sent him to the - Lunatic Hospitab -

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

Fort St. George
25th July 1808 -

Signed / R. Barclay
Town Major

Fort St. George
July 20th 1808 } I do hereby certify that I have examined into the situation of Mootoo a pensioned naick from being deranged, and have found him so incoherent and with appearances of violence as to make him a fit object for the Lunatic - Hospitab - It seems he has been in the Service for 19 years and was pensioned from being in- = sane - he has been in the present situation

for

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for about eight months.

/Signed/ Andw Berry

3d. Member Medl. Board

& Presidency Superintendg

Surgeon

/Signed/ Jas Anderson

Physician General

Terence Gahagan M D.

& 2nd. Member Medl. Board

To the Chief Secretary to Government

Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that Mr. Freval quitted Pondicherry yesterday for Poonamallee as he had not the means of providing himself with Pallankeen bearers and Coolies, I conceived it to be my duty in order to expedite his departure and adverting to his not being in a perfect state of health to furnish him with the number necessary, for this Expence amounting to Ps 19 - 41 Fs -, I request the sanction of the Honorable the Governor in Council.

From the Magistrate of Pondicherry stating that M. Freval has been sent to Poonamallee in a Palanqueen at the public expence.

I have

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Pondicherry
18th July 1808

I have the honor to be &c &c
(Signed) C W. Fallofield
acting magistrate

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

Sir,

From the Secretary at Bombay - Requesting that a pension of 30 Rupees may be paid to Mrs Gottlie the widow of an Officer of that Establishment -

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to request you will - obtain the permission of the Honorable the Gover- -nor in Council of Fort St. George for the Pension of 30 Rupees per mensem to be paid to Mrs. Gottlie Widow of the late Captain Gottlie of this Establish- -ment debiting this Presidency with the amount -

Bombay Castle
6th July 1808 -

I have the honor to be &c &c
(Signed) W. Newnham
Secy to Govt.

Order thereon -

Ordered that Copies of the foregoing letters be furnished to the Military Auditor - General, and that the charges therein stated be authorised -

To

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To George Strachey Esqr.

Secretary to Government

at

Fort St. George

Sir

From the Secretary at Bombay stating that the Bills of the agent for Remount Horses on that Government will be accepted.

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 15th. of last month, and to acquaint you for the information of the Honorable the Governor in Council at Fort St. George that the sums stated to be required at this Presidency, on account of purchase of Horses will be paid on presentation of the agents Bills.

Bombay Castle
4th July 1808.

I have the honor to be &c. &c.
/Signed/ W. Newnham
Secy to Govt.

Order thereon

Ordered that the Commander in Chief be furnished with a Copy of the foregoing letter

To George Strachey Esqr.

Secretary to Government in the Military Department at Fort St. George

From the same States that in consequence of a representation from Captain

Sir

In reference to your letter of the

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Captain Locke of that Establishment he has been relieved from the stoppage under which he had been placed on account of his supposed debt to the Seringapatam Prize Fund.

the 26th December 1806 I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to commu-= nicate to you, for the information of the Honorable the Governor in Council of Fort St. George, Copies of a letter from the Paymaster General at this Presidency dated the 1st Inst. and of the Correspondence handed up with it, respecting a stoppage made from Captain Lock's allowance, on account of the Seringa-= patam Prize Fund, and to acquaint you that in consequence of the declaration made by that Officer, the amount stopped from his Pay and allowances has been ordered to be repaid.

Bombay Castle
4th July 1808.

I have the honor to be &c. &c.
(Signed) W. Newnham
Secy to Govt.

Francis Warden Esqr.
Chief Secretary to Government
Bombay

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit you a Copy of a letter from Captain Lock of the

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2d. Regiment with its inclosure, on the subject of stoppages having been made from his Pay, in Conformity to the Instructions contained in Mr. Sub-Secretary Goodwin's letter of the 27th. of Janry 1807, and requested you will inform me of the amount recovered is to be replaced sum

I have &c. &c.

Signed Wm. Broughton

Mily Paymr. Genl.

Bombay Castle
Military Pay Office Genl.
1st. July 1808.

William Broughton Esqr.
Military Paymaster General

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit you Copy of a letter addressed by me, to Mr. Agar the Paymaster at Poona the 19th. april 1807 on the occasion of his making Stoppages from my pay on account of a Claim preferred against me by the Agent for the Seringapatam Prize Fund, as I have not yet received any reply, I beg you will forward it through the proper Channel, to the authorities by whom the recoverance was directed

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directed to be made that I may have the amount repaid.-

I have &c. &c.

(Signed) I. Lock

Captain 2/2 Regt.

Bombay

28th. June 1808.

True Copy

(Signed) W. Broughton

Mily Pay. Genl.

To H. Agar Esqr.

Paymaster

&c.

Sir

I request you will forward this letter for the information of those under authority you have deducted fifteen Pagodas of my Pay and allowances for last month as a part of forty five which your Communication informs me you are to recover on account of the Seringapatam Prize fund.

In September 1799 when the Prize agent Captain David Price sent by the hands of Major Benjamin Forbes (another Prize agent

1600

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agent/ to Cannanore the Balance of my Prize money, accompanied by a Bill for various articles said to have been purchased by me at the Sales of Seringapatam, and which amount was accord.= ingly deducted, among other articles charged to me was a Silver Powder Flask/or Horn/and two or three other Items, which I had never bought while others which I had purchased Viz.t. a Pair of Shawls were omitted, these circumstances I wrote to Major Price, when my Bill was correct.= ed and the Balance due from those Errors paid by me during my stay in India, of four years after no Demand was ever made to me for this Debt, by the Prize agent, and I am certain is= now made from some error which I have no doubt this explanation will remove, the circum.= stance of the Powder Flask and the Shawls are what no man in his senses could forget, and I now declare that no Demand whatsoever from the Prize fund, can with Justice be made=

against

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against me. -

Camp Serroor
19th april 1808. -

Sam. &c. &c.
/Signed/ I. Lock
Captr. 2d/2 Regt.

True Copy
/Signed/ I. Lock

True Copy
/Signed/ Wm. Broughton
Mily Payr. Genl.

True Copies
/Signed/ W. Newnham
Secy to Govert.

Order thereon -

Ordered that the Prize agents for the Captors of Seringapatam be furnished with a Copy of the foregoing letter through the channel of the Prize Committee, and that the Committee be desired to submit to the Board the reply which they may receive from the Prize agents

G Strachey Esqr.
Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

From the Resident at Travancore - Submits a

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the

receipt

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a Deposition respecting the treatment of Mr. Macpherson Quarter Master of H. M. Regiment of Foot and a statement of that persons disburse=ments on account of the Vessel which he sold near Cochin. -

Receipt of your letter and enclosure of the 18th. of May - and now transmit the deposition of Serjeant Brower late Barrack Serjeant of Cochin taken before a Justice of Peace authenticating the declarations formerly made by him respecting the treatment received at Cochin by Mr. Mac-pherson -

2. I have also the honor to forward a Statement shewing the amount disbursed by Mr. Macpherson on the Vessel that he was building near Cochin when arrested, his pur=chases and disbursements for workmen, amounted in the whole to Rupees 1328. 3. 12 but of this amount there remains still due by Mr. Macpherson a Sum of Rupees 393. 2. 20 there=by reducing his actual expenditure to Rupees 935 - he received for the Vessel Rupees 700. so that his loss upon the concern amounts to Rup. (235) two hundred and thirty five. -

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

(Signed) C. Macaulay
Rest.

Travancore
3d. July 1808

Two

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Two written declarations made to the Resident at Travancore by Serjeant Thomas Brown Barrack Serjeant of Cochin in explanation of the treatment received by Mr. Macpherson

1st In conformity to the desire Signified by the Resident at Travancore I have the honor to explain that having received Instructions from the Resident of Travancore to place the Person of Mr. Macpherson under restraint. I proceeded by modes purely Military shewed him the respect due to a Gentleman; and made every thing as Comfortable to him as I possibly could. gave him permission to ride in his Palanqueen; and as it must have been highly distressing to a Gentleman to place him in a Main Guard among Sepoys I gave him a separate room in my own house placing a Guard in the antichamber. That Gentleman acknowledged the indulgence I permitted him.

Soon after the Fiscal produced his

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his Warrant for apprehending Mr. Macpherson and the Resident of Travancore ordered me to give over my Charge. The Fiscal told me it will be unnecessary to take a house for a few days and he is already Comfortably lodged and placed under a Guard of Sepoys. let him remain and I consider him under my Charge I acquiesced in his request. Several Gentleman visited Mr. Macpherson among the rest the Fiscal, but I then only considered that Gentleman as a Lodger in my house. I never went into his room. I have heard high words and knocking of hands upon the Table, but as it was no concern of mine I paid no attention to it - I certainly saw no ill usage of any kind given to Mr. Macpherson while he remained at Cochin - and he Lodged in my house from the day of his arrest untill he left Cochin. -

Cochin
26th March 1808. -

/Signed/ Thomas Brown
Barrack Serjt.

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2nd. Since it is requested that I am to give a Clear information respecting my mode of proceeding with Mr. Macpherson the truth must be told, which is briefly this; having received a written order from the Resident of Travancore, to apprehend the Person of Mr. Macpherson I proceeded in the most delicate manner possible to execute my Orders which were to Secure his Person and keep him under a guard. - Considering him as a Gentleman I thought him safe in my own Quarters under a guard where he had every indulgence showed him that could possibly be granted to a Person in his situation. -

There was no Indignity offered him, neither did I annoy him by placing a guard over his person, a guard in the next room I must have, and I cannot conceive that Gentleman, to have received any harsh treatment - He was indulged with a free

intercourse

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intercourse with his friends to say he was removed from the main Guard and delivered over to the Fiscal can-not be true as that Gen-tleman was never removed from my Quarters.

To say the Fiscal shut him up in a close room, is false, to my Certain knowledge - while under my or the Fiscals charge, he had the liberty of receiving or visiting his friends with only an Orderly Sepoy to attend him so that I can-not con-ceive Mr. Macpherson to have been any way harshly treated - on the Contrary he was shewed every indulgence that could be grant-ed after the express orders of Government shewed to me by the Resident of Travancore.

/Signed/ Thomas Brown
Barrack Master

Cochin
28th March 1808.

I Thomas Brown Barrack Ser-jeant of Cochin having heard the two Decla-rations within Cited read do hereby most Solemnly

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Solemnly make oath and Declare that the Explanation therein given of the treatment received by Mr. Mc. Pherson while at Cochin is the truth.

So help me God.

/Signed/ Thomas Brown

Signed and Sworn to before me at angadiporam in the Province of Malabar this fourth day of June in the year of Our Lord One thousand Eight hundred and Eight.

/Signed/ G. W. Gillio
Justice of the Peace

Memorandum

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Memorandum of the Amount disbursed by Mr. Mac-pherson in building his Vessel of the Dimensions of 43 feet Keel. 15 Beam and 8 Deep agreeable to the accounts of the people that supplied the mate-rials and the Builder of the said Vessel.

Purchased from Mr. Constantine		
28¾ Candies & 34 Perikam of Teak Timber	445. 2. "	
15 Crooked Timber	10 — —	
349 lbs. of Iron at 35 Rs. p. Candy	57. 3. —	
350 lbs. of Nails @ 6½ Rs. p. maund	91. — —	
6¾ Sq.re Cubits of Teak Plank	6. 3. —	611 " "
D°. from Vencapa		
23 Teak Plank measuring at an average 215½ Sq.re Cubits		279 2 80
D°. from Vicente de Souza		
1 Log of Teak Timber	16 — —	
1 Mango Plank measuring 16 Cubits at 60 Xeas p. each Cubit	2. 1. 60	
4 Teak Spars	6 — —	24 1 60
D°. from Sakuney		
73 Crooked Timber		35 2 "
D°. from Elly		
2 Corges of Crooked Timber		10 — —
D°. from Bapooche Kamotty Ananta		
4 Pyni Spars	8 — —	
20 Bamboos	2 2 —	10. 2. "
D°. from Arwal Mala.		
103 lbs. of Iron		16 " 92
Carried forward		987 1 32

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Brought Over - -		987	32
Purchased from Ganawaddy			
one maund of Nails - - - - - - - - -		5	2 "
D°. from Corah. a Blackjer			
Some Crooked Timber - - - - - -		2	2 "
D°. from Mordochay -			
5½ Corges large Crooked Timber			
at 7 Rs. p^r. Candy - - - - -	36 3 -		
½ D°. Small D°. - - - - -	1 2 -	38	1 — "
644 Carpenters - - - - - - - - - - - - - -		177	1 80
The Builders pay - - - - - - - - -		75	" "
Black Smiths workmanship		23	" "
100 Bamboos purchased from - - - Sakky a Jew - - -		5	" "
Coir purchased by Vetails - - -		12	" "
Cadjans -		2	" "
Cotton -		1	" "
Rupees - - -		1328	3 12

Memorandum

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Memorandum of the Sums still remaining unpaid on the Concern of the Vessel built by Mr. Macpherson.

Amount due to Vencapah	279	2	30
Ditto to Sakky	5	"	"
Ditto to Corah	2	2	"
Balance due to the builder of the Vessel	52	1	40
Ditto to Sakkany	20	2	"
Ditto to Elly	6	"	"
Ditto to Bapucha Kamotty Anantan	3	2	"
Ditto to Mordochay	24	"	"/
Rupees	393	2	20
To amount Sale of the Vessel received by Mr. Macpherson	700	"	"
Rupees	1,093	2	20

The above Statement was made out by the Fiscal of Cochin Mr. Groenbaant (as declared by the Parties) - and forwarded to me through the Judge and Magistrate.

Travancore
2d. July 1808.

(Signed) C. Macaulay
Resident

Ordered

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Order thereon.

Ordered that a Copy of the fore=
=going letter be transmitted to the Secretary at
Bombay.

To the Military Secretary of Government

Sir

We have the honor to ackow=
=ledge the receipt of your letter of the 9th Inst.
conveying to us the Orders of the Honorable the
Governor in Council that we should submit
our opinion regarding the Claim of Lieutenant
Colonel Chalmers to participate in the Bazar
fund for the year 1805/6 -

From the Buzar Fund Committee Reports the claim of Lieutenant Colonel Chalmers on the Buzar Fund for the year 1805/6 to be correct, but not included in the intentions of the G.O. lately published -

Lieutenant Colonel Chalmers
founds his Claim on the circumstance of his
having Commanded a Detachment of Troops
consisting of 3 Battalions of Native Infantry
and a Company of Pioneers during their march
from Poonah to the Companys Territories from
the 17th April to the 11th June 1806 and he
brings forward as a Precedent the Share in
the Bazar Fund for the year 1804/5 which

was

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was allotted to Mr. Hill for Commanding a Detach=ment of a similar kind returning from Poonah to the Mysore Territories. -

Lieutenant Colonel Chalmers admits that he made no application to share in the Bazar fund for the year 1805/6 until he saw in General Orders that a Distribution of the Bazar fund for that year had taken place in which he was not included - He then it appears addressed a letter on the subject to Lieutenant Colonel Agnew President of the Committee to which he received the Reply. -

It appears to the Committee that Lieutenant Colonel Chalmers's Claim is correctly stated and amounts to Pagodas 196. 35. 56. and that if it had been preferred in proper time it would most probably have been included in the Distribution of the Bazar fund for the year 1805/6. -

The Honorable the Governor in

Council

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Council having already rejected the Claim of Lieute-
-nant Colonel Lang which is nearly of a similar
nature with that of Lieutenant Colonel Chalmers it
appears necessary for the Committee to remark
no further than that the latter Claim was pre-
-ferred to the Committee about a month only
after the Distribution of the Bazar fund
for the year 1805/6 was published in General
Orders but that it appears to be equally objec-
-tionable with the former Claim as not coming
within the Intention of the General Order
published on the 20th. april last.

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20th. July 1808.

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

(Signed) Alexr. Orr
Lt. Colo. &
President of the Bazar
fund Committee

" I. Munro
2d. Mr. Genl.

Resolution thereon.-

Resolved that the Claim of Lieute-
-nant Colonel Chalmers to participate in the
Bazar

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Buzar Fund for the year 1805/6 be not admitted at this distant period.

Ordered that the Committee be dissolved.—

Geo: Buchan Esqr.
Chief Secretary to Government
&c. &c. &c.

Fort St. George

Sir,

From the Commandery Officer at Poonamallee Enclosing a letter from Mr. Collen to be forwarded to the French Commissary of Prisoners in Bengal—also a letter from Mr. Cabot regarding his detention.

At the request of Mr. Cabot the American Gentleman here on his Parole of honor, I have the honor to transmit you for the information of the Honorable the Governor in Council a letter to his address.—

I have also the honor to send you a letter from Mr. Collen to a Frenchman in Bengal and beg to be informed whether it is proper for me to forward it.—

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) H. Auster
Major Commg

Poonamallee
July 20th. 1808.—

George

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George Buchan Esqr.

Chief Secretary to Government

Fort St. George

I have the honor to enclose an address to the Honorable the Governor in Council which I request you will have the goodness to lay before His Excellency. -

I have the honor to remain &c &c

/Signed/ John H. Cabot

Poonamallee
20th. July

To His Excellency

The Honorable Sir George H Barlow

Governor in Council

Fort St. George

Having on the third day of my confinement in this Fort addressed to the Town Major a remonstrance upon my arrest= =ation which he informed me was laid= before your Excellency I shall not at pre= =sent importune your Excellency by a=

repetition

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repetition of the subject.

I have been now upwards of two months under Confinement, and after hav=ing been sent here in a manner which would justify my considering myself as prisoner of state remain yet ignorant upon what principle I have been detained.

If my presence has been deemed essential for the trial of the Vessel in which I was passenger, I conceive I ought not to be treated as prisoner, the permission which your Excellency was pleased to grant me "to reside at the Presidency "or any part of the Coast I thought proper provided "I gave security" I cannot avail myself of, as I have no one whom I would ask to be Security for me and I am destitute of the means of support=ing the expences such a Residence would require, the feeble pay allowed me being barely suffici=ent for the necessaries of life.

If my request is not considered improper I would wish to be informed for what

offence

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offence I have been arrested and treated in the very extraordinary manner I have stated in my letter to the Town Major. -

The meanest criminal in England is allowed a Copy of his indictment. -

The request I made for permission to embark for America has been refused me I shall thus if ever I am released find myself thrown upon a strange place, without the possibility of returning to my native Country, (should a war take place) and without the means of Subsistence. -

Your Excellency will easily conceive the injury my very extraordinary arrestation must have occasioned to my reputation; the loss of time which never can be regained the severe distress of mind I experience though conscious of my innocence; ignorant of the cause of such very cruel treatment and absent from all I hold dear. —

I submit these observations to

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the candor of your Excellency and rely with implicit confidence upon Justice being done me. Justice is all I wish.

Poonamallee 19th. July 1808

I have the honor to Subscribe myself with respect. &c &c

/Signed/ John H. Cabot

Order thereon. -

Ordered that the Commanding Officer at Poonamallee be informed that the letter from M. Collin addressed to the French Commissary of Prisoners at Fort William will be transmitted to that Presidency for the purpose of being delivered to M. Bruix with the sanction of the Supreme Government, and that with respect to the application of Mr. Cabot, a reference will be made to the naval authorities with a view to ascertain if it will be necessary that his detention should now be materially protracted.

To the Chief Secretary to Government

Fort St. George. -

From the Paymaster of Stipends at the Presidency. Submits correspondence with

Sir,

I request you will submit to the consideration of the Honorable the Governor in

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with the Military Auditor General relative to a claim of certain military Servants of the late Nabobs for the donation of Six months Pay authorised in 1801. -

in Council. the accompanying correspondence which has recently passed between the Military Auditor General and me respecting a Claim brought forward by six of the Nabobs Milit= =tary Servants for the amount of the six = Months pay which was directed to be given to them in the year 1801 which thro' inatten= =tion on their part they did not come forward to demand in due time. -

The Military Auditor General admits that the Documents produced sub= =stantiate the claim but he does not consider himself warranted to sanction the payment of the money - from the long period that has elapsed since it became due, and I am induced to bring the question to the notice of the Government for the reason stated in my first letter to the military Auditor General - dated 11th June last. -

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16th July 1808 -

I have the honor to be &c.&c.
(Signed) R. Barclay
T. M.

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The Military Auditor General

Fort St. George

Sir

In the Course of my payments of the six months arrears to the Military Servants of their late Highnesses the Nabobs of the Carnatic under the orders of Government dated 26th. October 1806, several persons came forward to state that they were entitled to the Six months arrears ordered to be paid in the year 1805 and were included in the abstracts made out at that time - but having been prevented from attending while those abstracts were in the Course of payment at the tents pitched on the Island for that purpose - they had never been able to obtain their money since -

On application at the Military Paymasters Office Six Certificates were obtained to the above effect, and as the total privation of their rights maybe thought too severe a punish-ment for neglect of forms which these people could not be well acquainted with - I have prepared

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prepared an abstract for the arrears which appears by those Certificates to be due to them- and I have the honor to forward the same for your authority to draw the money if that be now deemed admissible.-

I beg leave to remark that the amount of the abstract or Star Pagodas 102..72- if admitted will be Independent of the Sum of 15,785..23..20- for which I have Credit at the Treasury under the orders of 27th. October 1806 for the second payment of Six months arrears to the Nabobs Military Servants.-

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

/Signed/ R. Barclay
P. M. S.

Fort St. George
11th. June 1808.-

A true Copy
/Signed/ R. Barclay
P. M. S.

Abstract

Abstract of Arrears due to Military Servants of their late Highnesses the Nabobs of the Carnatic - included in the abstracts for the amount of six months wages Ordered to be paid to them in the year 1801 and which were not then paid but deducted from those abstracts - according to the annexed Six — Certificates from the Paymaster of Fort St. George. —

11th June 1808. —

		Ps	F.	C
No 1	Sheik Madar Jemadar 1st Battalion Company	30	"	"
No 2	Gholam Hussein Vakeel 4th Battalion Supernumerary	11	18	"
No 3	Ramalingum Sepoy 1st Battalion 6th Company	6	22	"
No 4	Tanapah Sepoy 1st Battalion 4th Company	9	18	"
No 5	Gooroomourthy Jemadar 4th Battalion Supernumerary	16	24	"
No 6	The Heirs of Mahomed Bada Havildar 1st Troop	30	"	"
	Star Pagodas One hundred & two fanams Seventy Eight	102	78	"

To the Military Paymaster
Fort St. George

(Signed) R Barclay
P. M. S.

To

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To the Town Major
of Fort St. George

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th. Instant together with an abstract of arrears stated to be due to Six Military Servants of their late Highnesses the Nabobs of the Carnatic of six months wages — directed to be paid to them in the year 1801 and requesting authority to draw the amount of the abstract being Pagodas 102..78. — on the Certifi-
-cates of the Paymaster of Fort Saint George — stating that the Sums opposite to each Persons Name had been deducted from the Totals of the abstracts of the Donation ordered as abovementioned - In answer I have to acquaint you that I have ascertained on reference to the abstracts lodged in my Office that the Sums stated in the abstract forwarded by you and herewith returned were not paid at the time the — abstracts were discharged. -

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As it is not however Certified by the Military Paymaster at the Presidency or by the late Paymaster of Stipends to the late Nabobs Troops that the arrears have not been since discharged - and so considerable a period having elapsed since the Payment was authorized. I do not consider these circumstances consider myself warranted to sanction the discharge of the amount of the abstract without receiving Instructions from Government to that effect. -

Mil.y Audr. Genl. Office
Fort St. George 4th. June 1808.

/Signed/ P. Bruce
Mily Audr. Genl.

Joseph Greenhill Esqr.
Military Paymaster
Fort St. George

Sir

I have the honor to transmit in three numbers for your information, Copies of a Correspondence which has lately taken place between the military Auditor General and

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and me respecting the Claims of some of the military Servants of their late Highnesses the Nabobs of the Carnatic to the amount of six months wages which were ordered to be paid to them in October 1804. which you have already Certified were not then paid to them. -

I request that you will be so good as take measures for ascertaining whether those arrears have since been paid, at what particular period and upon whose signatures; and give me Certificates accordingly for the satisfaction of the auditor General. -

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

/Signed/ R. Barclay
P. M. S.

Fort St. George
16th June 1808.

A true Copy

/Signed/ R. Barclay
P. M. S.

To Major R. Barclay
Paymaster of Stipend

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge
the

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the receipt of your letter of the 16th. Ultimo enclosing me a List and Correspondence regarding the claims of Six Military Servants belonging to His Highness the late Nabob requesting me to know if any payment have been since made at my Office. In reply to which I beg leave to inform you that I have checked the names of the men on the face of the accompanying List and find that a reduction has been made on the abstracts of the Corps to which they respectively belong. I have further to inform you that having examined the Books of my Office since the year 1805. no payment has been made to them since that period for which purpose I enclose you the required Certificate.

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4th. July 1808

/Signed/ I. Greenhill
Pay.r

To
The Military Auditor General
Fort St. George

Sir

On the receipt of your letter of the

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the 14th. June last in answer to the Claim of Six military Servants of his Highness the late Nabob for the Six months wages directed to be paid to them in the year 1805. which have not been paid, but deducted from the abstracts in which the mens names were included — I applied to the Paymaster of Fort St. George for further Certificates and have now the — honor to enclose his answer — stating that no payment has been made to the persons in question since the year 1805. —

I also Certify that no payment has been made to them in the Office of Pay- = master of Stipends of the money now — claimed, and if you think it necessary, I — request that you will submit their claim to the decision of the Honorable the Governor in Council for which purpose I return the abstract. —

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

/Signed/ R. Barclay
Pay.r of Stip.ds

Fort St. George
14th. July 1808.

A true Copy
/Signed/ R. Barclay
P. M. S.

To

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To the Town Mayor of Fort St. George

Paymaster of Stipends to the Military
Servants of the late Nabob.

Fort St. George

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th Instant with the Papers to which it refers, and in answer have the pleasure to inform you, that I observe the necessary Documents to substantiate the Claims to the arrears contained in the abstract on account of the Persons thereinmentioned, have now been obtained and which consequently obviates the principal objection to discharge the amount. which however I do not consider myself warranted to sanction from the long period that has elapsed, it is therefore advisable the Claim should be submitted to the consideration of Government and the Papers are herewith returned for that purpose.

Mily Audr. Genls. Office
Fort St. George 16th July 1808.

/Signed/ P. Bruce
M. A. Gl.

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This is to Certify that on reference to the Books of my Office it appears that the Arrears of six months Pay to Shaik Madar Jemadar 1st. Battalion Company of His Highness the late Nabob being Pagodas 30 -.- has been drawn in the abstract made out in the year 1801, but deduction made at the foot of it in consequence of his being on Command. -

Fort St. George
26th. November 1807

/Signed/ I. Greenhill
Paymaster

This is to Certify that on reference to the Books of my Office it appears that the arrears of Six months Pay to Golam Hussain Vakeel 4th. Battalion Supernumerary of His Highness the late Nabob being Pagodas 11-18 -.- has been drawn in the abstract made out in the year 1801, but deduction made at the foot of it in consequence of his being absent. -

Fort St. George
2d. December 1807. -

/Signed/ I. Greenhill
Paymaster

This

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This is to Certify that on reference to the Books of my Office it appears that the arrears of six months pay to Ramalingum Sepoy 1st. Battalion 6th. Company of His Highness the late Nabob being Pagodas 6. 82 — has been drawn in the abstract made out in the year 1805 but deduction made at the foot of it in consequence of his being Dead.

Fort St. George
25th. January 1808.

/Signed/ I. Greenhill
Paymaster

This is to Certify that on reference to the Books of my Office it appears that the arrears of Six months pay to Tanapah Sepoy 1st. Battalion 4th. Company of His Highness the late Nabob being Pagodas 9 - 18 — has been drawn in the abstract made out in the year 1805, but deduction made at the foot of it in consequence of his being absent

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1st. February 1808.

/Signed/ I. Greenhill
Paymaster

This is to Certify that on reference to the Books of my Office it appears that the arrears of six

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Six months Pay to Gooroomoorthey Jamadar 4th. Battalion Supernumerary of His Highness the late Nabob Pagodas 16- 2½ - has been drawn, but not paid to him in the abstract of that Corps in the year 1801. -

/Signed/ J. Greenhill

Paymaster

Fort St. George

23d. February 1808.

This is to Certify, that on reference to the Books of my Office it appears that the arrears of Six months pay to Mahomed Bada, Havildar 1st Troop of His Highness the late Nabob being Pagodas 30—.— has been drawn in the abstract made out in the year 1801 but deduction made at the foot of it in consequence of his being Dead.

/Signed/ J. Greenhill

Paymaster

Fort St. George

10th. May 1808.

Minute and Order thereon. —

As the documents submitted with the foregoing letter appear to establish the Claims of the military Servants of the late Nabobs of the Carnatic therein mentioned the Board are of opini- on that they should not be rejected on the ground of

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of the casual delay which has occurred in the submission of them - Ordered accordingly that they be admitted.

To the Secretary to Government

Political Department

Fort St. George

Sir,

From the Commissioner at Tranquebar - Requests authority for selling certain articles of public property by auction. -

Upon the same grounds that I before applied to the Government for Permission to sell the Cloth captured at Tranquebar, I beg leave to submit to the consideration of the Government the propriety of disposing of by public outcry of the undermentioned articles being part of the captured property at this place - many of these things besides being liable to being pilfered by the natives if opportunities offer are only either wasting in quantity or becoming daily the more damaged from being kept, and some of the articles being scarce at the present period might now be disposed of at a good price. -

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A few bags of Bengal rice which were in Store had already suffered very much from insects at the Capture of the place, and as the article was daily decreasing both in quantity and quality - I have taken upon myself the responsibility of disposing of it by public sale with the view of saving the value of the quantity which remained, and this measure I trust will meet with the approval of the Government.

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

/Signed/ Thos. Newnham

Commissioner

Trangueber
13th July 1808.

List of Articles

Names	Remarks
Teak planks	For this article there is some demand at present
Palmiras	Some already very old.
Rattans	Ditto -- Ditto
Trincomalay wood	These as the stoppers are not in good order will waste much, if not speedily sold.
Linseed Oil	
Oil of Turpentine	

For

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Names continued	Remarks
Tar.	
Rope	
Twine	Already much damaged
Flemish Duck.	
Danish Duck.	
White Lead	
Red Lead	These appear to have already
and other Paints of sorts.	long remained in Store.
Lead.	
Hoop Iron.	
Bar Iron.	
Steel	
Old and new Copper	
Copper nails.	
Resin.	
Glue	
Chalk.	

Likewise pieces of metal belonging to old mathema-tical instruments a few materials for building which are lying about in small quantities. and like articles.

/Signed/ Thos. Newnham
Commissioner

Ordered

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Order thereon.

Ordered that authority be given for the Sale of the articles mentioned in the foregoing letter as recommended by the Commissioner at Tranquebar, and that he be desired to submit a particular account of the sums realized by the Sale for the further information of the Board. -

To the Chief Secretary to the Government
Fort St. George.

Sir,

From the Commissioner at Tranquebar. Reports the circumstances under which a House has been rented at Tranquebar for the Danish Asiatic Company. Recommends that it be given up, and a small pension allowed to the Proprietor. -

The Royal Danish Asiatic Company having no house of their own at Tranquebar rented for Ten Porto Novo Pagodas P.r month a small house for an Office. I have hitherto paid the monthly rent thereof but as the articles kept in it on the public account are but few and could be easily removed to some of the buildings belonging to the public, the Government may not consider it proper to continue to rent a house for the purpose particularly as the property of that Company

Captured

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Captured at Tranquebar is very trifling.

It appears however necessary for me to state that the house belongs to a Mrs. Karsens an elderly lady widow of a Mr. Karsens formerly in the Service of the Royal Danish Asiatic Company - Mrs. Karsens was formerly married to Major Mackenzie of the Military establishment of Fort St. George by whose death she was left a widow with two Daughters. She afterwards married the late Mr. Karsens and by this marriage lost a pension granted her by the British Government and soon afterwards again became a Widow and reduced to much distress. It has been stated to me that her house was chiefly rented by the Danish Company to afford to her some provision by this means instead of by a pension. The house and the rent which it brings her being her chief means of subsistence.

Having thus detailed the circumstances connected with this Lady, I have to submit

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submit to the consideration of the Government - whether the house should still be rented or not. - If the Government should not think proper to keep the house yet be unwilling to add to the difficulties of this widow lady by refusing to rent it longer, it may perhaps appear advisable to decrease the present monthly small expense by giving up the house and granting this Lady some smaller monthly allowance as an equi- = valent for the portion of rent which she may loose by the change. -

As it appears to have been long a customary charge, I trust that my having - hitherto paid the rent will be admitted. -

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

Tranquebar 13th. July 1808. -

/Signed/ Thos. Newnham

Commissioner

Order thereon. -

Ordered that the house hitherto rented for the Danish asiatic Company be re- = linquished, and that the Commissioner be autho = rised to grant a small monthly allowance to the

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the Proprietor regulating the amount with refer-
=ence to the consideration that the house will
remain at her disposal. -

To George Buchan Esqr.
Chief Secretary to Government

Sir,

From the Commandant at the mount - Represent-
=ing the improper introduc=
=tion of Spirituous Liquors
into that Cantonment by
means of Permits from
madras.

I beg to state for the information of the Honorable the Governor in Council, that considerable injury to the Health of the Soldiery of this cantonment is occasioned by the perfectly easy manner of procuring Spirituous Liquors at Madras. -

Every possible means to prevent Liquor being smuggled into this Cantonment and to intercept it is used - and with some success when those detected are Punished to the extent of Military authority. -

It is chiefly by means of European Women several of whom have been struck off the Muster Roll and some banished from this Cantonment. but of late three have been detected

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in getting Brandy on Permit - although the proof does not reach them to conviction before a Court Martial though the Persons employed to bring it in have been publicly Punished -

It is customary to send money to the Venders of Brandy in madras, who furnish also Bladders and Bottles to carry it in - and give a Permit signed by the Collector - I am not acquainted of the restriction respecting the retailing of Spirits, but from the circumstance of the Permits being for two Gallons although one Gallon only is purchased, I presume that is the authorized quantity -

The enclosed Permit taken with two Boys bringing Liquor privately into this Cantonment a few nights ago, will serve to point out the Vender -

I should not trouble the Honorable the Governor in Council with common occurrences of this nature, but the circumstance

of

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of obtaining Liquor for Smuggling by Permits I consider worthy of being brought to notice: also the considerable Injury that is occasioned by this mode of procuring Liquor.

I am sorry to add that this has been prefsed upon me by the sudden Death of an artillery man yesterday morning, from Intoxi-=cation from Liquor so obtained.

St. Thomas's Mount
17th. July 1808.

/Signed/ Robt. Bell
Lieut. Colo. Arty

Permit to Pass the following Spirituous Liquor

Quality	Quantity	to whom consigned or place	From whom sold or place.
Brandy	Two - 2. Gallons	Mr. Smith. Mount	P. Vellams No. 3

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/Signed/ J. H. D. Ogilvie
Collector of Madras

Only one Gallon was purchased altho' the Quantity is noted 2 Gallons.

/Signed/ Robt. Bell
Lieutt. Colo. Commy
Lieutenant



From Same to the same effect. -

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Lieutenant Colonel Bell presents his Compli=ments to Mr. Buchan encloses a Permit for 5 Gallons Brandy taken with the Bearer of the Brandy yesterday Evening brought for a European Pensioner at this Cantonment altho' noted to be for Wallajahbad - Lieutenant Colonel Bell has taken the freedom of forwarding the Permit as con=nected with his Public Letter of 17th. Instant. -

A true Copy

St. Thomas Mount
19th. July 1808

Order thereon. -

Ordered that the Board of Revenue be furnished with Copies of the fore=going Communications in order that an enquiry may be made into the improper transactions=therein stated, and punishment be inflicted, if practicable on the parties concerned in them.- Ordered also that they be desired to consider if further checks might not be established on the transit of Spirituous Liquors with a view to prevent the practices of which the Commandant of Artillery has Complained. -

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To the Secretary to Government
in the Military Department

Sir

From the Advocate General. States that no reply has been received from the Prize agents to the application lately made to them, and that he has repeated it.

I received your letter communicating to me the desire of the Honorable the Governor in Council to be informed if any reply had been received from the Prize agents for the Captors of Seringapatam to the communication before made to them.

Having received no reply from either of the Prize agents, I have repeated my communication to Mr. Dalrymple and also sent a Copy of it to Lieutenant Colonel Fraser to whom I had not before written, leaving his colleague to communicate with him which may not improbably have been the occasion of the delay.

Fort St. George
29th July 1808

I am, &c. &c.
/Signed/ A. Anstruther
Advocate Genl.

To

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To the Chief Secretary to Government

Fort St. George

Sir

From the Magistrate of Pondicherry - Complains of the outrageous conduct of Mr. Lameth, and recommends his removal from that Station. -

I am concerned to be under the necessity of reporting to the Honorable the Governor in Council a circumstance which - recently occurred here relative to Mr. R. Lameth a French prisoner of War.

This person was sent to France in the year 1796 with other French prisoners from Pondicherry, and returned here with the Division of French Troops in the year 1803 with the appointment of Deputy Commissary - Soon after he again became a prisoner of war and was allowed a Subsistence from Government of 33 Pagodas per month - until the month of June 1807 - when he was deprived thereof by - neglecting to embark on the Cartel Ship Mar- =quis Wellesley which sailed at that time from Pondicherry for the Isle of France, all the French Officers both Civil and military included in the

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Second Capitulation of 1803, having been informed that such of them as should not avail themselves of that opportunity and remained behind at Pondicherry would thereby forfeit their Claim to any further allowance from the British Government.

Mr. R. Lamath about one o'clock in the afternoon of the 5th Instant entered my public Office he appeared to be greatly agitated talked in a wild and incoherent manner with violent gestures and his Conduct was so extravagant that I thought it necessary to send to the Chief Officer of the Police to take him into Custody. On his arrival at the Police Office his behavior was outrageous, he insulted the Chief Officer (in the presence of the other Police Officers) who in his Report to me stated that he appeared to be in a state of Insanity - he was in consequence put under restraint until the pleasure of the Honorable the Governor shall be signified respecting him.

I beg leave to suggest that it might

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have a good Effect if this person was to be removed to some other place and not permitted to reside any longer at Pondicherry - as an Example of this kind would serve to Convince others of the necessity of Conducting themselves in a quiet and orderly manner so long as they remained under the protection of the British Government. -

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most Obedient

Humble Servant

(Signed) C. W. Fallofield

acting Magistrate

Pondicherry

7th. July 1808. -

To the Chief Secretary to Government

Sir

In reply to your letter received the 20th. Instant, I am directed by the Medical Board

From the Secretary of the medical Board with a report of the state

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State of the H. C. Ship David Scott received from the 3d. Member of the medical Board.

Board, to forward to you, for the information of the Honorable the Governor in Council, the accompanying Report of the Honorable Company's Ship David Scott, founded on the personal inspection of the Presidency Superintending Surgeon for the Quarter.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most Obedient and

Humble Servant

(Signed) Wm. Horsman

Secy Medical Board

Fort St. George

Medical Board Office

25th. July 1808.

To George Buchan Esqr.

Chief Secretary to Government

Sir

I have the honor to acquaint you for the information of the Honorable the Governor in Council that as soon as I

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received your Letter of this days date to the medical Board. I repaired on board the David Scott Indiaman, inspected the state of the Deck and made every possible enquiry into the health of the Crew and other Circumstances that might be connected with the welfare of Troops about to be embarked.

The Surgeon Mr. Miller being on Shore did not receive intimation of my going on board to inspect the state of the Ship in time to be present, but the Surgeons mate was on board and I met Mr. Miller on returning, who Confirmed all I had learned from his assistant as well as from the Chief mate and Officers on board to the following purport - I was assured that there had been no Instance of Fever or

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other dangerous disease on the Ship since those ill of Fever on her arrival had been sent to the General Hospital. in fact that the Ship was very healthy, as the only Sick were one man recovering from Flux brought on by his own imprudence and three convalescent from Slight Complaints. The Ports where shut and the Decks were said to be as tight as possible. no leaking - the Gun Deck was Clean, dry and dry, and had been white wash-ed with Chunamed water to correct what-ever might remain of Fomes from the Fever on her arrival, and as far as I could judge from the Gun Deck being lumbered at the time I inspected it by unmoving, it is in the best state for the reception of Troops. I was told that two Births on each side of the Gun Deck would be appropriated for Troops

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supposing 50 to be sent, and as they were to be accomodated there I only looked into the Orlop Deck which also appeared dry - from all - those circumstances there appears no just Cause to apprehend any Return of the former fever nor of any danger to Troops from Disease in such an airy situation on board so spacious a Ship - It is unnecessary to mention here the probable Causes of the Fever that occurred on the passage out, it is sufficient to say that they will not now operate, and that the Troops may be embarked with every prospect of Safety as nothing material is likely to occur. -

I have the honor to be
&c &c

/Signed/ Andw Berry
3d Member of Medl Board
& Presidency Superintendg
Surgeon

Ordered

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20th July 1808.

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Order thereon

Ordered to lie on the Table

" G.T. Barlow

" C. Oakes

E. Stronge

" J. Webbe Mayor

Office Sett Cons.t 22d. July 1808
Pages 1114 - Copied by C. Yeyapah
for Feby 1809.

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Diary.

Sent the following letters —

23d

To Lieutenant General Hay Macdowall.

Commander in Chief —

Sir,

To the Commander in Chief. The claim submitted in the Military Secretary's letter of the 22d Ultimo on behalf of Lieutenant Colonel Chalmers considered inadmissible — Reasons, and the Bazar Fund Committee dissolved — Enclosing Copy of a letter from the Secretary at Bombay respecting advances of money to the Agent for the purchase of remount Horses. —

Para 1. I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to acquaint you that the claim which was submitted with your Military Secretary's letter of the 22d Ultimo on the part of Lieutenant Colonel Chalmers to a share in the Bazar fund for the year 1805/6. has been considered inadmissible under the General Order of the 20th of April last, the intention of which was expressly limited to claims on that Fund for the year 1806/7.

2 I am directed to request that the resolution of the Governor in Council may be Communicated to Lieutenant Colonel Chalmers; and to inform you that the Bazar Fund Committee has been finally dissolved. —

3 I am directed to request that the enclosed Copy of a letter from the Secretary at Bombay respecting advances of Money required by the Agent for the purchase

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of horses may be Communicated to that Officer.—

I have the honor to be &c &c

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(signed) G. Strachey
Secy. to Govt.

To William Newnham Esqr.
Secretary to the Government at
Bombay.

Sir,

To the secretary to the Government at Bombay.—Informing him that the demand preferred by the Prize Agents for the Captors of Seringapatam on Captain Lock will be furnished to those Gentlemen thro' the channel of the Prize Committee and that Authority has been given for the payment of Pen.n granted to the Widow of the late Captain Gattie—Enclosing Copy of a further Report from the Resident in Travancore respecting the Deserter Master of His Majesty's 88th. Regiment.

Para 1 I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to Acknowledge the receipt of your letters of the 4th & 16th Instant.—

2. A Copy of your letter respecting the demand for the capture preferred by the Prize Agents of Seringapatam against Captain Lock of the Establishment of Bombay will be furnished to those Gentlemen through the Channel of the Prize Committee, and I shall hereafter have the honor to Communicate to you for the information of the Honorable the Governor in Council at Bombay any reply which they may deem it proper to make to the declaration of that Officer.—

3 I am directed to request that you will acquaint the Governor in Council at Bombay that in—

conformity

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Conformity with His wish instructions have been given for the payment of the Pension, granted to the Widow of the late Captain Gottlee of the Bombay Establishment.

4 I have the honor to enclose the Copy of a further report received from the Resident in Travancore respecting the Quarter Master of His Majesty's 88th Regiment; and am directed to request that you will submit it to the Governor in Council.

Fort St. George
23d July 1808.

I have the honor to be &c &c
/signed/ G. Strachey
Secy to Govt.

To the President and Members
of the Seringapatam
Prize Committee.

Gentlemen,

To the President and Members of the Seringapatam Prize Committee Enclosing Copy of a letter from the Secretary at Bombay respecting a Demand made by the Seringapatam Prize Agents at that Presidency against Captain Locke of this Establishment, and directing them to report upon it.

Para 1. I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to transmit to you the enclosed Copy of a Letter from the Secretary at Bombay regarding the demand which appeared in the Accounts of the Prize Agents for the Captors of Seringapatam against Captain Locke of the Bombay Establishment

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of hordes may be Communicated to that Officer.—

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23d. July 1808

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

To William Newnham Esqre
Secretary to the Government at
Bombay.

Sir,

To the secretary to the Government at Bombay. — Informing him that the demand preferred by the Prize Agents for the Captors of Seringapatam on Captain Lock will be furnished to those Gentlemen thro' the channel of the Prize Committee — and that authority has been given for the payment of Pension granted to the Widow of the late Captain Gattie — Enclosing Copy of a further Report from the Resident in Travancore respecting the Quarter Master of His Majesty's 88th Regiment.

Para 1 I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to Acknowledge the receipt of your letters of the 4th & 6th Instant.—

2. A Copy of your letter respecting the demand for the capture preferred by the Prize Agents of Seringapatam against Captain Lock of the Establishment of Bombay will be furnished to those Gentlemen through the Channel of the Prize Committee, and I shall hereafter have the honor to Communicate to you for the information of the Honorable the Governor in Council at Bombay any reply which they may deem it proper to make to the declaration of that Officer.—

3 I am directed to request that you will acquaint the Governor in Council at Bombay that in conformity

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Fort St. George 23 July 1808.

Conformity with His wish instructions have been given for the payment of the Pension, granted to the Widow of the late Captain Gottlie of the Bombay Establishment.

4 I have the honor to enclose the Copy of a further report received from the Resident in Travancore respecting the Quarter Master of His Majesty's 88th Regiment; and am directed to request that you will submit to the Governor in Council.

Fort St. George
23d July 1808.

I have the honor to be &c &c
(signed) Gn Strachey
Secy to Govt.

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of the Seringapatam
Prize Committee.

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2. I am directed to desire that you will fully Communicate to the Prize Agents the declaration of that Officer, and that you will submit their reply to the Governor in Council with any Observations which you may consider to be proper-

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I have the honor to be, &c.
/signed/ G. Strachey
Secy to Govt

To the President and Members of the
Bazar Fund Committee.

Gentlemen,

To the President and Members of the Bazar Fund Committee — the claim of Lieutenant Colonel Chalmers submitted in their Letter of the 20th Instant Considered inadmissible Reasons — The Committee to be — dissolved —

Para 1. I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to Acknowledge the Receipt of your letter of the 20th Instant, and to Acquaint you that as the intention of the General Order of the 20th of April last was expressly limited to claims on the Bazar Fund for the year 1806/7 the claim of Lieutenant Colonel Chalmers to participate in that fund for an antecedent period has been Considered inadmissible.

2 A sufficient period having been allowed for the presentation of the claims invited by the

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the General Order of the 20th of April last, I am directed to desire that your Committee may be dissolved-

I have the honor to be &c &c

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23d July 1808.

/signed/ G. Strachey
Secy to Govt

To the Paymaster of Stipends at the Presidency.

Sir,

To the Paymaster of stipends at the Presidency - Informing him that the Claim of the Military Servants of the Nabob Emdut ul-omrah having been fully Established the Military Auditor General has been instructed to Authorize the charge -

I am directed to Acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 16th Instant, and to Acquaint you that as the Claim of the Military Servants therein mentioned of the late Nabob appears fully establish-ed, the Honorable the Governor in Council is of opinion that the Casual delay which is stated to have occur-red in preferring their demand, should not subject them to the rejection of it - The Military Auditor General has been accordingly authorized to sanc-tion the Charge.-

I am &c &c

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/signed/ G. Buchan.
Chief Secy to Govt

To

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To the Commissioner at

Tranquebar.

Sir,

To the Commissioner at Tranquebar directing him to give up the House lately rented by the Royal Danish Asiatic Company and to allow the Owner of it a small Pension for her support.

I am directed to Acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 13th Instant and to acquaint you that as the house which has been rented for the use of the Royal Danish Asiatic Company at Tranquebar, does not appear to be now required for that purpose, the Honorable the Governor in Council is of opinion that it should be relinquished, but authorizes you to grant to Mrs. Karens a small provision for her support.—

As the house will remain for her further disposal, the allowance from the British Government should of Course be regulated with reference to that Consideration.—

Fort St. George
23d July 1808.

I am &c &c

(signed) G. Buchan
Chief Secy to Govt.

Send the following letters entered viz.

M. B. Nos. 59-60-61-62-63-64-65-66-67.—

To—

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To the secretary to the Government at Fort William—

To Mr. Thornhill—Enclosing letter from Monsr. Colin a French Prisoner of War to the Address of the Commissary for French Prisoners at Fort William with a remark—

To the Military Board—

To the Military Board—Authority has been given for the payment of the Bills and advances of money recommended in their letter of the 11th Instant—

To the Military auditor general—

To the Military Auditor General—enclosing Extract from the Proceedings of Government.—

To Do. Do.

To the Military Auditor General—The Explanations furnished by him respecting the Military Disbursements and retrenchments Considered perfectly satisfactory. Enclosing Extract of letters from the Military Board, and from the acting Magistrate at Pondichery and directing him to Authorize the charges therein stated—Copies of letters from the Secretary at Bombay and from the Town Major of Fort St. George. Extract from the proceedings of the Medical Board. to state the Compensation to be granted to Mr. Surgeon Spalding while in Medical charge of the Garrison of Tranquebar.

To Do. Do.

To the Military Auditor General. Directing him—

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him to give Authority for the payment of an allowance due to six Military servants of his late Highness the Nabob of the Carnatic.-

To the Town Major of Fort St. George-

To the Town Major of Fort St. George. Acquainting him that the late Surgeon of the Privateer L'. Unice may be permitted to Visit the Presidency, and that all French Prisoners of War on their Arrival must be instructed to Report their names at the Police Office.-

To the Acting Collector and magistrate at Pondicherry-

To the Acting Collector and Magistrate at Pondicherry - approving his having sent Monsieur Fleval to Poonamallee at the public Charge. Enclosing letter from Mons.r Dembeerend an Inhabitant of Pondicherry and directing him to report upon it with an observation-

To the Commissioner at Tranquebar-

To the Commissioner at Tranquebar Conveying Authority for the public sale of the rice and other Articles mentioned in letter of the 13.th Instant, and directing him to submit a Statement of the proceedings of the claim.-

To the Officer Commanding at Poonamallee-

To the Officer Commanding at Poona=mallee - Informing him that the Letter addressed to the Commissary of French Prisoners of War at Fort William will be submitted to the Governor Gen.l in Council, and that a reference will be made to the Naval Authorities as to the probability of M.r Cabot's detention being materially —

protracted

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protracted.—

To the Secretary to the Government at Bombay. 25th Sent a letter to the Secretary to the Govern-
-ment at Bombay entered in M.B. No. 68- Enclosing State-
-ment of Advances of Money made on Account of a De-
-tachment of His Majesty's 56th Regement.-

At a Consultation.

Present-

The Honorable.

Sir George Hilaro Barlow Bart. G.K.B.

Governor and President.

Tuesday the 26th July 1808

Thomas Oakes. } Esqrs
and
J. H. Casamajor. }

William Petrie Esqr. Absent Indisposed.

Minutes of last Consultation read.

and approved.-

Read the following letters from the Commander in Chief, His Military Secretary, the Adjutant General and Assistant Adjutant General of the Army—

George-

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George Buchan Esqre

Chief Secretary to Government

Sir,

From the Commander in Chief—Submits a memorial from Colonel Wahab stating his services and Compleasuring of his Comparative situation with that of certain Lieutenant Colonels in the King's service on this Establishment—. To this to the Merit of Colonel Wahab—.

I have the honor to request that you will lay the Accompanying address from Colonel George Wahab before the Honorable the Governor in Council—Inforwarding the Memorial of this old faithful and distinguished Officer I must in justice say, that I am confident the East India Company have not in their sewice a braver Soldier ora better man—

I have the honor to be &c &c

(signed) H. Macdowall.

To the Honorable.

Sir George Hilaro Barlow Bart. G.C.B

Governor of Fort St. George.

&c &c &c

Honorable Sir,

I take the liberty of submitting to your Honorable Board a short Statement of my situation relying with perfect Confidence on the Justice

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Justice of your Honorable Board and on your favora-
=ble Consideration of the claims of an old Soldier.-

I came to India in 1770 in your Mili=
=tary service from which I have never been absent.—
I was at the Siege of Tanjour in 1771- and at the Seige
and on the successful Assault of the same place in
1773 I was on many smaller services until Hyder's War
1780 I was detached from Amboor with four Compa-
=nies of Sepoys to Vellore and effected my March.
in the Face of Large Bodies of the Enemy which attac-
=ked me frequently- I remained at Vellore during the
Seige of that place by Hyder ally in the Course of which
I was wounded- I had the honor to be one of a few
subaltern Officers whom General Coote Kept in the
Command of Battalions of Sepoys during the War in
Consequence of his Approbation of our Conduct.-

I was at the Battle and Seige of
Cuddalore in 1783 Commanding a Battn. of Sepoys when I was woun-
-ded- from this Period I was employed on many less-
important services until the year 1790 when I took

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the Field with General Meadows and was detach-
-ed under the Command of Colonel Stewart with
several other Corps. during my service with this
Division of the Army I captured a Strong Hill
Fort, and at the siege of Paulcatcherry took the
Covered way which was followed by the immediate
surrender of the Fort. Having joined the Comman-
-der in Chief at Coimbatore all the heavy Stores
and sick of the Army were thrown into that
place and General Meadows selected me
for the Command of it with a Garrison of two
Battalions of regular Sepoys and directed me
to defend it to the last extremity.

When Coimbatore was no longer
in danger of being attacked I requested and
obtained permission to join the Bombay Army
under General Sir Robert Abercrombie with
which I served in all its Vicissitudes of Fortune
untill the end of the War. In 1792 Lord Cornwallis
and General Meadows appointed me to Command
in Tiagar.

In-

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In 1803 I took the Field in the Marhat-
-ta War and Commanded a Brigade in the Army
under General Stuart after whose return to the —
Carnatic my Brigade remained in the Doab under
General Campbell until the Peace.—

In the Course of a Service of thirty eight
years I have attained the Rank of Colonel in your
Army — I have done my duty at all times with-
Zeal and Fidility and as I do not deserve I cannot
bear the Humiliation of being Kept in a situation
inadequate to my Rank, while Officers of inferior
Rank are entrusted with Commands of much
higher importance — I command the Garrison
of Tanjore Consisting of a few invalid Europeans and one
Battalion of Sepoys — A Lieutenant Colonel in His Ma-
-jesty's service Commands the Subsidiary force at Hy-
-drabad and another Lieutenant Colonel in His
Majestys service is in the Actual Command of the
important and extensive Mysore Division —
and not an individual of the King's Regiments
to which those Officers are posted is serving
within

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within the limits of their respective Commands —
as it is generally believed that this is Contrary to
the intentions and Orders of the Honorable the Court
of Directors I applied to Government for either of
of these Commands but without success —

Your Honorable Board will feel that
a Circumstance of this nature involves an Idea of
Degradation which is unsupportable to the mind
of a Soldier — I have determined therefore to refer my
Pretensions to your Honorable Board — If you think
proper to employ me I will die as I have lived —
with Honor in the service — I hope —

Notwithstanding my length of service
and the very important Commands which I have
held, I am absolutely without the means of paying
for my passage home — otherwise I should
embrace the opportunity of requesting Furlough
to proceed there —

Tanjore July 18th 1808 —

I have the honor to be &c &c
(signed) G. Wahab.
Col. Comg. Tanjore —

Resolved

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Resolution thereon

Resolved that the Commander in Chief be requested to inform Colonel Wahab that the Board will take into Consideration his claims, when occasion may occur for the employment of his services.—

George Buchan Esqre

Chief Secretary to Government

Fort St. George

Sir,

Para 1. I am directed by His Excellency the Commander in Chief in obedience to the Resolutions of the Honorable the Governor in Council upon that head on the 8th Instant to request you will be pleased to inform the Honorable the Governor in Council, that when His Excellency Considered it his duty to lay the claim of Mrs. Heighes for some provision before Government he was not insensible that it might produce the Effect, which the Honorable the Governor in Council seems to apprehend.—

2 But as a Compliance with such applications rests exclusively with the Honorable the Governor in Council, and need only be yielded in Cases of Certified distress, which it is hoped can seldom occur, and

From the Commander in Chief's Military Secretary Explains the Commander in Chief's late Recommendations of Mrs. Heighes and the Claims of Captain Blacker submits a Letter from the Commanding Officer of the Subsidiary force of Hydrabad, stating that the Officers in Command of the Native Corps had been retrenched the pay of the Supernumeraries, and requesting that the retrenchment may be removed as no Orders had been received for the discharge of three Men— submits a Petition from Amida Beebee Widow of Commandant Sultan Sahib with a Recommendation— Recommends the Continuance of Cavalry allowance to a Mahratta Officer detached from the Cavalry—

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and more particularly since the Establishment of a
Military Fund, which must save all future Widows
from the poignant Misery Mrs. Hughes has suffered, His
Excellency the Commander in Chief has no hesitation
in repeating his former Call upon Government to
Extend relief to the family of the late Lieutenant
Abraham Heighes of this Establishment—

3 With respect to the resolution of the
Honorable the Governor in Council, on the 8th Instant,
which desires His Excellency the Commander in Chief
to state his opinion upon Captain Pollocks applica-
-tion for the allowances of his situation as Comman-
-ding the Cadet Company from the day he tendered
his resignation till that on which he was relieved by
Lieutenant Colonel Macleod, I am directed to State
that Lieutenant General Macdowall having repera-
-sed the resolution of the Honorable the Governor in
Council upon receiving Captain Pollocks application
to resign, observes, it is resolved that Captain Pollocks'
resignation shall be accepted, when the Honorable
the Governor in Council shall have selected another
Officer—

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Officer to replace him in charge of the Cadet Company

4 The Commander in Chief from this view of the subject is inclined to think Captain Pollock entitled to the usual allowances of that situation. Altho' he is not aware that Captain Pollock performed any duty with the Cadet Company excepting the public Correspondence respecting that institution from the day he tendered his resignation of the Appointment.

No 1. 5 His Excellency requests that you will be pleased to lay the accompanying letter from Lieutenant Colonel Montresor before the Honorable the Governor in Council.

6 As it appears from the records of the Commander in Chief's Office that the resolution of the Government for reducing the Establishment of the Native Corps at Hydrabad upon the 4th of August last, was never communicated by the late Commander in Chief to Colonel Montresor, and Lieutenant General Macdowall indeed apprehends it was not the intention

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intention of the Honorable the Governor in Council that the Supernumeraries should then be struck off, notwithstanding the Resolution of the 4th August 1807 - to which the Military Auditor General refers.-

7 As the Order for the reduction was never communicated to the Corps serving at Hydrabad, the Commander in Chief has no doubt the Honorable the Governor in Council will Concur in His Excellency's Opinion that the Officers Commanding Native Corps in that Force cannot be held responsible for the Consequences of the Omission, and that the Military Auditor General should, accordingly be authorised to Exonerate them therefrom.-

8 The Commander in Chief has received the Accompanying Petition from the Widows of the late Commandant Sultan Saib, by the hands of Colonel Wahab.-

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9. The Active services of this very old Native Servant appear to the Commander in Chief to give the family of ..... Sultan Saib, a fair claim upon Government, for some provision, and he has accordingly the-

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the honor to recommend them to the Honorable the Gover-
-nor in Council for relief -

10 The Commander in Chief having lately had
occasion to select a Surgeon of Acknowledged abilities —
from a Native Cavalry Regiment, to take charge of one of
His Majestys Regiments of Infantry which stood in —
need of Medical aid, this Medical Officer considers
himself entitled to his Cavalry allowances while
only lent to, tho' in charge of an Infantry Corps. -

11 His Excellency the Commander in
Chief thinks he should be permitted to draw Cavalry
allowances, but as this appears to be a new case, and
one that may again occur, His Excellency is desirous that
the Honorable the Governor should decide upon the —
point, in order to prevent future discussion. -

I have the honor to be &c &c

Head Quarters
Tanjour 20th July 1808.

Signed Wm Macpherson.
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To His Excellency the Commander in Chief's
Military Secretary -

Sir,

The Paymaster of the Subsidiary Force having
submitted

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submitted to me the Enclosed Letter together with List of Retrenchments made against Officers Commanding Corps and Companies in the subsidiary Force, I beg the favour of you to submit them to the Commander in Chief with the hope that His Excellency will Obtain the sanction of Government to pass the charges on reaudit.-

The Minutes of Council of the 4th of August 1807 to which the Military Auditor General alludes, have never reached me, either from your Office or that of the Adjutant General of the Army, I could not therefore take upon myself to discharge the men in question, and I trust that on a representation of these circumstances, the Honorable the Governor in Council will be pleased to relieve the Officers Commanding Corps and Companies from the heavy inconvenience they at present labour under from the Retrenchments made against them by the Military Auditor General-

The Copy of the Resolutions of Government of the 4th August 1807 transmitted by the Military Auditor General to the Paymaster of the Force, was laid before me, and it is scarcely necessary for me to state that-

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that I only expressed my expectation of receiving Orders from
His Excellency the Commander in Chief on the subject.

Cantonment Secunderabad
28th June 1808.-

/signed/ Thos. G. Montresor
Lieut Colonel.

To the Officer Commanding the Hydrabad Subsidiary
Force

Sir,

I have the honor to forward a list of retrenchments which have been made from Captain Warburtons and my disbursements, under a remark of the Military Auditor General, which I have prefixed to the List.-

I beg leave to state, that on the 7th of May, I transmitted to the Military Auditor General, the Deputy Adjutant Generals letter of which the enclosed No 1 is a copy, and requested, as the Government Orders for the reduction of the supernumeraries had never reached the head Quarters of the Force, that the retrenchments in question might be removed. I was yesterday favored with a reply to my letter, of which No 2 is a copy and as it appears that the retrenchments cannot be removed but by the authority of Government, I have the honor to request that you will take such steps as may be necessary for that purpose.-

Hydrabad 25th June 1808.-

/signed/ Wm Morison.
Pay. Hyd. Sub. Force
Lieut

List of Retrenchments made from the Disbursements of Captain G.s Warburton late Paymaster to the Hydrabad Subsidiary Force and from those of the present Paymaster of the Force, under the following remark of the Military Auditor General. Viz.t "It appears by the Minutes of Council, dated 4.th "August 1807. that the Commander-"in chief was requested to give directions to reduce the Native Battalions of the Subsidi-"ary Force, to the Peace Establishment. The Pay drawn for supernumeraries cannot therefore "be Admitted in till an attested copy of the Commander in Chief's Orders, respecting the "reduction, is forwarded to enable the Office of Audit to ascertain the date from which it should "have effect."

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	Pagodas	Fan.s	Cash	Payt.	F	C
For the Month of October 1807.						
1.st Battalion 10.th Regiment Native Infantry						
Peace Establishment from No.s 8 to 16	26	"	"			
Field Dit.o from No.s 46 to 54	390	"				
				35	12	"
2.d Battalion 10.th Regiment Native Infantry						

Peace Establishment from № 35 to 44	320	273	"		
Field Establishment from № 143 to 152	"	4807	40	440	40 40
1st Battalion 12th Regiment Native Infantry					
Peace Establishment from № 48 to 57	170	39	16		
Field Establishment from № 156 to 165	"	2564	"	231	41 16
1st Battalion 16th Regiment Native Infantry					
Peace Establishment from № 23 to 31	72	21	"		
Field Establishment from № 59 to 68	"	551	20	85	26 20
2d Battalion 21st Regiment Natives Infantry					
Peace Establishment from № 78 to 87	164	"	"		
Field Establishment from № 180 to 189	"	2388	"	220	36 "
For the Month of November 1807					
1st Battalion 10th Regiment Native Infantry					
Peace Establishment from № 10	2	"	"		
Field Establishment from № 50	"	31	"	2	31 "
Carried forward				1017	18 76

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	Pags.	f c	Pay.	f c
Brought forward			1017	18 76
2d Battalion 10th Regiment Native Infantry.				
Peace Establishment from № 33 to 42	265	29 32		
Field Establishment from № 139 to 148	" 1064	20	361	41 52
1st Battalion 16th Regiment Native Infantry.				
Peace Establishment from № 23 to 32	28	1 32		
Field Establishment from № 62 to 71	" 1065	0	37	30 2
2d Battalion 17th Regiment Native Infantry.				
Peace Establishment from № 59	2	" "		
Field Establishment from № 160	"	31 "	2	31 "
2d Battalion 21st Regiment Native Infantry				
Peace Establishment from № 74 to 83	154	" "		
Field Establishment from № 168 to 177	"	2387		
			2140	35 "
For the Month of December 1807.				
2d Battalion 10th Regiment Native Infantry				
Peace Establishment from № 40 to 50	204	" "		
Field Establishment from № 170 to 180	"	2932 40	273	34 40
1st Battalion 12th Regiment.				

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For October 1807.

Peace Establishment from № 23 to 32	156	"	"
Field Establishment from № 76 to 85	"	2356	"
Peace Establishment from № 36 to 45	136	"	"
Field Establishment from № 88 to 97	"	2040	" 396 28 "
1st Battalion 16th Regiment Native Infantry	20	"	"
Peace Establishment from № 66 to 72	"	331	"
Field Establishment from № 190 to 197			27 37 "
2d Battalion 21st Regiment	153	33	48
Peace Establishment from № 94 to 103	"	2307	"
Field Establishment from 215 to 224			203 30 48

For the Month of January 1808.

2d Battalion 10th Regiment Native Infantry	228	8	32
Peace Establishment from № 42 to 49	"	3483	10
Field Establishment from № 163 to 172			311 5 42
1st Battalion 12th Regiment Native Infantry	108	"	"
Peace Establishment from № 23 to 32	"	1674	"
Field Establishment from № 63 to 72			147 36 "

Carried forward . . . . 2996 34 20.

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	Brought forward	2996. 34 20	
January (Continued)			
1st. Battalion 16th. Regiment.			
Peace Establishment from No. 60 to 71	34. 19 48.		
Field Establishment from No 182 to 189	" 534 "	47 7 48.	
2d. Battalion 21st. Regiment Native Infantry			
Peace Establishment from No. 92 to 99	122 28 "		
Field Establishment from 204 to 213	" 1901 "	167 39 "	
For the Month of February 1808.			
2d. Battalion 10th. Regiment Native Infantry			
Peace Establishment from No 35 to 44	129 36. 32		
Field Establishment from No 147 to 156	" 1962 50.	176. 25 2	
1st. Battalion 12th. Regiment Native Infantry			
Peace Establishment from No 22 to 31	84 " "		
Field Establishment from No. 59. to 68	" 1302 "	115 " "	
2d. Battalion 21st. Regiment Native Infantry			

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Peace Establishment from 82 to 91	103 " "		
Field Establishment from № 188 to 197	" 1547 "	139	35 "

For the Month of March 1808.

2d Battalion 10th Regement Native Infantry.

Peace Establishment from № 43 to 51	32 " "		
Field Establishment from № 61 to 70	" 300 70.	39	6 70

1st Battalion 12th Regement Native Infantry.

Peace Establishment from № 24 to 33	76	39	46.
Field Establishment from № 61 to 70	" 1117 "	103	22 46.

2d Battalion 21st Regement Native Infantry.

Peace Establishment from № 85 to 95	30 " "		
Field Establishment from № 202 to 212	" 290 "		
		36.	38 "

Total Star Pagodas. ..... 3872 40 26.

Hydrabad
25th June 1808.

(signed) W. Morison
Paymaster.

(1737) Copy of Lt. Morison's Abstract of Pay from 26th July 1808.

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To the Paymaster

Hydrabad Subsidiary Force-

Sir,

I have had the honor to receive Lieutenant Ormsbys letter of the 23d Ultimo, and in reply to acquaint you that the Minutes of Council of the 4th August 1807 have never been received by the Officer Comman=ding the Hydrabad Subsidiary Force or any directi=ons to reduce the native Battalions to the Peace Establishment-

Camp at Dahud

25th April 1808.

The orig.l of this letter was forwarded to the Milty and Genl in the 7th May 1808.

I have &c.

(signed) T. H. L. Conway.

A true Copy

Dpy Ag Genl

(signed) W. Morison.

Pay. Hyd. Subly Force

To the Paymaster to the Subsidiary Force

at Hydrabad

Sir,

As the Retrenchments referred to in your letter of the 7th Ultimo were forwarded on a reso=lution of Council transmitted for my guidance, you must be aware that nothing short of the same authority

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authority can be considered sufficient to remove the Retrenchments — And as I have received no Intimation respecting the reasons which may have prevented the above mentioned resolution being Communicated to the Deputy Adjutant General to the Subsidiary Force — I could not therefore take upon me to pass those Retrenchments on readit. —

Military Auditor
General's Office —
Fort St. George
18.th June 1808.

/signed/ Pa. Bruce
Mily Audr.

A true Copy

/signed/ Wm. Morison
Pay.r Hy.d Subsy. Force

To Colonel Gn. Wahab
Commanding Tanjore Dn. Dn.

The humble Representation of
Amida Beebee, Widow of the late
Sultan Saib Commandant of
the late 1.st Battalion N. I. —

With the most humble Submission,
I take the liberty to Acquaint you that, when my
late deceased Husband was alive, he gave me a Relation
from —

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from the beginning of his enlistment in the
Honorable Company's service till his last Inva-
lid Establishment— As I forgot some of the
Gentlemen's Name under whose Command he
was, and the years when the Battles took place,
here I beg leave to State a Detail of them as far
as I can recollect, intreating your Honor will be
pleased to excuse me, if there be any impropriety
in this my Assertions. Viz.t.—

That my late deceased Husband
with his Brothers, Cousins and Brotherinlaws
(consisting 25 in Number) got himself entertained
in the Honorable Company's Service at Dewanamp-
-tam (near Devercottah or Fort St. David) and
Mr. Killad had been pleased to appoint him
as Cote Havildar in Kaisir Sing Subidars Company.

That he supplied Bricks and
Chunam when Dewanampatnam Fort was
enlarged.

That in the year 1746. when
Monsr. De la Bourdonnais took possession of
the

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the Honorable Company's Garden which is at Mun-
=jacoppam and Concerted measures to surrender.
Dewanampatam, He fought well under the Com-
=mand of Mr. Killad and was wounded in his
left hand, but his Eldest Brother Badurdeen
Subidar was Mortally wounded in that bloody
Battle.

That he was at the seige of Pondicherry
under the Command of Major Goodere and Mr. Boscaw-
=en

That he fought against Chundasaib's
troops at Trichinopoly under the Command of Mr.
Lyngeer.

That in 1749 he was in the surrender
=ing of Arcot under the Command of Mr. Killad.

That in the year 1754 he was embarked
for Bengal, and fought against the Troops of the late
Nabob Sujat Dowlah.

That in the year 1758 he fought against
Monst. Lally's Detachment.

That he was in the Battle of Conjeburam,
under.

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under the Command of Colonel Draper and Major Preston.—

That he was in the bloody fight of Vindavash, under the Command of Colonel Coote, and Major Preston.—

That he was at the seige of Pondicherry under the Command of Colonel Coote.—

That he was present when Pondicherry Fort was broken, and the stones thereof carried to Madras to build a Citadel.—

That he was at the Capture of Madura Fort, and fought against Mahomed Yusuf Khan's Troops for the space of 18 Months, under the Command of Major ..... Preston and Colonel Campbell, that when Mahomed Yusuf Khan was taken prisoner he was placed under his Guard and was executed.—

That he was wounded in his Forehead by an Arrow when the English proceeded to the Northward against Basalutsing.—

That he fought against Hyder Ally Khan's and Nizam ally Khans Troops at Changam, and—

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and Mudubagal, under the Command of General Smith.—

That he was wounded in his Thigh by a musquet Ball in the Battle of Kistnaghery, and that his son Shaik Loosen Jemidar, was mortally wounded in that Battle.—

That he was at the Seiges of Ramnad, Calliyacoil, Sivagree, Vellum, and Tanjour under the Command of General Smith.—

That he was at the reduction of Pondi-cherry in Monsr. Bilcoits Time, under the Command of General Munro.—

That he was in the Battle of Tackolam, Persombackam, under the Command of Colonel Baily—

That he was plundered of all of his Cloths &ca when Colonel Bailys' Army was irrecoverably lost, and went to Madras very Miserably, and there the Gentlemen ordered him to go to Tanjore with Captain Maxwell, to form the 1st. Battalion Complete.—

That he fought against Hyder allys' Troops at Tirucattipally in the Tanjore District, under

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under the Command of Colonel Brathwait --

That he was in the Battle of Pattucottah, Mahadevy pattam, Alangoody, and Sawcottah under the Command of Colonel Brathwait and Colonel Nixon -

That he was in the bloody fight of Arnee-vacrootchee and Carroor under the Command of General Lang --

That he was at the Seiges of Dindigull, Erodey, Daraburam Coimbatore and Palayacaud under the Command of Colonel Fullerton --

That he was in the Battle of Sivagry, Sait-tore, Panjalamcrotchey, and Coambay, under the Com-mand of Colonel Fullerton --

That he lost his Brothers, Cousins and Brotherinlaws, (Consisting 24 in Number) in the above Stated Battles --

In Short, he held the Rank of Havildar about 12 years, and Jemidar 7 years, Subidar 15 years and Commandant 5 years - in which Ranks he endeavoured to act Conformably to his duty both in Garrison and in the Field, and gained the Will and Approbation of his

Superior

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Superior Officers.—

He served the Honorable Company actively and deligently for the Space of 39 years untill being worn out with age and length of service, was placed on the Invalid Establishment—In which he served about 20 years, and died on the 5th October 1807. leaving a large Family (consisting Ten in Number) in a State of Distress— Viz.t my deceased sons Wife, and her 3 Children; my Eldest Daughter and her 3 Children; my youngest Daughter, her Husband and her son; my deceased Husband's youn: ger sister and her two Children; my youngest sister, and two Boys that were purchased by my deceased Husband—This Large family were maintained by the allowance of my deceased Husband;—But after his Death his allowance ceased—He said on his Death bed, that he had faithfully served the Honorable Company about 60 years; and that if I would make my application to them, that they would be kindly pleased in Consideration of his long service, to have Commiseration upon his Family, and condescend to bestow on them a Monthly Donation for their support

which

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which prompted me to address these few lines to your Honor, begging that your Goodness will be pleased to Communicate my deplorable State to Government, or to the Adjutant General of the Army for the Information of His Excellency the Commander in Chief in order to obtain a Monthly Benefaction to the Help and support of my large family.—

Which Act of Humanity and Kindness would Exist your humble Representator ever to Pray for your Honors Health and Prosperity

This is to certify to the best of my Knowledge the Widow and fifteen of the family of the late Commandant, are still remaining and apparently in the state above described.—

/signed/ Gn. Wahab.

Tanjore
19th July 1808.

Coll. Comg Tanjore

Resolutions and Orders thereon.—

Resolved in Consideration of the peculiar circumstances of the case, and as the institution of the Military Fund appears to provide a sufficient security against any future application for a similar indulgence, that a Pension of Pagodas 5 (Five) per-

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per Month be granted to the Widow of the late Lieutenant A. Hughs, subject, as in all cases, to the Approbation of the Honorable Court of Directors.—

Resolved that Captain Pollock be permitted to draw the allowances of Commanding Officer of the Cadet Company until the date on which his resignation of that Command was published in General Orders.—

Resolved that the Commanding Officers of the Native Corps belonging to the Subsidiary Force of Hydrabad be relieved from the retrenchments which they have incurred in consequence of the delay which has taken place in Communicating to them the Resolution of the Board for the discharge of the Supernumerary Sepoys serving with those Corps.—

Ordered that the Petition, submitted with the foregoing letter from the Widow of the late Commandant Sultan Sahib be sent in circulation.—

Ordered that the Military Auditor General be desired to state his opinion respecting the

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the allowances which should be drawn by the Medical Officer mentioned in the foregoing letter during his temporary transfer from a Regt. of Cavalry to a Battalion of Infantry.

George Buchan Esqre

Chief Secretary to Government.

Sir,

Fort St. George.

From the same Submits a report from the Quarter Master General relative to the expediency of employing the Body Corps in the Post Office Department & states that Lieutenant Watson's appointment to pay the family certificates of the Field Detachment from the Force at Hyderabad has not taken effect & recommends that he be appointed to pay the family certificates of the detachment in Berar. Submits proceedings of the Medical Board.

His Excellency the Commander in Chief directs me to request that you will be pleased to lay the accompanying report and plan for employing the publick Dooly Bearers, which has been drawn up by the Quarter Master General of the Army, before the Honorable the Governor in Council.

The Order by Government of the 24th of May last appointing Lieutenant Watson the Paymaster of the family certificates at the station of Secunderabad during the Paymasters absence in the Field has not taken Effect as Captain Morison has never quitted the station, but as Lieutenant Colonel Montresor conceives such an appointment to be highly necessary for the payment of the families of the five Corps stationed in Berar, His Excellency

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begs that the subject may again be brought to the notice of the Honorable the Governor in Council, and that the Order of the 24th of May be modified by nominating Lieutenant Watson to pay the families of the Corps detached from the Head Quarters of the Hydrabad Subsidiary Force if such a permanent appointment, should to the Honorable the Governor in Council appear to be requisite.-

The accompanying letter from the Officer Commanding Bangalore is forwarded for the perusal of the Honorable the Governor in Council.-

The Military Auditor General having called on the Commanding Officer, for the sanction of the Military Board to certain charges in the Barrack Department, and the Military Board having disclaimed any Authority to interfere with the Military Auditor General's retrenchments, the Commander in Chief finds himself Compelled to refer the subject to the decision of the Honorable the Governor in Council.-

The Commander in Chief requests that the Medical Board proceedings on the 11th Instant, which are-

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are herewith enclosed, may be laid before the Honorable the Governor in Council.—

Head Quarters
July 16th 1808.

I have the honor to be &c. &c.
(signed) Wm. Macpherson
Mily Secy.—

Report from the Quarter Master General.

The employment of the dooly Bearers in the Post Office department will be entirely practicable and will not interfere with the primary objects of the maintainance of that Establishment. When the destribution of the Dooly Corps which has for some time been in contemplation shall take place, detachments from it will be fixed at the stations of the disposeable forces for the purpose of providing for the promptitude of their Movements; but all these Stations are situated on the principal Roads passed by travellers, and the Dooly Bearers may be occasionally posted on these Roads without withdrawing them to any considerable distance from their Stations, or rendering them unavailable for Military purposes.— According to the Report from the Quarter Master General on the subject of the Carriage for.

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for the sick of the Army nearly the following destribu-
-tion of the Dooly Corps will take place when
the question relative to the permanency of that
establishment shall be determined.-

	Bearers
# Fort St. George	300
Arcot	80
Bangalore	230
Seringapatam	50
Cannanore	50
Ceded districts	102
Hydrabad	508
Trichinopoly	102
Travancore Subsidiary force	150
Masulipatam	50
Total #	1,622

Note.- This number includes the Bearers assigned
to the Mount and Wallajahbad.-

This Total includes 1,300 Men, the reduced esta-
-blishment of the Dooly Corps, and 300 permanently
hired Bearers attached to the Hydrabad Subsidiary
force.-

The.

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The Bearers at these stations can be detached without inconvenience for the occasional conveyance of travellers, and their employment in this manner will materially abridge the expences of the dooly establishment. If the Government should approve of this arrangement it will be proper that the post Master General should apprize the Quarter Master General of all demands for the services of Bearers on the routes on which they are stationed; and the necessary instructions will be immediately expedited to the Officers in charge of the Bearers. This arrangement will render the Bearers equally disposeable for Military purposes, and for the Carriage of travellers.

It appears to be inexpedient to post the Bearers permanently on roads Remote from the Stations of the troops for the purpose of being exclusively employed in the Post Office department. That measure would withdraw them from the service of the troops; &c. and there will not be a sufficient demand for their employment in conveying travellers to defray the expences of their maintainance. The periodical reliefs of the

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the troops will occupy the services of the dooly Bearers for some Months each year; and this circumstance furnishes an additional argument against posting the Bearers permanently on roads distant from the troops. Indeed the Periodical reliefs of the troops also furnishes an argument of some force for the maintainance of the Dooly Corps, as those reliefs cannot be effected if that corps should be abolished without a much greater amount of expence than that which has been estimated.—

Quarter Master Genl's Office
Fort St. George 12th July 1808

/signed/ J. Munro
Dr Mr Genl.

/approved/

/signed/ Hay Macdowall

To the Military Secretary
To His Excellency the Commander in Chief

Sir,

The papers which I have the honor to forward were transmitted by me to the Military Board with a view of procuring through that channel a Confirmation

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Confirmation of the charges made by the Barrack Master of the Division for Lamps furnished in the Garrison and Cantonment of Bangalore, and which had been retrenched by the Military Auditor General.

The Secretary to the Military Board having returned the Papers stating the Board to be incompetent to interfere with the decision of the Military Auditor General, I request you will lay them before His Excellency the Commander in Chief who will I trust recommend that the Barrack Master may be exonerated for the charges, and also that the same establishment of lamps may be continued as they have been found to be absolutely requisite at the Stations expressed in the Indent.

Bangalore
11th July 1808.

/signed/ C. Rumley
Bangalore.

To the Barrack Master

Mysore

Sir,

Please to Order the undermentioned Guards to be supplied with the usual proportion of Lamp Oil.

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oil.-

№ Two Lamps of the Main Guard in the Cantonment
at Chore-
2 Two Do. of the necessaries in the Do. Do.
3 One Do in charge of the Barrack stores Do. Do.
4 Do. Do. at the arrack Godown Do. at Do.
5 Do. Do. at Do. Do. Do. at Bangalore Fort-
6 Do. Do. in charge of the Barrack stores a. Do. Do. -
7 Do Do. on the North Face.-

/signed/ Wm. Kutzleben
Fort Adjt.

Bangalore
1st December 1807

I do hereby certify that the above mentioned Nine Guards are not supplied with the usual allowance of oil and are thereby subjected to much inconvenience.-

/signed/ J. Gibbs
Lieut Col Comg.

(true Copy)
/signed/ M. Wilks
Barrack master

true Copy
/signed/ Wm. Kutzleben.
Fort Adjt.

Bangalore
Major M. Wilks Barrack Master charges 98 1/8
seers of lamp Oil for 17 Guard house lamps at 1 1/4 ea
per day for December 1807. - Pagodas 16-20-10.
Admitted 58 1/8 seers of lamp oil for 10 Guard House
Lamps as in preceding Month. . . . 9-28-70-

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and the difference being the charge for Oil for 7 additional Lamps is retrenched until authorized by the Military Board as directed by the Barrack Regulations published in G:O:20th June 1807 vide article 2d Para 2d. 6:33:20

Ditto -- Ditto draws 23¼ seers of lamp Oil for 4 necessary Lamps as at 1½ each p.r day for December ..... Pag.s 3. 36. 60.

Admitted 11½ seers of lamp oil for 2 Necessary lamps as in preceding month 1:39:30

and the difference is retrenched vide preceding remark ..... 1. 39. 30.

true Copy

/signed/ M Wilks.

Barrack master -

/signed/ W. Kutzleben

Fort Adjt

To the Officer Commanding at Bangalore -

Sir

I am directed to return to you the accompanying papers -

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papers which were forwarded with your letter of the 13th Ultimo, and to inform you that the Military Board are not Competent to interfere with the retrenchments made by the Military Auditor General, against which you have appealed

/signed/ A. Stock
Dy. S. M. G.

Fort St. George
4th July 1808.

Minute & Order thereon.

As the Board are in expectation of receiving through the channel of the Military Board a further report from the Quarter Master General of the Army respecting the Dooly Corps, they postpone for the present the Consideration of that Officers' Report submitted with the foregoing letter.-

Ordered that the Military Auditor General be desired to submit his opinion respecting the expediency of appointing an Officer to pay the family Certificates of the Detachment serving in Berar as suggested by the Commanding Officer of the Subsidiary Force of Hydrabad.

Ordered that the representation from the Commanding Officer of Bangalore regarding certain

Charges

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charges incurred in the Barrack Department be referred
the Military Board for Consideration and report.

George Buchan Esqre

Chief Secretary to Government

Sir,

From the Commander in Chiefs Military secretary — requesting that Lieutenant Gordon of the Bombay Establishment doing duty with the Nizams Troops may receive his Pay and allowances at this Presidency. —

Lieutenant Edward Gordon of His Majes
Regiment on the Bombay Establishment is at present with the
of the Commander in Chief at Bombay, and the Resid
Hydrabad permitted to do duty with the Troops of
Highness the Nizam. —

Lieutenant Gordon is desirous to be allow
draw his Regimental pay and allowances at Ma
and as His Excellency the Commander in Chief has
objection to his request being Complied with, he has
-ted me to Beg that the necessary permission may be g
by the Honorable the Governor in Council. —

Head Quarters
18th July 1808.

I have the honor to be &c &c
/signed/ W. Macpherson
Mily. S

Resolution thereon

Resolved that Lieutenant Gordon of
Bombay Establishment be permitted to draw his Pa
allowances from the Paymaster at the Presidency
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employed on duty with the Troops of His Highness the
Soubahdar of the Deccan.-

George Buchan Esqre

Chief Secretary to Government.

Fort St. George

Sir,

From the Military Secretary to the Commander in Chief - Enclosed Copy of a letter from the Resident at Poona recommending that an Officer be sent to Poona for the purpose of purchasing Horses for the Cavalry and suggests that the proposal may be adopted with a view to furnish Horses for the 9th Native Regiment - Recommend that Ensign Lord be admitted on the Establishment from the date of his resignation of His Majesty's Service.-

His Excellency the Commander in Chief - requests you will be pleased to lay the enclosed Copy of a letter from Colonel Close before the Honorable the Governor in Council in order that advantage may be taken of the information it affords, should there be occasion for todoing in providing Horses for the 9th Regiment of Native Cavalry.-

The Commander in Chief has the honor to submit a letter from Ensign Lord requesting that he may be Considered as belonging to this Establishment from the day he resigned his commission in His Majesty's 65th Regiment.-

The Commander in Chief recommends a Compliance with Ensign Lords' request in as far as it is not Contrary to the pay regulations under this Presidency.-

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

/signed/ W. Macpherson
Mily Secy.

Head Quarters
29th July 1808.

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Captain William Macpherson

Military Secretary

Sir,

Although in addressing you formerly on the present subject, I expressed my apprehension that Horses fit for the Native Cavalry could not be purchased in this Vicinity in any number at a reasonable rate I judged it proper to Continue my inquiries on the point, and having now become acquainted with a Maherahta Gentleman, who communicates with several Silladar Jemadars in the Kistna, and has Shewn to me a few horses which I think would answer for our Cavalry, and might be purchased at the rate of 500 Rupees each. I would propose to His Excellency the Commander in Chief, if horses be still wanted by Government that a Cavalry Officer should be appointed to purchase horses for the Cavalry at this station and its vicinity the largest price allowed to be that above specified.-

Poona
8th July 1808.

/A true Copy/
/signed/ B.J Close
Resident at Poona
/signed/ W. Macpherson
Mily Secy -

To

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To the Military Secretary

to His Excellency Lieutenant General Hay Macdowall.

Commander in Chief &c &c &c

Sir,

I request you will have the goodness to state to His Excellency the Commander in Chief, that on the 11th of last March, I sent in my resignation of my Lieutenancy in His Majestys 65th Regiment, and in Compliance to the Orders of the Honorable the Court of Directors got permission of the Bombay Government to come here for the purpose of taking up my Appointment on this Establishment — that from that date, I ceased drawing Pay for His Majestys 65th Regiment, and as I had not the means of Carrying the Orders of the Honorable Court into execution, without incurring a heavy debt, I trust His Excellency will be pleased to recommend it to Government that I should be brought on the Pay of this Establishment from that date. —

This request I hope will appear to His Excellency both proper and just, as I acted strictly in Conformity to the Orders of the Honorable the Court

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of Directors and altho' not here, was at the time within the limits of their Territories.-

As a Considerable time has elapsed since the date of my resignation it may proper to mention, that the delay was not owing to any neglect of mine having set out for this place the day following that on which I gave in my resignation.-

I have also to beg that my application may be Considered with all Convenient dispatch, as I am informed by Major Boles that I may expect in a day or two to be ordered to do duty with some Corps and have not at present the means of preparing myself for it.-

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

/signed/ C.O. Lord

Ensign on the Estl. of Fort St. George -

Madras
July 15th 1808.

Minute & Resolution thereon

The Board having Considered the suggestion of the Resident at Poona, respecting the purchase of horses for the 9th Regiment of Native Cavalry are of opinion that it will not be expedient to adopt it; as the

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the horses required for the new Regiment will be purcha-
-sed under the Authority of the Government at Bombay.-

Resolved that Ensign Lord be considered
to have been admitted on this Establishment from the date
of his resignation of the Commission which he held in
His Majestys service.-

To the Chief Secretary of Government.

Fort St. George

Sir,

From the Adjutant General.- encloses an application from Captain Keary of the Invalids for leave to proceed to Europe on Furlough.

His Excellency the Commander in Chief
has directed me to request that you will submit to
the Honorable the Governor in Council the accompany-
-ing Application from Captain Keary of Invalids for
permission to proceed to Europe on Furlough which Lieu-
-tenant General Macdowall recommends to be granted.-

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

Head Quarters

Tanjore 19th July 1808.

/signed/ F. Clapper.

adjt. Genl. of the Army.

To the Honorable

Sir George Hilaro Barlow Bart. and K B

Honorable Sir,

Private Affairs as well as public Duty
with

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with Mr. Hawkins, formerly Paymaster of Trichinopoly, now in England, and for whom with the approbation of Govern-ment, I acted for, about two years and a half, previous to his Resignation, and having been left by him, with the sanction of the Right Honorable Lord William Cavendish Bentinck, then Governor of Fort St. George, to endeavour, to adjust, Ten years Accounts with the diffe-rent Officers at the Presidency, connected with his Department, in which endeavour, I used my utmost efforts, without success, I therefore, find it absolutely necessary, in support of my character, to lay personally before Mr. Hawkins, a Narrative of my Exertions, which will enable him, to substitute some other person, if he does not return to India, to bring those Volumi-nous Accounts, to a final Audit, and which, I suppose Government most ardently wish, this circumstance, joined with my Private Affairs, requiries my presence in Europe.-

I have therefore to solicit the favorable indulgence of the Honorable Governor in Council, for a Furlough to England, by the ships, that may sail

on

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in October next.-

I have the honor to be &c &c

Tanjore
17th July 1808.

(signed) P. H. Keay.
Captn Invalids

Resolution thereon

Resolved that Captain Keay of the Invalid
Establishment be permitted to proceed to Europe.-

To the Chief Secretary to Government

Fort St. George

Sir,

From the Assistant Adjutant General - Recommending the promotion of Cadets.

I am directed by His Excellency the -
Commander in Chief to request that you will submit
to the Honorable the Governor in Council his recommen-
-dation that the following Gentlemen Cadets may be
promoted to Commissions, for which the Officer superin-
-tending the Cadet Institution has reported them qua-
-lified.-

Mr. Frederick Larkins Doveton as -
Cornet of Cavalry date of Rank 8th April 1808.-

Mr. Horatio Buckworth
" William Mills Blake
" Thos. Wakefield.

Alex.

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Messrs. Alexr. Edwards Spicer.
" Richard Vernon
" Alexr. L. Grieve
" Saml. Yates
" Samuel Hodder
" John Polglase James.
" Harry Green
" Wm. Macpherson
" Francis Pringle
" George Dodwell.
" George Heath
" George Stott
" James Roy
" Benj.n Robertson Hitchins
" Samuel Haggard
" Lewis Wentworth Watson
" Samuel Hughes
" Nathaniel L. Austin
" William John Jackson
" William Ainslie
" William Macleod.

Richard

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Messrs. Richard Allen

" John Addison

" Alexr. McClelland

" Samuel Smithson

as Ensigns of Infantry, date of rank 3d. July 1807. and

Messrs. Henry Moberly

" James Scott

As Ensigns of Infantry date of rank to be settled hereafter.

Adjutant General's Office
Fort St. George 22d. July 1808.

/signed/ J. McDonall.
Aft. adjt. Genl.

Order thereon

Ordered that the promotions recommended in the foregoing letter be directed to take place.

Read the following letter from the Quarter Master General of the Army.

To the Chief Secretary of Government.

Sir,

From the Quarter Master General — Recommending eventually the Construction of a Barrack for the Horse Artillery at Secunderabad.

I have the honor to transmit to you by desire of His Excellency the Commander in Chief an Extract of a Letter from the Officer Commanding the subsidiary force relative to the means of Accommodating the detachment of Horse Artillery stationed at Secunderabad.

As

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As there are no buildings at Secunderabad that can be appropriated to this purpose, His Excellency would recommend, if the Horse Artillery should be permanently attached to the subsidiary force, that a substantial Barrack may be erected for their reception, and that Colonel Montresor may be directed in the meantime to employ the Public establishments at Secunderabad in constructing a temporary building for the protection of the Horse Artillery from the inclemency of the Monsoon.-

Quarter Master Genl. Office
Fort St. George 2d July 1808.

I have the honor to be &c &c
(signed) J. Munro.
Dy. M. Gl.

Extract of a Letter from the Officer Commanding the Hydrabad subsidiary force to the Quarter Master General of the Army.-

'The detachment of the squadron of
'Horse Artillery which arrived at Secunderabad on
'the 17th Instant, I have directed the Officer Comman-
"ding there to encamp for the present upon the race-
"Course near the Hussain Saugur Tank, but in the

event-

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"event of their remaining at Secondera bad, I shall be
"at a loss how to shelter them from the inclemency of
"the weather during the Monsoon."-

"The Barracks belonging to the -
"Corps of Infantry at present with the detachment under
"Lieutenant Colonel Doveton are not Calculated for
"the reception of this detachment from their situation on
"the general parade, there being no ground near them
"to picket the horses upon without enterfering with the -
"parade - The lines of the 8th Regiment of Cavalry are -
"those most suited for the detachment, but I have not -
"deemed it proper to order it there, as quartering Ewio -
"peans in the lines occupied by their families, would
"undoubtedly create uneasiness and alarm in the minds
"of the men of the Absent Regiment."

"May I therefore request you will
"have the goodness to inform me how this detachment
"is to be disposed of, whether a temporary shed be -
"built for it during the Monsoon, or it remain encamp-
"ed as at present until an Arrangement is made for -
"building permanent Barracks."

A true Extract.
(signed) J. Munro.
Dy G.

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To lie on the table.

Ordered to lie on the Table.-

Read the following letter from the
Second Member of the Medical Board.-

To the Honorable

Sir, George H. Barlow Bart. K.B

Governor in Council

Fort St. George.

From the 2d. Member of the Medical Board.- submits a minute which he has recorded at that Board on the subject of a proposed exchange of appointments between Mr. Part Garrison Surgeon at Trichinopoly and Mr. Jones Gillah Surgeon at Cambaconum, and recommending Mr. Gilmour for Trichinopoly and Mr. Part for Combaconum.-

Honorable Sir,

Having been from indisposition, unable to attend at the Meeting of the Medical Board to day; which I intimated "officially" by a note to their Secretary - and having occasion to offer my sentiments to the Physician General and third Member, relative to the Medical duties of Trichinopoly and Combaconum, which had been brought to the notice of the Board, by a proposed exchange of Appointments, between the Surgeons of these two Stations, I was induced to address them in writing, to that effect.-

It appearing however that it was not the pleasure of the Physician General and third Member, either to adopt my sentiments as their proceedings, or to hand them -

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them up to Government, as a Minute from Myself;
with such observations as they might deem proper.
to accompany them, agreeably to my request, — Insen-
sible myself under the disagreeable necessity, of here-
with forwarding them direct, for the Consideration
of your Honor in Council. —

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

/signed/ Terence Gahagan

M. D. & 2d. Member Med. Bd.

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Minute of the Second Member
Medical Board
11th July 1808.

The 2d Member would
beg leave to call the recollection
of the President and 3d. Member of
the Medical Board, to the Letters
from the superintending Surgeon
of the Southern Division, and
Garrison Surgeon of Trichinopoly,
both dated the 24th Ultimo, which
were read at their Meeting on
Monday

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Monday the 4th Instant. - and of which
he now takes the liberty to submit Copies.

The 2d Member altho' he fully
acquiesced in the Motives, which
induced the Board to decline recom-
-mending the proposed exchange of situa-
-tions, between the Garrison Surgeon of
Trichinopoly, and the Zillah Surgeon of
Combaconeum, Considers it only a just
attention to the Acknowledged merits
and professional services, of Mr. Surgeon
Tait, as well as to the "public service",
that he should not be compelled to Continue,
in the exercise and responsibility of
any Official trust, which from an impai-
-red state of health, he deems himself
unequal to - and particularly one, -
which is now likely to become much
more arduous, by the Medical duties
of the Appeal, and Zillah Courts
at Trichinopoly, being added to those
which.

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which, he has already formally avowed to be too fatiguing for him - and in which he is so fully supported by his respective Superintending Surgeon.

By the Accompanying - Copies of Letters, as well as by other documents, which have lately been before the Medical Board, it may fairly be presumed, that Mr. Surgeon John Jones, is desirous of relinquishing his present Appointment - An Appointment which, when recommended, it may be in the recollection of the Board, did not meet with the approbation of Government, as appears by the subjoined copy of Resolution, of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, dated the 1st May 1807 -

"Resolved, that in selecting "Medical Officers for the Zillah "Courts, it will generally be proper for those

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"those Surgeons to be preferred, who may
"have established a claim, to appoint=
"=ments of that nature, by length of service
"In this respect, the Governor in Council
"is of opinion, that the present recommen=
"=dation by the Medical Board, of Mr.
"Surgeon Jones, and Mr. Surgeon Smith,
"is not unobjectionable, — Ordered however,
"that the Appointment of these Gentlemen
"as recommended by the Medical Board
"be directed to take place. — But it is ex=
"=pected, that the recommendations of
"that Board, will in future be regulated
"by the principle above stated." —

From these Considerations it would appear, that the Medical Board is now called upon, to fill two situations in their Department Viz.t the Garrison of Trichinopoly and the Zillah of Combaco=
=num, the duties of which, circumstances would lead them to think, are at

present

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present not suitably provided for —

For the Garrison of Tricking=

=poly, which may justly be conside=

=red one of the most important —

Military Stations, under this Presi=

=dency, the 2d Member is of opinion,

that much regard is due, to the —

claims of seniority and approved

services. —

In this respect, Mr Surgeon

Gilmour, stands in a very favorable

point of view, having by his profes=

=sional Skill, and Zeal, in the —

Course of a series of Arduous and

perilious services, against the —

Marhattas, been selected by —

Major General the Honorable

Sir Arthur Wellesley, to be Staff Sur=

=geon to the Division of the Army

which he then Commanded in

the Dekkan — and having by

his

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his further approved Conduct, been subsequently advanced to a superinten-ding Surgeoncy in the Province of Malabar, which situation he held until Govern-ment deemed it expedient to reduce the Medical Establishments on that Coast— and by which the 2d Member begs leave to remind the Board he has ever since been out of employ— For the Zillah of Combaconam the highly approved Character of Mr. Surgeon Tait, together with his laborious services for so long a period of years, in which his Constitution seems to have suffered, would give him a just claim on the principle laid down in the aforecited Resolutions of Government.—

The 2d Member would therefore move, that the Board recom-mend to Government, that Mr. Surgeon Gilmour be Appointed to the Garrison of

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of Trichinopoly, and judicial Courts of that Station — that Mr. Surgeon Pait be appointed to the Zillah of Combaconum — and that Mr. Surgeon John Jones, be appointed to one of the several Regiments of Cavalry or Native Infantry, at present Vacant.—

Should these sentiments fully accord with those of the other Members, they are requested to adopt them, as their Proceedings of this day — If not, the 2d. Member begs, that they may be forwarded as a Minute from himself to Government, with such opinions, as the Medical Board may think proper to accompany them.—

/signed/ Terence Gahagan
M.D. & 2d. Member
Medical Board —

To

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To James Anderson Esqre. P. Sy. Dna. and
Members of the Medical Board -

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to transmit you - under cover, a letter from Mr. Surgeon Tait, Garrison Surgeon, and Medical Storekeeper at this Station - in which, on the plea of ill health, he states his having proposed to Mr. Surgeon Jones, of the Zillah of Combaconum, an exchange of situations; and that he is - Authorized in saying that Mr. Jones will have no - objection to such an arrangement. - Sensible that every - Member of your Board, must be well acquainted with the nature, and extent of Mr. Taits services, it would be - superfluous in me, to enter into any detail of them. -

Yet, I feel it incumbent upon me to give my personal testimony, in support of the truth of Mr. Taits report, respecting the state of his health, - and the length, zeal, and activity, of his professional - services. -

I would therefore hope, and strongly - recommend to your Board, an early attention, and Compliance with

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with his request.-

Trichinapoly

24th June 1808.

I have the honor to be &c &c

/signed/ Alexr. Watson M.D

S. Surgeon & Division

/True Copy/

/signed/ W. Horsman

Secy. Medl. Board

To Dr. James Anderson P.L. President.

and Members of the Medical Board

Fort St. George.

Gentlemen,

The general state of my health, having lately been such, as to render the duties of my station here, rather more fatiguing than I can easily perform, I have in consequence, been induced to propose to Mr. Jones, Surgeon to the Zillah of Combaconum, an exchange of situations, and am authorized to say, that that Gentleman, will have no objection to such an Arrangement.-

I therefore humbly, and most earnestly request, the favor of the Board, to recommend the exchange to be made; and I trust, that Government will have no hesitation in granting this indulgence,

when

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when informed, that my services in this Country, have been active, laborious, and unremitting, during a period of upwards of Eighteen years.

I have the honor to be &c &c

Trichinopoly
24th June 1808.

/signed/ W. Tait
Garrison Surgeon Trichy.

/True Copy/
/signed/ Th. Hardman.
Secy Med. Board

Read the following Proceedings of the Medical Board.

Medical Board.
July 14th 1808.

Proceedings of the Medical Board state that Mr. Tait's application has been returned at his own request, & object to the proposed removal of Mr. Jones. Further Minute of the 2d Member.—

The 2d Member having officially informed the Medical Board of his having thought it proper to forward direct to Government, a Minute from himself, dated the 11th Instant, which the Board did not think they would be warranted in troubling Government with, as the Application of Mr. Tait, on which it is founded—

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founded had been returned, and
as the purport of the 2d Member's
proposal, is to do an act of Injustice
to Mr. Jones, unprecedented, they —
believe in the service — The Medi-
-cal Board feel themselves reluctant-
-ly obliged, to state a few circumstances,
to obviate the tendency of such a —
Procedure. —

The 2d Member dwells much
on the distress Mr. Tait will suffer -
by being forced as it were, to Continue -
performing the duties of Trichinopoly
— Doctor Gahagan cannot be unacquain-
-ted with Mr. Taits character, or not
know that no Medical Duties will
ever be neglected by him, or that he
would Continue to act, if he could
not do justice to all. -

The Medical Board can
with truth assure Government, that
Mr.

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Mr. Lait acts too conscientiously to con
himself otherways, and that no possibl
detriment can occur to the service, by
waiting at least for a second applic
from him.-

The claims of such a ma
merit attention— his application ha
been returned, he will have made u
his mind to remain, and the cooln
of the climates of Trichinopoly, by the
filling of the River Cauvery will, th
Board believe, enable him to perfor
his duty, as he has hitherto done, to th
satisfaction of all concerned.-

Mr. Jones the Individual
who is to suffer by the 2d Member's
proposal, has only acceded to Mr. L
request, and offer of a superior Statio
in the exchange; is he for this to be
turned out of his present station, and
posted to another without any reg
to his wishing for it, or not- it is certain
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not usual to treat in this manner applica-
-tions for exchange of stations.—

When the exchange was discussed
by the Medical Board, this proposal was
made, and the point was argued, and it
appeared such improper treatment of
any Medical Officer in the service, that
it was a principal Cause of the Papers
being directed to be returned.—

It has fallen to the lot of
Mr. Jones Surgeon, to have been greatly
useful to his Country, this has been fully
stated to the Honorable the Court of
Directors, in a Memorial transmitted
through the Board signed by him and
Mr. Deane, the 2d. Member is therefore
well acquainted with all the circum-
-stances — but as the value of such services,
do not appear to have made a perma-
-nent impression, the Medical Board
beg.

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beg leave to insert, the Extracts of what was stated by them, on recommending Mr. Jones for a Zillah; and on forwarding the Memorial mentioned; and they hope they will be further excused, in giving the following Extract, from a Private Letter from Vellore, soon after the unfortunate Mutiny to shew how Mr. Jones and Mr. Deane's services, were estimated by the sufferers there.— "to him "(Mr. Deane) and Mr. Jones, are we in a "great measure indebted for our Lives, for they "were the only two Officers, with the party of "the men of the 69th that kept the Gateway "until the Arrival of the Dragoons, which "if they had not, the Dragoons could not "have approached the Gate."—

Extract from the Proceedings of the Medical Board, Dated 20th April 1807—

"Azillah Surgeon being in Conse-
quence wanted for Manargoody, to which Mr.
Gavan

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"Gavin Trotter was lately appointed,
"the Medical Board beg leave to recom-
"mend Mr. John Jones surgeon, with
"His Excellency the Commander in
"Chief's permission, for Manargoody — and
"also for Combaconum, as the distance is
"not great, and Mr. Jones can perform the
"Duties of both Stations." —

"The Medical Board are under-
"ed to recommend Mr. John Jones, for
"these stations, from the Conspicuous
"manner in which, he conducted himself
"at Vellore — and on account of the
"strong impression, then made on his
"mind, and not yet eradicated; by —
"which his duty with Native Troops,
"is not now performed, with so much
"satisfaction as formerly." —

Extract from the Proceedings of the
Medical Board, dated 15th February 1808.

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"The Medical Board have the
"honor to forward to Government, a joint
"address from Mr. John Jones Surgeon, and
"Mr. J. Deane Assistant Surgeon, to the
"Honorable the Court of Directors, which
"they have requested may be forwarded
"by the ships now under Dispatch."

"The purport of the address is to
"shew the services, they were enabled to
"perform, on the Melancholy occasion of
"the Mutiny at Vellore, and which
"these Gentlemen have been induced
"to state from their not having been
"included in the thanks and reward
"given by the Honorable Court, to all
"those whose conduct, was conspicuous
"on that occasion."

"As the behaviour of Mr. Jones
"and Mr. Dean, from every report, was
"much to their credit and highly useful
in

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"in the preservation of the Fort, till Assis-
"-tance arrived, and as their not having
"been noticed by the Honorable Court,
"may have been an unintentional omission,
"the Medical Board beg leave to recom-
"-mend their Memorial, to the favorable
"Notice of Government; and they are indu-
"-ced to do this, from Considering public
"thanks, to be the best incitements to men,
"to step out of the Line of their duty, in
"a Gallant manner - and which must
"plead the Boards apology, for speaking
"thus on Military subjects."

The Medical Board have
deemed these Extracts necessary, to shew
the claim of merit, or at least of reward,
on which Mr. Jones was appointed
to a Zillah, for the purport of the
Resolutions of Government, quoted by the
2d Member, is to state that Mr. Jones

and,

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and Mr. Smith were appointed on the score of public merit; and that it was the wish of Government at that time, to discour=age applications for Zillahs, unless under such circumstances, as too great an anxiety was supposed to exist Among Military Surgeons, to obtain these appointments.-

The Medical Board trust they have said sufficient to show that Mr. Jones has a right to expect the countenance and support of Government, until by some specific Complaint established, he forfeits it, and that it would be injustice, or a bad return to appoint Mr. Jones to a Military Corps, when he has neither asked for it, nor probably wishes it.-

The Medical Board do not consider it necessary to speak of Mr. Gil=mour, or his claims, till a vacancy for him comes to be recommended.-

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The 2d Member requests permission, to offer his sentiments seperately, on the above subjects, in the subjoined short Minute.-

/signed/ Jas Anderson
Physician General.

" Terence Gahagan M.D
& 2d Member Med. Board.

" Andrew Berry.
3d Member Med. Board.

Minute of the 2d Member.
14th July 1808.-

As it already appears that the 2d Member was denied, by the President and 3d Member of the Medical Board, the regular channel of Communication with Government, and that he was thereby Compelled to take the liberty of forwarding, his Minute of the 11th Instant direct, he will forbear troubling

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troubling the Honorable the Governor-
in Council, further on that subject.-

The 2d. Member cannot help
however, expressing his concern that in the
execution of his trust, according to the best
of his judgement, he should find his
Motives liable to be harshly construed
into acts of Injustice, towards any Indivi-
-dual- every intention of that sort he
must solemnly disclaim, having been
altogether guided, by the documents
Officially laid before him, as a Member of
the Board to which he belongs; and
by a sense of public duty in recommen-
-ding Medical Officers to fill those si-
Stations, who from their Professional Talents,
experience, and time of life, he considered
might be most properly called upon,
for the benefit of the public service,
in which they are engaged; and in
pursuing

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pursuing those principles, the 2d Member submissively hopes, for the support of Government.-

/signed/ Terence Gahagan M D
2d Member Medical Board

Ordered that the following letter be dispatched.-

To the President and Members of the Medical Board

Gentlemen,

Para/ I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your Proceedings dated the 14th Instant.-

2 As it appears that the Application of Mr Tait on the subject of an exchange with Mr Jones from the Station of Garrison Surgeon at Trichinopoly to that of Pillah Surgeon at Combaconum, has been withdrawn, the Governor in Council will not now pres the measure of placing Mr Tait at Combaconum and of removing Mr Jones from thence, but I am directed to

To the Medical Board- disapproving the indifference with which the Majority of that Board have received in the proposed exchange between Mr Tait and Mr Jones an arrangement of private convenience at the expence of public principle— the Government will not pres the resignation of Mr Tait, but observe that he should not retain his appointment at Trichinopoly longer than his health will permit him to discharge his duties- explain that they do not doubt his zeal and services.-

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to observe that the Governor in Council highly disapproves the indifference with which the Majority of the Medical Board appeared to have received an arrangement which was calculated to promote on private convenience by a sacrifice of public principle.-

3 It will be of Course proper that the Appointment of Garrison Surgeon at Trichinopoly should not be retained longer by Mr. Tait than he may be equal to the duties of that extensive charge.- It is however not the intention of the Governor in Council to Convey any doubt of the Zeal and useful services of that Medical Officer.-

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I have the honor to be &c. &c.
(Signed) G. Buchan
Chief Sec. to Govt.

The Board proceed to pass orders on the following proceedings of the Medical Board.-
Resolutions of the Governor in Council 26th July 1808.

Medical Board
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Proceedings of the Medical Board - Mr. Surgeon Macdonald of the 8 Regt. of Native Cavalry - Solicits

1 Read a letter from the superintending

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Solicits permission to proceed for six Months to Prince of Wales Island on private Business. Resolution thereon.

Resolved that Mr. Assistant Surgeon McDonald be permitted to visit the Presidency on leave of Absence for six Months, for the purpose of proceeding to Prince of Wales Island in Compliance with his request.

By Order of the Honorable the Governor in Council.

(signed) G. Strachey.
Secy to Govt

Superintending Surgeon of the Hyderabad Subsidiary Force, inclosing an application from Mr. Assistant Surgeon McDonald of the 8th Regiment of Native Cavalry, soliciting permission to visit the Presidency for six Months with leave to go to Prince of Wales's Island on his private Affairs.

2 Mr. McDonald's application is Accompanied with the written sanction of his immediate Commanding Officer, and of the Officer Commanding the Detachment to which the 8th Regiment at present belongs - and as the Superintending Surgeon has.

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has provided for the Medical Duties of the Regiment — The Medical Board have the honor in forwarding Mr. — Mc Donalds letter to the Military Secretary of His Excellency the Commander in Chief to recommend to His Excellency, that Mr. Mc Donalds request be granted, and that Mr. John Jones, Assistant Surgeon, attached to His Majestys 33d. Regiment, be directed to relieve Mr. Mc Donald as recommended by the superintending surgeon. —

/signed/ James Anderson.
Physician General
" Terence Gahagan M.D.
2d. Member Med. Board.
" Andrew Berry.
3d. Member Med. Board

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To the Military Secretary
to His Excellency the Commander in Chief

Sir,

I have to request your application to
His Excellency the Commander in Chief that he may
obtain the sanction of the Governor in Council for my
absence from my Corps for six Months to Prince of
Wales Island and the Presidency on the settlement of
Private Affairs.—

I signed C. Macdonald.
Asst. Surgeon.

Aurungabad.
18th June 1808.

Resolution of the Governor
in Council. dated 26th July 1808.

Medical Board
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The same Mr. Hay.
Surgeon of the Southern
Court of appeal solicits
permission to visit
the Presidency—
Resolution thereon

I Read a letter from the
superintending Surgeon of the
Southern Division enclosing
one from Mr. Surgeon Hay of
the Provincial Court of appeal
applying for permission to
Resolved that Mr. visit the Presidency.—
Surgeon Hay be permitted
to

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to visit the Presidency. -

By Order of the -- Honorable the Governor in -- Council -

/signed/ Gw. Strachey.
Secy. to Govt.

As the Application from - Mr. Hay is accompanied with the written sanction of the Court of - Appeal and as the duties during his absence, are provided for, by his respective superintending Surgeon, the Medical Board recommend that leave of absence be - granted to him for two Months.

/signed/ James Anderson
Physician General -
" Terence Gahagan - M D
1/2 Member M. B.
" Andrew Berry.
3d Member Med. Bd.

Read the following letter from the Military Board. -

To the Honorable
Sir George Hilaro Barlow Bart & K. B.
Governor in Council &c &c &c

Honorable Sir,

From the Military Board with

In obedience to the Orders Conveyed in the Chief Secretarys

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Fort St. George 26th July 1808.

Statements shewing the expence of manufacturing a Candy of Gunpowder at the rival Mills.

Secretary's Letter of the 7th May, we have the honor to submit a Report of the Expences which attend the manufacture of Gunpowder under the present System.-

2 The enclosed Statement No 1. exhibits the several particulars of Expense incurred in the Manufacture of 900 Barrels of Powder, supposing 900 Barrels to be made in the Month; from which it appears that the whole charge to Government exclusive of the value of Buildings and Machinery is 2 fanams 33 1/2 Cash per tt. or Pr. Fs. C. 26. 39. 16 per candy; the average rate at the Old Powder Mills was 32 Pagodas and 32 fanams per candy — Difference in favor of the present Manufacture, is Pagodas. 5. 34. 60 per Candy.-

3 The statement No 2 exhibits the several particulars of the Expence incurred in the Manufacture of 1,200 Barrels of Gun Powder, supposing 1,200 Barrels to be made in the month, in which case the charge exclusive of the value of buildings is 2 fanams 28 Cash per tt or Pr. Fs. C. 26. 6. 5. per Candy or 6. 25. 75. per candy less than the former Expense.-

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4 It may be proper to state that the actual Expence is not equal to the Amount exhibited in the above Statements; the sulphur and saltpetre which have been used for the last two years; have been chiefly part of the stock received at the Capture of Seringapatam, which are brought to the Presidency by means of the public Cattle without any Additional Expence to Government, by striking out the assumed Cost of those Articles, the Actual Expence to Government is,-

	Rs.	a	c.
(at 900 Barrels pr. Month) per Candy	19.	3	29½
(at 1,200 Barrels pr. Month) per candy	18.	15	18½
Average	18	31	64

Fort St. George
18th July 1808.

We have the honor to be.

Signed
Wm. Wm.
C. Trapaud.
Robt. Bell
J. Munro
P. Bruce.

Statement -

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No. 1

3 Mills for 900 Barrels.

Statement of the Establishment at the Powder Mills Viz.

		P	₹	C.
Months Pay and Allowances to all ranks natives		756.		
Amount of Average Value of Articles supplied on Indents from the Arsenal of Fort St. George		200.	27	70.
Amount of Contingent Bill		17	44	75
do Superintendants Salary		65	..	..
do Assistant		30	..	..
2 Conductors		75	5	20.
4 Serjeants		16		
4 Gunners		16		
The Amount of Commission at 2 Rupees each 60 lbs. Barrel for 900 Barrels.		514	12	60.
Bullock feeding		189	3	9.
Salt Petre ...	lbs. 40,500 is Pags. 1605-33.22			
Sulphur ...	do 6,300 do 236. 11.20.			
Charcoal ...	do 7,200 do 180	1021-	44	42
	lbs. 54,000 Pagodas	2902.	3	36.

1 Candy 26. 39 : 16.

1 lb. .. : 2 : 33½.

E.E. Excepted

(signed) S. Marshall.

Secy & Accountt Military Board

Fort St. George
Military Board Office
18th July 1808.

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No. 2.

4 Mills for 1200 Barrels

Statement of the Establishment at the Powder Mills

Viz.t

		P.	F	C.
Months Pay and allowances to all ranks natives		969	15	"
Amount of the Average value of Articles supplied on Indents from the Arsenal of Fort St. George		267	22	13
Amount of Contingent Bill		23	44	73
Superintendant's Salary		65	"	"
Assistant ... Ditto		20	"	"
2 Conductors		75	5	20
4 Serjeants		16	"	"
4 Gunners		16	"	"
Bullocks Feeding		252	4	12
Commission on 1,200 60 lbs Barrels		685	31	70
Salt petre	lbs 54,000 Pags	807	29	29
Sulphur	D° 8,400 D° 315			
Charcoal	D° 9,600 D° 240			
		1,362	29	29
lbs 72,000 Pagodas		3,763	17	39

1 Candy 26 6 5

1 lb " 2 28

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(signed) J. Marshall

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Ordered

Fort St. George

Military Board office

18th July 1808.

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Ordered that the following letter be dispatched.

To John Thornhill Esqr.

Secretary to Government at

Fort William.

Sir,

To the secretary at Fort William - With Copies of the two further Reports from the Military Board, respecting the manufacture of Gunpowder and of the letter on that subject to the Commander in chief - Requests to know the expense of manufacturing Gun powder in Bengal -

With reference to my letter under date the 4th Ultimo - I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to request that you will lay before the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council the Enclosed Copies of two further Reports from the Military Board at Fort St. George respecting the supply of Gun powder for the service of this Presidency -

2 I am also directed to transmit to you for the purpose of being laid before his Lordship the Enclosed Copy of a letter which has been dispatched to the Commander in Chief on that subject, and so soon as Lieutenant General Macdowall shall have stated his opinion in reply, a Copy of his report will be submitted to the Governor General in Council -

3 In the mean time I am directed to state the request of the Governor in Council, that in addition

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addition to the information - solicited in my letter of the -
4th Ultimo a Statement may be furnished to this Govern=
=ment of the expence attending the manufacture of Gun Powder in
Bengal -

Fort St. George
27th July 1808.

I have the honor to be &c.

(signed) G. Strachey.
Secy to Govt

Read the following letters from the -
Military Auditor General. -

To the Honorable
Sir George Hilario Barlow Bart & K.B.
Governor in Council. &c &c &c

Honorable Sir,

From the Military Auditor General - submits a memorial from the Officers of the Royal - relative to the retrenchment of certain allowances drawn by them at Prince of Wales Island - with Observations thereon - also a memorial from three Officers - H.M. 59th Regt claiming Tent allowance from their arrival at Bombay - Objects to the claim - Suggests the publication of a Genl Order for regulating the commencement of Indian allowances.

1 The Accompanying Original Memorial - and papers relating to allowances drawn by His Majesty's (1st or Royal) Regiment of Foot when at Prince of Wales's = Island, and additions to some of them conformable to the rates established in Bengal have been transmitted to me - thro' the channel of the Paymaster of Company's allowances - to the King's Troops, the former having been retrenched from his Disbursements -

2 To aid your Honorable Board in deter=

=mining -

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mining upon the allowances claimed — I have the honor
to submit a statement of the different Items with the
Cause of Retrenchments, and have annexed observations
Containing my opinion upon them — and here in General
I have only to remark that I consider the Officers of
this Corps persevering to claim Tent allowance when at
Prince of Wales's Island, after the decision of Government
on full consideration upon that point having been
duely Communicated in the month of January last,
is unreasonable and ought to be rejected — With respect
to the allowances for Stationary and for repairs of Arms,
the allowance for Batta to the non Commissioned
and Privates of the Corps and some other small allowance
to the Women and Children, these being Conformable
to the rates established in Bengal, and most of these
allowances it would appear having been directed by
the Government of Fort Cornwallis to be issued to the
Battalion at these rates, your honor in Council, ...
may under that circumstance, after the necessary —
Information, as required in the observations, is obtained
be induced to remit the Retrenchments of these charges.

I have —

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3 I have also reluctantly to submit to your Honorable Board an Original Memorial somewhat similar to the preceding, and papers relative thereto which have been transmitted to me thro' the channel of the Paymaster of Company's allowances to the Kings Troops, from the three subaltern Officers of His Majesty's 59th Regiment of Foot, to whom you had been indulgently pleased upon the 15th of March last, to grant the Indian allowances of their Rank from the date of their Arrival at Bombay, previous to their arrival at Madras, or to joining their Corps— This Memorial Contains an Application for Tent Allowance, as Coming under the denomination of "Indian allowances" as expressed in the resolution of Government— It is my duty to state in the first place that Tent Allowance has never been admitted to Officers so situated, and 2dly the allowance is never admitted to Officers either in His Majesty's or the Company's Army under this Presidency, wherever they may be stationed, unless supported by a muster and Inspection Report, which in the present Case have not been produced— I have no hesitation therefore in stating my opinion that the Application should be rejected— And altho' it is

stated

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stated to be founded on the plea of Expense incurred for house rent, I do not Consider under the circumstances of the Case, the claim to that allowance should be admitted.—

4 It is to be regretted, in Order to prevent the frequent recurrence of similar applications to Government, so intrusive upon more important Concerns, that an Order specifying when Indian allowances are to Commence to Officers serving under this Presidency, and defining what are to Considered under that Circumstance, has not yet been published.—

I have the honor to be &c.

(Signed) P. Bruce

Mily Auditor Genl

Military Auditor Genl's Office
Fort St. George 16th July 1808

To the Military Auditor General.

Fort St. George

Sir,

I have herewith the honor to transmit to you a letter I have received from Lieutenant Colonel Stewart Commanding the 2d Battalion of Royals, with a Memorial from himself and Officers of the Corps.

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Corps, on the subject of retrenchments, which Lieutenant
Colonel Stewart requests may be submitted for the Con
=sideration of the Honorable the Governor in Council.-

Kings Pay Office
Madras 11.th July 1808.

I have the honor to be V.re V.re
/signed/ J.n Campbell.
Dep.y Pay.r Gen.l

Lieutenant Colonel Campbell.
Deputy Paymaster General King's Troops-

Fort S.t George -

Sir,

The Paymaster of the Royal having now
forwarded his Accounts for the period the Battalion
was at Penang and being directed to make all repre
=sentations to Government on the subject of retrenchments,
through you- I have the honor to enclose herewith a
Memorial for myself and Officers under my Command
on that subject, and request you will have the goodness
to take an early opportunity of laying it before
the Auditor General that no time may be lost in sub
=mitting it to Government.-

Wallajahbad
9.th July 1808.

I have the honor to be J.r J.r
/signed/ Arch.d Stewart.
Lieut.t Col.e R.y.l
To.

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To the Honorable the Governor and Council
of the Presidency of
Fort St. George
Vice Vice Vice

The Memorial of the Officers of the 2d Battalion
of His Majestys 1st (or Royal) Regiment.

Respectfully Sheweth,

That when the Battalion
landed at the Prince of Wales's Island on the 14th
September 1807. it was by Order of the Honorable
the Governor in Council of that Presidency, to be
placed on the same footing in regard to Pay
and Allowances, with the Other Troops stationed
on the Island — with whom it did Garrison
Duty.

That since its arrival at Madras,
it has been placed on the establishment of Fort
St. George, from the date of its landing at Prince of
Wales's Island — And as the rates of allowances
at the two Presidencies differ very materially,
deductions

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deductions ± to a large Amount, are now brought against the Corps, by the Auditor General, under the name of Retrenchments.—

Your Memorialists humbly state that in drawing their allowances while at Prince of Wales's Island, they adhered strictly to the rates ordered by the Government under which they were then placed.— And deemed those Orders a sufficient guarantee for what was necessarily issued for their support, and barely Adequate to meet the expences actually incurred in the place.—

Your Memorialists likewise beg leave to represent, that the place they lived in, while at Prince of Wales's Island, never was considered a Barrack:— nor was it ever offered to any of the Honorable Company's Officers stationed there, as such— And had they been Aware, that any charge whatever, was to come against them, for the shelter afforded by a temporary

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temporary Kadjan shed; without either door or Window, — they certainly would have preferred building Huts for themselves, which they could have made more comfortable for One Months house rent.—

Your Memorialists therefore so hope, that the Honorable the Governor and Council will see the hardship of stopping their Rent — allowance for such miserable Accomodation, and that they will be pleased to give such directions as they may think necessary, to the Auditor General for passing the Accounts of the Battalion, for the period it was unfortunately stationed at Prince of Wales's Island, Agreeably to the Orders given, and rates prescribed by that Government.—

Wallajahbad.
3.d July 1808.

/signed/ Arch.d Stewart.
Lieut.t Col.o Royal
for self and officers
under his command.

Statement.

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2.d Battalion Royal

Statement of Sums issued at Penang to the Officers, and of the Differences between the Batta paid there to the non Commissioned Officers, Privates, Women and Children and that allowed by the Madras Government.—

			Total of Difference.	Grand Total	Remarks.
1 Lieutenant Colonel for Tent allowance and Superior Batta from 13.th September to 30.th November			276 10 40		
1 Major Tent allowance ditto	ditto		97 21 "		
1 Major from ditto	to 31.st December		121 " "		
7 Captains ditto	from 13.th September to 30.th November	each 60. 39. 60.	426 23 50		
2 ditto ditto	31.st December	84. 12. 60	168 25 40		
15 Lieutenant ditto	30.th November	40. 26. 20.	609 " 60		
2 ditto ditto	31.st December	56. 10. 40.	112 21 "		
1 ditto ditto	30.th April		118. 31 40		
1 ditto ditto	30.th May		134 12 60		
3 Ensigns ditto	30.th November	40. 26. 20.	121 36 60		
2 ditto ditto	31.st December	56. 10. 40.	112 21 "		
1 Adjutant ditto	30.th November		60 39 30		
1 Quarter Master ditto	ditto		40 26 20		
1 Paymaster ditto	ditto		60 39 30		
1 Surgeon ditto	ditto		60 39 30		

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1 Assistant Surgeon ditto . . . . . ditto		40	26	20
ditto . . His amount of Batta & Gratuity at Penang .	116. 41. 7½			
Amount allowed by the Madras Government	44. 37. 9.			
Difference		72	4	62½
1 Assistant Surgeon Sent allowance from 13th to 27th December . . —		54	28	70.
ditto . . His Amount of Batta & Gratuity at Penang .	161. 41. 7½			
Amount allowed by the Madras Government	60. 6. 35			
Difference		101	35	36½
		2791	24	8½
Batta from 13th September to 24th November following for 924 Non Commissioned Officers and Privates	6545. " "			
23 ditto . . . to the 31st October	105. 1. 7. 40.			
3 ditto . . . to the 30th September	4. 2 50.			
417 days of Broken periods	43. 18. 38.			
Total	6697. 28. 40.			
Amount allowed by the Madras Government	2759. 11. 10.	3938	27.	30
Allowances paid to the Regimental Staff Dr. from the 13th Sept. to 30th November				
1 Serjeant Major	16. 10. 40			
Amount allowed by the Madras Government	15. 15. 18	10	37	22
1 Quarter Master Serjeant	11. 15. 51.			
Amount allowed by the Madras Government	5. 15. 18.	6	"	33
1 Drill Serjeant	11. 15. 51			
Amount allowed by the Madras Government	10. 16. 64	"	40	67
1 Drill Corporal	5. 28. 65p.			
Amount allowed	5. 8. 32	"	20	33½
9 Companys for Stationary and Repairs of Arms		365	26.	20
61 European Women	396. 33. 20.			
Amount allowed	169. 19. 40.	227	13	60.
Carried forward		2791.	24	8½

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	Total of Difference	Grand Total	Remarks
Brought forward		2791 24 8½	
36 European Children			
2 18 days each	94 28 70		
2 30 days each			
9 Pay serjeants	51 7 6½	4695 22 7½	
Batta to a Detachment left at Penang under the Command of Major Auchope from 25th November to 17th December consisting of			
261 Non Commissioned officers and Privates	625 35		
5 Days Broken Periods			
Amount allowed	262-16-2½	362 18 7½	
Extra allowance paid to 31st December to said Detachment—			
2 Pay serjeants	4 15 60		
2 Companys for stationary and repairs of Arms	31 10 40		
18 European Women	45-0-0		
Amount allowed	19-36-0	25 6 0	
14 Children	13 28 78½		
		436 38 16.	
Batta to a Detachment left at Penang under the Command of Lieutenant Wetherall from 25th November to 13th April following —			

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For 4th Quarter ending 25th July 1813

34 Non Commissioned Officers and Privates	495	35
4 ditto to 31st March	52	38
4 ditto to 28th February	40	"
4 ditto to 31st January	28	14
4 ditto to 31st December	18	17 40
413 days of Broken periods	43	" 70
Total	678	15 30
Amount allowed	265	" 31 5/7
	412	25 53

Allowance to said Detachment paid to 30th April

1 European Woman	12	21 "
Amount allowed	5	16 40
	7	5 40
2 Children	9	32 47/7
	429	21 68/7
	8353	23 1/7

/signed/ Charles Fortnum

Paymaster Royal.

Retrenchments.

Retrenchments from the Disbursements of Lieutenant Colonel John Campbell Pay^s. of Company's allowances to the King's Troops in the Months of February, March & April 1808.

Observations of the Military Auditor General -

Decision of Government -

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2^d. Battalion Royal.

1 Mr. Fortnum Paymaster of the Regiment draws Tent allowance from 13^th. Sept^r. to 27^th. December 1807, to 1 Lieutenant Colonel, 2 Majors, 9 Captains, 19 Lieutenants, 5 Ensigns 1 Paymaster, 1 Adjutant, 1 Quarter Master 1 Surgeon and 2 Assistant Surgeons -

Pagodas - 1092. 26 "

These charges having after due consideration been disallowed by the Court of Directors on the 26^th. July 1808 -

Ditto draws Tent allowance from 13^th. September 1807 to 1^st. February 1808 3/3 " "

to 1 Captain 3 Lieutenants and 1 Ensign)

Pag^s. 2305 26 "

be

Which is Retrenched, but House
rent will be admitted to the several
Ranks agreeably to the Orders of Government
on Certificates from the Commanding Officer
that they were not provided with Public
Quarters at Prince of Wales's Island during the
Period for which Batt allowance is drawn ₹ 2305-26-0

2 Ditto draws half Batta and Gratuity from
13th September to 31st December 1807 to Messrs Walter
and Ballinghall Assistant Surgeons Pags 178-41-60
admitted half Batta 116-30-55
The Overcharge of Batta and Gratuity is Retren-
-ched as the Kings subsistance to Assistant-
Surgeons exceeds that of the Honorable
Company's ..... Pags 62-11-5

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Retrenchments from the Disbursements of Lieutenant Colonel John Campbell Pay.r of Companys Allowances to the Kings Troops in the Months of February March & April 1808.	Observations of the Military Auditor General.-	Decision of Government.
3 Ditto Charges Dry Batta at the rate of 1 fanam 42½ Cash p.r Man p.r day from 13.th September to 15.th December 1807 to the New Commissioned and Privates, who arrived with the head Quarters of the Regiment= -Pagodas 401-39-75 Which is retrenched as the regular dry Batta has been drawn in the Peace Abstracts of the Regiment the sum here drawn. being an Overcharge is inadmissible vide General Order 23.d Febru-	3 The charges which is here retrenched [illegible]	

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=ary 1801. Pagodas .. 4017-39-75-

4 Mr. Fortnum Paymaster of the Regiment draws superior Batta from 13th Sept. to 15th December 1807 to Lieutenant Colonel Stewart for Commanding the Battalion - - - - - - - - - - Pags. 146-36-60-

Which is retrenched as no officer above the Rank of Major is entitled to that Allowance Pr. 146-36-60-

Allowance claimed which do not appear to have been drawn.-

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Retrenchments from the Disbursements of Lieutenant Colonel John Campbell Paymaster of Companys Allowances to the Kings Troops in the Months of February March & April 1808.		Observations of the Military Auditor General	Decision of Government
5	Staff Allowances said to have been short drawn for the Serjeant Major, Quarter Master Serjeant Drill Serjeant and Drill Corporal ..... Pags. 19 – 5 – 42	5 These Seem to be claims now preferred being an addition to make the allowances Conformable to the Bengal Rates, to what had before been drawn According to the Madras regulations	
	Amount Short drawn for European Women 259 – 25 – 20		
6	Allowance to European Children .. 118 – 6 – 35 – 6	6 These Seem to be claims according to the Rates allowed in Bengal but not Authorised by the Madras Regulations	
7	Batta at 1 fanam 42 p.r Cash p.r Man p.r day to a Detachment of the Regiment arrived from Prince of Wales's Island .. 412 – 25 – 53.	7 This Retrenchment being similar to N.o 3 when the requisite Information is obtained it may be adjusted in the Manner suggested in the Observation opposite to it.	

8 Allowances for Pay Serjeants Pags	55 - 23 - 41
9 Stationary for the Regiment and Allowance for the Repair of Arms	396 - 36 - 60
Pagodas	1261 - 39 - 11

9 These allowances are supposed to be drawable to the rates established in Bengal, but as neither duties, nor the specifick sums for certain periods are stated, the Military Auditor General cannot report whether or not they conform to those rates, and it may be proper to add that as it would appear these allowances are not drawn at Fort Cornwallis but are only now preferred, the matter deserving the Consideration of Government whether the Madras Regulations in this Case should not be pursued

Military Auditor Genl's Office
Fort St. George 16th July 1802

(Signed) Ch. Brace
Mily Auditor Genl

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To the Auditor General of the Army

Sir,

I take the liberty of forwarding to you the memorial, herewith enclosed of Three subaltern Officers of His Majesty's 59th Regiment, and request you will be good enough to submit it to the Honorable the Governor in Council should you find it correct.

I have the honor to be &c &c

/signed/ S. Gibbs
Lieut.t Col.l 59th Regt

Bangalore
10th June 1808.

To the Honorable The Governor in Council
&c &c &c Fort St. George.

The Memorial of Lieutenant McPherson Ensigns Cockburne and Pilkington of His Majesty 59th Regt of Foot.—

Sheweth, That thro' the Medium of Mr. Ross — Paymaster, they forwarded to the Military Auditor General on the 2d March such necessary documents &c &c as they hoped would annul a retrenchment made by him for Companies allowances, Amounting to

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to the serious sum of 350- Pagodas, and in con-
=sequence received the enclosed Communication
dated 15th March permitting them to draw the
Indian Allowances from the date of their
arrival at Bombay.-

Memorialists with regret beg leave
to state that this order in Council has been —
nearly flittered away, and that they are still
retrenched 61 Pagodas of the Indian allow-
=ances, as will appear by the accompanying
document from the Office of Audit which they
respectfully submit to the Honorable Board,
with an Assurance as Officers and Gentlemen
that during their residence at Bombay, they
were necessitated to pay for lodgings for their
accommodation, and therefore solicit that the
Honorable the Governor in Council will be
pleased to Order them the usual allowance
granted to the Officers of the Coast army to-
which they have had the honor to belong ever
since.

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since their Arrival in India.—

Bangalore
15th May 1808.

Evan Mcpherson
Lieut. 59th Regt.

James Cockburne
Ensign 59th Regt.

Abraham Pilkington
Ensign 59th Regt.

Extract of a Letter from the Secretary to Government in the Military Department to the Military Auditor General Dated 15th March 1808.

Para 2 "The Governor in Council is of opinion that under the Circumstances, which you have stated the three Officers of His Majestys 59th Regiment mentioned in your letter may be permitted to draw the Indian Allowances of their rank from the date of their Arrival at Bombay.—

(A true Extract)
(signed) P. Bruce
Mily Aud. Genl.

Extract

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Extract of an Account of Sums formerly retrenched from the Disbursements of Lieutenant Colonel John Campbell Paymaster of Company's allowances to the King's Troops in the Month of October 1804. which are now admitted on Reaudit.

Pags. ℔ c.

No. of Vouchers	59th Regiment of Foot.	
10	From the allowances retrenched from Lieut. Macpherson Ensigns Cockburn and Pelh-ing-ton there is admitted half batta and Gratuity from 27th May to 31st August 1804. agreeably to the decision of Government dated 15th March 1807.	185 133 69.
N.B	Tent allowance from 27th and 28th May to 18th August 1807 is Inadmissible agreeably to the remark in the Audit. Passage Money and difference of Batta is also Inadmissible having been charged to Government by the Commander of the Ship Metcalf.	
	Pagodas	188 7 69

You will observe that the charges which were Retrenched on audit for the period above.

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above stated and which are not taken notice of in the Readdit annexed still remain Retrenched and are to your debit in the Books of the Military Paymaster General - The explanations or authorities which have been forwarded in support of such charges not being Deemed sufficient to remove the Retrenchments of which you will be pleased to inform the parties Concerned without loss of time, as well as to acquaint these to whom sums have been admitted on the Readdit of your Accounts for the same period.-

/True Extract/

/Signed/ J. Campbell.

Extract of a letter from the Chief Secretary to Government, to the Commander in Chief under date the 31st of May 1808.

P.1. "I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to Acknowledge the receipt of your Military Secretary's letter of the 24th Instant, and to request that the three officers of His Majesty's 59th Regiment therein mentioned may be instructed to submit their case for his consideration through the prescribed channel of the Military Auditor General-"

J.

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2 I have accordingly the honor to return the papers which accompanied the letter from your Military secretary —

/signed/ Gs. Buchan
Chief Secy to Govt.

/A true Extract/

/signed/ W. Macpherson.
Mily Secy.

To the Honorable
Sir George Hilaro Barlow Bart. & K.B
Governor in Council &c. &c. &c.

Honorable Sir,

From the same — Reports on the General Estimate for August — states the deductions which he has made on account of the abolition of the Rent Contract and for other reasons —

/ Having examined the General Estimate — of Cash for the payment of the Army, for the Month of August 1808, I have the honor to report that the sum of Pagodas 5,45,669 — is admissible and issuable as follows —

From the General Treasury	To the Military Paymaster at Fort St. George.	1,15,388.
	To the Deputy Paymaster General Kings Troops.	27,306.
	To the Paymaster Hydrabad Subsidiary Force —	99,384
	By Bills from the Presidency — — — — —	3,03,591.
	Pagodas —	5,45,669.

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2 No deduction appearing to have been made from the Estimates of any of the Paymasters on account of the Tent Contract allowance for native Corps, which having been abolished and ordered to be discontinued after the 30th Ultimo, I have considered it expedient to make deduction from the Estimate of each Paymaster on that Account, according to the number of native Corps paid by them respectively - the Amount of the deductions on this Account is Pagodas 13,866 —

3 I have deducted the sum of Pagodas 2,000 from the Estimate of the Paymaster at Fort St. George which was included on Account of the Salary and allowances of the Commander in Chief and his Staff, as his Excellency receives them from the Paymaster at Trichinopoly, who has accordingly included the Amount in his Estimate —

4 The Paymaster at Palamcottah has included in his Estimate the sum of Pagodas 5000 said to be "required in advance for Complying with "Indents for Draught and Carriage Cattle, lately received from the Quarter Master General for the purpose

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"of removing the Ordnance and Military Stores, from Madura
"to Tschinopoly and Dendigull", but as I have not
received any Official intimation of the Circumstance
further than what is stated by the Paymaster, and as
I possess no means of ascertaining the extent to which
an advance may be required on that Account, I do not
consider myself warranted to admit the Amount, which
has Accordingly been deducted from the Total of the
Estimate.-

5 I have also directed the sum of Pagodas
2,000 from the Estimate of the Paymaster at Masulipa-
-tam, being the Amount which I conceive to be over estima-
-ted for under the head of "Occasional Charges" as in
former Months.-

6. The Accompanying Statement shews
the Probable amount that will be required by each
Paymaster for the payment of the Army for the ensuing
Month, after making the deductions aforementioned.-

I have the honor to be &c &c

Military Auditor Genl's Office
Fort St. George 23d July 1808.

(signed) P. Bruce.

Mily Auditor Genl

Resolved

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Resolutions & Orders thereon.-

Resolved that Authority be given for issuing the sum of Pagodas 5,45,669 on account of the estimated Expenses of the Military Department for the ensuing Month as recommended by the Military Auditor General.

Resolved also that Authority be given for the farther Advance of Pagodas 5000 required by the Paymaster at Palamcottah for the removal of the stores from Madura, in conformity with the instructions conveyed to the Military Board on that subject in the Chief Secretary's letter of the 20th of April last.-

Ordered that the Military Auditor General be furnished with the following Reply to his letter of the 16th Instant.-

To the Military Auditor General.

Sir,

To the Military Auditor General deciding against the claim of the Officers of the Royal to Tent allowance while at Prince of Wales Island, and to allowance for House rent, if provided with any public quarters & confirming the retrenchment of the sum paid to the Apt. Surgeon of the Royal above the aggregate pay and allowance of that rank. A decision postponed on the charge for Dry Batta - The superior Batta of the Commanding Officer &c. omitted, also all other claims

Para 1. I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to Acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 16th Instant, and of the Memorials submitted with it from the Officers of the 2d Battalion of the Royal Regiment and from three Officers of His Majesty's 59th Regiment of Foot.-

2 The Governor in Council has finally decided that

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claims conformable to the Regulations of Bengal — The claim of the three Officers of the 5th Regt. to Tent allowance rejected — Reply to this suggestion. —

that the Officers of the Royal Regiment are not entitled to the Tent allowance which they have claimed, and that only such of them can be permitted to draw an allowance for House rent during the period of their detention at Prince of Wales Island, as shall appear under a certificate from the Commanding Officer of the Corps not to have been provided with public quarters of any description whatsoever during that period. —

3 The Governor in Council has confirmed the retrenchment of the sum of Pagodas 62 - 11 - 5 - from the Abstracts of the Assistant surgeons of the Royal Regiment, being an excess above the aggregate of Pay and allowances established for Officers of that rank in the service of the King and of the Honorable Company. —

4 The decision of the Governor in Council respecting the Amount of Dry Batta, drawn for the non Commissioned Officers and Privates of the Regiment will be postponed until your further report shall have been submitted on that subject. —

5 I am directed to desire that the Commanding Officer of the Regiment may be permitted to draw.

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draw the superior Batta which he has claimed in Conf-
=formity with the regulations of the Service in Bengal dur
the period of his detention at Prince of Wales' Island.-

6 The Governor in Council desires that all
other claims on account of the Corps which may be Conform
=ble to the regulations of Bengal may also be admitted for
the same period.-

7. The claim of the three Officers of His Ma
=jesty's 59th Regiment to be permitted to draw Tent allowance or
any allowance of that nature during their residence at Bomba
has been considered by the Governor in Council to be wholly
inadmissible.-

8. Your suggestion respecting the publica
=tion of a General Order for the purpose of notifying the date
from which Officers arriving from Europe are entitled
to the Indian allowances of their rank was submitted
to the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council;
but the determination of His Lordship on that point has-
not yet been signified to this Government.-

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

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Read the following letters-

To the Chief Secretary to Government-

Fort St. George.

Sir,

From the Town Major - With Bills for articles supplied to Troops embarked on Foreign service, and to Prisoners of War.-

Agreeably to the Regulations of the 9th June 1807- I have the honor to transmit you, for the - Consideration and Sanction of the Honorable the Governor in Council, 3 Bills as Undermentioned Viz.t -

No. 1.	To Hammocks, Bedding, Tin Utensils, Cumblies &c.a served out to 219 Non Commissioned, Rank and File of His Majestys 30th Regiment, embarked on board His Majestys ship Russell on the 22d June 1808-	1050- 8- 46.
No. 2.-	To Hammocks, Bedding, Tin Utensils, Cumblies &c.a served out to 102 Non Commissioned, - Rank and File of Artillery - embarked on Board the Honorable Company's ship Alnwick Castle 20th July 1808.....	490- 10- 28

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No. 3. { To Hammocks, Bedding, Tin Utensils, Cambleis, Woollen and Cotton Slops, &c. served out to 12 French Prisoners of War - embarked for Europe on board the Honorable Company's Ship David Scott 20th July 1808. } 172 — 39 — 72

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Order thereon. -

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

(signed) R. Barclay.
Town Major.

Ordered that the Bills submitted with the foregoing letter be referred to the Military Auditor General for Examination and Adjustment —

To George Buchan Esqr.
Chief Secretary to Government.

From the Commandant of Artillery - stating repairs and additions required at the Laboratory. -

Sir,

Having taken charge of the Bungaloe at this station purchased for a Laboratory, and having got most of the Utensils from the Arsenal required for work, It is desireable that the trifling repairs and few out Offices should be Compleated -

as -

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as soon as possible. — And as some delay may occur in the New system directed for Public Buildings, I beg to propose for the Consideration of the Honorable the Governor in Council, to superintend the repair of the Building, and erecting the Offices, all of which are trifling. — the wood and Iron work can be executed by the Artificers of the Cantonment. — Merely Bricklayers work. and wood is chargeable. -

St. Thomas's Mount /signed/ Robt. Bell.
21st. July 1808. Lieutt Coll. Comg.

Memorandum of Repairs &ca required at the Mount Laboratory. Tiles to be shifted, some new required — also some repairs. -

Floors to be repaired. some Floor Bricks — required. -

The whole to be white washed — Doors and Windows requrie Repair. some locks and Bolts. —

a Necessary for Officers, and one for Men. a House or Shed.

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shed for Boiling Composition and a Room for Holding fire Wood &c.a required.-

To the Secretary to Government.

Military Department.

Sir,

From the Officer Commanding in Malabar & Kanara, submits a report of the states of various buildings at Cannanore.

I have the honor to transmit, Proceedings of a Committee on the several Buildings in the Fort of Kannanore, which I take the liberty to say, requires immediate attention, the quantity of Military Stores, and Camp Equipage directed to be lodged in this Garrison induces me to make this remark.-

Kannanore
15th July 1808.

/signed/ J. Cuppage.
Lieut.t Col.t Com.g.
in Malabar & Kanara.

Report

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Report of a Committee of Survey held on Sundry Buildings in the Fortress of Cannanore by Order of Lieutenant Colonel John Cuppage Commanding on the 15th Day of July 1808.

Commanding Officer President.
Captain King } Members } Lieutenant Frith

Names of Places.	Description and dimensions of Buildings.	Present State.	Repairs and improvements Wanting.	Remarks by the Committee	Remarks by the Military Board.
Center Buildings in the Fort St.	Consisting of a Laboratory, two Store Rooms. Officers Guard Room, Privates. Ditto Prison, and an Arrack Godown under One Roof Covered with flat Tiles only. The Walls Stone in Chunam Plaistered — Length outside — 135 Breadth Ditto various. Height 22	The Roof Admits the rain generally and so bad in parts as to render it useless. Plaistering in bad Order.	The whole of the Roof should be removed. the Pitch lowered and fresh Covered with flat and Pan Tiles with Chunam Borders. such of the Wooden Work as may be found decayed replaced, Walls fresh Plastered	The Committee find the Building in the state described, the Officers Guard Room not habitable. They recommend the repairs being Commenced on immediately after the Rains.	

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Names of Places.	Description and dimensions of Buildings.	Present State	Repairs and Improvements Wanting.	Remarks by the Committee	Remarks by the Military Board.
A Range of stone Rooms. No. 2.	Consisting of 4 Rooms with a Verandah in Front and rear under One Roof Covered with flat Tiles only. The Walls stone in Chunam plastered. Length Outside - 155 Breadth ditto .. 21 Height 15:6	Ditto .... Ditto	The same as above the Coverd part of the Verandahs should be built up and wooden Shutters added to the upper.	Ditto .... Ditto	
A Range of stone Rooms. No. 3	Consisting of 4 Rooms under the same Roof with a Verandah in front, Walls stoned & plastered Roof Covered with flat Tiles only. Length 113 Breadth 25 Height. 15-6	D. .. D.	Ditto .... Ditto	Ditto .... Ditto	

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A Range of Stone Rooms N4.	Consisting of 4 Rooms with One Verandah, Walls Stone and plastered Roof Covered with Pan Tiles. Length ... 74 Breadth ... 18-6 Height on One side 13-10 Ditto on the other 10-9	Roof Leaks very much and plaster much fallen off the Walls.	Requiries fresh Tiling with flat and pan Tiles; Walls neee Chunamed and such of the Wood work replaced as may be found decayed	Ditto	Ditto	
A Range of Stone Rooms N5.	Consisting of 4 Rooms under the same Roof with a Verandah in front. Walls Stone and plastered, Roof Covered with flat Tiles only. Length .... 83 Breadth ... 25 Height ... 15-6	Ditto	Ditto	Ditto	Ditto	Ditto

Names of Places	Description and dimensions of Buildings.	Present State	Repairs and Improvements Wanting.	Remarks by the Committee	Remarks by the Military Board.
Gun Carriage Shed.	Roof Covered with Pan Tiles and supported upon Wooden Posts Two ends and one side open. Length ..... 105 ft. Breadth ..... 31 ft. Height ..... 14 ft.	Roof Leaks and the whole too much exposed to Wet Weather from its open construction	The Roof should be new Covered with flat and Pan Tiles. The Sands built up and a Verandah made in front to prevent the Rains beating in.	Ditto ...	Ditto
Officers to Commanding Officers Quarters.	Walls Stone in Chunam Plastered - Roof Tiled Length of one Range 76. Breadth do. do. ... 22. Height ..... 15. Length of Second range ..... 30 ft.	The Roof admits Rain very much, the tiles being very old and ill placed Plastering much fallen off the Walls, floor low and wet Cook room fogous oven do. in bad Order.	Requiries a new roof with the exception of such Wood work as may be found good on removing the Tiles such Walls plastered, floor raised one foot and some new shelves put up, Cook room fogous, oven do. repaired with Stone in Chunam.	Ditto ...	Ditto

(Signed) J. Cuppage Lieut. Coll. & Pres.t
C. King. Capt.n
T. Frith. Lieut.t } Members.

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Order thereon

Ordered that Copies of the forego-
-ing letters be referred to the Military Board for Consi-
-deration and report.-

To the Secretary to Government.
in the Military Department.

Sir,

From the Advocate General — In reply to the question lately put by the Commissioner at Tranquebar respecting the Saltpetre, Par 9th found at that place.—

In answer to your letter of the 9th Instant I have the honor to report my opinion on the several points of Mr. Newnham's Letter of 29th Ultimo.

I should not have thought the remo-
-val of part of the saltpetre alone a sufficient proof of the purpose for which it had been collected, as upon the first confusion of the Capitulation it would be very natural for the owners of this arti-
-cle to suppose it would be taken as warlike stores.—

The true criterion of the liability of this Article under the capitulation is to be found in the general Course of the trade in it at Tranquebar. Mr. Newnham says the principal object was the sale of it at a high price to Americans. But the exception

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in the Capitulation seems to me to include all articles intended for general Commerce which if found in a neutral ship bound for an Enemy's port, would be contraband of war as naval or Military Stores. Therefore I think the salt petre found in Tranquebar, under the above statement of the general object of the traffic in this Article, is liable to seizure under the Capitulation.— This arising from the nature of the article, it is immaterial what interests are affected by it, and the Mortgagees seem to be equally liable to loss as the mortgagors.—

The facts stated by Mr. Newnham, shewing the property in the Tar to be British, seem to exempt that article from the operation of the exception in the Treaty, and I agree in thinking that the whole ought to be released.—

The Cable and anchor of Messrs. Deveriime of Calcutta are similarly situated, no treaty can entitle the Captors to seize British property not found in illegal Commerce.—

The right to seizure of the 20 iron Guns.

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guns depend upon the fact of ownership: if they can be fairly proved to be the property of a native merchant of Madras, they cannot be taken from him, unless the trade in them be prohibited by any of the Company's regulations. If they shall not be claimed and proved to be the property of a British (European or Native) subject, they must be supposed to be Danish property and seizable under the articles of Capitulation.—

Sam. G. W. G.

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22d. July 1808.

Signed A. Anstruther
Advocate General.

Order thereon

Ordered that a Copy of the foregoing letter be furnished for the information and guidance of the Commissioner at Tranquebar, and that he be desired to explain to the proprietors of the different articles therein mentioned, the principles on which the decisions respecting them have been founded.—

To the Honorable
Sir George Hilaro Barlow Bart.
Governor in Council G. W. G.

Honble Sir,

I have been referred by the Military Auditor

From Mr. Marsh late Acting Judge-advocate

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Advocate General claims the difference of establishment allowed to that Office by the Court of Directors.

Auditor General to your Honorable Board, for a decision on a question, relative to my salary as Judge Advocate General, whilst I officiated in that station- when I had the Honor of receiving that Appointment, it was intimated to me by Lord Wm. Bentinck, that I should receive all the allowances which Major Leith had derived from it, and as a further inducement to me to undertake it, his Lordship also told me, that an application had already been made to the Court of Directors for an increase of the salary, then attached to it— I entered upon its duties in October 1806. Several Months afterwards a letter from the Honorable Court dated in July 1806- arrived, expressly authorizing an additional allowance of fifty Pagodas per Month, to the Judge Advocate General which rendered the total amount of the salary, which had been before only 150 Pags. 200 Pags. Monthly- Ignorant of this augmentation, I continued to draw only the Old allowance of 150 Pags. out of which I have defrayed the expences of two Writers, Stationary, and Office-

I am convinced, Honorable sir, that —

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adverting to the slender Remuneration of a duty of great trust and Considerable labour, you will be solicitous to fulfil the intentions of the Court of Directors, in directing the payment of the Arrears due to me, Should you in your Wisdom deem me justly entitled to them. I cannot conjecture, how the mind of the Auditor General has been perplexed on so plain a matter; but I readily impute his hesitation to the laudable caution of a publick servant, in distributing the money of his employers.—

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With sentiments of real respect.—

I have the honor to be

Sir &c. &c.

(Signed) C. Marsh.

Ordered that the following letter be dispatched.—

To Major Jas. Leith.—

Sir,

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to enclose for your information

To the Judge Advocate General furnishing him with an Extract from the Orders of the Court of Directors respecting his allowances authorizing him to draw his allowances in the Judicial Department to the present Date, when they are to cease stating

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that the further sum allowed by the Court of Directors to the Judge Advocate General for an Office and a Writer is to be drawn by Mr. Marsh, while acting as Judge Advocate General.—

information and guidance the Extract of a Letter from the Honorable Court of Directors dated the 30th July 1806.—

2 In adverting to the Circumstances under which you proceeded to England, the Governor in Council has been pleased to determine that you shall receive the allowances hitherto drawn by you in the Judicial Department, until the present date; but it will be proper agreeably to the tenor of the Orders of the Court of Directors that those allowances should now cease.—

3. Authority has been given to the Military Auditor General for the payment of the additional sum of fifty Pagodas per month which the Honorable Court of Directors have been pleased.

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pleased to allow to the Judge Advocate General for an Office and Writer— This sum will of course be drawn by Mr. Marsh who officiated in that situation from the date of the receipt of the Orders of the Court of Directors,— until the period of your resuming charge of the Office of Judge Advocate General.

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Sam

Sir,

Your most Obedient Servant.

/signed/ G. Buchan

Chief Secy to Govt

Further Order thereon—

Ordered that Copies of the forego=ing letter and of the Orders from the Honorable Court of Directors to which it refers, be furnish=ed for the information and guidance of the Accountant General and Civil Auditor and of the—

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Lieutenant Colonel Hare of His Majesty's 22d Light Dragoons recommended and appointed to Command the Cantonment of Arcot on the established allowances.-

the Military Auditor General.-

The President recommends that Lieutenant Colonel Hare of His Majesty's 22d Regiment of Light Dragoons be appointed to command the Cantonment of Arcot, and that he be permitted to draw the allowances attached to that Command by the General Order of the 10th Ultimo from the date of that Order taking effect.-

Approved and Ordered Accordingly

" G.H. Barlow

" Oakes

" J.F. Casamayor

E.D. Strange

Office Sec. Cons. 26 July 1808.
Pages 136. Copied by L. Kirkpatrick
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Diary.

Sent the following letter.

27th To the Commissioner at Tranquebar

Sir. I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in

Para 1 Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 29th ultimo.

The several points therein submitted for the

2. decision of the Governor in Council having been referred to the Advocate General for Consideration and report. I am directed to transmit to You the enclosed Copy of the Law Officer's reply, and to desire that you will be guided by the Opinions which he has stated.

3. I am further directed to desire that the parties concerned in the seizure or restitution of the Articles in question may be generally apprized of the principle on which the proceeding has been founded.

I am &c. &c.

(Signd) G. Strachey

Secy. to the Govt.

To the Commissioner at Tranquebar — Enclosing Copy of an opinion from the Law Officers on the several points submitted in his letter of the 29th ultimo and directing him to be guided thereby with an Observation.

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Received and Sent the following letters entered in Mr

B. Nos. 69-70-71-72-73-74-75-76-77-78-79-80-81-82 83-84-

From Major Bruce — Reporting on the nett advances made

From the Military Auditor General —

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made on account of the Military Department for the month of April —

From D. D. From D. D. — Reporting that an additional Estimate of Cash required by the Paymaster at Mysore is admissible

To the Secretary to the Government at Fort William — To Mr. Thornhill — Transmitting Copies of further Lists of French Prisoners of War landed at this Presidency.

To the Commander in chief To Lieutenant General Maidowall — Transmitting Extracts from the Proceedings of Government.

To the Commander in Chief To Lieutenant General Maidowall — Transmitting Extract from the Proceedings of Government to be Communicated to the Medical Board.

To the Military Board. To the Military Board — Enclosing Copy of a Letter from the Offici Commanding Artillery relative to repairs required for the New Laboratory. Copy of a letter from the Offici Commanding Malabar and Canara with report on various Buildings at Cananore — Copy of a letter from the Commanding Offici at Bangalore respecting Certain Charges incurred in the Barrack Department

To. D. D. To D. D. Enclosing Extract of a letter from Military Auditor General — authority given for the payment of the advances of money therein required for the Removal of Ordnance Stores

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from Madura, with an Observation —

To. Do. Do. Transmitting Extracts of letters
from and to the Senior Chaplain at Fort St. George.

To. Do. Do. — Enclosing Copies of letters from
and to the Deputy Assay Master.

To the Military Auditor General — Transmitting Copies
of Correspondence with the Military Paymaster General and with the
Military Board. respecting Certain unadjusted Balances. —

To. Do. Do — Enclosing 3 Bills from the Town
Mayor of Fort St. George for Adjustment, and Extract from the Proceed-
-ings of Government.

To. Do. Do — Enclosing Extract of a letter from the
Military Board relative to the removal of Ordnance and Stores from
Madura.

To the Accountant General and Civil Auditor —
Enclosing Copy of a Letter from Major Lieth relative to his allowances
together with the Enclosures to which it refers.

To the Military Paymaster General — Enclosing —
Copy of a Report from the Military Auditor General on the —
additional Estimates of Cash required for the payment of the Army
for the ensuing Month and informing him that authority has been

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giving for paying the Advance of Money required in the 4th Paragraph of the Report.

To the Military Paymaster General

To the Military Paymaster General — Transmitting Extracts of letters from and to the Military Board.

To the Town Major of Fort St. George.

To the Town Major of Fort St. George — The Bill Submitted with his letter of the 23d Instant referred to the Military Auditor General for Examination and Adjustment —

To the Military Paymaster General.

Sent a letter to the Military Paymaster General, entered in M. B. No. 85 — Transmitting Copy of Report from the Military Auditor General on an additional Estimate of Cash Required by the Paymaster in Mysore.

At a Consultation

Present

The Honorable Sir George Hilaro Barlow Bt K.B.
Governor and President

Friday the 4th 29th July 1808.

Thomas Oakes — } Esqrs
J. H. Casamajor. } and

William Petrie Esqr Absent Indisposed

Minutes of last Consultation read and approved.

Read the following letter from the Commander

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in Chief's Military Secretary.

George Buchan Esqr.

Chief Secretary to Government

Fort St. George.

Sir

His Excellency the Commander in Chief — directs me to request that you will be pleased to lay the accom= =pany ing papers from Major Lindsay of the 11th native Infantry — Regiment upon the Subject of loss Sustained by Exchange before the Honorable the Governor in Council.—

From the Commander in Chief's military Secretary; with a Memorial addressed to the Supreme — Government by — Major Lindsay — Commanding the — 11th Regiment of Native Infantry, appealing from the decision of this — Government against the Claims of the — Native Battalions to a Compensation for Loss on Exchange.

His Excellency does not wish to give any — opinion upon a point, which the Honorable the Governor in — Council has already decided against Certain native Corps. but — at the same time Considers it to be proper to forward Major Lindsays appeal, to the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council in order that the Honorable the Governor in Council may — dispose of it, as to his Judgement may seem best.

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

(Signed) Wm. Macpherson

M.S.

Head Quarters

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To the Military Secretary

To His Excellency the Commander in Chief &c.

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit to you a letter addressed to the Right Honorable the Governor General in India, with Papers therein enclosed, which I request you will lay before His Excellency the Commander in Chief, that they may be forwarded accordingly - I trust that His Excellency will admit the Justice of the principle on which I have grounded this Appeal, and the purity of those motives which have prompted me to adopt this measure -

I have &c.

(Signed) J. Lindsay

Major Comg. 2d Battn 11th Regt.

Fort St. George
30th June 1808

Ordered that the Memorial enclosed in the foregoing letter be returned to the Commander in Chief, with the following Reply -

order thereon

To Lieutenant General Macdowall

Commander in Chief &c.

Sir,

To the Commander in Chief - Enclosing the memorial above mentioned, and a letter received from Lieut. Colonel Sentleger on a similar subject censuring Major Lindsay's and Lieut. Colo. St. Leger's Conduct - and

Para 1. I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your Military Secretary's letter of the 8th Instant. and to acquaint you that the Honorable the Governor in Council having finally decided on the Claims of the Nature referred to in that letter,

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and observing that the decision formerly passed in such Claims has been found to have been incorrect-

he did not expect that the Subject would have been received.

2. The Circumstances under which the appeal of Major Lindsay to the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council has been preferred, render it disrespectful to the Authority of this Government; and though the Governor in Council is disposed to impute the Conduct of Major Lindsay to the want of knowledge of his duty, I am directed to request that you will require from that Officer the observance in future of more circumspection.

3. It is thought proper under this explanation that the address of Major Lindsay to the Governor General in Council should be returned, and I have accordingly the honor to enclose it.

4. The Governor in Council directs me at the same time to transmit to you the enclosed letter which has been addressed to this Government by the Honble Lieutenant Colonel Sentleger -

5 The Governor in Council is of Opinion that a case can rarely occur of a nature to justify any Military Officer in addressing to the Government an application the transmission of which may not have been sanctioned by the Commander in Chief; and the Case under Consideration is

Certainly

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Certainly not of a Nature to Warrant a departure from that established rule of Correspondence – It is accordingly the Request of the Governor in Council that you will in returning to the Honorable Lieutenant Colonel Sentleger the Accompanying Letter, Convey to that Officer the expression of disapprobation which you will probably deem to be indispensable. –

6. The decision of the Governor in Council relative to Claims such as those referred to in the Accompanying papers, having been grounded on Considerations unconnected with personal pretensions, any observation on that Subject cannot be necessary – It is however proper to observe that the Officers who have Subscribed the enclosed Letters appear to have formed an erroneous estimation of the duty which they owe to their Stations and to the Government under which they Serve – The Governor in Council will be at all times prepared to attend to Claims which are well founded, and which may not be opposed by unavoidable objections, but having Submitted those Claims it is the duty of Commanding Officers to give that Obedience to the orders of their Superiors which it is the determination of the Governor in Council to require from all Officers under his authority –

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7. I am directed to explain for your particular information that Circumstances which have come to the knowledge of the Governor in Council have evinced that the decision formerly passed on Claims to Compensation for loss on Exchange, was incorrect, and this Circumstance must preclude the admission of further Claims of the Same nature

I have the honor to be &c &c

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(Signed) G. Buchan
Chief Secy. to the Government

Read the following letters from the Commander in Chiefs Military Secretary, and from the Assistant Adjutant General of the Army.

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

Sir

From the Commanding Chiefs Military Secty. stating that there is no occasion for a party of Artillery at Trankebar, but that the native detail in that Garrison cannot be diminished

I am directed by His Excellency the Commander in Chief in obedience to the Resolution of the Honorable the Governor in Council, to that purpose on the 13th Instant to state, that His Excellency does not see any Necessity for detaching a party of Artillery to Trankebar, when that

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now Stationed there has been removed. His Excellency is of opinion that the detail of Native Infantry now at Trankebar and which Consists of only two Companies cannot with propriety be further reduced.

I have the honor to be &c &c

(Signed) Wm. Macpherson

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Head Quarters
22d July 1808.

Resolution thereon

Resolved that the Commander in Chief be requested to be guided by the opinion which he has stated respecting the Strength of the Garrison of Trankebar, and that the Detachment of Artillery now under orders to march from that Station be not relieved, as at first proposed, by a party from Trichinopoly.

To The Chief Secretary to Government.

Fort St. George

Sir

I have the honor to inform you that His Excellency the Commander in Chief having approved of leave of absence being granted to Lieutenant Roberts of the 2nd Battalion 8th Regiment recommends to the favorable Consideration of the Honorable the Governor in Council the application from that Officer, forwarded to you on the 25th may last.

From the assistant adjutant General with applications from Lieutenant Roberts of the 8th Regt. for leave to Proceed to Bengal, and from Lt. Newall of the 20th for leave to Proceed to Sea. Enclosing also a Certificate entitling the widow of Serjeant Roberts to Lord Clive's Fund.

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The inclosed Application from Lieutenant Newall of the 2d Battalion 20th Regiment for permission to proceed to Sea on Sick Certificate I have likewise to request that you will Submit to the Honorable the Governor in Council with His Excellency's Recommendation that Leave be granted.

I transmit also the prescribed Certificate in Order that the usual Pension may be granted to the Widow of the late Sergeant William Roberts agreeably to the Regulations for Lord Clive's Bounty Fund.

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

Adjutant Generals Office
Fort St. George 26th July 1808.

[Signed] I McDowall
Asst Adjt Genl of the Army

The Honble Lt. George H. Barlow Bart K B.
Governor in Council &c. &c. &c.

Hon'ble Sir

I have the honor to lay before You an Application from an Officer of the 2d Battalion 20th Regiment native Infantry to proceed to Sea on Sick Certificate for the benefit of his health.

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

17th July 1808.

[Signed] C. Conner Lt Colt
Commanding Wallajahbad

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To the Offic. Commanding the 2d Batt. 20th Regt.

Sir

I have the honor to inclose you a Certificate which I request you will forward through the prescribed Channel.

Wallajahbad
16th July 1808

[Signed] J. Newall Lieutenant
2nd Batt. 20th Regiment

This is to Certify that Lieutenant Newall of the 2nd Battalion — 20th Regiment Native Infantry has labourd under Visceral — obstruction for some time past. It is my opinion that he should — immediately proceed to the Presidency, and avail himself of the first opportunity of taking a Short voyage; either to Bombay Ceylon or Penang, for the reestablishment of his health.

[Signed] Ramsay Sladen
Assistant Surgeon 2 Batt. 20th Regt. N. I.

Wallajahbad
15th July 1808.

1805 Marriages

William Roberts (Serjt. of European Invalids) and Mary Johannas (Native) were Married in St. Mary's Church Fort St. George on the 22d day of June 1805.

In presence of
R. Barlow
K.R. Bunkall

[Signed] Roberts
..

By me
Edward Vaughan
acting Jemdt Chaplain
William Roberts
the Mark + of
Mary Johannas

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The Above is a true Extract from the Registes of Marriages in St. Mary's Church, Fort St. George, on the Coast of Coromandel in the East Indies - as given under my hand this 10th. day of August 1805.

(Signed) Edward Vaughan

Acting Junr. Chaplain

Resolutions thereon

Resolved that Lieutenant Roberts of the 8th. Regiment Native Infantry be permitted to proceed on leave of absence to Bengal in Compliance with the Recommendation of the Commander in Chief.

Resolved that Lieutenant Nuvall of the 20th. Regiment of Native Infantry be permitted to proceed to Sea on Sick Certificate.

Resolved that the Widow of the late Sergeant W. Roberts be admitted to the usual benefit of Lord Clive's Fund.

Read the following letter from the Military Board.

To the Honorable Sir G. H. Barlow Bt. K. B.

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

Honorable Sir,

From the Military Board. Recommend the Payt. of Bills and advance of Money. Enclose an Account Current with the Superintending Engineer at the Presidency Division and Propose a Mode for adjusting the Balance.

1. We beg to forward and to Recommend payment of the following Bills Vizt.

No. 1. — Bill of the Superintendent of the Gun Powder Manufacture

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Manufacture for Commission on 923. 60 lb Barrels and 40 lb of Gun Powder made in June amounting to Rupees 1,847-4-20.—

No. 2 Bill of the Offic Commanding at Semalabad for repairing the place of Arms, Guard-rooms and Centry Boxes in the fort amounting to Pagodas 31. " "

No. 3. Bill of the Acting Garrison Storekeper at Vizagapatam for expences incurred in Storing Paddy - Amounting to Rupees 63. 6. —

2. We have the honor to enclose Extract of a letter from the Superintending Engineer in the Presidency Division, on the Subject of his Accounts Remaining to be Adjusted in Consequence of the intention of Government to Recur to the former System of executing Public Works and Buildings. By the accompanying Account Current, which has been examined and found Correct, it appears that a Balance of Pagodas 6450. 30. 74 Remains in favor of the Company, arising from the 1st. advances having been made for Works once Authorized and the execution of which was Suspended from Subsequent Consideration, we Recommend that the Amount of this Balance may be placed to the Credit of the Company, in the Account of the Works now Carrying on by the Superintending Engineer, which will render unnecessary the

payment

payment of those Advances to that Amount.

3. The following Bills we Recommend for payment, their Amount has been Credited to the Engineer in the enclosed Account Current.

No. 4 Bill of the Superintending Engineer at the Presidency for Work performed at the Towraid Road and Ghauts ordered to be Constructed between the Sea Gates of Fort St. George and South East Angle of the Black Town - amounting to Pagodas 4011. 19. 55. the Balance due on the Bill after deducting the Value of old Materials is Pagodas 2,679. 39. 15.

No 5. Bill of the Superintending Engineer at the Presidency for repairs performed to the Admiralty House in Fort St. George from the 21st. June 1803 to the 30th. June 1804 - amounting to Pagodas 1015:

No. 6. Bill of the Superintending Engineer at the Presidency for repairing the Government Garden House from 1st July to the 10th November 1805 - amounting to Pagodas 895: 3: 11.

4. We recommend also payment of the following Advances of Money.

An Advance of Pagodas 445 7/ to the Superintending

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Superintending Engineer at Bangalore Cuing the remaining half of the last third of the estimated cost of Constructing a Barrack for a Regiment of European Cavalry at that Cantonment

An advance of Pagodas 4677: 36: to the agent for the Supply of Military Stores on account of Articles Required to be provided for the Service of the Arsenal of Fort St. George.

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

/Signed/ E. Frazer

" Rob. Bell.

Fort St. George
18th July 1808

" J. Munro

" P. Bruce

Extract of Letter from the Superintending Engineer at the Presidency to the Secretary of the Military Board Dated 18th July 1808

"In Consequence of the intention of recurring to the Regulations of 1794 it becomes Necessary that My Accounts should be adjusted for all Works ordered, for which I have received advances and which are not in a State of forwardness. The first of this description is the Terraced Road and Ghauts ordered to be Constructed between the Sea Gates of Fort St. George, and the South East angle of the Black Town"

"After a great part of this Work had been completed,

on

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on the night of the 30th april the Surf broke over the embankment which was between the Wall and the Sea and undermined it - before the Masonry was Sufficiently hard to resist its effects - The Circumstance was immediately Reported to the Board, and a Committee Consisting of the Chief Engineer, the Adjutant General, and Quarter Master General Surveyed the Ruins; and the late Storm has Shewn that if the Wall had been Carried within the highest Water mark as was the intention it Still would have been destroyed, and the Sum of Pagodas 18,893 would have been lost."

"I expended upon this Work Pagodas 3821.35.10. and after deducting the Sum of Pagodas 1332.11.55. the Cost of the Bricks and Stones which I recovered, I hope the Board will be pleased to Recommend to Government the accompanying Bill for the difference being the Cost of the labor bestowed on the Work, and Cost of the Articles &c. Cost - I received an advance for this Work of Pagodas 629 7. 35. 40. and after deducting the Amount of my Bill, the Sum of Pagodas 361 7. 8. 4 will Still be due by me."

"The Admiralty House was directed to be Repaired on the 4th July 1803. - and some progress was made in the

Work,

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Work. but it being in agitation to enlarge the Arsenal at that time, the work was stopped by order of the Right Honorable Lord William Bentinck. I received an advance of Pagodas 733.17.69 on this account, and expended Pagodas 966.32.40. as may be seen by the accompanying Bill No 2"

"An Estimate under date the 5th. December 1805. was forwarded to me for Repairing the Government Garden House, and Banqueting Room - a great part of the Work was performed and the finishing postponed - I received the first advance for this Work amounting to Pagodas 926. - and I expended Pagodas 852: 20: 10"-

"On the 27th. March 1806 - I received an advance of Pagodas 425: 17: 53 being one third of the Estimated Cost of Constructing a Gateway, and Guard Rooms at the Principal Entrance of the Government Garden House. By order of Lord William Bentinck the Construction was deferred. I have carried the Amount to the Credit of the Company in the Accompanying Account Current."

"An Estimate was authorized on the 25th. March 1802. for Repairing the Old powder Mills; soon after which it was determined to Change the Site. I received an advance of

Pagodas

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Pagodas 374:40:7: which was to have been deducted from my Bill for the Machinery of the New Mills as soon as Completed — and on taking Charge of the New Powder Mills I received from Lieutenant Bishop the Sum of Pagodas 1972:33:33. and after deducting Pagodas 1653:37:11: for work performed before it was determined to rebuild the Mills, the Sum of Pagodas 318.41.22 is still due the Company on this Account, and which I have inserted in the accompanying Account Current"

"Clives Battery was ordered to be formed into a Redoubt, but owing to the difficulty of procuring the Ground required for the purpose, the intention was given up. I received an advance of Pagodas 1809:13:53: to prepare Materials which Sum I have placed to the Credit of the Company in the Account Current."

"In my letter of the 15th June last, I reported that the first advances which I received for Cutting out the Cracks in the Revetments of the Works of Fort St. George was not expended, and that I would pay the Amount into the Treasury, but in order to avoid Confusion in the Accounts I have placed that Balance in the accompanying Account Current to the Credit of the Company that the whole may be at once adjusted."

True Extract
(Signed) A Stock
D.S.M.B.

Dr.

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Dr. Lieutenant Thomas Fraser Superintending Engineer in

1808 July	15th	To Cash Paid for workmanship and Materials on Account of the Terraced Road and Ghaut between the Sea Gates of Fort St. George and the South East angle of the Black Town as Pr. Bill No. 1	}	2679	39 15
"	"	To Cash Paid for Workmanship and Materials for Repairing the Admiratty House in Fort St. George as Pr. Bill No. 2	}	1015	" "
"	"	To Cash paid for Workmanship and Materials for Repairing the Government Garden House as Pr. Bill No. 3	}	895	3. 11
				4589	42 36.

Balance due to the Honorable Company -- 6750 30 ¼

Pagodas ----- 11,340 28 20

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Account Current with the Honorable Company ..... Cr.

1802 aprie.		By Cash received from Benj.n Roebuck Esq.r Military Paymaster General being the first advance for repairing the old Powder Mills	374	40	7
1803. May.	23	By Do. Received from Do being the first advance for Constructing a Terraced Road and Ghauts between the Sea Gates of Fort St. George and the South East angle of the Black Town	6297	35	40
July	19th	By Do. Received from Do being the first advance for Cutting out the Cracks in the Counterscarp and Scarp of the ditch, also of the Ravelins &c.a	2424	8	.
		Amount of My Bill for work Executed and Credited to the Honorable Company on the 15th June 1808	1969	10	64
			454	42	16
"	20th	By Cash Received from B. Roebuck Esq.r Military Paymaster General being the first advance for Repairing the Admirality House in Fort St. George	733	17	69
1804 May	4th	By Do Received from Do being the first advance for Forming Clives Battery into a Redoubt	1,809	13	53
July		By Cash Received from Lieutenant Bishop on account of the New Powder Mills	1,972	33	33
		Amount of my Bill for work executed and Credited to the Honorable Company on the 9th October 1804	1653	37	11
			318	41	22
1806 March	24th	By Cash Received from J. Greenhill Esq.r Military Paymaster being the first advance for Repairing the Government Garden House, and Banqueting Room in the Manner pointed out by the Annual Committee of Survey on the Public Buildings	926	.	.
"	"	By Do Received from Do being the first advance for Constructing a Gateway and Guard Rooms for the Principal Entrance of the Government Garden	425	17	53
		Pagodas	11,340	28	20

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(Signed) Thomas Fraser
Super.d Engineer

A true Copy
(Signed) A. Stock
D: S M. B.

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Minute & Order thereon.

The Board Approve the mode Proposed for adjusting the Balance of the account with the Superintending Engineer of the Presidency Division.

Ordered that authority be given for the payment of the Bills and Advances of Money Recommended in the foregoing letter.

Read the following letters from the Military Auditor General.

To The Honorable Sir George Hilaro Barlow Bart. & K B.

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

Honorable Sir,

From the Military Auditor General — Submits in the usual form Statements of the Military disbursements for the Official Year 1807/8 with an analysis of the Military Establishments States also the probable expences of the Current Year —

I have the honor to lay before You in order to be transmitted to the Honorable the Court of Directors the annual Statement of the Expence of the Military Establishments under the Presidency of Fort St. George. as they Stood Upon the 30th. of April 1808. Compiled upon the Same principle as the Statements of former Years. with a Separate Analysis Shewing under the proper heads the Aggregate Strength of the Several Corps and Establishments Corresponding with the details entered in the Statement.

The Result of this Statement on a Comparison with that of the Year 1806/7 is as follows.

1806/7

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1806/7		1807/8	
Establishments	P 3,49,590	Establishments	P 3,50,458
Extra Charges	2,78661	Extra Charges	5,48241
Total Pags	P 6,28,251	Total Pags	P 8,98,699

From the above Totals it will be found that the Expenditure of the Year 1807:8 has exceeded that of the preceding Year in the Sum of Pagodas 2,70,448 " "
which Considerable Increase has arisen (with the difference only of about One thousand Pagodas) entirely upon the Extra Charges and which may be attributed principally to the following Causes.

The Considerable Sums which have in the course of last Year been expended on Account of additions and Repairs of Fortifications and Public Buildings. Chiefly at Fort St. George, also the Barracks for the Artillery at the Mount, Detachment of that Corps at Hydrabad, the Repairs and Cleansing the Ditch at Vellore and Expences of a Similar Nature incurred at Seringapatam, for building Quarters &c. to the Cadets at Cuddalore, for Barracks and other Buildings at Bangalore &c.

In the adjustment likewise of a Considerable

balance

1870

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Balance due by the Company in the Accounts of the Agents for Spirituous Liquors, and also for field Charges incurred in Consequence of a Detachment of the Hyderabad Subsidiary Force having been employed in the Field for about four months. 134,185

The Estimate for the Probable Military Expenditure for the Year 1807/8. as contained in my address to Government which accompanied the Statement for the Year 1806/7. P. Pd. 77,64,514

The Actual Military Expenditure of the Year 1807/8 as shown by this Work is 78,98,699

Leaving an Increase in the Expenditure of Pagodas 134,185

which has been occasioned by the Causes before Stated, the most part of which could not well be foreseen.

As the Annual Military Statement is prepared not only for the purpose of shewing the actual Expense incurred in the past Year, but also serves as a Data upon which to Estimate the Probable Expense for the ensuing Year, it has accordingly been usual to touch upon points that may likely Increase or diminish that Expense, it may therefore be affected by the following Items of Increase and Decrease Viz.t

Probable

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Probable Increase in 1808/9

1	Increase of Expense in Consequence of Full Batta of their Rank and Superior Full Batta (when in the Field) granted to all Officers Commanding Corps	38,760.. ..
2	Increase of Expense in Consequence of Superior Full Batta and Brigadiers allowance granted to Officers Commanding Stations & Detachments	14,625
3	Increase of Expense in Consequence of arrears of Pay granted to the Non-Commissioned & Privates of His Majesty's and the Honble Company's Regiments of Cavalry and Infantry	60,000.. ..
4	Increase of Expense in Consequence of additional Pay granted to the Non Commissioned and Privates of His Majesty's and the Honble Company's Regts. of Cavalry and Infantry after Certain periods of Services	31,795.. ..
5.	Increase of Expense on account of Pay and allowances to His Majesty's 2d Battalion of Royals for 6 Months. 6 months only being included in the Accounts of 1807/8.	50,000.. ..
6	Increase of Expense on account of Pay &c. to the Officers and Men Captured in the French Nation-al Frigate Piedmontaise and Le Union Privateer	13,000.. ..
	Carried forward Rs.	2,08090.. ..

Increase

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	Brought forward Pags.	2,03,090. .. ..
7.	Increase of Expense on account of Danish Prisoners Captured at Tranquebar including the Expense of that Garrison for 10 months.	9,000. .. ..
8	Increase of Expense for Securing the East face of Port St. George against the Encroachment of the Sea	1,00,000. .. ..
9.	Increase of Expense in Consequence of one Regiment of Native Cavalry one Battalion of Native Infantry and a Squadron of Horse artillery ordered on Field Service at Berar in addition to the Hydrabad Subsidiary force for 6 months	35,000. .. ..
10.	Increase of Expense on account of the Purchase of Horses for the Cavalry in 1808/9	45,828. .. ..
11.	Increase in Consequence of 2 Companies of His Majesty's 30th. Regt. of Foot & 1 Company of Artillery embarked for foreign Service for 12 months.	26,308. .. ..
12.	Increase on account of the Detachment of Artillery and Horse artillery proceeding to Persia for 12 months	11,798
	Total Increase	4,36,024. .. ..

Probable

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Probable Decreade in 1808/9

1. Probable Decreade of Expense on Account of reducing the Command of Garrisons and Cantonments	40747.. ..
2 Decreade of Expense in Consequence of the late Order respecting the Governor's Body Guard	8400.. ..
3. Decreade of Expense on Account of the Reduction of 100 Sepoys from each Battalion of Native Infantry exclusive of the Battalions at Hydrabad	96,000.. ..
4. Saving in Consequence of discharging 200 men from the Corps of Pioneers	7,000.. ..
5 Decreade of Expense on Account of the Reduction of 504 men in the Gun Lascars and 26 men of the Golundauze	14,274.. ..
6 Decreade of Expense on Account of the Reduction of 230 Dooly Bearers from the Dooley Corps	4,994.. ..
7 Decreade of Expense on Account of the Saving on the Cloathing the discharged Troops	7395.. ..
8 Decreade of Expense on Account of the Reduction of the Supernumeraries with the Hydrabad Subsidiary Force	12,000.. ..

Carried forward Page

Decreade

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	Brought forward Pags.	2,03,090. .. ..
7.	Increase of Expense on account of Danish Prisoners Captured at Tranquebar including the Expense of that Garrison for 10 months	9,000. .. ..
8	Increase of Expense for Securing the East face of Fort St. George against the Encroachment of the Sea	1,00,000. .. ..
9.	Increase of Expense in Consequence of one Regiment of Native Cavalry one Battalion of Native Infantry and a Squadron of Horse artillery ordered on Field Service at Berar in addition to the Hyderabad Subsidiary force for 6 months	35,000. .. ..
10.	Increase of Expense on account of the Purchase of Horses for the Cavalry in 1808/9	45,828. .. ..
11.	Increase in Consequence of 2 Companies of His Majesty's 30th. Regt. of Foot & 1 Company of Artillery embarked for foreign Service for 12 months	26,308. .. ..
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	Total Increase	4,36,024. .. ..

Probable

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Probable Decreade in 1808/9

1. Probable Decreade of Expense on Account of Reducing the Command of Garrisons and Cantonments	40,747.. ..
2 Decreade of Expense in Consequence of the late Orders Respecting the Governor's Body Guard	8400.. ..
3. Decreade of Expenses on Account of the Reduction of 100 Sepoys from each Battalion of native Infantry exclusive of the Battalions at Hydrabad	96,000.. ..
4. Saving in Consequence of discharging 200 men from the Corps of Pioneers	7,000.. ..
5 Decreade of Expense on Account of the Reduction of 504 men in the Gun Lascars and 26 men of the Golundauze	14,271.. ..
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Decreade

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Brought forward Pags.

9. Decreade of Expense on account of the Stud at Ichapore being abolished	49,283.	
10 Decreade of Expense on account of the Reduction of 1700 Draught Bullocks	26,228.	
11 Decreade of Expense on account of the abolition of the Tent Contract allowance as per Quarter Master General's Calculation	68,000.	
12 Decreade of Expense under the head of Repairs of Fortifications and Military Buildings	2,69,175..	
13 Decreade of Expense in the difference between the Honorable Company's Regulated price of Rice, and the Price of that article in the Bazar, paid to European and Native Troops and followers	75000.	
14 Decreade of Expense in the Price of Horse Gram between last and the Current Year	30,000.	
15 Decreade of Expense in Consequence of the Expense of the Surgeons attached to Zillah Courts being transferred from the Military Depart.	12,108.	

Carried forward Ps.

Decreade

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Brought forward Pagodas. . . .

16 Decreade of Expense on account of Batta and Ward Room allowance to the Officers of His Majestys Squadron in India being transferred to the Civil Department ---------- 54,606 .. ..

17 Decreade of Expense on account of the Pension to the Servants of the late Nabob of the Carnatic 20,223 .. ..

18 Decreade of Expense on account of the Charges for the Garrison Vizt. of Malacca being discon:tinued in the Military Accounts of this Presidency 29,770 .. ..

19 Decreade of Expense on account of the abolition of the temporary Agent for the Construction of Gun Carriage at the Presidency -- 13,200 .. ..

20 Decreade of Expense on account of the Compensation Paid to Lieutenant Colonel Brunton, Colonel Gillespie and to Conductor Brady -- 11,800 .. ..

21 Decreade of Expense on account of Victualling His Majestys 30th. Regiment of Foot and the 2nd. Battalion of Royals including Freight of Ships from Prince of Wales's Island to Bengal and from thence to Madras — 23,994 .. ..

Carried forward - Pagh

Decreade

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	Brought forward Pagodas.	
22.	Decrease of an arrear paid on account of Bullocks and other Charges entered under the head of "War with the Confederated Mahratta Chiefs"	58,353 .. ..
23.	Decreade of Expense on account of Batta and other incidental Charges on account of the Escort which proceeds to Bengal with the Mysore Princes	5,800 .. ..
24	Decreade of Expense on account of Compensation paid to the 2d. Battalion Pioneers, and Ensigns Mortimer and Norman for losses sustained in the Storm of 11th Dec.r 1807	2,600 .. ..
25	Saving under the head of "Military Board Provision Department" in the purchase of Rice and Provisions &c.a	50,000 .. ..
26	Freight for the Ship Helen for Carrying a Detachment of the 51st. Regiment from Columbo to Tutacorin & back	3,650 .. ..
	Carried forward Pagodas.	9,94,597 .. ..

Value

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Brought forward Pagodas	9,94,597	.. ..
27. Value of the Ship Pataragaman, wrecked when Carrying part of the 19th. Regiment to Ceylon	2360	.. ..
Total Decrease	9,96,957	.. ..
Deduct Total of Increase	4,36,024	.. ..
Balance in favor of a Decrease	5,60,933	.. ..

Which Sum being deducted from the amount of last Years actual Expenditure of Pagodas 7,98,699 will leave the Sum of Pagodas 73,7,766 which may be Considered as the Probable Estimate of 1808/9. To guard however against any unexpected Contingency and to provide for any Extra Expense which may be unavoidably incurred, it may be proper and is usually added a Sum Sufficient to cover such expense, the Estimate may therefore be thus stated.—

Estimated Expense of the Military Establishments & and Extra Charges for the Year 1808/9	73,37,766.—
Add a Sum to answer unexpected Contingencies	1,00,000
According to the above Statement the Military Expenditure of the year 1808/9. may be Computed at	74,37,766.—

In the Calculation of Probable Increase in

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the Expense for the Current Year, no Expense is Estimated for any Regiments which may arrive from Europe in the Course of the Year, that event will of course make an addition proportionate to the Strength &c.a of Such Corps.

In the foregoing Statements of Increase and Decrease expected to affect the Expenditure of the Current Year, all the points which have occurred upon a Revision of the Expenditure of the past Year have been brought into Notice.

It is proper here to State that the Charge for Gram for Last year for the 2d. Regiment of native Cavalry is not included in the Statement under that head of that Corps, as it has not been included in the Accounts of the General Agent, and as he could not afford me any particular information Regarding the Amount of the Expense, having Stated in general that a quantity of Gram had been brought on board of Ship from Bengal to Bombay and had been allotted for the use of the 2nd. Regiment of Madras Native Cavalry now Serving with the Subsidiary Force at Poonah.

It will be observed that notwithstanding the large Item of 1,00,000 Pagodas of Increase I after deducting 44,000 Pagodas from the Estimate of the Superintending Engineer

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is Stated as the Expense for the Works Constructing for the protection of the Sea Face of Fort St. George. there is however opposed to it the Probable Decrease in Consequence of the Instructions which you have been pleased to give to the proper Department Regarding the Military Buildings, Fortifications &c. the Reduction under that head is Computed at Pagodas 2,69,175.—

It only Remains to be Stated that the Annual Statement of the past year 1804/8. is compiled from the Actual Disbursements which . . . . have been made in the Course of the Year, as the whole of the Paymasters Accounts for the Official Year ending upon the 30th of April last, were examined and audited on or before the 15th of June last, and were Copied in triplicate and despatched to the Military Paymaster General and the Subordinate Paymasters, on or before the 23d of the same Month, a State of forward efficiency in the Department of Military audit, which I feel a just pride in Considering cannot well be exceeded upon an annual Expenditure of nearly 80,00,000 Pagodas which has not before been effected must prove Satisfactory to the Individuals Concerned, as well as beneficial to the Public and which it shall be my duty to keep up.—

Military Auditor Generals Office
Fort St. George 18th July 1808 . . .

I have the honor to be &c. &c.
(Signd) D. Bruce
M A. Gl.

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P.S. Alth in the arranging of the different heads of Expenditure Contained in the Annual Military Statements of former, as well as of the last preceding Year, the Amount of Expense incurred on account of Repairs of Fortifications and Military Buildings have been entered in the Body of the work under the head of "Establishments" - I have however in this letter, Considered the term, not only as more appropriate, but from the Nature and description of the Expenditure itself placed the Amount under the head of "Extra Charges" - in which deviation I am hopeful your Honorable Board will not think, I have erred - and in the Annual Military Statement for the Year 1808/9 the alteration can also be made in the Work, as it can not now well be done in this Statement.

(Signed) P. Bruce
M. A. G.l

To The Honorable Sir George Hilaro Barlow Bart. &c. &c.
Governor in Council &c. &c. &c.

Hon.ble Sir,

From the Military Auditor General with Statements of the Salaries of the Danish Civil and military Servants.

Agreeably to your Commands Contained in the letter from the Chief Secretary of Government under date the 2nd Instant. I have the honor to lay before you a detailed

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List of the Payments made to the Danish Civil and Military Servants at Tranquebar, Since that Settlement has been Occupied by the Troops belonging to the Presidency of Fort St. George.

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

P. Bruce

M. A. G.

Military Auditor Generals Office
Fort St. George 25th July 1808.

[Signed]

Statement Shewing the allowances Paid to the Civil Servants in his Danish Majesty's Service at Tranquebar per Month.

March 1808.

Mr. Harmandson Governor			294 13 " — " " "
Mr. Lindgreen Member of Council and Chief Justice &c.			79 " " " "
Mr. Hoeford first Secretary to Government and Notary Public &c. &c.			60 " "
Mr. Halkur deputy Secretary to Government &c.			21 20 "
Mr. Muller Writer in the Secretarys Office			10 10 "
Mr. Paholm	Ditto	Ditto	10 10 "
Mr. Preusenberg	Ditto	Ditto	8 8 "
Mr. Hoffe	Ditto	Ditto	8 8 "
Mr. Mayer	Ditto	Ditto	8 8 "
Mr. Buck	Ditto	Ditto	8 8 "
Mr. Rehling Magistrate, Judge of the inferior Court and Judge Advocate			50 " "
Mr. Lindgaard Account. General			42 16 "
Mr. Laiff Writer in the Accountants Office			8 8 "
Mr. Hale Custom Master and Malabar Translator			21 20 "
Mr. Munharez Treasurer and Master attendant. N B. at present in Bengal on Leave			26 " "

Carried forward 656 27 "

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The Reverend Cammerer Missionary officiating in the Danish Church as Parson	1616 "	
Mr. Woodshow Parsons Clark	88 "	
Lieutenant Lafter Surveyer	1616 "	
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April 1808

Mr. Harrnandon Governor				2943 "
Mr. Lindgreen member of Council & Chief Justice &c.				79 " "
Mr. Hoefod. first Secretary to Government and Notary Public &c.				60 " "
Mr. Walker deputy Secry. to Government &c.				2120 "
Mr. Muller, Writer in the Secretarys Office				1010 "
Mr. Exholm	Ditto	Ditto		88 "
Mr. Freesenberg	Ditto	Ditto		88 "
Mr. Mayer	Ditto	Ditto		88 "
Mr. Hopff	Ditto	Ditto		88 "
Mr. Beck	Ditto	Ditto		88 "
Mr. Rehling Magistrate, Judge of the inferior Court and Judge Advocate				50 " "
Mr. Lindgard Accountant General				4216 "
Mr. Paiff Writer in the Accountants Office				88 "
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	Translator	21 20 "	
Mr Meinharez Treasurer and Master attend:			
	and Mr. at present in Bengal on leave	26 " "	
The Reverend Cammerer Missionary officiating			
	in the Danish Church as Parson	16 16 "	
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Mr Walker deputy Secretary to Govern.t &c		2120 "	
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Mr Theesenbreg	Ditto Ditto	8 8 "	
Mr. Mayer	Ditto Ditto	8 8 "	
Mr Hoffe	Ditto Ditto	8 8 "	
Mr Beck	Ditto Ditto	8 8 "	
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	Court and Judge Advocate	50 " "	
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Fort St. George 26th July 1808.

(Signed) P. Bruce
M. A. G.

Statement

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Statement shewing a Detailed list of Payments Made to the Danish Military Officers &c. at Tranquebar for the Months of March, April and May 1808.

March 1808

Lieutenant Colonel Streicher Commander in Chief of the Garrison	7 7 21	
Captain Haas Commander of Artillery and Engineer	4 3 31 40	
Captain Lomm Do. of the 1st. Company Sepoys at present in Bengal on furlough	3 8 31 40	
Captain Lutter Commander of the 2d. Company Sepoys	3 8 31 40	
Captain Helmuth First Lieut. of Artillery	2 13 60	
Lieut. Gotting 2d. Lieut. of the Artillery	2 13 60	
Lieut. Buller	1 9 15 60	
Lieut. Wickice	1 9 15 60	
Lieut. Faith	1 9 15 60	
Lieut. Stucker Fort Adjutant	1 9 15 60	
Mr. Ruhde Regimental Surgeon	3 8 31 40	
Mr. Potguter Cooper	5 " "	36 33 140

April 1808

Lieut. Colonel Streicher Commander in Chief	7 5 " "	
Captain Haas Commander of the Artillery	4 2 14 8	
Captain Lutter	3 7 21 "	
Mr. Ruhde Surgeon	3 7 21 "	
Captain Helmuck of the Artillery	2 1 7 9	
Carried forwards	21 3 21 17	36 33 140

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Lieutenant Gatting Secord	21 7 9		
Lieut. Bulows	18 31 40		
Lieut. Wicked	18 31 40		
Lieut. Saith	18 31 40		
Lieut. Stecher Port adjutant	18 31 40		
Cooper Polgueter	5 " "	314. 28 26	

May 1808

Lieutenant Colonel Stecher	7 7 21 "	
Captain Haas	43 31 40	
Captain Lutter	38 31 40	
Mr. Ruhde Surgeon	38 31 40	
Captain Helmeck	21 36 60	
Lieut. Gotteng	21 36 60	
Lieut. Bulows	19 15 60	
Lieut. Wichede	19 15 60	
Lieut. Saith	19 15 60	
Lieut. Stecher	19 15 60	
Cooper Poliguter	5 " "	325 " "

Native Invalid Officers and Sepoys in his Danish Majestys Service at Tranquebar — P.P.

March

Invalid Officer Madar Saib	1 " "	
Do Do Chader Saib	1 " "	
Do Do Casenbeck	1 " "	
Sepoy Wardapah Nauck	1/2 " "	
Do Annandapah Nauck	1/2 " "	
Carried forward	4 " "	1003 17 66.

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	Brought forward	4	" "	1003 17 66
Sepoy Sina Maya Nauck		½	" "	
Do Rungapah Nauck		½	" "	
Do Cerinal Raja		½	" "	
Do Ramsam Nauck		½	" "	
Do Mahmed Saib		½	" "	
Do Wiran Nauck		½	" "	
Do Swasidambaram Nauck		½	" "	
Do Nagapah Nauck		½	" "	
Do Karnasiga Nauck		½	" "	
Do Pandavarayah Nauck		½	" "	
Do Perermude Nauck		½	" "	
Do Molupulam Rengapa Nauck		½	" "	
Do Savremolle Nauck		½	" "	
Do Chader Saib		½	" "	
Do Wingate Nauck		½	" "	
Do Sanbukan		½	" "	
Do Mahomed Saib		½	" "	
Do Gunnu Nauck		½	" "	
	Port. N. Pags.	13	" "	
for april		13	" "	
for May		13.	" "	
		39	" "	32 22 40
	Total Pagodas			1,035 40 26.

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[Signed] P. Bruce
M. A. G.

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To The Honorable Sir George Hilaro Barlow Bart. K.B.
Governor in Council &c &c &c

Hon'ble Sir

From the Military auditor General — Suggests the diminution of the Salaries allowed to officers charged with paymts of Family Certificates — and the discontinuance of Lieutenant Watsons appointmt as Paymaster of the Certificates of the Hydrabad Field Detachment.

I Consider it my duty to report to your honor in Council that from the amount of the Abstracts of payments made on account of Family Certificates at the Stations of Trichinopoly and Bellary being so inconsiderable, it may be deemed deserving the Consideration of your Honorable Board whether the allowance Authorized by Government of Pagodas 75 per month to an officer at each of those Stations may not be Reduced Considerably.

2. As Connected with the same Subject, it may likewise be deemed deserving of Consideration, whether the late Temporary Appointment of Lieutenant Watson to be Paymaster of Family Certificates at Hydrabad may not be discontinued in Consequence of almost the whole of the Detachment from the Hydrabad Subsidiary Force which were on Field Service having returned into Cantonments.

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

Military Auditor General's Office
Port St. George 26th July 1808

(Signed) P. Bruce
M. A. G.

To

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To The Honorable Sir George Hilaro Barlow Bart. & K.B.
Governor in Council &c. &c. &c.

Honble Sir,

From the Military Auditor General — Encloses Copies of Correspondence with the Paymaster at Masulipatam — Regarding Retrenchments, and Complains of the Style observed by Mr. Savage.

1 As requested by the Paymaster at Masulipatam I lay before you, a letter Recently received from that Office Marked No. 1.

2. I refrain from Commenting upon the Stile and purport of this letter as it will at once be evident to your Honble Board, that it has been occasioned by a due attention being paid by the Office of audit in enforcing the Orders of Government and the Regulations of the Service, and in my declining to mitigate the harshness of Retrenchments as Stated by the Paymaster, or in other Words, to Relax from my duty - I have only to Notice that the Paymasters Observations Respecting the loss of Certificates are inapplicable to my Office, as the Packets of Monthly Accounts and Vouchers are transmitted by the Subordinate Paymasters at Out Stations, to the Office of the Military Paymaster General, where they are Opened, and deposited till Subsequently Required for Audit.

3. Altho it may be Superfluous to lay before Your Honorable Board, further proof of the improper Stile —

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of language in which the Paymaster of Masulipatam has frequently addressed. I however herewith submit another Original letter (No 2) Lately Received from him with the answer and papers Connected therewith, from which, and from other Instances that can be adduced of improper and disrespectful language used by Individuals, in addressing this Department, Your Honorable Board may be enabled to Judge, what public Notice it may be proper to take to prevent a Recurrence of it in future.

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

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(Signed) P. Bruce
M. A. G.

To The Military Auditor General

Fort St. George

Sir.

Para 1. I will not for a moment Suppose that I am particularized and Marked for the lash of your Office, because I am unconscious of Meriting Severity, but I must Say that of the 7½ Years I have held the Situation of Paymaster at no prior period have I Received Such Voluminous Retrenchments, not even when my Disbursements Amounted Monthly to Nearly a Lac of Pagodas.—

Para 2. You are well aware that the Grand Object of

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every Paymaster is a Compliance with and most rigid Observance of all Orders and Regulations; but in Spite of his utmost attention to these points, trifling Errors and Omissions will creep in, and upon trifles I am to put Officers who literally live from hand to Mouth to the most Serious inconvenience by Stopping what I am / and I am persuaded you are / Satisfied, in being faithful Charges - Were you Subjected for one day only, to the unpleasant predicament, in which the Scrupulous Exactness of the Office of audit places me, by the many painful applicat- ons of Individuals for their means of Subsistance, You would be disposed to lighten the Burthen of an Audit, particularly when Charges were in this nature Correct, and must Subsequently be at the Debit of the Honble Company.

Para 3. In corroboration of my Assertions I further take leave to Assure You and to which I will readily Subscribe my Oath that it is as invariable a Rule with this Office as it is particularly enjoined by the Regulations not to pay the Abstract of any Individual or Party arriving at a Station Comprized in my Range, without a Certificate from the last Paymaster; and though this Document is most pointedly exacted by me, Yet Scarcely an Audit is Received, that does

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not involve a Retrenchment under the deficiency of such Vouches — an Office at this Moment here / Lieutenant Cursham / is Retrenched upon this plea, who is as positive of the delivery at my Office / with his first Abstract / of a Certificate from Mr. Grenhill, as my Servants are / for I was then absent on Leave / of Receiving and transmitting it to your Office — I hope therefore you will be pleased to direct greater Care being Observed in Opening the Packets of Accounts whereby Vouchers of Consequence will be preserved; that otherwise fall out, and are probably Swept off as Waste Papers. —

Para 4th. Thus Circumstanced I freely Confess necessity alone operates to my Retaining the Appointment of Paymaster; — whilst I bring to your Recollection, the Smallness of my Pay — / after nearly 18 Years Service / the deprivation of every Emolument and the extensive Responsibility annexed to the Situation in the Recovery of large Retrenchments, which latter it is in your Power to Mitigate; and which I trust this Candid appeal / for I am ever ingenuous / will induce. It has never been my disposition to Create Trouble or Misunderstanding; on the Contrary I am Always desirous to evince a Respectful deference for my Superiors, but feeling Aggrieved. I venture to State Such grievance

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and hope it will be with effect; in the event however of your not being disposed to give the Subject the desired Consideration, I request you will have the goodness to lay a Copy of this Letter before the Honorable the Governor in Council.—

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

/Signed/ F. A. Savage

Pay master

Masulipatam
12th July 1808.

Extract of a Letter from Captain John Purvis 2d Battalion 15th Regiment to the Military Auditor General Dated 26th June 1808.

I have now to Report to you, that Two Sepoys of my Company, went on Furlough to Masulipatam, on the 2nd May with the Prescribed Pay Certificate, Signed by me and the Paymasters Writer at this Station.—they produced it at the Pay Office at Masulipatam, and were Refused Payment,—because the Certificate was not Signed by the Paymaster himself.

A true Extract

/Signed/ P. Bruce

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To The Military Paymaster

Masulipatam

Sir

I herewith transmit you Copy of a letter which I have Received from Captain Turner of the 2d. Battalion 15th. Regiment Native Infantry thro the prescribed Channel and beg you will explain the Reason of your having refused to advance the Pay of the two Sipoys therein Mentioned who were furnished with a Regular Certificate of last payment.

You must be aware that by the G. O. of the 8th. September last, Paymasters are directed to advance the Pay of Individuals who may be absent from their Corps upon producing Certificates of last payment Signed either by the Paymaster or his authorized Substitute.—

Military Auditor Generals Office
Fort St. George 5th. July 1808

(Signed) P. Bruce
M. Aud. Gen.

True Copy

(Signed) P. Bruce
M. A. G.

To The Military Auditor General

Fort St. George

Sir

I have the honor, in Reply to your letter of 5th Instant

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Instant / giving Cover to Copy of one addressed to You by Captain Turner of the 2d Battalion 15 Regiment Native Infantry / to State that I have not been able to as Certain as Yet, who a Paymasters authorized Substitute is, at an out Station; unless the Concerned Can be so Considered; which by Your Remarks on my Accounts and Return of Many — Certificates, bearing the Signatures of Such persons out of, and in my Range does not Appear the Case - the two Sepoys noticed by Captain Turner as having Certificates Signed by himself and the wrter of the Station, According to my Acceptation of the — General Order of the 8 September 1807 did Certainly Authorize their receiving Pay here - but I was diverted from this — Necessary Accommodation in Consequence of Retrenchments on Charges of a Similar Nature, under the Plea " that the — Paymasters Signature was not affixed, nor that of his Autho- -rized Substitute" but who the authorized Substitute of a Paymaster Aught to be, if not his Concerned, I shall feel greatly Obliged by being informed, for until that be defined, Paymasters must err on one side or the other - indeed admitting the fullest definition, and Consequent Observance of every Order, we have little hopes of any Abatement in Retrenchments.

To

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Military Auditor Generals Office
Fort St. George 5th. July 1808

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M. Aud. Gen.

True Copy
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M. A. G.

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To

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To elucidate my Correctness in declining Pay to the 2 Sepoys of the 2d Battalion 15th Regiment. I have enclosed (by way of bringing the matter more immediately before You) an Extract from the G. O. of the 8th September 1807 and one from Your Audit of my Disbursements for the Month of December 1807; Merely to ask the possibility of giving Satisfaction under such apparent Contradiction.

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

(Signed) F. A. Savage
Paymaster

Masulepatam Pay Office
11th July 1808.

Extract from the Audit in the Account Disbursements of Mr. F. A. Savage Paymr. at Masulepatam for the Month of December 1807.

Condapullee
Native Invalids of the
2d Battalion 8th Regiment

141. Major Godfrey Commanding draws pay for October and November 1807 for 1 Naigue Joined from Nagapatam ------ Pd. 5. ...

Which is retrenched until a Certificate of his last pay from the Paymaster of Trichenopoly shall

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Shall be forwarded. the one accompanying
the Charge being only Signed by the Pay Office
writer vide G. O. 8th September 1807. .. 5. .. ..
Ditto draws 48 Days travelling Batta
from Negapatam to Condapullee for the above
Nague - - - - - - - - - Dan.s 48. ..
which is retrenched under the last Remark " 48 ..

a true Copy

(Signed) F. A. Savage Pr.

Extract from the G. O. of the 8th September 1808

But Paymasters are positively directed not
to discharge the amount of any Abstract on the above
Account unless accompanied with a Certificate from the
Paymaster who made the last Payment to the detail or
Individual, and any Officer in Command of a detail of Troops
failing to furnish himself with such Certificate, previously
to the March of his Detachment, beyond the range of the
Paymaster by whom the last Payment may have been made,
will be Considered guilty of Neglect of duty, of a breach
of the Orders of Government. and it is hereby also strictly
ordered that Officers in Command of Corps, Troops
Companies

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Companies or Small parties, and Staff Officers having under them persons in Military Pay shall be equally Carefull, when any detail or Individual is detached, or permitted to leave the Station where their Pay has been drawn, to furnish Such detail or Individual with the Requisite Certificate from the Paymaster or his authorized Substitute, and to Countersign it and if by any Occurrence it shall happen that the Certificate from the Paymaster or his Substitute cannot be procured, the Officer above Mentioned are themselves in that Case, to grant the prescribed Certificate - Stating also on the back thereof the Case of the Paymasters Certificate not having been Obtained.

A true Extract

(Signed) F. A. Savage Payr.

To The Military Paymaster

Masulipatam

Sir

I have received Your letter dated the 11th. Instant desiring to be informed who are to be Considered as the Authorized Substitutes of a Paymaster" and stating that a Retrenchment Made against Major Godfrey

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Godfrey from Your Accounts of December last was in Contradiction to other Acts of this Office by which You have been led into embarrassment and Difficulty.

In reply I have to inform You that the Head Writer or Manager of the Pay Office at each Station is considered the authorized Substitute of the Paymaster, and in regard to the retrenchment against Major Godfrey which has produced the alledged difficulty the G. O. 8th September 1807 which You have quoted will inform You that the Countersignature of the Commanding Officer was Necessary to give Validity to the Certificate of the Paymaster's Writer of Negapatam, which Major Godfrey delivered to You, and the want of which Countersignature caused the Retrenchment: the Case of the two Sepoys to whom you refused to issue Pay altho provided with a Certificate Countersigned agreeably to Orders is not therefore Similar to the above, and Consequently my retrenching the one and admitting the other Charge was not Contradictory. it was incorrect Your receiving the Certificate (above alluded to) from Major Godfrey, and equably so your declining to receive that produced on the part of the

two

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two Sepoys.

Having thus replied to the points referred to me it is proper to Observe that I have Noticed the Stile of Your letter and particularly the following Remark which You have thought proper to make in it Vizt. "admitting the fullest definition and Consequent observance "of every Order, we have little hopes of any abatement in "retrenchments."

I have also the honor to inform You that a Copy of Your letter of the 11th Instant. shall be laid before Government as well as Your letter of the 12th agreeably to the request Contained in it.

/Signed/ P. Bruce
M. A. Gl

Military Auditor Genls Office
Fort St. George 22d July 1808

(A true Copy)

/Signed/ P. Bruce
M. A. Gl

Ordered that the following letter be dispatched.

To The Military auditor General

Sir

To the Military auditor

Para 1. I am directed by the Honorable the Governor

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Auditor General — Approving his annual Statement — Desiring him to state the Salary proper to be allowed to Paymasters of Family Certificates — Observing that the Appointment of Lieut. Watson has not taken effect — Censuring the Conduct of Mr Paymr. Savage, and furnishing him with the Copy of a letter addressed to that Office —

Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letters dated the 18th 25th and 26th ultimo.

2. The Governor in Council has entirely approved the Statement of the Military expences of this Presidency Submitted with Your letter of the 18th Instant, and that document will be Communicated by the earliest opportunities to the Honorable the Court of Directors and to the Supreme Government, together with a Copy of your estimate of the Military expences of this Government for the present Official Year, which appears to the Governor in Council to have been Computed on Correct principles.

3. The Governor in Council Concurs in Your Opinion that the Salary Allowed to Officers Charged with the payment of Family Certificates may with propriety be reduced, and I am directed to desire that you will state the Compensation which You may Consider to be adequate for the performance of that duty. —

4. You will have perceived by the letter from the Commander in Chiefs Military Secretary, a Copy of which was furnished to you on the 27th Instant, that Lieut. Watson has never assumed the Charge of paying the family

Certificates

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Certificates of the Detachment from the Subsidiary Force of Hydrabad lately employed on this Service.

5. The Governor in Council having highly disapproved the Style and Substance of the letters addressed to you on the 11th & 12th Instant by the pay master at Masulapatam, I am directed to transmit to you a Copy of the Upurnaud which has been dispatched to that Officer.

I have the honor to be &c &c

(Signed) G. Strachey

Secretary to Govern.t

Fort St. George
30th July 1808.

To. M.r T. A Savage

Pay master at Masulipatam

To Mr Savage — Pay master at Masulipatam — Censuring his Correspondence with the Military Auditor General, and — warning him Against the Repetition of such — Conduct.

Sir

Para 1 The Honorable the Governor in Council having had under Consideration Your Letter of the 11 & 12th Instant addressed to the Military Auditor General, I am directed to express to You His Strong disapprobation at the very indecorous manner in which You have called in Question the — Proceedings of that Department on — grounds which are — as contained to have been entirely erroneous.

2. The Governor in Council trusts that the Communication of this Opinion will be sufficient —

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to Obviate the Occurrence of a Similar irregularity, or the adoption of measures of further Severity.

I am &c &c

|Signd| G. Strachey
Secty to Govt

Read the following letter from the Secretary at Bombay.

To George Strachey Esqr
Secretary to Government in the Military Department
at
Fort St. George

Sir

In transmitting to you, by direction of the Honble the Governor in Council, Copies of a letter from the Commanding Officer of the Forces, under Yesterday's date, and of its Enclosure, I have the honor to acquaint You for the information of the Honble the Governor in Council of Fort St. George that the Application preferred by Captain Mansell of His Majesty's 25th Light Dragoons for an advance of Rupees |600| Six hundred has been Complied with from Motives of humanity, the Amount being debited to the Presidency of Fort St. George, under which that Corps is Serving.

I have the honor to be &c &c
|Signed| Thos. Newnham
Secty to Govt

Fort St. George
30th July 1808.

From the Secretary at Bombay - Reports an advance of Rupees 600 to Captain Mansell of His M. 25 Regt of Light Dragoons

Bombay Castle
10th July 1808.

To The Honorable Jonathan Duncan Esqr
President & Governor &c &c &c
in Council

Honorable Sir,

I have the honor to lay before You an Application from Captain Mansel of His Majesty's 25th Light Dragoons for an advance of 600 Rupees which I request may be

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be granted to him.

Bombay
9th July 1808

I have the honor to be &c &c &c
(Signed) R: Jones
M Gen.

Major General Jones
Com.r in Chief &c &c &c
Sir.

I have the honor to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter and beg leave to acquaint You that it will be necessary to Order an advance of Six hundred Rupees to enable me to proceed to England. the Nature of my indisposition Requires this demand. I have Settled my accounts with the Paymaster to the first of March last. the Honorable Company's Ship Worcester Sails on the 11th Instant if Obliged to remain here for want of Cash. I cannot live many Months in this Country.

Bombay
9th July 1808.

I have the honor to be &c &c
(Signed) Geo: Mansel
Captain 25 N L D.

True Copies
(Signed) Thos Newnham
Sub.y to Gov.t

Order thereon

Ordered that a Copy of the foregoing Letter be furnished for the information and Guidance of the Military Auditor General.

Ordered that the following Letters be dispatched.

To the Military Auditor General.

Sir,

To the Military Auditor General — furnishing him with a

Para. 1. In Order that you may be informed of the Circumstances of particular Urgency which require

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a Copy of the late letter from Bengal on the Subject of Finance desiring him to Continue to suggest all practicable reductions of expence, and directing his attention to the European part of his own Establishment.

Require that every practicable reduction should be made in the public Expenditure, I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to enclose* for Your information the Copy of a Letter from the Supreme Government and of its enclosure on that Subject.—

2 The Governor in Council desires that you will Continue to direct Your attention to the object of diminishing or reducing all Establishments that may be unnecessary or that may be too extensive; and that You will from time to time report Your Sentiments on that Subject.

3. It having been Suggested that the European Establishment of the Office of Audit might be diminished without material inconvenience, the Governor in Council has no doubt that this Subject will receive Your particular Consideration.

* vide public department

Fort St. George
30. July 1808.

I have the honor to be &c &c

(Signed) G. Buchan
Chief Secty to Govt.

To John Thornhill Esqr
Secty. to the Govt. at Fort William

To the Secretary &c

Sir

Para 1. I am directed by the Honorable the Governor

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at Fort William — Requesting to know if any Prisoners of war shall be sent to Fort William from this Presidency.

Governor in Council to request that you will ascertain if it be the desire of the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council that the whole or any proportion of the Prisoners of war under this Presidency shall be transferred to the Presidency of Fort William by such opportunities as may occur, in order that their exchange, if deemed advisable in this Country, may be more conveniently and expeditiously effected.

I have the honor to be
&c &c

(Signed) G. Strachey
Secy to Govt.

Fort St. George
30th July 1808

Ex Change

G. H. Barlow

(Seal)
Oakes
Jas. Walker Major

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Diary

30th

Received and sent the following letters

entered on M B. N°. 86-87-88-89-90-91-92-93-94-——

From Major Bruce - Reporting that

an Additional Estimate of Cash required by the Paymaster

at Trichinopoly is admissible—

From Mr. Smith — Recommending

that the issue of Pay and Allowances may be advertized

for the 10th August—

To Mr. Thornhill - Enclosing Copy

of a further Report on the Work carrying on for the security

of the Sea face of Fort St. George——

To Mr. Newnham - Informing

him that Authority has been given for crediting to the

Government of Bombay the Sum of 600 Rupees advanced

to Captain Mansell of His Majestys' 25th Dragoons—

To Lieutenant General Macdowall—

Transmitting Extract from the proceedings of Government—

To the Military Board Authority

has

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has been given for the payment of the Bills and advances of Money recommended in their letter of the 18th. Instant, and the mode proposed by them for adjust-ing the Accounts of the Superintending Engineer of the Presidency Division approved.—

To the Military Auditor General.

To the Military Auditor General.—

Enclosing Extract of a Letter from the Military Board.—To Authorize the payment of the Bills and Advances of Money therein recommended. The Mode proposed by the Board for Adjusting the Balance of Account with the Superintending Engineer Presidency Division approved.—Enclosing Extract of a Letter from the Marine Board, to Authorize the payment of the Sum therein Mentioned.—Enclosing Copy of a letter from the Secretary at Bombay. The advance of money made to Captain Mansell of His Majesty's 25th Light Dragoons to be admitted to the Credit of that Government.—

To the Military & Paymaster General

To the Military Paymaster. General.

Transmitting

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Transmitting Copy of a Report from the Military Auditor General on an additional Estimate of Cash required by the Paymaster at Trichinopoly.—

To the Acting Magis= =trate at Pondicherry.

To the Acting Collector and Magistrate at Pondicherry— Enclosing letter from Mons.r de la serge a French Inhabitant of Pondicherry, with an observation.—

At a Consultation

Present

The Honorable

Sir George Hilaro Barlow B.t & K.B.

Governor and President

Thomas Oakes — and J.n H. Casamajor } Esq.rs

Tuesday the 2.d August 1808

William Petrie Esq.r Absent Indisposed

Minutes of last Consultation

read and approved.—

Read the following letter from the Military Board.—

To

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To the Honorable

Sir G. H. Barlow Bart. K.B.

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

Honorable Sir,

From the Military Board - state their opinion that the Executrix of the late Mr. A. Johnstone has no claim to Interest on the Sum due to that Gentleman's Estate, and enclose the separate opinion of the Military Auditor General to the same effect, grounded on a doubt respecting the existence of the debt. —

1 Having given due consideration to the subject of Mr. A. Johnstons' Letter to Government, which was referred for our report on the 14th Instant, We have the honor to state our opinion thereon. —

2 We judge from the Enclosures in Mr. Johnstons' Letter that no question remains in respect to the validity of the late Mr. Samuel Johnstons' Claim to the Sum of Pagodas 333. 32. 38. which appears to be the Amount held in suspence, owing to a doubt which formerly existed respecting the person to whom this Sum was actually due by Government, and supposing his right to the principal Sum, admitted to the full extent, We conclude that the question now referred for our Report, is, whether Interest, as claimed by Mr.

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Mr. A Johnston, should be paid to the representatives of Mr. Samuel Johnston.—

3 Supposing the right to the Principal fully admitted, and that the payment of this Principal has been delayed by Forms of Office or other Cause de-pending on the Officers of Government, and not within the Controul of the Claimant; we conceive that the representatives of Mr. S. Johnston have a just Claim to interest during such period, as may have elapsed from the time that the debt of Government was fully substantiated; and from the documents before us, we should reckon this period to commence from the date of the Report of the Committee composed of Messrs. Capper, Roebuck and Cockburn.—

4 In order to ascertain the date of that report we referred to the Military Auditor General; and have the honor to enclose Copy of that Officers' reply, from which it appears that he considers that the Claim to the principal is still doubtful, consequently that there is no fair Claim to interest in

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

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in this we fully concur, if the payment of the principal sum be considered a matter of Favor on the part of Government, there certainly cannot be any claim to Interest.

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

Fort St. George
25th. July 1808

/Signed/ Robt. Bell
J. Munro
P. Bruce

To the Secretary to the Military Board
Fort St. George

Sir,

As requested, I have had reference to the Copy deposited in this Office of the Finial report by the Committee appointed by Government to examine the claims of Mr. Samuel Johnstone late Garrison Storekeeper at Trichinopoly, but as there is no date affixed to that paper, allowing it had been dated, I should not have considered it the period from which Interest should be

recommended

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recommended to be allowed to the Executrix of Mr. Johnstone as in that report there is no conclusive opinion given upon the sum upon which Interest is now claimed, Indeed from a perusal of the final report it appears to me doubtful whether the late Mr. Johnstone had a right to the Principal sum, and I consider it to have been more a matter of favor than of right. Government having recommended to the Court of Directors the payment of it. Under such circumstances I am of opinion the Executrix has no fair claim to Interest in the present case.

Military Auditor Genl. Office
Fort St. George
26th July 1808

/Signed/ P. Bruce
Mil. Aud. Genl.

True Copy
/Signed/ A. Stock
Dep. Sec. Mil. Board

Ordered that the following letters be dispatched

To the Honorable Alex. Johnston Esqr.

Sir,

I am directed by the Honorable the Govr.

To Mr. Johnstone Informing him that the Principal of the Debt to

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to his late Father will be paid to him on account of Mrs. Johnston on his personal Bond of Indemnity, and that his claim to Interest on her behalf will be stated for the determination of the Court of Directors.—

Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 11th Ultimo, and to acquaint you that Authority has been given for the payment, on your application of the balance of Pagodas 3,330. 32. 28 due to the Estate of the late Mr. Johnston subject to the Indemnity required by the Honorable Court of Directors, for which the Governor in Council is of opinion that your personal obligation will be sufficient.—

2 The Governor in Council would have been well pleased if he could have complied with that part of your application which relates to the payment of interest on the above Amount; but having attentively considered the tenor of the Orders conveyed in the Letter of the Honorable Court of Directors of the 28th February 1806 / of which an Extract is enclosed for your information / the Governor in Council cannot but conclude that it was not in the contemplation of the Honorable

Court

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Court at the time of issuing those orders that an allow-
=ance of interest should be granted —

3 Under this impression the Governor
in Council particularly regrets that it is not in his
power to meet your wishes by the immediate pay-
=ment of interest, but I have the honor to acquaint
you that the case will be fully stated for the deter-
=mination of the Court of Directors by the first
dispatch to England —

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your Most Obedient Servant
/Signed/ G. Buchan
Chief Secy. to Govt.

Fort St. George
3d. August 1808

To the President and Members of the
Military Board

Gentlemen,

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

To the Military Board
observing that the
correctness of the
claims of Mr. Johnstone
to the principal sum
of Pagodas 3330. 32. 28
has been already
recognized, the payment
of

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Your Most Obedient Servant
/signed/ G. Buchan
Chief Secy. to Govt.

Fort St. George
3d. August. 1808

To the President and Members of the
Military Board
Gentlemen,

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

To the Military Board observing that the correctness of the claim of Mr. Johnstone to the principal sum of Pagodas 3330. 32. 28 has been already recognized, the payment

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of it being subject to the Indemnity specified in the letter from the Court of Directors of the 28th. of February 1806, to whom the claim to interest will be referred.

receipt of your Letter of the 25th. Ultimo, and to acquaint you that the claim of the Representative of the late Mr. Johnston to the balance of Pagodas 3330. 32. 28 referred to in that Letter, was apparently recognized on such grounds as should have now placed the correctness of the claim beyond any question, subject at the same time to the Indemnity which the Honorable Court of Directors have judged it proper to require.

2 With respect to the applica-tion for interest, the Governor in Council has judged it advisable to decide on referring the case to the Court of Directors, as the orders communicated in the Letter of the Honorable Court of the 28th. February 1806, would not in the opinion of the Governor in Council warrant the payment of interest, without their further

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further sanction —

Fort St. George

3d. August 1808

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

/signed/ G. Buchan

Chief Secy. to Govt.

To the Military Auditor General

Sir,

To the Military Auditor General - Authorizing the payment of Pagodas 3330. 32. 28 to Mr. Johnstone on account of the Executrix of the late Mr. S. Johnstone on his personal obligation to indemnify the Company.

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to inclose the extract of a Letter from the Honorable Court of Directors of the 28th. February 1806, and to desire that you will authorize the payment of the Sum of Pagodas 3,330. 32. 28 to the Honorable Alexander Johnston Esqr. on account of the Estate of the late Mr. S. Johnston —

2 It has been explained to Mr. Johnston that it will be sufficient that he should give his personal obligation to

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to indemnify the Company against any eventual
Loss on account of this payment —

Fort St. George
3d. August 1808

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your
/Signed/ G. Buchan
Chief Secy. to Govt.

Ed. Stange

" W. Barlow

" J. Oakes

" Ja. Hay Mayor

Office dat Cont. 2d August
1808 Pages 12 Copied
by Arnachellum for
December 1808.

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Diary

3d Received and sent the following letters

entered in M. B. N.s 1–2–3–4.

From Mr Gardiner – Transmitting letter

to the address of the Secretary to the Military Board.

From Captain Marshall – Transmitting

Quarterly Returns of Stores &c in the Arsenal of

Fort St George.

To Mr Thornhill – Enclosing letter

addressed to the Secretary to the Military Board containing

Quarterly Returns of Ordnance Stores &c in the Arsenal

of Fort St George.

To the Military Board – Enclosing

Extracts from the Proceedings of Government in the

public Department.

4th Sent a letter to the Military Auditor

General entered in M. B N.o 5 Enclosing Certificate

of a Widow Entitled to the benefit of Lord Clive's

Fund.

At

From the assistant to the Secretary to the Government at Fort William.

From the Secretary to the Military Board.

To the Secretary to the Government at Fort William – &c. Bombay

To the Military Board. & To the Medical Board

To the Military Auditor General.

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At a Consultation

Present

The Honorable

Sir George Hilaro Barlow Bt. & K. B.

Governor and President

Friday the

5th August 1808.

Thomas Oakes

and

J. H. Casamajor } Esqrs.

William Petrie Esqr. Absent Indisposed

Minutes of last Consultation read and approved.

Read the following letters from the Commander in Chief, His Military Secretary, the Adjutant General, and Assistant Adjutant General of the Army.-

George Buchan Esqr.

Chief Secy. to Government

Sir,

Fort St George.

From the Commander in chief's Military Secretary - Submits a Memorial from Subidar Vencat Row stating his services and those of his family, & requesting a Compensation for the loss of the Jaghire of Vandawash. a Petition from Manaqui for a Pension on the Ground of

I am directed by His Excellency the Commander in Chief to request that you will be pleased to lay the accompanying letter from Subidar Venkat Row upon the Subject of his pretensions to the Jaggier of Vandewash

and

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of long Service in different Corps and unexceptionable conduct - a letter from the Commanding Officer of His majesty's 69th Regiment requesting that the Serjeant detached from that Corps with the publick Cattle may receive the authorized Batta -

and his claims on Government in consequence of Services performed, before the Honorable the Governor in Council for his favorable Consideration -

His Excellency also directs me to transmit the accompanying Petition for some provision from Monajie late a Sepoy in the Service, and the Commander in chief requests that you will be pleased to lay it before the Honorable the Governor in Council -

His Excellency the Commander in Chief requests that the accompanying Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Macleod of His Majestys 69th Regiment may be laid before the Honorable the Governor in Council in order that the Military Auditor General may be instructed to pass the Batta to the Serjeant in charge of Publick Cattle from the 69th Regiment, if such should be his pleasure -

Head Quarters
17th July 1808

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

(Signed) Wm Macpherson
Mily Sect.

To

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To His Excellency Lieut Genl. J. McDowall

Commander in Chief &c. &c

Honorable Sir,

Pardon the Liberty I have taken in addressing you, flattering myself from the known Liberality and Generosity, and your Willingness to relieve the poor, induces me to state the following Circumstances to your Honor's Candid and Superior Judgement.

I beg leave to inform your Excellency, that the Jaghier of Wandavash was the property of my Ancestors, and was enjoyed by them, many years, till the time of Lord Pigot, when the French took Wandewash and the Jaghier was lost with it, the loss of the same my ancestors informed his Lordship of, who promised it would be restored to them again, should Wandawash be retaken by his Lordship, and in the mean time employed my Brother as a Subidar to accompany a Detachment under the Command of Colonel Coote, and Major Preston to take the said Place, at the same time my Brother took a great deal of Trouble to behave

himself

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himself well, and to become useful to the Honorable Company, and my Father made application again to Colonel Coote for his Jaghur after the taking of Wanda-wash, who promised to grant it him, after he had given his Highness the Nabob information, and in the mean time employed as a Subidar another Brother of mine, but in the interim my Father died, myself being young, and without Experience, I was unable to transact or make proper application respecting the said Jaghur, but was advised to shew the Grant of the Jagheer, or Patent (which is now in my Possession for your Inspection) to Governor Plack at Madras, who having inspected it, desired me to wait a little while, and that he would endeavour to do something for me, in the interim he gave me the Commission of a Subidar, as a Compensation for my Loss, which situation I have held faithfully to this day and in two Engagements received two Wounds in my Body— I was also taken Prisoner under Colonel Baillie, my Brother who was Subidar in the same Battalion with me, was killed at the Seize of Tanjore, a younger Brother who

was

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was Jamidar in the Honorable Companys Service, was killed at the seize of Wandewash Fort, during Hyders war, under the Command of Captain Flint, my Brother in law a Jemidar died also, and my Brothers Son in law, who was a Jemidar in the Artillery, is dead, and my eldest Brother, who was a Subidar died four years ago, my Brothers Son a Jemidar in the artillery is dead also-

I leave it to your Excellencys Superior and kind Consideration, and having a Heavy numerous Family to the amount of Thirty Persons belonging to my deceased Brothers, and Relations, to maintain, I have to beg your Excellencys Interference in the behalf of myself and Family, that I may be allowed a Compensation, or a part of the Farm for the maintenance of them, I have no other Person, Honorable Sir, to open my distresses to, but to your Excellency, and am fully convinced from the Generous and Humane Heart your Excellency professes, every assistance will not be Wanting to relieve me in my present Situation, for which act of Humanity, we will ever put up our Prayers for your Prosperity and

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and Happiness-

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

/ Signed / Vencat Row

I have made such enquiries as were in my power into Subidar Venkat Row's Statement, and find every reason to believe that it is Correct-

Several of the Invalids here knew his Brothers, and often heard his family spoken of in their youth, as having held Wandewash-

His own Character and Conduct is perfectly respectable, and it is true that he supports the Families of his Deceased Brothers-

10 July 1808- / Signed / C. Stuart

Lieut and A. I. Cuddalore.

To the Right Hon^ble Lord Barlow &c
at Madras

The Humble Petition of Manah Ghee formerly a Private in the 6^e Troop 3^d Regiment Native Cavalry Commanded by Major James Stevens-

Most humbly Sheweth,

With due respect most submissively take the

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The liberty to Represent my most distressed circumstances to your honor, and hope it will meet with your Judicious Approbation –

That about 25 years ago your Petitioner served in the 1st Troop 1st Regiment Commanded by Major Campbell in which Regiment your Petitioner served for the space of 5 years and that Regiment being Reduced and your Petitioner was drafted to the 2d Troop 4th Regiment Commandd by Captain Mc Kalice, in which Regiment your Petitioner served for 4 years to the Satisfaction of his Commander Officers for which your Petitioner was drafted for his good Conduct to the 1st Troop 3d Regiment Commanded by Major James Stevens in which Regiment your Petitioner served for the space of 2 years and had been discharged for being two short of Peron according to the General Order – as my Certificate announce it at that time. your Petitioner being upwards of two years out of service not knowing how to maintain himself and family tho' far advanced in age and body weakened by wounds Received in different engagements when your Petitioner was in the Cavalry & Service

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service, yet to preserve still more Reputation inlisted him-
-self in Madras Battalion Commanded by Major Hill
and in which Battalion your Petitioner Served for the
space of six years and was discharged on account of the
Battalion being reduced by Government Order-

That for the space of 28 years ago your
Petitioner served the Honorable Company received several
wounds in different engagements, followed the hardships
of life, and the fortune of my Masters now in old age
left Distitute with family not able to maintain which
.... grievance your Petitioner most submissively lays
before your honor, and craves your honor to be pleased
to condescend and order a small Pension to be allowed
to support the lives of your Petitioner and his much
distressed family- for that divine Charity your Petitioner
and family shall ever pray to the Great God for your
health felicity and Prosperity-

The Petitioner having stated that the
Pensioned Commandant Mahomed Semmah and Ram
sing served with him in the 1st Regiment Native Cavalry at
the seize of Pondicherry reference was made thro' Col: Hare
on

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on the subject, his Answer No 1. is enclosed his having served in the 4th Regiment is certified by the Letter No 2 but the date is incorrect, for having been drafted from the 4th to the 3d Regiment is discharged from the latter by Certificate in his possession July 1792 being under size - He again entered and served in Major Mills' Battalion and is discharged in 1802 - He has the marks of two wounds, one on the left shoulder the other in his left side - He appears to have first entered the service in 1780 and to have served actually 19 years -

/ Signed / A. Capper.

A. G.

The Adjutant General

of the Army &c &c &c

Fort St. George.

Sir,

I duly received your Orders relative to "Mannoja Row" dated the 12th May last, but until this day, I have been unable to ascertain the points required, owing to the absence, from arcot of Mahomed Semmah and Ramseing the Pensioned Commandants -

I have now the honor to acquaint you that

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That both these Commandants acknowledge Mannoje Row to have served as he has stated; more-over that he was a good Soldier-

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

Arcot
28th June 1808.

/Signed/ J. Hare
Lieut Colonel 22d Dragns
Commanding at Arcot

To the Adjutant General of the Army

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 23d March last which I have not been able to answer sooner-

With regard to the man named Mannoje, I have to inform you from the best information I can obtain, that a person of that name served in the 4th Regiment Native Cavalry and was drafted to the 3d Regiment in the year 1792-

Camp at ——

/Signed/ R. Lushington
Captain Commg 4th Regt
Native Cavalry.

Captain

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Captain Macpherson

Sir,

Military Secretary &c. &c. &c

I have the honor to enclose papers sent me this morning from the Paymasters office -

I beg leave to state that the Serjeants employed with the Elephants would cheasfully dispense with the full batta, if that duty were discontinued, none being Candidate for it, the district allotted to the Elephants is upwards of twelve miles from Cantonments in a dreary Country without Comfort or accommodation for Europeans -

Trichinopoly
13th July 1808 -

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

(Signed) W. Macleod
Lt. Col. 69th Regt. of Foot

To the Officer Commanding
H. M. 69th Regiment of Foot.

Sir

His Excellency the Commander in chief directs, that you will employ in the Superintendance of the Public Cattle attached to the Corps under your Command, a Careful Serjeant who will remain with them at whatever station within a moderate distance from the Head Quarters of the Corps shall possess the advantage of forage and water -

I have the honor to inform you that

Govern.

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Government has consented to grant the allowance of full Batta to the Non Commissioned Officer whom you will select for this duty; and that the Necessary Orders will be sent to Paymasters to pass your charge on this account-

/ A true Copy /

/ Signed / J. Blacker
Dy. Q. Mr. Gl.

2d. Mr. Gl. Offie
Fort St George
Feb. 22d. 1808-

To the Officer commanding
His Majestys 69th Regiment foot-

Sir,

I annex herewith for your information Copy of a letter received from the Military Auditor General dated the 2d. Instant, and beg leave to return the abstract which is stated as not being passed-

I am &c. &c. &c

/ Signed / Chr. Wetherell
Payr.

Trichinopoly
10th July 1808

To The Military Paymaster
Trichinopoly

Sir,

The abstract for Compensation Money in lieu of Clothing for the year 1806 to the Puckallies attached to His Majestys 69th Regiment is herewith enclosed passed for payment- I also return the abstract for full batta to a Serjeant

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Sergeant placed in charge of Public Cattle attached to His Majestys 69th Regiment and beg to inform you that no authority from Government having been Communicated to this Offic for the admission of such a charge, I cannot authorize your paying the same—

Mill.r & Gl. Offic
Fort St George
2d. July 1808

/Signed/ P. Bruce
M. A. Gl.

/A true Copy/
/Signed/ C. Wetherell
Payr.

Resolutions and
ordertherein.

The Board having attentively considered the case of Subidar Vencat Row, as Stated in the Memorial of that Officer are of opinion that he is not entitled to the Compensation, which he has claimed—

The Board are of opinion that the Sepoy Moonaja has a reasonable claim to be admitted on the Pensioned List under the Circumstances represented in his Petition—Ordered accordingly that the usual certificate be furnished to that person.

Ordered that authority be given for admitting the Batta drawn by the Non Commissioned Officers in charge of the Public Cattle, agreeably to the Resolution of the Board under date the 9th of February Last—

George

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George Buchan Esqr
Chief Secretary-

Sir,

I have the honor to submit a plan prepared by the Quarter Master General for the Supply of Camil- carriage for the Coast Army, and altho' it appears to me to be desireable that a proportion of Elephants should be maintained for the European Camp Equipage of one or two Regiments, yet as I approve generally the principle of Lieutenant Colonel Munro's proposal, I have the honor to Recommend its adoption to the Honorable the Presi- dent in Council -

Should the Board be pleased to decide favorably, it will be necessary that Orders be given for securing the first importation from Cutch thro' the Public agent-

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

/ Signed / Hay Macdonald

Head Quarters
23d July 1808-

Report from the Quarter Master General

In order to complete the arrangements of the Camp Equipage department it is necessary to decide on the

From the Commander in Chief- Submits a Plan of the Quarter Master General for supplying Camels for the Camp equipage from Kutch. Concurs in the preference given by that officer to the employment of Camels in most cases but Considers it advisable that a proportion of Elephants should be maintained for the European Regi- ments-

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the measures proper to be pursued for obtaining supplies of Elephants and Camels to keep up the Establishments allotted to the European troops. It will first however be requisite to determine whether these Establishments are to consist exclusively of Elephants or of Camels. This question will of Course be decided by a reference to the two great principles that apply to all subjects of this nature, economy and efficiency. On the first of these the use of Camels deserves an entire preference, as the Expence of purchasing and subsisting them, scarcely amounts to half the expence incidental to the purchase and subsistence of Elephants, and a very considerable saving will therefore be occasioned by excelusively employing Camels in this department. On the ground of efficiency it is difficult to decide which of these descriptions of Carriage is most advantageous: both have been employed with equal success; but Camels possess a great superiority in being subsisted with more facility than Elephants - Camels were attached to the 9th Regiment during the Marhattah war and found equally efficient with Elephants; and they are now allotted to the two Regiments of Dragoons Corps which require the most serviceable

kind

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kind of Carriage. as these descriptions of conveyance may be considered to be equally efficient, the great cheapness of Camels appears to render it expedient that they should be exclusively employed; and this measure derives additional advantage from the facility with which supplies of Camels can be procured on very moderate terms. The Mysore Government have been accustomed to import considerable numbers of excellent Camels from the Cutch Country, and the Agent for Remount Horses has proposed to Commission from Cutch the number which will be required for the Service of this Government, and import them with the Annual lots of Remount horses. The accompanying letter from the Agent shews that Camels of the best description can be landed at Mangalore for the price of 175 Rupees each; a price considerably below the rates at which they can be purchased in this Country or obtained from Bengal. — The Agent is unable to estimate the extent of the supplies that can be obtained from Cutch, but the Mysore Government import about one hundred every year, and the demands of this Government will not in general equal the half of that number. The arrangement proposed

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proposed by Captain Fowlis appears to be so efficient and advantageous that I am induced to Recommend that it may be adopted as a permanent system of supply, and that the number of Camels required each year for the Public Service may be ordered from Cutch at the time when the Remount horses are Commissioned. The Elephants at present in the Service will of course be kept up, and replaced as they die off by Camels.

The number of Elephants and Camels at present in the Service are just equal to the amount of the establishment to be permanently maintained for the disposeable force, and as casualties will of course occur among them, a deficiency in the establishment will soon take place, unless measures shall be adopted for obtaining a supply. For this purpose and for that of meeting the demands that may be occasioned by an increase of European force, I am induced to Recommend that the agent may be ordered to Commission 40 Camels from Cutch without delay. This number, of which the expence will not equal that of 20 horses will be sufficient to

supply

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supply all the Casualties of the following year; and the amount to be Commissioned in the next season will of Course depend upon the state of the Establishment at the time. It is proper to Remark that the Carriage for the Camp Equipage of the Commander in Chief, always supplied by the Public, is not included in the establish-ment actually maintained, and would therefore occasion a deficiency if the Commander in Chief took the Field. The supply from Cutch will contribute to meet this demand; and will arrive in November or December if Commissioned immediately-

/ Signed / J. Munro
2. M. G.

2. M. G. office
Fort St George
12 July 1808-

/ approved /
/ Signed / Hay Macdowall

To Lieutenant Colonel Munro.

Quarter Master General

Sir,

I am sorry I cannot supply you with a satisfactory Memorandum Respecting the probable number of Camels that might be got yearly from Cutch and Cambay, as I have never turned my attention to that kind of Supply-

I can only say, that the Dewan of Mysore is

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them in the Regiment—

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

/ Signed / Wm Macpherson

M. S.

Captain Macpherson

Military Secretary &c. &c. &c

Sir,

I request you will submit to His Excellency

the Commander in chief, that By Command of His Royal highness

the Duke of york, seven drill Servants were sent from the

2d Battalion 69th to do duty with the 1st and to assist in forwarding

the discipline of the last Corps—

They arrived in Madras on the last

ships from England, and are now doing duty with the detach-

-ment about to join the 69th.

There being only two Vacancies for Serjeants

in the 1st Battalion the Remaining five can only draw Sub-

-sistence as privates, since their landing in Madras and must

remain on that allowance till Vacancies occur in the Regiment.

They are Serjeants of long standing and approved Characters,

I trust therefore His Excellency the Commander in chief will &c.

order them though Supernumerary to the present establishment

of the Corps, Serjeants pay and allowances from their landing

in

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in Madras, until Vacancies may occur in the Corps, at all events until they join the Regiment-

I beg leave to remark that it will be a discouraging circumstance to good and useful Ser-jeants to Volunteer their Services for Corps in India, if they have any Idea of being confined to Privates pay after their Arrival in the Country-

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

(Signed) Wm Macleod
Lt. Col. 69th

Trichinopoly
July 21st.

Resolution thereon

Resolved that the Super numerary Ser-jeants of His Majesty's 69th Regiment be permitted to draw the Pay of that Rank-

George Buchan Esqr.

From the same. with a request from the agent for the purchase of Horses for permission to draw full Batta.

Sir,

Chief Secretary to Government

I am directed by His Excellency the Com-mander in Chief to request that you will be pleased to lay the accompanying letter from Captain Foulis under date the 26th Instant, upon the subject of granting to that officer the full Batta of his Rank before the Honble the Governor in Council.

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I have the honor to be &c. &c. &c
(Signed) Wm Macpherson
M.S.

To

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To The Military Secy to His Excellcy

Sir, the Commander in chief

I have the honor to transmit to you for the information of His Excellency the Commander in chief the following Statement relative to the situation of Agent for the purchase of Remount Horses-

As every Emolument is now taken from the Agent for Purchase of Remount Horses, and his Nominal Salary of 250 Pagodas reduced to nearly one half by additional Public Servants, Tents for Public followers, & Stationary &c &c also the great expence attending Travelling eight Months in the year. He solicits the attention of His Excellency to the above Circumstances, and Requests that it may be laid before the Honorable the Governor in Council, that the Full Batta of his Rank may be granted him-

(Signed) D. Foulis
Captain & Agent for Purchase of
Remount Horses-

Madras
26th July 1808-

Minute thereon

The Board regret that they cannot comply with the Request of Captain Foulis, for permission to draw the Full Batta of his Rank, as Agent for the purchase of Remount Horses-

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To the Chief Secretary of Government

Fort St George

Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency the Commander in Chief to transmit for the information of the Honorable the Governor in Council a Memorandum, stating the Promotions that will result from the increase of the Cavalry establishment—

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

(signed) F. Capper
Adjt Gl of the Army

Memorandum for the Government Order—

The Honorable the Governor in Council having resolved that another Regiment of Native Cavalry to be denominated the 9th shall be added to the Establishment of this Presidency the following promotions resulting from this increase of the Cavalry Corps are ordered— Commissions to bear date the .... 1808—

Senior Major of Cavalry T. Nuthall from the 1st Regiment to be Lieutenant Colonel—

6th Regiment Native Cavalry

Senior Captain R. Munt to be Major vice Nuthall

Capt.n

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Captain Lieutenant H. S. Conway to be Captain of a Troop vice Munt-

Senior Lieutenant I. Smith to be Captain Lieutenant vice Conway-

Senior Cornet I. M. Shakespeare to be Lieutenant vice Smith.

Senior Captain of Cavalry D. Foulis from the 1st Regiment to be Major of the 9th Regiment-

1st Regiment Native Cavalry.

Captain Lieutenant R. B. Otto to be Captain of a Troop vice Foulis-

Senior Lieutenant E. Lyne to be Captain Lieutenant vice Otto

Senior Cornet C. Laurens to be Lieutenant vice Lyne-

Senior Captain W. Dickson from the 6th Regiment to be Senior Captain in the 9th Regiment-

6th Regiment Native Cavalry-

Captain Lieutenant I. Smith to be Captain of a Troop vice Dickson-

Senior

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Senior Lieutenant A Scott to be Captain Lieu-
-tenant vice Smith-

Senior Cornet R. Woolff to be Lieutenant
vice Scott-

Senior Captain Lieutenant of Cavalry G.
Gillespie from the 4th Regiment to be Captain of a Troop in
the 9th Regiment-

4th Regiment Cavalry-

Senior Lieutenant Robert Palin to be Capt.n
Lieutenant vice Gillespie-

Senior Cornet G. W. T. Erskine to be Lieu-
-tenant vice Palin-

Senior 1st Lieutenant of Cavalry R. Bryant from
the 7th Regiment to be Captain Lieutenant in the 9th Regiment-

7th Regiment Cavalry

Senior Cornet W. Newmerch to be Lieutenant
vice Bryant-

Senior 2d Lieutenant of Cavalry C. W. Bell from
the 8th Regiment to be Senior Lieutenant in the 9th Regiment-

8th Regiment Native Cavalry-

Senior Cornet H. Willock to be Lieutenant vice Bell-

Senior

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Senior 3d Lieutenant of Cavalry F. Leonard from the 3d Regiment to be 2d Lieutenant in the 9th Regiment 3d Regiment Native Cavalry

Senior Cornet J. H. Clubley to be Lieutenant vice Leonard.

3d Lieutenant of Cavalry J. A. Johnston from the 6th Regiment to be 3d Lieutenant in the 9th Regiment 6th Regiment Native Cavalry.

Senior Cornet R. H. Russell to be Lieutenant vice Johnston.

Senior 5th Lieutenant of Cavalry J. F. Reid from the 5th Regiment to be 4th Lieutenant in the 9th Regiment 5th Regiment Native Cavalry.

Senior Cornet R. Crowther to be Lieutenant vice Reid.

Senior 6th Lieutenant of Cavalry C. Wallace from the 2d Regiment to be 5th Lieutenant in the 9th Regiment 2d Regiment Native Cavalry.

Senior Cornet Jas. Smith to be Lieutenant vice Wallace.

Senior Cornet of Cavalry A. Fotheringham from the 4th Regiment to be 6th Lieutenant in the 9th Regiment.

Senior

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Senior 2d Cornet of Cavalry H. B Smith from the 5th Regiment to be Senior Cornet in the 9th Regiment—

Senior 3d Cornet of Cavalry H. Y. Martin from the 5th Regiment to be 2d Cornet in the 9th Regiment.

Senior 4th Cornet of Cavalry E. I. Fatio from the 7th Regiment to be 3d Cornet in the 9th Regiment—

Senior 5th Cornet of Cavalry D. Macqueen from the 2d Regiment to be 4th Cornet in the 9th Regiment—

The Commander in Chief is requested to give the necessary Orders for the formation of the 9th Regiment of Native Cavalry at . . . . . and for supplying it with native Commissioned and Non Commissioned officers by Drafts from the Established Cavalry Regiments—

ordered to lie on the Table.—

order thereon.

To The Chief Secretary of Government

Fort St. George.

Sir,

from the Adjutant Genl— with a request from Lieut Col. Macleod for permission to resign the Command of the Cadet Company—

I am directed by the Commander in chief to request that you will submit to the Honorable the Governor in Council the accompanying letter from Lieutenant Colonel Macleod soliciting permission to resign the Command of the Cadet Company, which His Excellency recom-

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To The Chief Secretary of Government

Fort St. George.

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I am directed by the Commander in chief to request that you will submit to the Honorable the Governor in Council the accompanying letter from Lieutenant Colonel Macleod soliciting permission to resign the Command of the Cadet Company, which His Excellency recom-

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Recommends to be granted-

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Tanjore
27th July 1808-

I have the honor to be &c. &c. &c
/ Signed / F. Capper
Adjt Genl of the Army-

To the Chief Secretary to Government

Sir,

I request you may please to solicit for me, the permission of the Honorable the Governor in Council, to resign the Command of this Station and the Company of Gentlemen Cadets-

Cuddalore
25th July 1808-

I have the honor to be &c. &c. &c
/ Signed / William Macleod
Lieutt Colt 2d Battn 9th Regt

Resolution thereon

Resolved that Lieutenant Colonel Macleod be permitted to resign the Command of Cuddalore, and of the Cadet Company in Compliance with his Request.

To the Chief Secretary of Government

Sir,

Fort St George

From the Adjutant Genl submits applications from two officers for leave of absence on sick certificate, and a complaint from Lieut Milne of the Pioneers against a Coach Maker named Humpherston. Reports the death of Lt Smith of the Madras European Regiment-

The Commander in Chief has directed me to request that you will submit to the Honorable the Governor in Council the following applications from Military Officers.

From Major Scot of the 1st Battalion 4th Regiment Native

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Native Infantry soliciting permission to proceed to Sea on sick Certificate-

From Lieutenant Dabzil 1st Batt.n 4th Regt. Native Infantry requesting permission to proceed to China, the prescribed Certificate accompanies this Request-

Lieutenant General Macdowall Recommends that these Applications should be Complied with-

I am further directed by His Excellency to forward a letter from Lieutenant Milne of the 1st Battalion of Pioneers to be submitted to the Honorable the Governor in Council-

I have to Report to you the death of Lieut.t Smith of the Madras European Regiment which took place on the 18th of July-

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

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Tanjore 30th July 1808-

(Signed) F. Casper
Adjt Gl of the Army-

To The Honorable The Governor in Council

Fort St George.

Sir,

Agreeably to the Advice stated in the Surgeons Certificate herewith forwarded, I have the honor to solicit your permission to proceed to Sea by the first eligible opportunity

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opportunity, and to be absent from the coast for a period of six months from the time of embarkation -

Palamcottah
25th July 1808-

/Signed/ Rob: Scot
Major 4th Regiment
Native Infantry

I do hereby Certify that Major R. Scot of the 4th Regiment Native Infantry has been on Sick Certificate from Quilon to try the effects of change of air in the Tinnevilly District without success - I therefore recommend and declare it as my Opinion that it is absolutely necessary for him to proceed by Sea to Madras to procure a passage to China in case the state of his health should not be materially altered for the better on his voyage to Madras -

Palamcotta
26th July 1808-

/Signed/ M. Cordiner
Surgeon 6th Regiment
Native Infantry -

Medical ——

Major Scot since being under my Medical charge for a Dysenteric Complaint has used Ipecacuanna in small doses and was getting better until the dampness of the Atmosphere caused a relapse. I have recommended the continuance of the Ipecacuanha and mercurial frictions until he meets with Medical advice -

/Signed/ M. Cordinier
Surgeon -

To

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To the Honorable the Governor in Council

Honble Sir,

I have the honor to forward through his Excellency the Commander in chief, a Certificate, signed by two Surgeons, on Oath stating that it is necessary for me to proceed to China for the Recovery of my health.

Should this application meet with your sanction may I request that the necessary permission will be granted.

(Signed) J. Dabzick Lieut
Adjutant 1st Batt.n 4th Regt.

Tanjore
28th July 1808.

We John James Garrison Surgeon and Wm S. Mitchell Assistant Surgeon of Tanjore, do hereby declare on Oath, that we are of Opinion it is absolutely necessary that John Dabzick Lieutenant 1st Batt.n 4th Regt Native Infantry should leave this Country and go to China for the Recovery of his Health.

Tanjore
27th July 1808.

Sworn before me
(Signed) G. Wahab
Col.o C.

(Signed) John James
Garrison Surgeon
Will.m S. Mitchell
Assistant Surgeon

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To The Honble the Governor in Council

Fort St. George

Sir,

Enclosed I have the honor to forward you a Complaint against Mr. Umpherston Coach-maker in the Black Town Madras, which when you perused I am well convinced that you will afford me every redress as well as be the necessity of my being obliged to trouble you. I have taken my passage and I am obliged to embark this evening, however on my return from Sea should it be required, I am ready to declare the whole upon Oath

Madras
2d. July 1808-

/ Signed / W. M. Milne
Lieut. 5th Batt.n Pioneers-

To the Honble the Governor in Council

Fort St. George

Sir,

From the abuse which I met with this afternoon from a Man in the Name of Umpherston a Coach Maker in the Black Town of Madras I am induced to lay the whole before you in hopes of obtaining redress for such grofs insults-

Captain Pidding of the 2d Battalion 19th Regimt. Native Infantry and I rented a House from the said Mr. Umpherston

on

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on the 8th Instant at the Rate of 16 Star Pagodas ₱ Month for the time we occupied it only. On the Evening of the 22d. I put a Ten Pagoda note into his hand and told him to pay himself for my House Rent and return me the Balance as I was going on Board Ship, he declared that he had no change but if I would leave the money with him until the next morning he would then send me the Balance. Next Morning I asked him for the money, he said his man was gone to the Bazar and as soon as he returned he would send it me, about 11 oClock I met Mr. Umpherston and I ask'd him if the man had returned, he said he had not. about 5 oClock in the Evening a Bill was put into my Hand charging me for one months House Rent and two Pagodas for mending my Bandey Harness as also a Bill of Captain Piddings, upon my shewing him the Bills he declared the whole to be a Mistake and Ordered his Writer to make out the Bill a fresh, and only charge House Rent for the time we had been in the House, which I told him I would not only pay my own share, but Captain Piddings also, he then wanted me to take a Bill of Capt.n Piddings for some

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Madras
25. July 1808-

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some work he had done for him, and that he said would make us quits including the mending of my Hamegs. I then told him that I would have nothing to do with Captain Pedding's Bill, as I conceived it over charged and that Captain P. would not thank me for being so very officious and told him to give me the money, he then told me that according to the rules of Madras he could charge me one months House Rent. I then told him he might defraud me out of the money of mine in his hands but that I would pay no more house rent than was agreed for, he then told me in the most insolent manner that he would oblige me to pay one months House Rent and that it was to me he rented the House, he had nothing to do with Captain Pidding and that instead of going on Board Ship I should go to Jail. And at the same time added that he would not mind a straw having me out in the morning upon my telling him that I degraded myself in some measure by talking to him and to fight him was far below any thing that a Gentleman and an officer would

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would condescend to, and immediately turned and
walked away, he followed me and said that he was of
a much better family, and that he would prove himself
a Gentleman, and if ever he found me here again he
would Horse-whip me. such language as that towards
an Officer particularly from a man in his situation
in life I am well assured will meet with every kind of
redress.

(Signed) H. M. Milne
Lieut. 1st Bn. Pioneers.

Madras
23d July 1808.

To The Chief Secretary to Government

Sir,

From the Adjutant General - with a request from Conductor Wells to be transferred to the Invalid Establishment - and applications from two officers for leave of absence -

The enclosed application of Mr. Conductor Peter Wells, having been forwarded to the Commander in chief, to be placed upon the Invalid Establishment, I am instructed to request that you will be pleased to submit the same to the Honorable the Governor in Council with His Excellency's recommendation that it may be complied with -

I have the honor also to transmit applications from Captain Kelly of the 2d Regiment Native Infantry for permission to proceed to Bengal on six months leave of absence, and from Captain Doveton 7th Regiment Native Cavalry for

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for six months leave of absence to proceed to Penang and China for the benefit of his health which His Excellency Recommends to the favorable attention of the Honorable the Governor in Council -

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4 August 1808-

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

(Signd) J. M.Dowall
Agt. Adjt. Genl.

To Colonel I. Munro.
Quarter master General of the Army

Fort. St. George

Sir,

From my having so long laboured under a Stomach Complaint which has rendered me incapable of performing the duties incumbent on me in your Office, and not being permitted to be removed to another part of the Service. I beg with submission to solicit your intercession to be placed on the Invalid Establishment. Although having now only entered my 17th year of Servitude my Complaint has been brought on me by exertions and attention to my duty in the different situations I have been placed in - and it is far from my wish to endeavour to evade any duty incumbent on me, having ever been in the most active parts of the Service, but now incapacitated by a

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tial and unerring judgement will ever be acknowledged
with gratitude - and it will ever be my intention should
I be so fortunate as to be capable, to return again to
those duties so much incumbent me, having always
experienced the utmost indulgencies from my Officers and
a generous Service -

Sam Vs Vs Vs

/ Signed / Peter Wells
Conductor

Fort St George
June 1808 -

To The Honble Sir George Barlow

Governor of Fort St George Vs Vs Vs

Sir,

My presence being necessary in Bengal to
arrange some urgent private affairs I request to be
indulged with six months leave of absence for that purpose -

/ Signed / G. R. Kelly
1st Batt 2d Regt N.I.

Bangalore
10th July 1808 -

To The Honble Sir G. H. Barlow K. B.

Governor Vs Vs Vs in Council -

Honble Sir,

I request to be indulged with six months
leave

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Fort St George
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Governor &c &c &c in Council -

Honble Sir,

I request to be indulged with six months
leave

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leave of absence from the Coast to proceed to Pinang and China for the Recovery of my Health - and beg leave to forward Mr Assistant Surgeon Serjeants Certificate specifying the necessity of the measure -

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

Madras
30th July 1808 -

(Signed) John Doveton
Capt 7 Regt Cavalry -

I hereby certify that Captain John Doveton of the 7th Regiment Native Cavalry has had such repeated and severe attacks of the Liver, as to render it absolutely necessary that he proceed to Sea, for the Recovery of his Health; and I recommend his proceeding immediately -

July 4th 1808 -

(Signed) S Serjeant
Gar Asst Surgeon
Pondicherry

Resolutions thereon

Resolved that Leave of absence be granted to Major Scott and Lieutenant Dalziel of the 4th Regiment of Native Infantry, to Captain Kelly of the 2d Regiment of Native Infantry, and to Captain Doveton of the 7th Regiment of Native Cavalry in Compliance with their respective applications -

Ordered that a Copy of the letter from Lieutenant Milne of the 1st Battalion of the Pioneers be furnished to the Public

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Public Department-

Resolved that Mr Conductor Wells be transferred to the non effective Establishment according to his request-

The Board proceed to pass Orders on the following Proceedings of the Medical Board-

Resolutions of the Governor in Council 5th August 1808-

Medical Board
25th July 1808-

Proceedings of the Medicle Board- Report the admission of a Patient into the Lunatic Hospital, and recommend that Mr. Surgeon Betty be permitted to visit the Presidency- Orders thereon.

1st The Medical Board have the honor to inform Government, that in Consequence of their having received a letter from the Town Mayor of Fort St George stating that Mootoo pensioned Naik was supposed to be labouring under a Mental Derangement, and requesting the Medical Board's Opinion, they accordingly directed the 3d Member to examine into, and to report his case-

Approved-

2. The 3d Member having reported that the above mentioned person is in a state of insanity the Medical Board accordingly

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leave of absence from the Coast to proceed to Penang and China for the Recovery of my Health - and beg leave to forward Mr Assistant Surgeon Serjeants Certificate specifying the necessity of the measure -

Madras
30th July 1808 -

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

(Signed) John Doveton
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Gen.l Asst Surgeon
Pondicherry

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Approved-

2. The 3d Member having reported that the above mentioned person is in a state of insanity the Medical Board accordingly

accordingly directed that he shall be admitted a patient into the Lunatic Hospital.

Resolved that Mr. Surgeon Betty be permitted to visit the Presidency on leave of Absence for three months

By Order of the Honorable the Governor in Council.

/Signed/ G. Strachey
Sec. to Govt.

3. Read a letter from the Superintending Surgeon of the Northern Division enclosing one from Mr. Surgeon Betty of the Zillah of Vizagapatam applying for three months leave of absence to visit the Presidency.

4. As the Application from Mr. Betty is accompanied with the written sanction of the Judge and Magistrate of the Zillah of Vizagapatam, the Medical Board Recommend that Leave of absence be granted to him agreeably to his request.

/Signed/
Jas. Anderson
Physician General
Terence Gahagan M. D.
2d Member Medical Board
Andw. Berry
3d Member Medical Board.

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Proceedings of the Medical Board - report the recovery of Mr. Surgeon Tait and regret the censure lately passed on the majority of their Board - Submit a separate minute of the Senr member -

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Medical Board
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1 The Medical Board have the honor of acknowledging the Receipt of the Chief Secretarys' Letter of the 26th Instant in Answer to their Proceedings of the 14th and as doubts appear to exist regarding the proper performance of the Medical Duties of Trichinopoly, the Board have the honor of forwarding Copy of a Letter from Mr. Tait addressed to their President, which they trust will be satisfactory to Government as it shows that Mr. Tait is recovered and able to perform his Duties as he has always hitherto done with honor to himself -

2. The Medical Board feel distressed at the Censure passed by Go- vernment on what is stated in these Procedings, having acted to the

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By Order of the Honble
Governor in Council -
(Signed) G. Strachey
Sect. to Govt.

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the best of their Judgement and for the credit of the Service-

3 The Second Member is concerned that he cannot agree in opinion with the Majority of the Medical Board on the expediency of the above Proceedings, his Reasons for which, he begs leave to Submit, in the subjoined short Minute-

/ Signed / Jas. Anderson
Physician Genl.
Terence Gahagan M. D.
2d Member Med. Board
Andw. Berry
3d Member Medl Bd.

Minute of the Second Member
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The accompanying letter from Mr. Surgeon Tait being of a private nature, and not offering any thing new, Regarding his late application to be exchanged to Combaconum - and Doctor Gahagan Considering

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considering the letter from the chief Secretary to Government dated the 26th Instant, to be conclusive on that Subject, he is extremely concerned that from a due attention to official form, he has been under the necessity of affixing his Signature to the above Proceedings; as in his humble opinion, they do not in any way tend to promote the public Service—

/Signed/ Terence Gahagan M.D.
& 2d Member Medical Board.

To Dr James Anderson P.G.
President of the Medical Board
Fort St George

Dear Sir,

I have been favored by Dr Watson with the perusal of a Letter to him, from the Medical Board, returning my public application, and intimating, that the Board had declined to Recommend an exchange of Situation with Mr Jones and me.

With the determination of the Board, and what you have judged proper in Regard to that business,

I am

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I am perfectly satisfied, the more so, as my health is better, and I now feel myself equal to the duty. I shall therefore be happy and content to remain some time longer in my present situation and do not wish to change.

With sincere wishes for your good health.

Sam.l H.. H.. Le

Trichinopoly

5 July 1808.

W. Tait

/ True Copy /

/ Signed / W. Horsman

Sec.t M.c B.d

The following letters from the Military Board and from Lieutenant Colonel Norris of Engineers having returned from Circulation are ordered to be Recorded.

To The Honorable

Sir G. H Barlow Bart. K.. B.

Governor in Council &c. &c. &c

Hon.ble Sir,

From the Military Board report the result of their investigation of the Memorial addressed by Lieut. Colonel Norris to the Court of Directors with a Separate minute on the same subject by the Chief Engineer.

Para.l

We have the honor to submit our Report upon the Memorial of Lieutenant Colonel Norris of Engineers, forwarded to us with Mr. Secretary Strachey's Letter 22.d March last.

2. In the extensive range which the memorial embraces, a large proportion of the matter is purely professional, and refers merely to the duties of officers of Engineers

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Engineers, and to such parts of the Regulations of the Service as affect those Officers alone; we therefore deemed it proper to Request the Chief Engineer, as a member of our Board to make a detailed Report on the Subject-

3 The Report of the Chief Engineer ÷ which we have now the honor to enclose contains a fair investigation of every part of the Memorial; and affords explanation at once clear and satisfactory, on certain Points, which under the Representation of Lieutenant Colonel Norris bore an ambiguous appearance; this Report is so comprehensive, that, approving it as we fully do, it appears to be unnecessary for us again to enter into the detail of the question; we shall therefore confine ourselves to the following general Remarks, Regarding those parts of Lieutenant Colonel Norris' conduct which we deemed it our duty to bring to the Notice of Government, and which may be considered the cause of the temporary Suspension of that Officer —

4 Having Submitted to Government the Estimate for the Repair of the Guard Rooms at the west Gate of Masulipatam, amounting to Pag.s 3435. " 22½

we

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dated 3d October 1805 of which the following is an Extract

"His Lordship in Council is pleased to authorize the execution
"of such repairs of the Gate-way and public buildings at
"the west Gate of Masulipatam as you may consider to be
"indispensably necessary and which his Lordship in Coun-
"cil is of Opinion may be executed at an Expence considerably
"less than the Amount stated in the Estimate." We in conse-
quence ordered the execution of the work to the extent
that might be absolutely necessary, but perceiving that the
deduction in the Estimate, on account of Old Materials
appeared to be underrated, and being desirous to reduce
the expense as far as practicable, we transmitted to the
Officer Commanding Masulipatam a Letter dated 8th
November 1805, of which the following is a Copy.

To the Officer Commanding

Sir,

Masulipatam

"I am directed by the Military Board to
"acquaint you that the Superintending Engineer of the Northern
"Division has been authorized to execute Repairs at the West
"Gate of the Fort of Masulipatam the Expence of which he has
estimated

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"estimated at Pagodas 3435 - - - - The Board are however
"hopeful that the actual expence will fall short of that amount,
"and to this End they desire that you will call the
"attention of the Engineer to two particular Items in the
"Estimate."

"The old materials, Timber, Doors, Windows
&c are valued at 50 Rupees and credit is given by the
Engineer for that amount; the Board conceive that in
an extensive repair like that proposed, the greatest part
of the Old Materials, may be brought into use, and
consequently should be rated at a much higher value;
or if they cannot be used again, that they may be dis-
posed of for a much larger Sum, than the Engineers'
valuation; you are therefore requested to direct that
they may be valued by a Committee, and report the
result to the Board, in order that the amount may be
debited to the Engineer."

"The second Item is a charge for
200 Tank Diggers to remove Sand, which has been blown
into the place of Arms at the West Gate; the Board are of
opinion that the Lascars attached to the Store Department
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or a part of them, may be employed in removing this sand, without any additional Expence to Government, and direct that you will give the necessary Orders, and Communicate with the Engineer accordingly."

/ Signed / J. Marshall

S. M. B.

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5. This Letter manifestly evinces that we considered the valuation of 50 Rupees to apply to the whole of the Materials; and if Lieutenant Colonel Norris had meant to apply it otherwise it appears probable that he would have taken an early opportunity of explaining the interpretation which he afterwards put on that Valuation; the Officer Commanding Masulipatam reports on the 7th December 1805 that he had Communicated to Lieutenant Colonel Norris a Copy of our Secretary's Letter above quoted, which however is not noticed until the 27th February following, on which date Lieutenant Colonel Norris addressed a Letter to the Chief Engineer, in which he states that many of the Timbers may be converted into window Frames and Planks for Shutters,

and

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and will be thus more valuable than if sold as old Materials; yet no deduction is made from the Estimate; neither is any explanation given of the Circumstance which induced us to dictate the Letter of 8th November to the Officer Commanding Masulipatam—

5th The doubts which a consideration of the circumstances above related, produced respecting the conduct of Lieutenant Colonel Norris were confirmed by a Report from the Officer Commanding Masulipatam dated 8th April 1806, stating that one half of the Materials had sold for Rupees 595— the whole of which we considered to have been estimated at 50 Rupees, and our opinion was completely formed regarding this part of the Subject—

6. With respect to the second charge, which accuses Lieutenant Colonel Norris of having proposed a more extensive Repair than was necessary; we beg to state that our attention was first called to it, by that part of Lieutenant Colonel Norris' Letter of 27th February 1806 which mentions that the damage had

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arisen more from the insufficiency of scantling in the Timber than from its decay; under the full conviction that this defect was not material in an old building, and that the Timber, which had for several years borne a Terrace, without any sensible decay, was not likely to fail under such repair as might be necessary to render the Building serviceable, we on the 6th March 1806 addressed a Letter to the Officer Commanding at Masulipatam of which the following is an Extract-

"It appears by a report from the "Superintending Engineer, that the Materials which "have been taken from one of the Guard Rooms at the "West Gate of Masulipatam are not decayed as the "Engineer at first supposed; and, as it may be presumed "that he commenced with the repair of the building in "the worst state, it is inferred that the materials of the "other Guard Room may be fully sufficient to support "the Terraces under such repairs as may be requisite to "render them perfectly serviceable; under this impression, "the Board direct that a survey may be held on all the

buildings

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"Buildings which have not been uncovered; and that a par-
"ticular Report of the State of the Timber in them, may
"be forwarded in order to avoid the expence of giving
"new Roofs where they may not be absolutely necessary,
"and where a partial Repair to the Terrace or Roof
"might be sufficient to render the Building substantial."

"The Materials which have already
"been taken down are to be sold by auction".-

"In order to assist the Judgement of
"the Committee which you may appoint, you will direct
"the Engineer minutely to examine the buildings and
to afford every information in his power for their guidance".

In reply to that Letter we received
one dated 8th April 1806 of which the following is an
Extract.-

"Agreeably to the instructions con-
"tained in your Letter of the 10th ultimo a Committee has
"examined the State of the Timbers and Terraces of the
"two Gard Rooms on the South side of the West Gate of this
"Fort, and I have now the honor to transmit the Report
"of that Committee."

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"The Timbers and Materials taken
"from the two Guard Rooms have sold for nearly
"double the sum which the Committee valued them
"at and for 570¼ Rupees more than the valuation
"put on them by the Superintending Engineer."

Extract from the "Proceedings of a Committee
"held by Order of Lieutenant Colonel Taylor Commanding
"the Garrison of Masulipatam, to examine and report
"upon the state of the Timbers and Terraces of the Guard
"Rooms at the West and Sea Gates of this Garrison, which
"have not been uncovered."

Masulipatam. April 5th 1806

Lieutenant A. Taylor ---------- President

Captain Farran } Members { Captain Gibson
" Powell } { Lieutenant Driffield

"The Committee having most minutely
"examined the Timbers and Terraces of the two Guard
"Rooms on the South side of the West Gate of Masulipatam,
"find them in the following State - Viz:

"1 The Officer's Guard Room

""The Committee are of Opinion that
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"the Timbers Joists and planking of this building,
"Judging from that taken out of the opposite Guard
"Rooms, and their outward appearance, are perfectly
"capable of supporting the Terrace under any Repairs
"which may be thought necessary, and do not see any
"necessity for their Removal."

"2d. - - - The Privates Guard Room.

"The same as above, except a few of the
"Planks in the Verandah along the Edge and near the
"Sprouts which appear to be decayed, and the short
"Beams across the openings at the Ends of the Verandah,
"which are likewise decayed."

7. Finding that a Committee of ex-
perienced Officers, on whose Report we have every
reason to place full reliance, thus corroborated the
opinion we had formed respecting the State of the
Roofs, we could no longer entertain the smallest doubt,
that the Report of Lieutenant Colonel Norris was not
to be depended on; being desirous however that this Officer
should have an Opportunity of explaining those parts
of his Conduct, which appeared to us reprehensible,

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we suspended our decision, until it was fixed by proofs as conclusive as the nature of the case would admit.-

8 On the 8th November 1805. we noticed the small amount of the deduction allowed by Lieu-tenant Colonel Norris on account of the old materials, which we expected would have produced an imme-diate Explanation; if any could be offered, on the con-trary however Lieutenant Colonel Norris takes no Notice of our Remark, until the 27th February 1806 after we had actually ordered the sale of the materials; and the Explanation then offered is totally unsatisfactory; in as much, as no reason or excuse is offered for suppressing all information regarding the value of the materials beyond the 50 Rupees- Lieutenant Colonel Norris's assump-tion that the usage of the service authorized him to place the old Materials in the Engineers depot, is without Foundation; it is usual to dispose of such old Mate-rials as may not be convertible to public use; but our Orders to this Effect depend in a great measure upon the correctness of the Engineer; on whom we chiefly depend for

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for information.

9. In like manner we deferred an ultimate decision respecting the Extent of the Repair necessary to the Guard Rooms, untill we had obtained information which removed any doubt that may be supposed to have arisen from the difference of opinion-

10. The Proceedings of the Committee which sat on the 5th April, having unquestionably proved that the removal of the Terrace was not necessary; altho' stated to be so by the Engineer; and the sale of the materials for Rupees 595 having proved the incorrectness of Lieutenant Colonel Norris' Valuation, we on the 21st April resolved to submit to Government a Report of Circumstances which had operated to destroy all confidence in the opinion of a professional officer by whose Reports we are frequently under the necessity of regulating our Judgements; but in order that Lieutenant Colonel Norris might be informed of our intention, we addressed a Letter to the following Effect-

Military Board office

"To

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Military Board Office

"To

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"To the Superintending Engineer

"Sir Northern Division

"I am directed by the Military Board
"to inform you that the Correspondence and References
"which have taken place relative to the Repairs now
"carrying on at the West Gate of Masulipatam have proved
"the following Facts to the conviction of the Military
"Board."

"First That you Estimated at 50 Rupees the
"old Materials of the Guard Rooms at the West Gate of
"Masulipatam, which Materials were afterwards
"estimated by a Committee at 600-6- and the half of
"which (the materials of the Guard Room on one side)
"have actually sold for Rupees 595."

"Secondly ---- That you Estimated the Repairs necessary
"to the two Guard Rooms at Pagodas 1436-36-68 whereas
"from your own Report on the State of the Materials, as
"well as the Report of the Committee of which Lieutenant
"Colonel Taylor was President, on the 5th of April last, it
"appears that the Removal of the Roof, consequently the
"expence of a considerable part of the Sum of Pags 1436-36-68
was

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"was altogether unnecessary."

"The Military Board have not
"been able to discover any Circumstance which can
"alleviate the impressions naturally arising from the
"exposure of a transaction, in which want of judgement
"or other cause equally inexcuseable has operated so
"manifestly to the injury of the public Interests;
"they have therefore resolved to submit a Report on the
"subject to the consideration of the Right Honorable the
"Governor in Council - they think it however proper to
"leave you an opportunity of bringing forward any
"matter which may place the subject in a more favo-
"-rable point of view previous to the transmission of their
"Report, which will accordingly be Kept back until your
"reply to this Letter is received."

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25th April 1806.

(Signed) J. Marshall.
J. M. B

11. Lieutenant Colonel Norris replied by a Letter dated 15th May, Copy of which forms N. 2 in the Appendix to this Memorial; with respect to the valu-
-ation it is stated that 50 Rupees or Pagodas 14. 12. on a
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random calculation was all that could in the opi-
-nion of Lieutenant Colonel Norris be allowed for them;
this appears to us altogether unaccountable, consider-
-ing the great extent of the Repair, and that his Estimate
contains a Charge of above 1,200 Pagodas for wood work
alone, the greater part of which we suppose might
have been saved by the application of the old materials.
with regard to the second charge of condemning, as
unserviceable the Terraces of the two Guard Rooms, the
Letter of the 15th May, contains nothing but the repetition
of his assertion in opposition to the opinions formed
upon the actual inspection and examination of the
state of those Terraces; and as we did not perceive any
Reason to alter the opinion we had formed on the 21st
April; we on the 19th May submitted to Government
a Letter as follows-

Extract of a Letter from Military Board to Govern-
-ment - dated 19th May 1806-

Para 5 "At our Meeting held on the 21st April,
"we came to the Resolution of submitting to your Lordship
"in Council a Report on the conduct of Lieutenant Colt. Norris,
but

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"but conceiving it possible that circumstances might remain
"to be discovered which would extenuate the causes of our
"reprehension, we directed that a Letter should be addressed
"to that Officer (Copy of which is Enclosed, A) in reply we
"received a Letter of which the Enclosure B is a Copy; and
"as the Substance of this Letter has not tended in any
"degree to alter the Sentiments with which we were im-
"pressed on the 21st April, we submit the Letter which was
"drafted from the Resolution then passed at a full Board."

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

My Lords,

1 "We have the honor to lay before your
"Lordship in Council, a detail of Circumstances connected
"with the conduct of Lieutenant Colonel Norris which we
"deem it our duty to bring to the particular notice of
"the Government."

2 "In consequence of an order which was
"forwarded on the 6th August 1804, Lieutenant Colonel Norris
"on the 31st August 1805 transmitted to us an Estimate for
"Repairs, stated by him to be necessary to the West Gate
of

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"of Masulipatam, this Estimate having been examined,
"the measurements were found to agree with the Plans
"and Sections, and the rates of work with the Price Lists
"forwarded by the Officer Commanding the Station - thus having
"the assurance of a Commanding Officer that Repairs were
"necessary, and a Certificate from the professional officer
"of the extent to which they were required, the Estimate ap-
"peared free from objection, and was accordingly passed
"for execution, but, in consequence of a Minute of the
"Chief Engineer, which stated that the old Materials appeared
"to be undervalued, Lieutenant Colonel Norris having
"deducted only 50 Rupees on their account from the amount
"of his Estimate, we deemed it necessary to take measures
"to ascertain the actual value of those materials."

3 "On the 8th November we directed the officer
"Commanding Masulipatam to assemble a Committee for the
"purpose of inspecting and reporting on the state, and
"Estimate the value of the old Materials in the Buildings
"at the West Gate of the Fort and on the 21st December that officer
"transmitted to us Proceedings of a Committee, who estimated
"the materials @ Rupees 600 - 6 - "

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4 "We were much surprized at the very
"great difference between the opinions of the Engineer and
"the Committee in Regard to the value of the same arti-
"-cles, we however thought it proper to defer our decision
"on the conduct of the Engineer until the actual sale
"of the materials should confirm the correctnes of the
"Judgement of the one or the other, and therefore gave
"orders that the old Materials should be collected and
"Disposed of by Public sale so soon as they were Removed
"from the Roofs and Walls of the Buildings-"

5. "In consequence of those orders, the
"materials of the Buildings on one side of the Gate way
"were sold for the Sum of Rupees 595-3-. for which
"amount Credit has been given to the Public - Thus it ap-
"-pears that Lieutenant Colonel Norris has valued at 50
"Rupees, materials, the half of which have sold for
"595-3-. Such conduct in a public Officer of Rank and
"Experience, whether proceeding from Error in Judgement,
"or other cause Requires Remark, but we shall defer
"making any comment, until we shall have disclosed
"the particulars of another transaction which evinces

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"a deficiency in Lieutenant Colonel Norris, highly embarrassing to us,
"who are in many instances unavoidably obliged to rely solely on
"the report of the professional Officer, for the grounds of those
"opinions on which we are to frame Reports to your Lordship
"in Council."

6 "The transaction alluded to was as follows."

"Previous to the sale of the articles taken
"from the Guard Rooms at one side of the Gate way, Lieutenant
"Colonel Norris on the 27th February requested premission to
"work them up for Reasons stated in his Letter, Copy of which
"is enclosed N.1; having an object in view which could be accom-
"plished only by the sale of the materials we did not comply
"with his request, but conceiving from the general Tenor of his
"Letter that the Buildings were not in so bad a State as repre-
"sented in his original Estimate dated the 31st August 1805,
"we sent Orders on the 10th March (Copy is enclosed N.2) directing
"that a particular Report should be made to us of the state
"of the Timbers in the Buildings which had not been uncovered,
"in order to avoid the expence of giving new Roofs where they
"might not be necessary; we had the honor to enclose Copy
"of the Reply of the Officer Commanding Masulipatam N.3
with

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"with its Enclosures, from which it appears that neither
"of the Guard Rooms Required new Roofing, consequently
"a considerable part of the estimated Expence Pagodas
"1436. 36. 63. was altogether unnecessary - we have directed
"that the Roof of the Guard Room at the South side of the
"Gate way shall not be taken off, but that the Building
"may receive such Repair only as shall be found to be
"indispensable."

7. We have been the more minute in
"detailing the particulars of the Conduct of the Engineer in
"this Instance, as the application of it shews in a peculiarly
"strong Point of view the Dependance which we must necessa-
"rily place on the Judgement and Integrity of those Officers
"who are charged with the execution of the duties of Govern-
"ment under our controul."

8 "If the Errors of Lieutenant Colonel
"Norris, proceed from a deficiency in his Judgement, he
"cannot be considered qualified for the responsable situation
"of a Superintending Engineer, if they proceed from a deficiency
"of principle we must consider him totally unworthy of that
"Confidence which is indispensably necessary to the due
execution

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"execution of the duties of a Department in which an honest
"and judicious appropriation of large sums of Money
"depends on the honor of the Individual."

9. "We have experienced much regret at
"the necessity which has occurred for our noticing in Terms
"of Censure the Conduct of an Officer, of that Rank and standing
"in the Army which are found generally to entitle him
"to high respect, but we feel ourselves called upon by our
"public duty to reprobate those measures which are in-
"jurious to the Public and derogatory to the character
"of a Public Officer."

Fort St George
21st April 1806.

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

/ Signed /

J. F. Cradock
R. Bell
E. Trapaud
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12. The foregoing detail will sufficiently shew the Grounds upon which we entertained and expressed a doubt respecting the Correctness of Lieutenant Colonel Norris's Conduct, the

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the causes of this doubt are further confirmed by the following Circumstances. Lieutenant Colonel Norris states that out of the old materials he had selected eight pieces of timber as fit for the new work, and that the value of those eight pieces in his judgement, and in that of the Committee was about 50 Rupees; and from this he infers that the only part of the old materials fit for the new work, was valued by him correctly; in reply to this we shall in the first place remark that the Timbers Reported on by the Committee were found in buildings composing only half of those included in the Estimate; and as in this half Lieutenant Colonel Norris found eight, it is probable he would upon examination have found at least an equal number in the remaining ½ half of the buildings, upon these grounds therefore the Estimate was erroneous; further Lieutenant Colonel Norris has stated that he made a deduction of 50 Rupees or £ 14 - 12. - on account of 8 Timbers, we conceive that he should have valued those Timbers at the same rate that he charged for similar ones in his estimate not at the rate that they would fetch as old Timber, sold to persons who

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who might or who might not want them- in his Estimate Timber is charged at the rate of Pagodas 41-20- per cubic Foot when wrought, upon this scale the value of the 8 pieces selected would be Pagodas 38.40-20. as shewn in the Margin, # and not Pagodas 14. 12. as deducted in the Estimate; under these circumstances we are compelled to reject as unsatisfactory every attempt which has been made to reconcile this deduction in the Estimate with the obvious dictates of Judgement and Integrity combined-

Contents of eight pieces of Timber which Lieutenant Colonel Norris says that he selected as fit to be used in the Repair of the Guard Rooms at the West Gate of Masulipatam-

	Feet	Inches		Cub. Feet
1 Piece	19½	2.	6	6½
1 —	10	8.	6	3⅓
1 —	10½	8	6	6½
1 —	10	8.	6	3⅓
1 —	20	8	6	6⅔
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Total Cub. Feet - 39. 1152/7
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13 ..... The doubt which we entertained regarding the necessity of removing the Terraces from the Guard Rooms has been further confirmed by a Transaction which took place above a year subsequent to the former discussion- The following Proceedings of a Committee held in June 1807- shew the state in which the Building was found two years and a half after the date of Lieutenant Colonel Norris' Report that they were unserviceable-

Proceedings of a Committee of Survey held by order of Lieutenant Colonel Taylor Commanding the Garrison of Masulipatam agreeably to Instructions contained in a

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"a Letter from the Secretary to the Military Board dated
"25th May 1807 to survey the unrepaired Buildings at the
"west gate of the Fort—"

"Masulipatam 9th June 1807—

"Lieutenant Colonel Taylor Commanding Officer—President
"The Barrack Master North.n Div.n of the Army
"The Commissary of Ordnance Masulipatam—
"The acting Quarter Master Madras E. Regiment } Members
"The acting Fort Adjutant— — — — — — — —

"The Commanding Officer lays before
"the Committee the following Letter from the Secretary to
"the Military Board—

Military Board Office—

"To the Officer Commanding
"Masulipatam.

"Sir,

"I am directed by the Military Board
"to refer to you Copy of a Letter from the Superintending
"Engineer of the Division, relative to Repairs that are
"required to the Buildings at the West Gate of Masulipatam.

"A Committee on a former occasion
having reported that new Roofs were not necessary, the
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"Board request that the Buildings may be again surveyed,
"in order to ascertain whether the mode proposed by the
"Engineer is conceived indispensable, or whether it may
"not be practicable to give an efficient Repair to the Build-
"ings, in the manner suggested in the letter to the
"Engineer from this Office under date 19th January last."

"You will be pleased to inform the
"Engineer that his Letter should in the first instance have
"been submitted to you."

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/Signed/ J. Marshall
J. M. B.

"The Committee proceed to Examine
"the Roofs of the unrepaired Buildings at the West Gate
"agreeably to the Instructions contained in the above letter,
"consisting of 1 Officers Guard Room, 1 Soldiers Guard Room,
"and 1 Prison the whole with Verandahs in front; with a
"view to ascertain if new Terraces to those Buildings are
"necessary as set-forth in a Letter from the Superintending
"Engineer dated 16th April last to the Secretary to the
"Military Board, or whether it is practicable to give an
"efficient Repair to the Buildings in the manner suggested
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"under date the 19th January last."

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"think they are not so much weakened as to be incapable
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A. Gibson Commissary of Ordnance
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15 We deem it altogether unnecessary to make any observations on the insinuations of Lieutenant Colonel Norris, with respect to the extraordinary combination which he has supposed to exist, and which it would appear he imagines to extend not only to the Chief Engineer and the Military Board, but also to the Officer Commanding, and to the other Officers who by the routine of the service have composed the Garrison of Masulipatam during the period Lieutenant Colonel Norris was there; the assertion carries with it its own antidote; in its impossibility, and the virtues which Lieutenant Colonel Norris has ascribed to Hospitality will, we doubt not, be considered as much exaggerated.-

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defence of which is minutely investigated in the Report of the Chief Engineer, we shall not therefore enter upon the discussion of that defence, but state generally, that the incorrectness of Lieutenant Colonel Norris' Estimates, and the opinion we formed regarding them, have been fully confirmed by Estimates recently received from the Officer who succeeded Lieutenant Colonel Norris at Masulipatam which are detailed in the Chief Engineer's Report; by these Estimates it appears that the Building which Lieutenant Colonel Norris estimated at Pagodas 23610. " " would actually cost only Pagodas 17372. nearly corresponding with the Estimate which we called upon the Chief Engineer to prepare in order to compare it with Lieutenant Colonel Norris' making the overcharge Pagodas 6238. " " equal to above 35 per Cent on the Charge actually necessary; this Fact requires no Comment.

17. Our Report has been extended to a greater length, than we originally proposed by the insertion of the Documents upon which the Proceedings in the present case have been grounded; but as a simple narrative of the

circumstances

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Circumstances supported thus, affords the most satisfactory explanation of that part of the Conduct of Government, of the Military Board, and of the Chief Engineer, which the Memorial of Lieutenant Colonel Norris accuses as being unjust; we have deemed it our duty to frame a connected Abstract of those Proceedings; for the Information of Government and the Honorable Court of Directors.

The Original Memorial is herewith returned.

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

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/ Signed / { E. Trapaud, R. Bell, P. Bruce

Report of the Chief Engineer on a Memorial of Lieutenant Colonel Norris addressed to the Honble the Court of Directors, referred for report in Meeting 28th March 1808.

Lieutenant Colonel Norris having in his Memorial to the Honorable the Court of Directors animadverted so very severely on the Military Board and myself – I have thought it my duty to go very much into detail

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detail in reply to it, in Order that the Honorable Court may see that this Board have been entirely guided by a sense of Public duty in making the Reports to Government which led to Lieutenant Colonel Norriss Removal from the Situation of Superintending Engineer in the Northern Division of the Army.—

The Lieutenant Colonel on the 3d Paragraph of his letter addressed to the Chief Secretary accompanying his Memorial Complains of the Board having with-held all the documents Submitted to Government except two Letters and a sight of the Plan approved—these Letters contain the substance of the Boards Reports to Government on the subject; and the Plan approved Constitutes no part of the charge against him—and in the 5th Paragraph of the same letter he states "that his Character "has been stained without a Cause, and certainly without

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without a hearing." It will be seen by my Remarks upon the Memorial whether there was cause for the Reports which the Board made to Government, and the accompanying letters N.o 1 & 2 written by Lieutenant Colonel Norris in Reply to the letters calling for explanation will shew that a hearing was invariably given him, before any Report was made by the Board to Government on the Subject.

I shall now proceed to examine the Memorial addressed to the Honorable Court of Directors by Lieut.t Col.t Norris.

It is true that the Honorable Court of Directors Nominated Lieutenant Colonel Norris for the Situation of executive Engineer at this Presidency, as stated in the 3.d Paragraph, provided the Memorial which that Officer presented to the Honorable Court should be considered correct but on examining the Subject it appeared

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appeared that he founded his claims on a supposed usage of the Service which had only taken place in one solitary instance since the formation of the Corps of Engineers, by the appointment of Colonel now General Gent; but the cause of the Situation being with held from him is best Known to the Government with whose Sentiments the Honorable Court of Directors must I suppose be now perfectly acquainted -

It is some-what extraordi-nary that Colonel Norris should assert in his 5th Paragraph that he knew no exis-ting cause for his Removal, or in what manner he had incurred the displeasure of Government, when the Military Board had, previous to Submitting their Sentiments to Government on his Conduct, written to him for explanations, which were not deemed at all satisfactory as

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I shall, I hope, be able to prove when I come to Remark on that part of the Memorial.

In reply to the 6th Paragraph I beg to State that had Lieutenant Colonel Norris applied at an earlier period for the Charges Government intended to prefer against him to the Honorable Court, he would I should suppose have received Copies of them earlier than just before the Sailing of the Fleet from Madras: his Application for this purpose is dated 8th January 1808, so that it is impossible to have transmitted them to him Sooner -

As far as Concerns the Military Board it will be my duty to endeavour to exculpate that Body from the Censure which Lieutenant Col. Norris is pleased to prefer against them in his 5/7 Paragraph, and I trust that I will be able

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to prove in the most satisfactory manner that they acted Correctly from the information before them, and that the opinions they gave to Government were neither unjust nor precipitate as he is pleased to term them.

Upon Lieutenant Colo. Norriss Report and that of the Annual Committe that the Guard Rooms mentioned in the first charge were in a very decayed State, the Board directed Estimates to be prepared for giving them a substantial Repair. The Board were induced to recommend the measure to Government from an Idea that Lieutenant Colonel Norris had Actually examined the State of the Timbers before he made his Report, but which never was done till ordered by the Board, on a Representation of the Officer Commanding that the Buildings did not require to be new Roofed as reported

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reported by Lieutenant Colonel Norris.
and the proceedings of the Committee
of officers appointed to make this exc-
-amination proves that the ends of the
Joists were Sound with the exception
of a few in the Verandahs as may be
seen by the following-

Extract of the Proceedings of the 2d
Committee dated June 9th 1807-

"The Committee on a mi-
"nute examination find the ends of
"the Joists in the Walls of the Two Guard
"Rooms to be Sound and of full size
"with the other parts of the Joists-
"The outer ends of the Joists in the Veran-
"-dah, 9 at the Officers Guard Room, and
"8 at the Soldiers Guard Room are
"decayed and require to be replaced,
"if this be not practicable, the Com-
"-mittee think they are not so much
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"the Terrace under repair for some
"years longer, most of the Joists have
"sunk in the Centre, from a ¼ to ¾ of
"an inch, and a few of them are
"perfectly Strait. The Terraces appear
"to have sunk in a small degree";
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"cient Strength to bear the Weight of the
"Terrace for some years after it has
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"the Board to be necessary, as the sinking
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That the Scantling of the Joist was too Small I admit, but as they must have given immediately on the Completion of the Terrace when first Built, little danger was to be apprehended from the Right bending which induced Lieutenant Colonel Norris to Condemn them - In my Recommendation for new Terracing I was guided by the Supposition of Lieutenant Colo. Norris having minutely examined the ends of Joists, which it appears he never did - He adopted his opinion from an exterior view, and still states that "It is obvious "that a Substantial Repair of Buildings "in that Condition could only be effected "by Removing the Timbers and a Complete "Renovation of the Terraces;" when it actually appears that these Timbers were

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were perfectly sound with the exception of those before mentioned.

Lieutenant Colonel Norris appears to attach Considerable blame in his 9th Paragraph to the Military Board for having kept his Estimate three months under Consideration before it was returned to him for execution. I can state that no unnecessary delay took place from the time it was referred for my report, and on its being approved by Government, it was forwarded to him for execution.—

The Lieutenant Colonel is perfectly right when he states in the 10th Paragraph of his Memorial that, the military Board were convinced by subsequent inquiries that the Estimated Repairs Recommended by him were not required— and although his Statements were

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were made according to his "honest Judgement"
I trust that it will be allowed that he is as
liable to err as other human beings, particu-
-larly as that Judgement appears to have
been formed from a very Superficial view
of the Buildings under Consideration;
and in examining the grounds upon which
the Board founded their objections, I trust
it will appear that they acted not upon hear
say but upon the testimony of a Committee
of respectable Officers constituted agree-
-ably to the Regulations of the Service, as
may be seen by the following Report-

Extract of the Proceedings of the 1st
Committee dated April 5th 1806-

"The Committee having most
"minutely examined the Timbers and
"Terraces of the two Guard Rooms on the
"South side of the West Gate of Masulipatam
"find them in the following State viz:-

1st The Officers Guard Room.

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"The Committee are of opinion
"that the Timbers, Joists, and planking of
"this building Judging from that taken
"out of the opposite Guard Rooms / and
"their outward appearance, are perfectly
"Capable of supporting the Terrace under
"any Repairs which may be thought necessary,
"and do not see any necessity for their
"Removal."

2d The Privates Guard Room.

"The same as above, except a few
"of the planks in the Verandah, along the
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Regulations of 1796

Par 10. That a Committee of survey consisting of not less than three Officers, of whom the Commanding Officer on the spot, shall be one, with the Paymaster or other Civil Servant, and such other Officers as the Commanding Officer may appoint be held on all Buildings and Repairs at Out Stations, once during

Additional Regulations of 1801.

Par 6. That in addition to the indispensible Surveys ordered by the 10th articles of the Regulations for work to be performed by Estimate it shall be in the power of the Officers Commanding Stations, where public Works, or Repairs, are carrying on, to Order Committees of Survey as often during the Progress of the Work, or Repairs, as they may deem necessary, and the Commanding Officer in the event of judging it expedient to order such occasional Committees, is to

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On a Complaint of Lieutenant Colonel Norris that he was not present at several Committees on Works the Military Board directed the Officer Commanding Masuli-

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Masulipatam to call on the Engineer
to be present, and to give them every
information for their guidance. Lieut.
Colonel Taylor on being called upon to
assign his Reasons for deviating from
the rules of the Service; states in reply
in a Letter of the 7th November 1806. Viz.

"In Answer to the 4th Paragraph
"of the Letter from your Secretary, I have
"only to observe that the Superintending
"Engineer has on every occasion of Commit-
"tees being assembled on his Works, been
"duly apprized, and has invariably at-
"tended, and I hope that the Military
"Board will on Reference to my Letter
"dated the 23d October be satisfied with
"the Reasons given for my inability to
"supply him with Copies of such Committees,
"and on due Consideration approve of
"the Mode therein pointed out for his im-
"mediate attainment of every requisite
information

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"information"- Lieutenant Colonel Norris however states in his 14th Paragraph that he was excluded from the Committee, and in consequence gave his opinion in writing to the Officer Commanding for the informa- -tion of the Members; but this report conveys no information- He states that he has "Minutely examined the uncovered "Buildings of the West Gate of the Fort:" From this I should suppose that the Terraces were removed- but in the latter part of his report it appears that he did not see the ends of the Joists as he Supposes the "ends may be decayed in the Walls to "examine which thoroughly the Terrace over "them should be removed:"- this therefore could not in the just acceptation of these Words have been a minute exa- -mination- the ends of the Joists ought to have been examined in the first instance, and if found Sound, there could be no

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occasion for removing the Terraces, as the binding in the Center must have existed from the first Construction of the Terraces-

It is some what remarkable that the Lieutenant Colonel should still persist in the opinion he first formed before the ends of the Joists were examined, that they were decayed, when in the 16th and 17th Paragraphs he acknowledges that all he himself could point out to the Committee on being present at the examination on the 9th of June 1807 were 9 Joists a little decayed at the ends of the Officers Guard Room, and 8 Joists in the Soldiers Guard Room. the sinking of some of the Joists from 1/4 to 3/4 of an Inch. I do not consider of any Consequence, and as the Building could only leak near the Walls, that defect would have been remedied by the application of the Parapet Walls directed to

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to be constructed by the Board in the Secre-
-tarys Letter of the 19th January 1807 to the
Superintending Engineer Masulipatam over
the ends of the Joists. This is not mere theory-
It is proved from practice at Madras &
where there are few Terraces where the Joists
are not bent as much, if not more, than
those of the Guard Rooms at Masulipatam;
and since the introduction of this mode
of Repair, Terraces have been rendered
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In the latter part of the 18th
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"influenced by motives wholly unconnected
"with the duty imposed on them of making a
"fair and candid Statement on the Subject

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of their inspection.2 How could Lieut.t Colonel Norris expect a Correct Statement from officers whom in his 11th Paragraph he represents as perfectly incompetent to the duty imposed on them.2

I cannot see even by Lieutenant Colonel Norris's own account of the state of the Timbers, as mentioned in the 19th Paragraph how the Committee could have acted otherwise than they have done. It "stubbornly" adhered to its former "opinion" because when the Terraces of the 2d Guard Room were opened a very small proportion of the Joists were found decayed at the ends nor were those which the Lieutenant Colonel pointed out to them in so decayed a state as to endanger the Terraces. It rather appears to me that because Colonel Norris had pronounced the whole of the Timbers completely decayed before he examined

examined them, he "stubbornly" adhered to the opinion he first gave; and indeed his account of the State of the Terraces proves it to my Satisfaction, and that the account the Committee gave of what they saw is borne out by the Sale of the Timbers of the Building uncovered, as shall be shewn in its proper place -

If Lieutenant Colonel Norris means by stating, the Views with which the Military Board considered the subject are easily infered, as mentioned in his 21st Parag: I suppose he must allude to the want of confidence reposed in him - But what Confidence could the Board place in an Officer who had Represented the Timbers of 8 or 10 Buildings Completely decayed, without having examined one of them, except exteriorly, and when one was uncovered and the Timbers Carefully examined, even before Colonel Norris, a very small proportion were found unser-
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viceable; and as the Buildings were
erected about the same time and appeared
to be in the same condition, it was a
natural conclusion to draw that the
others were equally serviceable; and I
trust without following Lieutenant Colo
Norris through the other parts of his
Reply to this Charge, that it is proved he
did misrepresent the State of these
Buildings.

There is one part however
still in the 2d Paragraph which is wor-
thy of notice, he states that the Committee
instead of pursuing a closer investiga-
tion to discover the Rectitude of his
Plan, that they were satisfied with
an imperfect and superficial exa-
mination. It should however, continue
agreeably to the Lieutenant Colonel, seem "that they
"were determined to reject the sug-
"gestions of the Military Board, and to
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Copy of Engineers
Report in the form
of a letter dated
March 27th 1806
To the Officer Com-
manding Musuli-
patam
Sir,

an Extract of a
Letter from the
Military

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Military Board you did me the honor to enclose on the 22d Instant, I have minutely examined the uncovered buildings of the East and ..... beg leave to report their state for the Colonel Norris, and the proceedings of a information of the Committee ordered to survey them. The terrace have undergone repairs since they were built, and I understand

"shut their understandings against the "reasonings and the facts contained in the "Report which I had made for the guidance "of the first Committee". This is a very severe charge against the Committee, and the Military Board. The object of the Military Board was the discovery of truth. It was represented by a Committee of Officers constituted agreeably to the Regulations, that these Buildings were not in the state reported by Lieutenant Colonel Norris, and the proceedings of a Second Committee of Officers confirmed the first, as has already been shewn; but because the Committee appointed to ascertain the truth of Colonel Norris's report would not follow the opinion which he drew up for the guidance of the first Committee, they are pronounced Stubborn, and guilty of Wrecking the Suggestions of the Military Board, and determined

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the last repairs to them were made about 8 or 9 years ago, and it appears they have been a long time in an out of repair and leaky state.

The roofs are from one end to the other, having many cracks and there is no Repairing a Terrace of this descrip-tion, but by taking it entirely off and putting on new.

The Timbers are not of Sufficient Scantling for the bearing.

They to shut their understandings against the Reasonings and facts which he had produced to them - but with that happy consistency which pervades all his Memorial, he has here forgot that he has before represented Committees of Officers incompetent to judge of such Subjects.

I have thought it right to accompany this with a Plan of the Terrace shewing the Cracks and exhibiting the mode of Repair. I recommended in my Minute of the 17th January 1807. when informed that the ends of the Joists were not decayed - I beg to insert a Copy of that Report - Report of the Chief Engineer on Letters and Sketch Plans of the Superintending Engineer in the Northern Division of the army shewing the Cracks in the Terraces to the Officers Guard room South

side

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They have given side of the West Gate, and to the Serjeants
way as plainly appears by the Cracks Copatam Referred for Report on the 27th
Guard Room of the West Gate at Masu-
over the ends of November 1806

them, and depend

As it does not appear in the
Engineer having Papers submitted for Report that the
been more or less ends of the Joists of the Guard Rooms at
exposed to the wea- Masulipatam have been examined it is
-ther, the ends may impossible for the Chief Engineer to say
be decayed in the whether new Terraces are necessary or not
Walls, to examine

Although the Scantling of
which thoroughly the Joists over the Rooms is not of sufficient
the Terrace over -ent depth still the numerous Cracks as
them should be shewn in the Plan is evidently to be
Joists in my opi- to keep down the ends of the Joists. If
-nion are to slight this Sagging or bending has only appears
for a Substantial lately, the Chief Engineer supposes that
Repair; agreeably the ends of the Joists are decayed, in
to the wishes of the which case it will be necessary to Remove
Military Board the Terraces altogether, and new ones Con-
and
-structed

and require to be structed; but if on examination by the
taken away, and Engineer the ends of the Joists are found
to have new Joists sound he would Recommend the flat
of stronger dimen- Tiles being removed, fresh Courses relayed,
-sions placed in and well chunamed, and a Parapet of
their room- one foot 6 Inches Raised all round and
Signed J Norris across the Center of the Building immedi-
Lieut Colonel, -diately over the ends of the Joists.

Engineer, Sw- Engineers office Signed E. Trapaud
-perintending Engr. Fort St. George Chief Engineer-
Northern Divr 17 November 1807.
of the army-

Lieutenant Colonel Norris's letter
to the Chief Engineer under date the 27th
February 1806 inserted in Page 27 gives a
different opinion on the State of the Terraces,
after they were uncovered, and does not
attribute it to the decayed state of the
Timber, but to the insufficiency of the Scant-
-ling, and Recommends that the Joists be
worked up into Doors, Window Frames
and Shutters and lodged in the Engineers
Depart-

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Department admitting that the Timbers of these Terraces were between 30 and 40 years old, and that the insufficiency of the Scantling was the original cause of the sinking, still as they had been serviceable for 25 years of that period, and as a very small proportion of the Timbers were found decayed after Lieutenant Colonel Norris's Reported them not fit to support the Terrace, it occurs to me that there could possibly be no occasion whatever to remove them; and although it may be contrary to every experience possessed by the Lieutenant Colonel, I am however confident that every professional man will agree with me that if the Timbers had supported the Terraces 25 years, they would still support a Terrace of the same weight as long as the Timbers remained in the same state in which they were found, with the exception of the small number pointed out by Lieutenant Colonel Norris

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which could have been easily replaced -

In reply to the defence of Lieutenant Colonel Norris in the 2d Charge. It is only necessary to state that he transmitted his Estimate of the Expense of Repairing the Gateway without any explanation whatever respecting the old Timbers. at the bottom of the Estimate appeared as follows " Deduct for old materials 50 Rupees." he did not say deduct 50 Rupees for the materials which are fit to be used in this Repair; he brings this explanation forward 12 months afterwards, the Military Board therefore naturally concluded that the 50 Rupees were for the whole of the Materials forming the Roof of the Gateway - I do not mean to assert that Lieutenant Colonel Norris intended to use all these materials in the Repairs and only give the Company Credit for 50 Rupees - His intentions were best Known to himself -

With respect to the old Materials

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of the Arsenal mentioned in the 40th. Paragraph of the Memorial, I confess that this is the first time I ever heard of them, no mention is made in the Estimate for that Work of any old materials, but I suppose it was his intention on the Completion of the Building to make the proper deduction. But although he states in his letter No 2 in the appendix that he made a practice of deducting for those used I cannot trace in any of his Bills for Work performed at Masulipatam any deductions whatever.

Lieutenant Colonel Norriss' letter of the 27th. February 1806 before quoted if I understand it rightly does not shew that the whole of the old materials of the Guard Rooms were not included in the deduction at the foot of the Estimate. It mentions for the first time that the Timbers were sound and would make excellent

Doors

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Door frames &c and earnestly requests to have them lodged in his Stores. I beg to transcribe that letter that the Honorable Court may see the change of opinion which the order of the Military Board produced in the Lieutenant Colonel when they directed the Materials to be disposed of by Public Auction.

Copy Letter to the Chief Engineer

Fort St George

Madras

Dated February 27. 1806.

Sir,

I beg leave to inform you that having taken off the Terrace of one of the Guard Rooms at the West Gate of the Fort of Masulipatam, I find the occasion of the damage to the Terrace is more from the insufficiency of the Scantling than the decay of the Timbers, that many of them may be converted into Plank for Doors, Window

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Window frames, and shutters, which make them of Considerable more value to the Honorable Company, than to sell them as old Materials, the Gates and Palisades will answer for Scaffolding &c and as they will lessen the expence of the different Works in hand, an account shall be kept of them, and deduction made from the Estimates they may be used for, I shall therefore be much obliged to you to lay this letter before the Military Board, and request the favor of their permission for receiving the old materials into the Engineers depot, as the Commanding Officer of Masulipatam intends to have them put up for sale, unless the Military Board order to the Contrary-

Masulipatam
Febr. 27. 1806 — I Signed J. Norris Lt. Col. Engr.
Supt. Engr. M. D. of the Army

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The Lieutenant Colonels explanatory Letter alluded to in the 43d Paragraph of the Memorial states that the 50 Rupees for the Old Materials was a Random Calculation; and not till his Return from Vizagapatam that he discovered they were of more Value, and saw no reason to alter his Opinion till then. I beg to transcribe an extract from that Letter.

Extract Letter from the Superintending Engineer Northern Division to the Secretary to the Military Board May 10th. 1806.

"I have had the honor to "receive your Letter of the 21st April on "the 7th Instant, and lose no time to "reply to it, hoping fully to do away "the unfavorable impression entertained "by His Excellency the Commander in Chief, "and the Military Board, which gives me "great Concern."

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"First As to the Valuation of the
"Old Materials at the West Gate of the
"Fort of Masulipatam, I solemnly &
"declare upon my honor that I never
"had the most distant thoughts of any
"advantage from them the Value of
"30 Rupees on a Random Calculation
"was in my Opinion all I could allow
"on the Estimate, and I saw no reason
"to alter it untill my return from
"Vizagapatam when I took off the Ter-
"races, on which I immediately reported
"through the Chief Engineer to the Military
"Board, that they were of Considerable
"more Value than to be sold as old
"Materials and requested permission
"to receive them into my Stores, which
"has ever been the usage of the Service,
"where I have been employed, and which
"I conceive did away the Valuation
"of them at the foot of my Estimate and

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"if the Military Board will allow
"me the honor to draw their atten-
"tion for a moment they will admit
"that it is impossible for me to
"derive any personal advantage
"as I neither buy nor sell old
"Materials, and that whatever I
"may deduct from any Estimate can
"only be to shew that that Estimate
"is to bear a part; and being en-
"gaged to perform the Works upon
"honor, I cannot consistent with my
"asseveration make a charge of
"any thing I do not purchase; old
"Materials therefore belonging to the
"Honorable Company's buildings
"under Repair when received into my
"depot are converted as far as they
"will go, and according as the Estimate
"is formed, they find either to prevent
"the expence exceeding, or assist in
making

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"making the Work fall short of it, but I
"am Sorry that I was not more explicit
"in my intentions for placing any deduc-
"tion of Old Materials at the foot of the
"Estimate alluded to, which Omission
"I trust the Military Board will have the
"goodness to excuse."

As this letter makes mention of a practice of the Service which is Con-trary to the Regulations and positive orders of Government, it may be proper to point them out. The Lieutenant Colonel States that the Value of the Old Materials which was made on a Random Calcula-tion was all he could allow till his return from Vizagapatam, when he took off the Terraces, he discovered that they were of Considerable more value than to be Sold as old Materials, and requested permission to Receive them into his Stores, which has ever been the usage of the Service;

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this is a mistake altogether, the Regu-
-lations of the Service direct that such
as are applicable to the Repairs shall
be used deducting their Value: and
the practice of the Service is that the
articles not applicable to the Repair
shall be sold on account of the Honble
Company.

The next part of this Letter
worth noticing is where the Lieutenant
Colonel Mentions "that whatever I
"may deduct from any Estimate can
"only be to shew, that, that Estimate
"is to bear a part; and being engaged
"to perform the Works upon honor I
"cannot Consistent with my aseveration
"make a Charge of any thing I do not
"purchase." If I understand this rightly
the Lieutenant Colonel means to say
that in all his Bills no charge has been
made for the Old Materials which
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he has from time to time received into his depot, but when I refer to his Estimates which as far as I can judge include the whole of the Work required to be done, and then turn to his Bills for these very Works, I observe that they invariably agree with fractional exactness, as may be seen by the accompanying Statement No 3. where then, am I to look for the Savings which are produced by the employment of the Old Materials received into the Engineers Depot at Masulipatam?

Without entering into the investigation further respecting the Timber which was convertable to the Repairs of the Guard Rooms, I shall only say, that Materials which are not fit for the Public Works ought not to be kept in depot and ought to be sold on account of the Honble Company.

I perfectly agree with Lieutenant Colonel

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Colonel Norris when he states in his 5th Paragraph that "of guilt intentions are "the leading Characteristicks, but as the "purposes of the human heart cannot be "seen the Judgements of Men Concerning "human intentions must be influenced by "Circumstances and probabilities." - Nothing can be more just than this ? Remark - Lieutenant Colonel Norris's intentions were unknown to the Military Board, the Circumstances which influenced that Body to report the case to Government were simply these - Lieutenant Colonel Norris reported the Timbers of the Guard Rooms Completely decayed, when on examination a very small number were found to be in a bad State. Lieutenant Colonel Norris valued the whole of these very materials at 50 Rupees when one half of them were actually sold afterwards for Rupees 595-3- and the

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the only explanation of the circumstance submitted by the Lieutenant Colonel was that the 50 Rupees was on a Random calculation all he could allow on the Estimate, and he saw no Reason to alter it till his return from Vizagapatam, there is no mention in the Letter of those only fit for the Work - It is positively the whole - Had the Military Board not reported these Circumstances to the Government, it would have deservedly merited Censure, particularly as the investigation had been instituted in consequence of the doubt suggested in Mr. Secretary Strachey's Letter of the 3d October 1805 -

I shall not notice the 54th 55th Paragraphs - but beg to Remark on the 56th which is inserted to Confirm the foregoing "Viz that the old Materials were at all times liable to be called for

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for and those taken out of the Arsenal and Sea Gate, though in the first instance they were lodged in the Engineers Depot, were afterwards sold by order of the Military Board. In reply to this it is only necessary to state that these old Materials were never reported to the Military Board by Lieutenant Colonel Norris, and it was on the Removal of that Officer that the Military Board received the first information of them, a Return of all in Store should have been trans=mitted quarterly to the Chief Engineer agreeably to the 27th Artle of the Regula=tions. Had the Military Board known there were such articles in Store an Order would have been given for dispo=sing of them immediately after the completion of the Repairs of these Buildings.

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"It is not then to the under valuation of the Committee, neither is to the ignorance of the purchasers that we can justly attribute the high price at which the Old Materials were sold, but to the great scarcity of Timber which existed at the time - and still he proceeds to state in the 64th Paragraph that - "It may fairly and with truth be said that, what was advertized to be put up to sale, was not the old Materials, but the character, feelings and reputation of an Officer of Engineers, who during the period of twenty five years has served his Honorable Employers in various Capacities, not without the Commendation of the Honorable the Court of Directors, and the frequent approbation of his Superior Officers."

This is very unaccountable, the Lieutenant Colonel in the first instance points out the cause of the Old Timbers selling

selling so high, produced as he informs us in the 62d Paragraph by his having bought up all the Timbers at Masulipatam many months previous to the sale - and still after he had produced this scarcity himself, so much so, that the individuals building at Masulipatam had been obliged to desist, he endeavours to impress the Honble Court of Directors, that these prices were given by both Europeans and Natives to injure the Character, feelings, and reputation of an Officer of Engineers -

I beg to transcribe the Lieutenant Colonels 65th Paragraph, wherein he states "I fear that if the "integrity and honor of your Servants "were to pass under the trial of similar "ordeals, you would have no other "unsullied characters in your Service, than

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"than those whose liberal convivial treats
"and indiscriminate hospitality met
"with general approbation, your Servants
"would depend more upon the choice
"growth of their wines, and the sumptu-
-ousness of their Banquets for a Reputa-
-tion than an honest Zeal and inflex-
-ible integrity."

The Honorable the Court of Directors have I hope, a better opinion of the integrity of their Servants placed in the Offices of Check and Controul, than to Suppose that any liberal or convivial treats would induce them to Swerve from their duty; and if those are to be condemned who practice Hospitality, I fear there are very few indeed on this Establishment that will not suffer in reputation —

We now come to investigate the Lieutenant Colonels' defence to the

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3d Charge -

The Lieutenant Colonel begins by stating that "this charge is indeed quite of a novel nature." We shall see in the course of the investigation wherein the novelty consists - and in doing this I beg to transcribe his 67th Paragraph -

"Prior to my entering on "a detailed explanation of the subject I must beg leave to point out to "your Honorable Court the injustice "that has been done me by the Chief "Engineer in Condemning before a "Public Body of Officers, the data on "which my Estimate was calculated, "without having once apprized me "of his disapprobation of the same."

In Reply to this I have to state that had Lieutenant Colonel Norris known his duty or been ac-

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quainted with the Regulations of the Service, he would have submitted his Plans and Estimates to me previous to their being laid before the Military Board, but although he brings in now the 2d Paragraph of the Regulations under the head of "Works to be performed by Estimate," which shews the practice of the service, transcribed in the Margin, I call upon Lieutenant Colonel Norris to say whether he abided by these Regulations which he accuses me of having deviated from — No, he submitted his Estimates to the Military Board through the Officer Commanding Marine Buildings or Repairs. Vipratam, he dispised the Regulations of the Stations, the Senior Chief Engineer at defiance. The magnitude of his Estimate attracted the attention of the Military Board, and I was called upon to examine it minutely, and report my opinion on the Charges for the Work detailed in it. How could I then affix my signature to Estimates which

Extract of the 2d Paragraph of the Regulations under the head of Works to be performed by Estimate —

"That when Buildings or Repairs are required about Service, the Senior Officer in Command shall report the purposes and necessity for them to Government, and that

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that in the event of Orders being sent to the Military Board on the subject, that Plans, Sections and Elevations together with an Estimate by Measurement regulated by the prices of Materials and artificers with a description of the Work in all its parts be transmitted by the Engineer of the Nation to the chief Engineer for his Examination and Signature, previous to their being Laid before the Military Board—

which I was conscious were over rated, or if I had returned them to Lieutenant Colonel Norris for Correction before I reported my opinion to the Board should have been guilty of deceiving my Honble Employers and running the risk of censure for collusion with an Officer of my own Department. But had Lieutenant Colonel Norris submitted the Plans and Estimate to me in the first instance, which he wishes to impress the Honble Court he has done, it would have been my duty to have pointed out the errors, and returned them for correction before I laid them before the Military Board. This was the practice of the Service, a practice the Lieutenant Colonel should have never lost sight of.

I admit that the data of Estimates are quite a detail of the Corps of Engineers as mentioned in the 7th Paragraph of the

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the Memorial, but I at the same time must allow that Government or the Military Board have a right to be acquainted with them, when I stated that the data should be sent for the Chief Engineers information only in my letter transcribed by Lieutenant Colonel Norris in the 7th Paragraph I did not mean that it should be a Secret between us, but that it was only necessary for my information, as the duty of reporting on Estimates was confided to me by the Board.

Copy Letter to the Chief Engineer. Fort St George Madras Dated April 9th 1806.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward you Data to an Estimate

It is true that the Copy of the letter on the Margin was received by me from Lieutenant Colonel Norris, and as he stated his reasons for increasing the price of a Cubic foot of Brick in Chunam, I had no right to doubt the Word of an Officer of his Rank. I took it for Granted that it was

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I have this day transmitted to the Secretary to the Military Board, agreeably to a Letter I received dated September 2d. 1805- You will observe that I charge 3 fan.s 7/ foot cube for Brick work in Chunam, which exceeds Lieut. Ravenshaws by 44¼ Cash, on a Reference to his data, you will find he has omitted the Charge of fresh Water, and the prices of Bricks, Chunam, and Jaggery are higher than they were when he drew up the Data-

but this is the last Communication respecting data or prices of Labor or Materials the Lieutenant Colonel ever transmitted to me, which prevented my making any further investigation - and the 7 Estimates which were passed after the receipt of that letter were naturally examined upon that data - but admitting that no encrease of Prices of materials had been reported to me I should not have considered the Charge of 3 fan.s 7 cubic foot for Brick in Chunam too much considering the difficulty of the Works Estimated, but these are mentioned in the Memorial as strong proofs of the approbation of his Data -

Without entering much into detail respecting the Data and observations

/ Signed / J. Norris
Lt Col. Supt. Engr.
Mr. on the Army.

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of Lieutenant Colonel Norris upon the prices of Labor and materials, I beg to state that no very material increase in the price of Labor and Materials has taken place at Masulipatam for the last 12 years, except during the period Lieutenant Colonel Norris was Superintending Engineer in the Northern Division; and what is very extraordinary as soon as the Lieutenant Colonel left Masulipatam the Prices of Labor and Materials returned generally to their former price except Stone Chunam which is now higher, nor does there appear to be any difficulty in procuring Workmen in any number and Materials in any quantity.

The accompanying Statement

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No. 4 Shews the prices of Labor and materials at Masulipatam from the year 1797 to the present year -

The Lieutenant Colond in his 76th Paragraph observes that "since however it would appear that "the Chief Engineer has not furnished "to the Military Board and to Go= "vernment that information which "was forwarded to him as Comman= "ding the Corps I feel myself Compelled "while I acknowledge that the Data "are a Detail of the Corps, and should "consequently be confined to the Com= "manding Officer, to enter upon a "Minute explanation of the subject.

In reply to the above I request that the Honorable Court of Directors may be assured that I never received any Data from Lieutenant Colond Norris for the Work in question, which

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which by the 2d Paragraph of the Regulations he ought to have transmitted to me. The letter of the 9th April 1806 before quoted informing me that the prices of Materials had risen was the last Communication I had with the Lieutenant Colonel on the subject of Data or Prices; and his Estimate for the Barrack is dated on the 17th January 1807 nearly twelve months afterwards -

In order to avoid prolixity and to shew the fallacy of the arguments brought forward by Lieutenant Colonel Norris in defence of his data and charges, I transmitted a Correct Copy of the Lieutenant Colonels Plan C to the Engineer at Masulipatam with directions to Estimate it - and although Capt. Colgrave's Estimate

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Estimate (The original Estimate accom-
-panies this N.º 1.) includes the finishing
the Building in the Completest manner
still it only Amounts to Pagodas 17,372-
12- 39- while the Lieutenant Colonels
Estimate for the same Building is
Pagodas 23,610. 17. 62. and the expence
of erecting the Terraced Barrack which
I estimated at Pagodas 16,817-25-53-

Captain Colgraves Estimate accompanies this N.º 2. Captain Colgraves Estimate for the Arched Barrack approved, also accom-
-panies this N.º 3-

Captain Colgrave from being on the
spot, and possessing the best information,
makes the Amount only Pagodas
15,586-4-60 which shows that my
data was formed on liberal principles,
and that I was Correct when I stated
that Labor was Cheaper at Masulipa-
-tam than at Madras and materials
about the same price-

I trust from the above
it will appear to the Satisfaction of the
Honble Court of Directors that Lieut.t
Colonel

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Colonel Norris did Submit Estimates for the Construction of Barracks in the Cantonment of Masulipatam, far exceeding the Requisite expense in respect to the Cost and quantity of Materials, also in respect to the price of Labor, and the number of Workmen assumed for a given extent of masonry.

Lieutenant Colonel Norris in his 115, 116 and 117 Paragraphs endea= =vours to impress the Honble Court that his Plan B which has only interior Verandahs and no Compounds on the exterior of the Ranges, is calculated to hold 500 or 580 men. This is to me very extraordinary indeed, when on referring to the two Plans, I find the Barrack Ranges exactly the same Length, and the same Breadth, no difference whatever in the size of the apartments intended for the men. but the Estimate

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called by the Lieutenant Colonel the "Madras Estimate" would furnish accommodation for 600 men by pla-cing the Cotts, as he has done in his Plan, as close as Negroes in a Slave Ship - which is not exactly fit accommodation for British Sol-diers in this Climate. The Lieutenant Colonel also makes a mistake with respect to the dimensions of the Cotts, by stating those of the Old Muster larger than those now in use. The fact is that the New Cotts are consi-derably larger than the Old ones.

In Lieutenant Colonel Norris's 130 Paragraph he states as follows. "It will appear by Copies of proceedings upon all Works ex-ecuted by me since Superintending Engineer of the Northern Division that they have been always executed in

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in the most substantial and
Completest manner, no objection
whatever has been started to the
Work or Materials, and which have
invariably met with the entire ap-
-probation of those by whom they
have been examined. I have never
once brought after Charges upon the
first Estimates but returned surplus
money remaining of Original
Estimates"..

I am at a Loss to imagine
what could have induced the Lieut.t
Colonel to make such an assertion
as this, as there has been scarcely a
Work entrusted to his Superintendence
at Masulipatam that has not been
rejected in the first instance by the
Surveying Committee which the fol.
-lowing Report will sufficiently confirm.

Proceedings of a Committee
assembled

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Assembled by Order of Lieutenant Colonel Aldwell Taylor Commanding Masulipatam for the purpose of examining and reporting upon the some Works executed by the Superintending Engineer of the Northern Division of the Army Viz.t Two Places of arms ordered on the 12th March 1806 to be Constructed on the Sepoy Parade within the Fort, and also the Repairs of the Arsenal - Masulipatam Septem-ber 11 - 1806 -

The Commanding Officer President

Major Wilson Bar.t 19.th N. I. } Members { Capt.n Tickborne Com.d 19th Regt.
Capt.n J.R. Vernon. Asst. 2.d 19.th Regt. } Members { Capt.n Gibson Com.d of Stores

The Committee being assembled the Commanding Officer lays before it the following Letter from the Superintending Engineer -

To the Officer Comm.d Masulipatam

Sir,

"I shall be obliged to you for a

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a Committee of Survey on the 2 Sepoy Barracks or Places of arms at the Sepoy Parade - and as the East range of the Arsenal is finished I shall be glad if the Committee will be pleased to inspect it that it may be given to the Commissary of Stores -

Masulipatam / Signed / J. Norris Lt Col. Engr.
September 6. 1806 -

Supt. Engr. N. D of the Army.

The Committee then proceed to examine the 2 Places of Arms one of which appears to be built according to Estimate the Northern most one is efficient in size by the distance of one Pillar or about 11 feet in length. The old Materials of which they are built / with the exception of some of the lower cross Beams / are exceedingly bad, and are not of the Strength requisite to form a

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a Building which is intended as a permanent one; the uprights and some of the Smaller cross Beams of the roofs of the Rooms do not appear sufficiently strong to bear the weight of the Tiles &c.

The Tiles are very thin and weak and not being bound with Chunam Borders will require constant repairs from shifting and breaking during the violent winds in the Monsoon, and indeed of most seasons of the year at this Station. The two places of arms together are not sufficient accommodation for one Complete Native Battalion, they contain Racks for only 630 Stands of Arms, and 473 Pegs for Accoutrements &c. The old Palmira Wood in the Roofs of the Verandahs appears insufficient to the support of them, and will subject them to frequent repairs.

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Repairs -

After having examined the 2 Places of Arms the Committee proceeds to the Arsenal and agreeably to the Superintending Engineers Letter examines the East range of it, which appears well executed agreeably to Estimate and of good materials -

/ Signed / Ald Taylor Lt. Col.e Com.g Engineer
T. Wilson. Major
T. Tichborne Capt.n Com.g M. & Regt.
John R. Vernon Asst. Qr. M.r Gl. & Dn.
A. Gibson Capt.n & Commissary

The Part of the Arsenal mentioned in the above was also rejected on the first Survey, but the Committee made no report till Lieutenant Colonel Norris had rectified the defects in the Work; but in the Places of Arms it appears by these proceedings that nothing short of Rebuilding would render them efficient for the intended

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intended purpose; and with respect to his returning Surplus money remaining of original Estimates, the Statement N.° 3 shews. If it has been done that it was for some Work that has not come under the notice of this Board -

In the last Paragraph of the memorial the Lieutenant Colonel where he states that your Memorialist refers therefore to his long and Laborious Service in this Country for his acquittal from those aspersions, If in that period of time which may be fairly said to be the best part of a mans life, no suspicion has ever before visited his character, if the estimation of good and honorable men has never been with-drawn from him; if no temp-tation, no Seduction, either of advantage or indolence has turned him aside from

from the path of honest and meritorious exertion it is but little probable, that at the close of his Labors he should have Ventured to forfeit the esteem and the good name which he has earned by years of tried integrity and unsullied honor.

That suspicion has before visited the Lieutenant Colonel the following Extract from a Letter from Sir A Wellesley to the Military Board when Commanding Seringapatam will testify, as well as the Extract from the Proceedings of a Committee of Officers held upon the Gun Shed erected at this Fortress - and were it necessary many other instances could be adduced to prove that the Lieutenant Colonel is not justified in making this assertion -

Extract of a Letter from Colonel now Major General Sir A Wellesley dated Seringapatam July 27th - 1799 to the Secretary to

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to the Military Board -

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose two Estimates which have been given to me by Captain Norris to be laid before the Military Board. To neither of them do I think it proper to subscribe my name -

I do not think it proper to Subscribe my name to that for the aqueduct over the Bridge (a Work which was ordered by the Commander in Chief to be compleated on the day after the place was taken) because I conceive the charge to be erroneous, and because I do not conceive that credit to the full amount has been given for the Work done by the Pioneers and the Establishment placed under the Orders of Captain Norris -

I do not subscribe my name

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name to the other Estimate, first because I do not approve of placeing the Bridge on the spot proposed by Captain Norris (although it is necessary that it should be in some part of that Nullah) 2dly because the charge is erroneous."

The Military Board having called upon Colonel, now Major General Sir A. Wellesly to state his reasons for considering the Estimates to be erroneous, gives the following explanation—

"I knew that Captain Norris got for nothing the materials for many of the Works which he had been ordered to perform, that they were brought to the spot where they were to be used by the Pioners &c &c. I compared the amount of his estimates with the expence of Similar Works to individuals in some instances, and with the amount of the expence of similar Works in other parts

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parts of India in others, considering and Comparing the price of Workmen and of Materials at Seringapatam with that at other places, upon the whole I was induced to conclude that the Amount of the Estimates was too large, and I considered it as my duty to communicate my Opinion to the Military Board."

I also beg to transcribe the following Extract from the Proceedings of a Committee held upon the Gun Shed at Seringapatam -

Extract from the Proceedings of a Committee appointed to Survey the Buildings in the Arsenal, and to ascertain the Cause which has produced the decay of those buildings in so short a period of time -

Seringapatam 3d. December 1801.

Colonel.

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Colonel the Honble A. Wellesley President

Major Robertson, Captain Frelse } Members. } Captain Grant, Lieut Bell

The Committee proceed to examine the Gun shed erected by Capta Norris in the year 1799 they find it to have been constructed of old, and bad Materials, and the Workmanship bad -

The Committee recommend that the Pillars of this Shed should be of Brick, and that it should be covered with Tiles made according to the pattern in use in the Carnatic -

Having now gone through every material part of the Memorial and proved those in the most satisfactory manner, that Lieutenant Colonel Norris did misrepresent the state of the Guard Rooms, that he valued materials

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materials at Rs 50 half of which
actually sold for 595-3- Rupees,
and that he Estimated a Barrack
calculated to accommodate 400 men
at Pagodas 23,610-17-62 which could
be erected at Masulipatam for
Pagodas 18,830. 20. 79- I shall make
no Comment upon such Conduct,
nor on the unqualified attack
made by Lieutenant Colonel Norris
upon the Government the Military
Board, and myself, but trust from
a perusal of these papers, that the
Honorable Court of Directors will
be enabled to Judge, whether the
Military Board were justified in
making the Reports they did to
this Government which led to the
temporary Suspension of Lieutenant
Colonel Norris from employment

as

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as an Executive Engineer -

I have to apologize

for the length of this Report,

but it appeared to me to be

necessary to reply fully to the

several assertions set forth

in the Memorial to enable

the Board to submit their

sentiments to Government

on it.

Engineers Office
Fort St George
23d June 1808.

/ Signed / E. Trapaud
b. E

No 1.

To the Secretary to the Mil.y Board
Fort St George
Madras

Sir,

I have had the honor

to receive your Letter of the

21st of April on the 7th Instant,

and lose no time to reply to it

hoping fully to do away the

unfavorable

unfavorable impression intertained
by His Excellency the Commander in Chief
and the Military Board which gives
me great Concern –

First as to the valuation
of the old Materials at the west Gate
of the Fort of Masulipatam I solemnly
declare upon my honor that I never
had the most distant thought of any
advantage from them. the value of
50 Rupees on a random Calculation
was in my opinion all I could allow
on the Estimate and I saw no reason
to alter it untill my return from
Vizagapatam when I took off the
Terrace on which I immediately
reported through the Chief Engineer
to the Military Board that they were
of considerable more value than
to be sold as old Materials and

requested

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requested permission to receive
them into my Stores, which has
ever been the usage of the Service
where I have been employed, and
which I conceive did away the
valuation of them at the foot of the
Estimate, and if the Military Board
will allow me the honor to draw
their attention for a moment they
will admit that it is impossible
for me to derive any personal
Advantage as I neither buy nor
sell old Materials and that what-
-ever I may deduct from any Estimate
can only be to shew that that Esti-
-mate is to bear a part; and being
engaged to perform the works upon
honor, I cannot consistent with my
asseveration make a Charge of any
thing I do not purchase, old Materials
therefore

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therefore belonging to the Honorable Company's Buildings under repair when received into my depot are converted as far as they will go and according as the Estimate is formed - they tend either to prevent the expence exceeding or assist in making the work fall short of it, but I am sorry that I was not more explicit in my intentions for placing any deduction of old Materials at the foot of the Estimate alluded to, which omission I trust the Military Board will have the goodness to excuse -

Secondly with the utmost submission I beg leave to observe that a Removal of the Terraces were and are in my opinion necessary to make a permanent and prevent Continual repairs, and on a reference to my letter on the 27th February I mention that I find the

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the occasion of the damage to the
Terrace is More from the insuf-
-ficiency of the Scantling than
the decay of the Timbers which
in my opinion renders any
more partial repairs a useless
expence, the enclosed Copy Memo=
=randum I forwarded to the
Commanding Officer on the 27th March
1806 for the information of the
Committee - But the report the
Committee have been pleased to
make I am entirely unacquainted
with, and I am induced to think
that not-withstanding my Memo=
-randum on the Timbers and
Terraces my personal attendance
(as it is particularly specified
in the regulations) was necessary
to explain my reasons for taking
off the Terraces which might have
occasioned

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occasioned them to form a different decision—

I had estimated for a

Brick on edge Terrace instead of plank,

it being cheaper and more durable,

and as there is a Considerable difference

in the weight of brick Terrace the

Committee might have been convinced

that the present timbers were not

sufficient to carry it they having given

way under the pressure of the old

Terrace which is much lighter, and

I could also have pointed out to the

Committee as I am persuaded myself

that the timbers were unequal even to

carry a new terrace of the present kind

as new work is heavier, and the old

timbers must be deficient in their

strength from their age, and the great

length of time they have laid on the

walls, and I much fear whatever repairs

may be Recommended that cracks will

again

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again appear and further expense
will be required - I have now only
to observe with the utmost deference
that I am made extremely sorry
to find the Military Board ap-
-pears to call my Judgement in
Question after so long a Service
and the strong Recommendation
of the late Chief Engineer recently
transmitted through the Honble
the Court of Directors to Govern-
-ment, but I hope they will allow
that a Committee of Officers in
giving their opinion of what
may be required to render build-
-ings or repairs substantial have
no responsibility attached to them
not being considered professional
men, whereas in me should build-
-ings be reported to require repairs
shortly

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shortly after the work is finished, I should be consurable as the Estimating and Executive Engineer for not previ-ously considering on the full extent of the repairs required, and thereby subjecting Government to frequent expences on the same building - As to my Estimates when I submit them to the Military Board I always con-sider them subject to any alteration, and even after they are passed and the repairs commenced, I conceive it no impeachment of my Judgement if I discover it to be necessary to make any alteration that may lessen the expences, I know I cannot agreable to the regulations add to them without first obtaining the sanction of the board, and as I have the entire responsibility of all works under my charge, I trust the Military Board will appear of my requesting

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requesting the favor of Copies of the proceedings of Committees which has been customary as it is necessary I should know what has been reported on my work—

I now beg permission to look up to His Excellency the Commander in Chief to pardon me for giving so much trouble—I have ever been anxious to merit the good opinion of the Military Board, and hope they will be pleased to look over the transactions that shall have incurred their displeasure—

Masulipatam May 10th 1806—

I have the honor to be your obedient Servant

(Signed) J. Norris

Lieutenant Col. Engineers
Supt. Engr. N. Dn.
of the Army—

To

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No. 2

To the Secretary to the Mill.y Board

Fort St. George

Madras

Sir,

I yesterday received your Letter of the 1st June, and do myself the honor to reply to it without delay.

I am very sorry to find the Military Board have not approved of the plans for the Cantonment I have had the honor to submit for their approbation, I adopted that of the Barracks of this place, as I prefer them to any I have seen, and have also heard them preferred by experienced officers as being most Commodious for Europeans, I have recommended arches as best adapted for this climate, and being least expensive; good timbers are very scarce to be got, and very expen-

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-sive at the rate of 1 Pagoda 7 foot Cube before wrought - as to the Compounds and position of the Cook Rooms the former can easily be enlarged and the latter placed to meet the wish of the Military Board. In dividing and placing them near to the Barracks it is done for the convenience of the Europeans to prevent their being (as little) exposed to the weather (as possible) and they are far enough not to be offensive -

In Reply to the 2d Para-graph on the 1 foot only of the base under ground being estimated in Chunam it will be found to be sufficient when it is considered that a flight of steps or a Slope of earth 1 ft 6 in high covers the foundation round the building and makes it perfectly secure

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secure, and to render it strong and solid, I have given it a great Breadth and depth which is the chief Consideration in the Security of a foundation, and Brick in clay well mixed, and prepared and Covered from the weather I have found to answer equally well in the lower part of the foundation and sufficiently durable, at the same time save a very heavy expence; and as the arch of the proposed Barrack is Con-sidered slight the broadness of the foundation leaves no Room to doubt its strength and solidity-

To the 3d 4th 5. 6. 7. and 8th Paragraphs respecting the charges and Data, and the price ₹ foot of ☐ Brickwork in Chunam, I have already laid them before the chief Engineer with former Estimates and must now beg leave to assure the Military Board, that, the

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the extreme Lazyness and indifference to the work people here owing to the unfavorable climate of Masulipa- Lam the waste in Chunam and Sand by the Violence of the winds and the loss in the frequent load Sand un- -loading of Bricks the very great incredible expense fetching fresh water attended with many accidents, I really do not think I can consider the data more than will secure Government from after Charges - But I must further entreat your Considera- -tion that I cannot have any advan- -tage from these data, and that I am ready to estimate on any other data the Military Board shall please to direct the Estimate sent in is what I conceive will be the full extent of the expences -

Permit me to solicit the favor

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favor of the Military Board to apologize to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council for the trouble given them, and that as I do my work upon honor, I am not guided by the data or the Amount of the Estimate but will execute to the best in my power whatever work is entrusted to my care in whatever manner and on whatever plan His Lordship shall be most pleased with, assuring His Lordship that I am Zealous to meet his favorable Opinion.

Had the Chief Engineer who always has all Estimates and Plans examined and corrected at his Office previous to their being delivered to the Military Board that they may be

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be perfectly correct when laid before Government favored me with any Remarks and alterations that he thought necessary I would have been happy to have altered the plans and Estimates agreeable to his wish and saved the trouble they have occasioned to the Military Board and to Government

Masulipatam June 18th 1807

I have the honor to be Sir Your Obedt Servant Signed J. Norris Lt Colonel Engr Supt Engineer Northn Division of the Army.

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No. 3

Statement shewing the amount of Lieut. Colonel Norris's Estimates for the undermentioned Works performed at Masulipatam and his Bills for the same.

	Amount of Estimates Passed. P. F. 6	Amount of Bills for the same Work. P. F. 6
Bill of the Superintending Engineer in the Northern Division of army for enclosing a part of the Barracks at Masulipatam for the Confinement of a Rajah	17 - - 17½	17 - - 17½
Bill of the Do. - - Do. for Repairs executed at the Pettah Gate of Masulipatam.	438 - 7 - 18	438 7 - 17
Bill of the Do. - Do. for fitting up the tops of the parapets of the Fort of Masulipatam, clearing the Water Channels under the works and fitting up the Glacis Damaged by the River Kistna - - - - - - - - - -	130 37 - 52	130 37 52
Bill of the Do. - Do. for fitting up a temporary Prison, and for Repairs made to the Court house at Rajahmundry by order of the Judge and Magistrate of the Zillah - -	217 - 39 42	217 - 39 42

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	Amount of Estimates Passed P ₹ 6	Amount of Bills for the same Work P ₹ 6	
Bill of the Superintending Engineer in the Northern Division of the army dated 4th December for Building a Signal Staff on the Dolphin's Nose at Vizagapatam	50 " "	50 " "	
Bill of the Do Do for levelling and laying Flat forms on the Dolphin's Nose	80- 30- 67	80- 30 67.	
Bill of the Do Do dated 6th March 1806 for repairs to the Commanding Officers Quarters at Masulipatam, which became indispensibly necessary and which the Officer Commanding directed the Enginer to execute under the Board's Authority	496 20 37½	496 20 37½	
Bill of the Do Do dated 27th May for Constructing a Barrack for 20 Europeans, a Cook Room & Necessary also an Expence Magazine and Cistern on the Dolphin's nose at Vizagapatam	796- 6 "	904- 29- 22	This includes Commission
Bill of the Do Do dated 28th May for temporary Repairs executed to the European Barracks in the Fort of Masulipatam	54 37 64	54 37 64	
Bill of the Do Do dated 21st July for making two Stands and Wheels over the Wells in the Officers Compound by order of the Officer Commanding Masulipatam	20. 35 50	20 35 50	

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	Amount of Estimates Passed			Amount of Bills for the same Work		
	P	F	6	P	F	6
Bill of the Superintending Engenier in the Northern Division of the army dated 30th August for rebuilding the Scarp Revetment ... between north and Royal Bastions of the Fort of Masulipatam, and cleaning the Ditch all round - - - - -	8,901	10	59	8,906	22	59
Bill of the Do Do dated 16th October 1806 for repairing the old Sepoy Barracks within the Fort of Masulipatam, and converting them into two Places of Arms -	1093	3	30	1093	3	30
Bill of the Do Do dated 4th Novem- ber for adding Flank to the Flag Staff Battery in the Fort of Vizagapatam and for other Works executed upon Esti- mates authorized the 13th January last.	1,408	11	18	1408	11	18
Bill of the Ditto Do dated 6th January 1807 for repairs executed to the range of Buildings on the North side of the General Parade at Masulipa- tam - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	213	26	30 3/4	213	26	30 3/4

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	Amount of Estimates Passed	Amount of Bills for the same Work
	P ₣ ℓ	P ₣ ℓ
Bill of the Superintending Engineer in the Northern Division dated 25th April for repairs executed at the East Gateway of the Fort of Masulipatam	253:12:34	253:12:34
Bill of the Do Do dated 6th June for Repairs executed to the Terrace over the Guard Rooms and Verandah on the East side of the Sea Gate of Masulipatam	458:37:53¼	458:37:53¼
Bill of the Do Do Dated 19th October for making a pair of Strong folding Gates for the entrance into the Compound of the European Barracks at Masulipatam	56:16:20	56:16:20
Bill of the Do Do for Building a Guard Shed in front of the arsenal Gates in the Fort of Masulipatam	132 38 2	132 38 2
Bill of the Do Do for Building a Barrack for 70 Europeans at Vizagapatam	3065 16 41	3065 16 41

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For Sir George Pechell 1828

No. 4

Statement Shewing the prices of the undermentioned Materials and Labor from the year 1797 to the present period at Masulipatam.

			Major Prescot			Captain Caldwell			Lieutenant Ravenshaw			Lieut. Colonel Norris			Captain Cotgrave		
			P.	F.	C.	P.	F.	C.	P.	F.	C.	P.	F.	C.	P.	F.	C.
Stone Chunam	₹ Candy of	20 Parrahs	2	31	"	2	31	"	2	31	"	3	"	"	3	18	"
Shell Chunam	Ditto	Ditto	2	"	"	2	"	"	2	"	"	2	"	"	1	30	"
Sand	Ditto	Ditto	"	10	40	"	10	40	"	10	40	"	10	"	"	12	"
Jaggery	₹ Candy		16	"	"	16	"	"	16	"	"	17	21	"	8	24	"
Wall Bricks	₹ Mill		1	21	"	1	21	"	1	21	"	1	24	"	1	30	"
Bricklayers	₹ Each		"	4	40	"	4	40	"	4	40	"	4	40	"	4	"
Coolies	Ditto		"	2	40	"	2	40	"	2	40	"	2	40	"	2	"
Ditto	Ditto		"	1	20	"	1	20	"	1	20	"	1	20	"	1	20

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Section through one of the Guard Rooms at Masulipatam shewing the Parapets recommended by the Chief Engineer to keep down the ends of the Joists.

Probable

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Data for works to be executed in the Cantonments near Masulipatam at the current Rates of the Station

Plain Brick work in Chunam — Rupees fanams 6 — Rupees 6

1000	Wall Bricks	6	"	"
"	Carriage of ditto to the Cantonments	2	6	"
9	Parrahs of Chunam	2	8	32
12	Parrahs of Sand	"	6	24
12½	lbs of Jaggery	"	9	"
3	Bricklayers	1	"	"
3	Boys	"	3	"
7	Women beating Chunam	"	8	60
1	Do bringing water	"	1	20
1	Man Cooly	"	2	"
"	Dalavalum	"	2	"
61½	Cubic feet	14	10	56
	Per Cubic ft	"	2	72

Plain Brick work in Clay

		Rupees fanams 6	Rupees 6
1000	Wall Bricks	6 " "	
"	Carriage of do to the Cantonments	2 6 "	
2	Cartloads of Clay	" 7 16	
12	Parrahs of Sand	" 6 24	
2	Bricklayers	" 8 "	
2	Boys	" 2 "	
1	Woman bringing Water	" 1 20	
1	Man Cooly	" 2 "	
"	Dalavalum	" 2 "	
61½	Cubic feet	10 10 60	
	Per each Cubic foot	" 2 10	

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Arch work in Chunam

		Rups fs 6	Rups fs 6
1000	Wall Bricks	6 " "	
"	Carriage of Do to the Cantonments	2 6 "	
12	Parrahs of Chunam	3 7 16	
12	Parrahs of Sand	" 6 24	
15	lbs of Jaggery	" 10 64	
5	Brick Layers	1 8 "	
12½	Boys	1 " 40	
8½	Women beating Chunam	" 10 50	
2½	ditto bringing Water	" 3 10	
2	Men Coolies	" 4 "	
"	Centers	5 6 "	
"	Dalavalum	" 3 "	
	61½ Cubic feet		23 5 44
	Per each Cubic foot		" 4 44

Cornices in Chunam

		Rups fs 6	At fs 6
1000	Wall Bricks	6 " "	
"	Carriage of ditto to the Cantonments	2 6 "	
12	Parrahs of Chunam	3 7 16	
12	Ditto Sand	" 6 24	
15	lbs of Jaggery	" 10 64	
10	Bricklayers	3 4 "	
12	Boys	1 " "	
8½	Women beating Chunam	" 10 50	
2½	Do bringing Water	" 3 10	
2	Men Coolies	" 4 "	
"	Dalavalum	" 5 "	
	61½ Cubic feet		19 9 4
	Per each Cubic foot		" 3 68

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Plastering one coat Chunam for Walls

		Rs	f	c	Rs	f	c
3½	Parrahs of Chunam	1	"	48			
5¼	Do of Sand	"	2	60			
4½	lbs of Jaggery	"	3	19			
3	Bricklayers	1	"	"			
3	Boys	"	3	"			
2½	Women beating Chunam	"	3	10			
¾	Do bringing Water	"	"	75			
1	Man Coolly	"	2	"			
"	Dalavalum	"	3	"			
					3	6	52
	Per Square —				"	42	52

Jelly in Chunam

		Rs	f	c	Rs	f	c
800	Broken Bricks at 4 Rs per 1000 —	3	2	32			
"	Carriage of Do to the Cantonment —	2	"	"			
6	Parrahs of Chunam	1	9	48			
9	lb of Jaggery	"	6	38			
3	Bricklayers	1	"	"			
12	Boys	1	"	"			
1	Woman bringing Water	"	1	20			
1	Man Coolly	"	2	"			
"	Dalavalum	"	1	40			
	100 Feet Square by 6 Inches thick = 50 Cubic feet				9	11	18
	Per each Cubic ft				"	2	30

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Paving with one course of wall Bricks on the flat in Chunam and a levelling course on the flat in clay underneath.

		Rate ₱ 1	Amt ₱ 1
325	Wall Bricks	1	11 32
"	Carriage of Ditto to the Cantonments	"	9 60
3/4	Cart load of clay	"	2 56
3 3/4	Parrahs of Sand	"	1 77
3/4	Bricklayer	"	3 "
1	Boy	"	1 "
1/2	Woman Cooly bringing Water	"	" 50
1	Man Cooly	"	2 "
"	Dalavalum	"	2 "
		3	10. 35
Levelling course of Wall Bricks on the flat in clay per square			46 3

		Rate ₱ 1	Amt ₱ 1
325	Wall Bricks	1	11 32
"	Carriage of Do to the Cantonments	"	9 60
3 1/2	Parrahs of Chunam	1	" 48
5 1/4	do of Sand	"	2 60
4 1/2	℔s of Jaggery	"	3 19
1	Bricklayer	"	4 "
1	Boy	"	1 "
2 1/2	Women beating Chunam	"	3 10
3/4	do bringing Water	"	" 75
1/2	Man Cooly	"	1 "
"	Dalavalum	"	1 "
		5.	2. 64
One Course of Wall Bricks on the flat in chunam Per Square			62 64
Total for two Courses Per Square			2 254

Finishing

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Finishing arched Roof with two Courses of flat Tiles in chunam and two coats coarse and one coat of fine chunam Plaster

		Rup	⅛	Pag	⅛
1200	Flat Tiles	1	2	32	
5	Parrahs of Chunam	1	6	"	
5	Ditto Sand	"	2	50	
7½	lbs of Jaggery	"	5	32	
1	Bricklayer	"	4	"	
2	Boys	"	2	"	
4½	Women beating Chunam	"	5	50	
½	Ditto bringing Water	"	"	50	
½	Man Coolly	"	1	"	
"	Dalavalum	"	1	"	
		4	6	54	
	Two Courses of flat Tiles in Chunam Per Square	"		54	54

Two Coats of Coarse Chunam for Roofing

		Rup	⅛
6	Parrahs of Chunam	1	9 48
7½	Ditto of Sand	"	3.75
9	lbs of Jagary	"	6 38
4	Brick Layers	1	4 "
8	Boys	"	8 "
4½	Women beating Chunam	"	5.50
¾	Do bringing Water	"	.75
¾	Man Coolly	"	1 40
"	Dalavalum	"	3 "
		5	7 6
	Two Coats of Coarse Chunam for Roofing Per Square	"	67-6-

Carried Over

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One Coat of Fine Chunam for Roofing

		P	F	C
2½	Parrahs of Chunam	"	9	"
1/11	Do of Sand	"	"	52
3/11	lbs of Jaggery	"	2	27
2	Bricklayers	"	8	"
4	Boys	"	4	"
3¾	Women for sifting and preparing Chunam	"	4	55
¼	Do Bringing Water	"	"	25
¼	Man Cooly	"	"	40
2½	Seers of Fire	"	2	40
¼	Seer of Oil	"	1	20
½	lb of Balapong	"	"	60
"	Dalavalum	"	2	"
		2	11	79

One Coat of fine Chunam for Roofing for 1 Square — — — — 35 79

Total two Courses of flat Tiles in Chunam and two Coats of Coarse and one Coat of fine Chunam Plaster Per Square 3 - 31 59

Terracing with Teak wood Joists, one course of Terrace Bricks on edge in Chunam, Jelly in Chunam, two Courses of flat Tiles in Chunam, and two Coats of Coarse and one Coat of fine Chunam Plaster.

		P	F	C	P	F	C
7	Teak wood Joists in 12 feet by 7 In: by 5 Inches	35	"	"			
"	Carpenters Cooly	"	36	"			
"	Sawyers Do	"	34	"			
10	Men Coolies	1	8	"			
"	Carriage of Timber	"	6	"			
"	Dalavalum	"	1	"			
		43	1	"			

Teak wood Joists wrought & put up Per Square — — — — 12 13 -

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				Ps 1 6
	Brought Over Ps			12 13 -

One course of Terrace bricks on Edge in Chunam

		Ps	1	6
1600	Terrace Bricks	4	9	48.
"	Carriage of Do to the Cantonments	"	9	"
8	Parrahs of Chunam	2	4	64
6	Parrahs of Sand	"	3	12
14	Ms of Jayary	"	10	6
1½	Bricklayer	"	6	"
4½	Boys	"	4	40
8	Women beating Chunam	"	10	.
1	Do bringing Water	"	1	20
1	Man Cooly	"	2	"
"	Dalavalum	"	2	-
		11	2	30

One course of Terrace bricks on Edge in Chunam Per Square — 3 8 30

Jelly in Chunam

		Ps	1	6
800	Broken Bricks at 4 Rupees per 100	3	2	32
"	Carriage of Do to the Cantonments	2	"	"
6	Parrahs of Chunam	1	9	48
9	Ms of Jayary	"	6	38
3	Bricklayers	1	"	"
12	Boys	1	"	"
1	Woman bringing Water	"	1	20
1	Man Cooly	"	2	"
"	Dalavalum	"	1	40
		9	11	18

Jelly in Chunam per Square 2 35 18-

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Two courses of Flat Tiles in Chunam.

		Rs	f	c
1200	Flat Tiles	1	2	32
5	Parrahs Chunam	1	6	"
5	do Sand	"	2	50
7½	lbs of Jaggery	"	5	32
1	Bricklayer	"	4	"
2	Boys	"	2	"
4½	Women beating Chunam	"	5	50
½	do bringing Water	"	"	50
½	Man Cooly	"	1	"
"	Dalavalum	"	1	"
		4	6	54

Two Courses of flat Tiles in Chunam Per Sqre ——— 4 54 54

Two Coats Coarse Chunam for Roofing.

		Rs	f	c
6	Parrahs of Chunam	1	9	48
7½	do of Sand	"	3	75
9	lbs of Jaggary	"	6	38
4	Bricklayers	1	4	"
8	Boys	"	8	"
4½	Women beating Chunam	"	5	50
¾	do bringing Water	"	"	75
¾	Man Cooly	"	1	40
"	Dalavalum	"	3	"
		5	7	6

Two Coats coarse chunam for Roofing - per Square ——— 67 06

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One Coat fine Chunam for Roofing

			Rs	f	G
2½	Parrahs of Chunam		"	9	"
1¼	Do of Sand		"	"	52
3¼	℔ of Jaggery		"	2	27
2	Bricklayers		"	8	"
4	Boys		"	4	"
3¾	Women for sifting & preparing Chunam		"	4	55
¼	Do bringing Water		"	"	25
¼	Man Cooly		"	"	40
2½	Seers of Fire		"	2	20
¼	Seer of Oil		"	1	20
½	℔ of Balapong		"	"	60
"	Dalavalum		"	2	"
			2	11	79.
	One Coat Fine Chunam for Roofing Per Square				3579
	Total of Terracing with Teak wood Joists one Course of Terrace Bricks on edge in Chunam, Jelly in Chunam, two Courses of flat Tiles in Chunam, and two Coats of Course and one Coat of fine Chunam Plaster — Per Square				22 4 27

Teak wood Batten doors and Windows with hooks, hinges, bolts & Fastenings.

			Rs	f	G
	Timber		12	"	"
	Carriage of Do		"	6	"
	Sawyers and Carpenters Cooly		11	"	"
6	Men Coolies		1	"	"
			24	6	"
					7 " "
45	℔ Iron for hooks hinges nails bolts and fastenings		8	3	28
7	Smiths		2	4	"
7	Hammermen		"	10	40
7	Bellows Boys		"	5	20
	Charcoal		2	9	"
	Paddy husk		"	1	40
			14	9	48
					4 9 48
	3 by 4. Equal 32 Superficial feet				0 9 48
	Per each Superf. foot				" 14. 59.

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Teak wood Batten Windows with Teak wood Bars hooks hinges Bolts and Fastenings

			Rs 1 6
Timber and Iron work as before		"	" 11 9 48
Teak wood Bars	R 1 6		
Timber	5 " "		
Carriage of Do	" 3 "		
Sawyers and Carpenters Cooly	2 2 "		
2 Men Coolies	" 4 "		
	7 9 "	2 9 "	
8 by 4 Equal to 32 Superficial feet			13 18 48
Per each Superficial feet			17 5½

Masulipatam
15 June 1808

(Signed) Richd John Colgrave
Capt. Supt. Engr. & Surveyor
of the Army

To the acting Chief Secretary to Government

Fort St. George

Sir,

From Lt Colonel Norris. Submits for transmission to the Court of Directors a Memorial of facts in justification of his conduct.

Para 1st I have the honor to forward for transmission through Government to the Honorable the Court of Directors, a Memorial containing an explanation of my conduct in reference to the Three charges preferred against me in Mr. Secretary Strachey's letter of the 2d October 1807.

2d The Documents laid before Government by the Military Board, together with the severe, I may add, unmerited

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commented resolution recorded by the Right Honorable the Late Governor to my prejudice, having already been trans-mitted to the Honorable the Court of Directors for their decision, it appeared incumbent on me to address myself to the Honorable Court in Justification of my character, but a plain Statement of facts, (I trust completely exculpating me from every injurious reflection) I can have little doubt will meet with the favorable attention of Government, and that I shall be relieved, without delay, from the Cruel predicament in which I am unfortunately placed —

3. With respect to the Documents submitted by the Military Board to Government, they have been to this hour withheld from me; a reference to two Letters already in my possession, with a sight of the plan approved by Government, is all the information which the Board have afforded me in Consequence of my application to their Secretary founded on Mr. Secretary Strachey's Letter to me of the 31st December 1807. A Copy of my Letter to the Military Board, with a Copy of their reply, I have the

honor

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honor to send accompanying -

4th The delay which necessarily occurred in consequence of my applications for the documents, and the detail into which I have been compelled to enter in defence of my conduct, have protracted the completion of my Memorial to a very late period; but I hope I may look for the indulgence of Government, in transmitting it to the Honorable Court by the Ships about to be dispatched from Bengal -

5. If it appears, as I trust it will appear to the Honorable the Governor in Council, that I have been unjustly removed from my situation; that my character has been stained without a cause, certainly without a hearing; that there can be no compensation made to me at my period of life for a two years suspence under such degrading Circumstances, however favora-ble the decision of the Honorable the Court of Directors may prove; I rely on the candour and justice of the Honorable the Governor in Council, that I shall not be left to pine in undeserved ignominy, from the effects

effects of a sentence passed under such circumstances.-

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

Madras
March 19th 1808.

(Signed) John Norris
Lieut Colonel of Engineers.

(Copy)

Letter to the Secretary to the Military Board

Fort St. George

Sir,

Government having been pleased to remove me from my appointment of Superintending Engineer of the Northern Division of the army, on certain charges which have been in the opinion of Government proved against me by documents submitted by the Military Board, I considered it my duty to apply for Copies of such documents in Order that I might have a fair opportunity of making my defence and Justifying my conduct.

2d In their Reply to my first application Government referred me to my own Correspondence with the Board for the grounds on which the Charges are preferred, but upon a subsequent explanation on my part, they were pleased to direct me to apply to you for the papers; a Copy

of

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of Mr Secretary Stracheys letter on the subject I have the honor to enclose-

3 This circumstance alone is a sufficient proof, Sir, that other documents beside my correspondence with the Military Board must have been laid before Government, Documents of so serious a nature as have tended to criminate me in the Eyes of the Right Honorable the late Governor-

4 I have served the Honble Company during a period of 25 years, and as my Conduct has hitherto been honored with the approbation of the Honorable the Court of Directors, of Government, and my Superior Officers, I can say without fear of contradiction, that I have served with Zeal and fedelity; and I beg leave to solicit that the Military Board, as an act of justice towards me, will be pleased to grant me Copies of the papers which have proved thus prejudicial to my public character and reputation-

5. During my appointment of Superintending Engineer of the Northern Division of the army, I have been zealous

zealous to meet the approbation of the Military Board, and of Government, and the favorable reports of all the Committees that have been held on my works, both as to Workmanship, materials &c will I trust convince the Board, that no exertions have been wanting, on my part, in the execution of the public Works entrusted to my care -

6 Under these circumstances I have to beg of you, Sir, to move the Military Board to a favorable consideration of my present application, as I entertain no doubt but I shall be able to justify my Conduct and remove every imputation under which I may be at present labouring -

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

/ Signed / J. Norris
Lieut Colonel Engineers

Madras
January 8. 1808

Copy Letter in answer to the above

To Lieutenant Colonel Norris
of Engineers

Sir,

I have submitted to the Military Board your

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

Madras
January 8: 1808

/ Signed / L. Norris
Lieut Colonel Engineers

Copy Letter in answer to the above

To Lieutenant Colonel Norris
of Engineers

Sir,

I have submitted to the Military Board your

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your Letter of the 3d Instant with its enclosure, and in reply I am directed to refer you to my Letter of the 21st April 1806 and the 1st June 1807, in which will be found the substance of Reports, which the Board have made to Government on subjects that relate particularly to you -

Fort St George
January 11th 1808.

/ Signed / S. Marshall

/ True Copy / S. M. B.

/ Signed / J. Norris
Lieut Col Engineer
March 19th 1808.

Ordered that the following Letter be dispatched -

To Lieutenant Colonel Norris
of the Engineers

Sir,

To Lieutenant Colonel Norris. Furnishing him with a Copy of the Military Board's Report and of the Chief Engineer's Minute on the Subject of his Memorial, informing him that these papers will be submitted to the Court of Directors by the first General Dispatch, but that the Government perceive no ground for changing their measures towards him -

Para 1 I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter of the 19th March last -

2 The Memorial which you have addressed to the Honorable the Court of Directors on the subject of your Removal from the Office of Superintending Engineer in the Northern

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Northern Division of the Army having been referred to the Military Board for consideration, I am directed to furnish you with the enclosed Copies of the Report submitted by that Board and of the further documents on which it has been principally grounded-

3. Copies of these Papers together with your Memorial will be brought to the notice of the Honorable Court of Directors by the first General Dispatch from this Presidency - In the meantime I am directed to inform you that after an attentive consideration of your appeal to the Honorable Court, the Governor in Council is unable to perceive any grounds for a modification of the measures which it has been deemed the indispensible Duty of this Government to adopt towards You.

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

Fort St George
6 August 1808-

(Signed) G. Strachey
Sct. to Govt

Ordered that the Military Board be furnished with a Copy of the foregoing letter -

Read the following letters from the Military Board -

To

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To the Honorable

Sir G. H. Barlow Bart K. B

Governor in Council &c &c &c

Honorable Sir,

From the Military Board - Explain the nature of the arrangements made by the general Agent for the purchase of horses - submit the Draft of a G. O. respecting the transmission of Returns in the Ordnance Department - state that the works at Vellore have been transferred to the Engineer, and that he has been called upon for a particular Report on the further repairs recommended by Captain Bagshaw - recommend that a third Serjeant be allowed to the Ordnance Department at Trichinopoly - explain an error in the G. O. of the 17th of June with respect to the allowance for stationary at Seringapatam, & recommend its correction - recommend that a Native guard of Effectives be stationed at the Powder Mills - recommend that some damaged Rice delivered at Nigapatam by the Collector to the garrison storekeeper at Trichinopoly may be sold, and that the loss thereby be not charged to the Revenue Department - recommend payment of a Bill of the Garrison storekeeper at Palamcotta - on account

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Para 1. We have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of letters from the Chief Secretary of Government under date 14th July, and from the Secretary in the Military Department dated the 2d and 13th July, and to report that the necessary Orders have been given in consequence —

2 In reply to the 2d Paragraph of Mr. Secretary Strachey's letter of the 9th Instant calling for information respecting the Terms of Contract for the purchase of horses for this Presidency, we beg to state that the Horses supplied thro' the Agent are not procured to this Government entirely by Contract, the Terms which the agent forms with the dealers may be considered generally in the nature of a Contract for the delivery at Mangalore, but the influence of this arrange-

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of Rice delivered to him by the Collector, and report a supposed deception in the delivery of the Rice - Submit Comparative Estimates of Constructing Sentry Boxes of wood, and of Masonry at Bangalore, and recommend a certain number of both for that station, and for the neighbouring Cantonment - Submit a minute of the Quarter master Genl relative to an advantageous mode adopted in removing the stores to from Madura, and notice the favorable Contract before concluded for a similar purpose by the Paymaster at Vellore - Submit a tender of Two Camels for Sale with the Quarter Master Gen's recommendation that they may be purchased - recommend a reference to the Export Department regarding the Embankment mentioned in the Petition from the Inhabitants of Chintadrapettah -

ment does not extend to the Government; it merely affects the Agent and the dealers with whom he may form engagements; of the nature of these engagements for the present year, we have information from the papers forwarded with Mr. Strachey's Letter of the 15th June; by these it appears that the Estimate for the present year is at the rate of Rupees 37/- for each horse delivered at Mangalore -

3. We have the honor to submit Draft of a G. O. respecting the transmission of Returns in the Ordnance and Store Department -

4 We have directed that the charge of the works at Vellore shall be transferred to the Engineer, and we have called upon that officer for a particular report, respecting the additional Repairs Recommended by Captain Bagshaw, the result of which report shall be duly submitted to Government -

5 We forward Extract of a Letter

from

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from the Commissary of Ordnance at Trichinopoly respecting the number of Serjeants allotted to his Department, The omission of the third Serjeant in the Table which we had the honor to submit on the 6th June and which was accordingly published under the authority of Government, arose from an Error in the G. O. dated 3d February upon which the Recent reductions were calculated, as we consider the these Serjeants to be absolutely necessary in the Store department at Trichinopoly, we Recommend that authority be given for retaining a Serjeant extra to the establishment published in G. O. and that the Military Auditor General may be instructed to pass the Charge that will be necessary in Consequence; we conceive that this mode will be more advisable than the correction of the Error in General Order, which might have the effect of encouraging Representations from other Stations-

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6 For the same Reason we considered it proper to exhibit in the Table lately submitted the Stationary allowance at Seringapatam, at the Rate that it was fixed in the G. O. of 3d February - altho' an addition has been made to that allowance by Government in consequence of the Repre-
sentation contained in our Letter of the 28th March, however as the G. O. of 17th June is subsequent in date to the authority granted for the additional allowance, we Recommend that authority be again granted for the extra allowance; which under this arrangement is liable to be reduced, should it appear hereafter not to be absolutely necessary -

We inclose Copy of a Letter
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from the Superintendant of the Gun powder Ma-
nufacture Representing the inconvenience arising from the Removal of a part of the Guard that was stationed at the works, the great importance

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and value of the property which is at all times deposited at the Powder Mills, renders it in our opinion expedient that an efficient Guard should be constantly there, we therefore Recommend that a Guard consisting of 1 Havildar 2 Naigues and 18 Sepoys (effectives) may be allotted for the protection of the property at the Mills, that it may be added to the Detail of the Garrison, and relieved in the same manner as the other Garrison Guards are —

8 We forward a Letter with enclosure from the Garrison Storekeeper of Trichinopoly, reporting that he has received at Negapatam, a quantity of damaged Grain from the Collector, in lieu of Grain issued from the Military Store at Trichinopoly during the Scarcity in the year 1807, under the Circumstances stated by Mr. Wetherall we Recommend that the Grain be immediately sold, (and that the Military Department may be debited with the proceeds of the sale;) the Loss which will unavoidably

arise

arise on the Sale of his Grain cannot be considered a Military Charge; as it was committed to the Charge of the Collector for the purposes totally unconnected with Military Supplies; and when we Recommended that the Collector should replace the Rice issued at Trichinopoly to the Magistrate, we concluded that it would be delivered on the spot; the charge of Removing the Grain from Negapatam to Trichinopoly would exceed its value by a Large proportion, and there is no Military Store at Negapatam, neither is there any demand for Grain, consequently its Remaining under charge of the Garrison Storekeeper will produce only an increase of Expence —

9 On the 14th May last the Garrison Storekeeper at Palamcottah forwarded to us a bill amounting to Pagodas 2,975-32-4 for Rice purchased for the Military Store, and delivered to the Garrison Storekeeper by the Servants of the Collector; as the quantity of Grain charged for in the bill exceeded

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exceeded the quantity actually delivered to the Garrison Storekeeper above 11 pr. Cent, we Returned it and called upon Mr. Mainwaring to afford satisfactory explanation regarding the deficiency; his reply affords a satisfactory exculpation of the department under his controul and ascribes the difference of measurement, to the arrangements of the people who delivered the Grain on the part of the Collector, and over whom the Garrison Storekeper has not any Controul; we have the honor to enclose the Correspondence which has passed on the subject, and to express our opinion that under the circumstances stated, the bill of the Garrison Storekeper should be admitted; in which case we shall again call for it and lay it before Government—

10. The Officer Commanding at Bangalore having represented the necessity of having Sentry boxes constructed for the protection of the centinels who are required within the Fort and in the Cantonment; we called for Estimates of the Expence of their Construction in

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wood at the Manufactory in Seringapatam, and in Ma-
-sonry at Bangalore; the Estimates are as follows.

	P.	F.	6
One Sentry box at the Manufactory - - - - -	9.	25.	34
One Ditto in Masonry - - - - -	13.	27.	20

from which it appears that the latter are in the end
least expensive, we therefore Recommend that authority
be given for the construction of 16 Sentry boxes in Masonry;
and as it is necessary that a few moveable boxes &
should also be prepared, we will, with the approbation
of Government, give directions for the construction of
eleven wooden boxes at the Manufacture at Seringapatam-

We forward Minute with enclosures,
11.
submitted by the Quarter Master General relative to the
removal of Ordnance Stores from Madura to Dindigal
and Trichinopoly; the Result of which is favorable to the
mode that has been adopted; accompanying these papers
we forward Extract from the Report of the Officer Commanding
Vellore, which is alluded to by the Quarter Master General;
this Report shews that the Contract which was formed has been
fulfilled and that the immediate advantages anticipated from
it have been realized-

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12. We enclose Report of the Quarter Master General containing a Tender of 2 Camels, the property of Lieutenant Colonel Buchan, for Sale at 440 Rupees; and as the Quarter Master General suggests the expediency of purchasing the Camels, we Recommend that the measure may be authorized-

13. We have endeavoured to ascertain the correctness of the Statement contained in the Petition from the Inhabitants of Chintadrepet which is referred to in Mr Stracheys Letter of the 12th March last but have not been able to trace in the Records either of our own Office or that of the Chief Engineer any information respecting the embankment mentioned by the Petitioners, but as they state that the River and embankment were formerly used in bleaching the Company's Cloths, it is probable that information may be obtained by a reference to the Export Department.-

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

Fort St George
5
18 July 1808-

/ Signed /
E Trapaud
R. Bill
I. Munro
P. Bruce.

G. O.

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5th August 1808.

G. O. by Government.

The Honorable the Governor in Council is pleased to establish the following Regulation respecting Returns of Ordnance and of Camp Equipage which are required to be transmitted by Officers of the Ordnance Establishment and others who may be employed to officiate in that Capacity -

The monthly Returns of Ordnance Stores. Heavy and light Field Artillery and Camp Equipage in store at out Stations as required by the present regulations of the Service are to be discontinued - and in lieu of them monthly Lists of articles issued and received, are to be transmitted countersigned by the Commanding Officer -

Quarterly Returns corresponding in form with the present monthly Returns are to be transmitted on the 1st of May august November and February, for the quarters and the original Vouchers for all deliveries

By

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By Order of the Honorable the Go-

-vernor in Council-

/ Signed / G. Strachey

Sect. to Govt.

Extract of a Letter from the Commissary of Stores at Trichinopoly to the Secretary to the Military Board dated 8th July 1808-

"Permit me to state to you that on my arrival I found three Staff Serjeants doing duty in the Department, and three are still employed.- In the General Orders dated 23d Ultimo received yesterday two Staff Serjeants only are mentioned both in the Line of "Present Establishment" and that of "Establishment ordered" There being no reduction and knowing myself that three Staff Serjeants viz: one Store Serjeant, one Laboratory Serjeant and one Park Serjeant, have been employed in the Depart-ment for many years past the same number I observe being likewise allowed to Masulipatam where the Duty is less or at most only equal, it appears probable that there is an Error in the abovementioned, which may have taken

place

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place in the Copying. I take therefore the liberty of repre-
senting the same and request you will be so kind
to inform me if it is so or not."

True Extract

/Signed/ A. Stock

D. S. M. B.

To the Secretary of the Military Board.

Sir,

I had the honor in June last year
to submit to the consideration of the Board the propriety
of placing an effective guard of Sepoys at the powder
works instead of the Invalids on duty there, as from their
age and infirmities and the exposed situation of
the works they did not appear to me a sufficient protection.
The native Invalid guard consisted of 1 Havildar 1 Naigue
and 15 Sepoys, but this morning a Havildar naigue and
9 Sepoys have been with-drawn leaving the works under
the protection of a Naigue and 6 Sepoys only.

The ditch surrounding the works is
now dry and passable almost every where, the detached
situation

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situation of the works the Board are well acquainted with - I therefore again submit to their consideration the expediency of replacing the Invalids with an effective guard or at least directing the same number of the former to be continued there -

Fort St. George
12. July 1808.

/ Signed / B. Bishop
Supt. G. Manufr.
/ True Copy /
/ Signed / A. Stock
D. S. M. B.

To the Secretary to the Military Board -

Sir

Fort St. George.

I have the honor to acquaint you for the information of the Military Board that conformably to instructions received from Government a Copy of which is herewith enclosed, the principal Collector of Tanjore and Trichinopoly has delivered over to me at Negapatam a Quantity of Rice Corresponding to the accompanying Statement to enable the Board to form a Judgement of its condition. I have this day dispatched different musters of it assorted according to its various qualities, and I would recommend the immediate

dispatch

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disposal of it on the spot either by public or private sale as may be deemed most advantageous, otherwise in the course of a few months by far the greatest proportion of it will be unfit for any purpose -

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

/ Signed / C. Wetherell

Sy. S.

Trichinopoly

P. C. 4th July 1808.

Extract of a Letter from the Military Board.

Dated 5th October 1807.

"In regard to the reference respecting the Grain at Trichinopoly we beg to suggest the propriety of replacing from the Collectors Stock, the quantities which have been issued for the use of the public market from the Mili- -tary Store at Trichinopoly and Tanjour -

Extract of a Letter to the Military Board

Dated 4th November 1807.

"Orders will be given to the Principal Collector of Tanjore for replacing the Grain supplied for the use of the Public Market from the Military Store at Tanjore and Trichinopoly -

/ True Extract /

/ Signed / G. Strachey
Sct. to Govt

/ True Copy /

/ Signed / Edwd. C. Greenway
Sct. to Govt.

/ Signed / R. Higgison
Supt.

/ True Copy /

/ Signed / T. L. Robertson
Head Asst.

/ True Copy /

/ Signed / J. Wallace
P. C.

Statemt

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Statement of Rice

Received on account of the Honorable Company from

John Wallace Esqr.

Principal Collector of Tanjore and Tri-

chinopoly as follows.

9332 Gunny Bags of Rice weighing 15.18.10 lb

@ 800 Seers ℔ 500 lb is 24.28.968.

Deduct

9332 Double Gunny Bags at the usual Tare

of 4 lb ℔ Bag is lb 37.328 — or 59.24 3/20

Remainder Rice lb 14.8777 or — 2369.243 1/20

@ 14.810 3/8 Seers or 9.256 1/2 ℔ Garce is 159 — 388-5 3/4

Negapatam

31st May 1808.

E. E.

Jr.

/ Signed / C. Wetherell

S. S. R.

/ A true Copy /

/ Signed / C. Wetherell

S. S.

/ True Copies /

/ Signed / A Stock

D. S. M. B.

To

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No. 1.

To the Secretary to the Military Board

Fort St George

Sir,

I herewith have the honor to forward to you to be laid before the Military Board two Bills one for the prime cost of Grain received from the Collector of Tinnevelly, and the other for charges necessarily incurred in storing it after its receipt. I request the Board will be pleased to recommend both for the sanction of Government.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your obedient humble Servant

(Signed) Wm Mainwaring

Garrison Storekeper

Palamcottah
27th March 1808.

Proceedings

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Proceedings of a committee held by Order of Captain H. Townsend Commanding Palamcottah to inspect Grain in charge of Mr W. Mainwaring Garrison Store-Keeper at Palamcottah on the 24th March 1808.

President

Lieutenant Kennett

Lieutenant Maule } Members } Lieutenant Lambert

	Garce	Marcalls	Seers	Remarks
Received from James Hepburn Esqr Collector of Tinnevelly ------	36	335	6	In good Condition.

/ Signed /

I. Kennett
Lt and Presd.
A. Maule
Lieut
L. Lambert
Lieut.

Report

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No. 2

Report of the Military Auditor General on two Bills of the Garrison Storekeeper at Palamcottah—

No. 1. This Bill is for a quantity of Paddy received from the Collector as per accompanying Invoice—the quantity of Paddy stated in the Invoice is 2769 Cottahs 6 Mercals and ⅛ Measure or 96 Garce 372 Mercals and ⅛ Seers but the quantity received by the Garrison Storekeeper is only 2481 Cottahs 2 Mercals and 5 Measures or 86 Garce 335 Mercals and 6 Seers, the Garrison Storekeeper has made out his Bill for the latter quantity but he has charged the full Amount of the Collectors Invoice which circumstance the Garrison Storekeeper should be desired to explain, as it is presumed he should only charge for the quantity of Paddy he actually received according to the rate charged by the Collector on the quantity which he states to have dispatched—the difference between the quantity of Paddy included in the Collectors Invoice, and that included in the Garrison Storekeepers Bill, appears to be owing to a difference in the Mode of Measurement at the Godowns of the

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the latter.

Mill.y Aud.r Gl. Office
Fort St. George
13. April 1808.

/ Signed / D. Bruice
Mill.y Aud.r Gen.l

No. 3.

Military Board Office

To the Garrison Storekeeper.
at Pallamcottah.

Sir,

Your letter dated 27th March with the two Bills which accompanied it has been submitted to the Military Board, and I am directed to return the latter papers to you for correction and explanation.

With respect to Bill No. 1. there appears to be a difference between the quantity of Paddy set forth in the Collectors Invoice, and the quantity received by you.

Bill No. 2. requires your declaration upon Oath instead of upon honor.

Fort St. George
19th April 1807.

I am &c. &c. &c.
/ Signed / A. Stock
D. S. M.

No. 4.

Extract of Letter from the Garrison Storekeeper at Palam-
cottah to the Secretary of the Military Board dated 14th May 1808.

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In reply to your Deputys letter of the 19th of last month returning by the directions of the Board the Bill which I lately transmitted for Grain furnished to the public Granaries hereby the Collector of the District, and my Bill for charges incurred for storing the same. I beg leave to state for the information of the Board with respect to the former and the difference which they notice between the quantity of Paddy set forth in the Collectors Invoice and the quantity received by me that there has usually been that difference on occasions of receiving Grain from the Collectors of Tinnevelly at the same time I must profess myself unable to account for it otherwise than by its arising from the double transfer wastage in the Carriage &c &c What Checks the Collector may have thought it necessary to establish at the several places whence the Grain is dispatched to Palamcottah I do not know, but on its arrival at the public granaries the apparently very sufficient one has always been resorted to of having Persons both on his part and on mine to take daily account of the Quantity received into the Granaries

and

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and those persons when the Business of the day has been over, have mutually passed their acknowledgement for the amount of the days deliveries and receipt. The above mentioned acknowledgements of the Collectors Servants Corresponding in quantity with the account of Paddy stated to have been received at the Granaries are in my possession - the Collector Mentions in his Invoice this whole difference to have been occasioned by "the mode of measurement at the Storekeepers Godown." But to this I must crave leave to reply (although it may appear superfluous after what I have already mentioned, as above) that I am not aware that any peculiar mode of measurement is observed at the public Granaries under my Charge -

No 5.

Report of Military Auditor General upon a letter from the Garrison Storekeper at Palamcottah regarding 2 Bills - one for Grain received from the Collector of Tinnevelly, the other for charges incurred in storing it.

The Military Auditor General begs leave to refer the Board to his former Minute on these Bills and has

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has the honor to observe that altho' the Letter from the Garrison Storekeeper is so far satisfactory in explaining the quantity of Grain received by him, the Military Auditor General however does not consider him warranted to make out his Bill for the price of the full Quantity of Grain viz. 2769 Cottahs 6 Mercals and 1/8 measure of Paddy amounting to Pagodas 2,975-32-4- when there is a Deficiency of 288 Cottahs 3 Mercals 4 1/8 measures equal to 10 Garce and 35 Mercals the value of which is Pagodas 345-28- " which still requires to be explained-

It is stated by the Garrison Storekeeper that the deficiency in Question is not more than the usual difference in receiving Grain from the Collector of Tinnevelly, this the Military Auditor General can scarcely allow to be the case, being a Wastage of upwards of 11 1/2 Pcent; the usual Wastage in such cases not exceeding 2 per cent-

Mil.y Aud.r Gl.s Offic
Fort St. George
31 May 1808-

/Signed/ P. Bruce
Milit.y Aud.r Gl.

To

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No. 6.

To the Garrison Storekeeper

Sir, Palamcottah

Your letter of the 14 May with its enclosures having been laid before the Military Board - I am directed to acquaint you that the Bill for Paddy amounting to Pagodas 2975-32-4- is under present circumstances considered to be inadmissible, as that Bill is stated to be for a quantity exceeding that which has been brought to account in the proportion of more than 11 per cent, and no satisfactory explanation is offered accounting for this great difference. The Collectors Statement ascribes it to the mode of measurement at your Granaries upon which you have made a remark that leads the Board to suppose the Collector has been misinformed; it will be necessary that this difference shall be fully explained; and the Board think it will be proper on future occasions that you should ascertain the price of Grain deliverable at Palamcottah previous to your making purchases -

Fort St. George
6. June 1808 -

I am &c
/ Signed / A. Stock
D. S. M. Bd

To

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No 7.

To His Excellency the President

&c &c &c and

The Members of the Military Board.

Gentlemen,

The circumstance of your Board being unwilling to pass my Bill for Grain stored in the Garrison of Palamcottah as communicated in your Dipsty Secretary's Letter of the 6th Instant reduces me to a dilemma which has suggested the expediency (I trust it will not be deemed the impropriety) of resorting to your Board for advice which I am emboldened to solicit from being Entirely under your orders in my capacity of Garrison Storekeeper and from having invariably studied to execute those orders to the satisfaction of my superiors. I have accordingly to request the Board will do me the favor to point out to me by what mode I can meet their wishes in the instance alluded to, and at the same time indemnify myself for the actual cost of the Grain as exhibited in the Statement which I forwarded to the

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Board. I am very far from questioning the grounds on which the Board have thought it necessary to withhold their sanction from the abovementioned Bill, and to intimate their expectation of some previous reduction therein. But whilst I have disbursed the full amount it is impossible for me to make that reduction without sustaining a positive loss which I cannot afford, and which I am persuaded the Board do not by any means desire. There always has been (and always will be) some deficiency arising from wastage in the transfer and carriage of Grain, but as the Board have justly observed not to the Extent charged for on the present occasion, by 2 or 3 P.c. cent I believe, yet it has not appeared to me my province, or that I could indeed with propriety call upon the Collector for any further Explanation. The Explanation which Mr. Hepburn has cursorily given hitherto on this head I have already replied to, and I should hope in a satisfactory manner, since I can conceive no stronger testimonies than the acknowledgements of the Collectors own Servants both by word and by deed. In possession of such evidence and vouchers

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vouchers it may perhaps appear some what Extraordinary to the Board that I did not refuse payment to the Bill - But they will I trust recollect / what I also adverted to at the time / that it was presented on the part of Go= =vernment by one of its officers of Revenue and that such refusal would have been without a precedent -

Undoubtedly I was much surprised at the Collectors imputing the Extra deficiency in the quantity of grain to the cause stated in his Invoice and the Board will perceive that I had good reason to be so without my mentioning that I did not hear a syllable from him on the mode of measuring, which he represents as faulty. In fact how could I expect it when his own Servants declare otherwise.

In the mean time however as I am the Sufferer I request the Board will be pleased to take this matter into their early and full Consideration, and favor me with their advice if they think I have done nothing to forfeit that Indulgence -

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

/ Signed / Wm Mainwaring
Pay.r & Garr.n Store K.r

Palamcottah
Pay Office 23.d June 1808 -

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No 8

Report of the Military Auditor General upon the letter from the Garrison Storekeeper at Palamcottah regarding the difference in the quantity of Grain received by him and the Quantity charged by the Collector in Tinnevelly—

The Military Auditor General begs leave to refer to his former report upon this subject. From the Circumstances stated by the Garrison Storekeeper at Palamcottah he is of opinion that officer exculpates himself from blame, but should the Board resolve to Recommend to Government the writing off the sum of Pagodas 345-28- being the value of the difference of about ten Garce not satisfactorily accounted for, it may be proper to call the attention of Government to that Circumstance—

Mill.y Aud.r G.l Office
Fort St. George
13th July 1808.

/Signed/ P. Bruce
M. A. G.l

True Copies & Extracts
/Signed/ A. Stock
Dep.y Sec.y W.r Board.

Minute

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Minute of the Quarter master General

As the Removal of the Ordnance and stores from Madura was likely to occasion a considerable amount of expence, the Quarter master General transmitted instructions to the Garrison Store Keeper at Palamcottah relative to the supply of the Carriage required for that Service - Similar to those which he communicated to the Garrison Store - keeper at Vellore, when the Stores were removed from Chen - dernagherry, and he has the honor to lay before the Board a Copy of a letter from Mr. Mainwaring by which it ap - pears that a Reduction of 20 ₹ Cent has been effected from the rates of hire usually allowed at Madura. The expence of Removing the Ordnance and Military Stores from Madura will amount to a greater sum than was at first expected, and the saving to result from Mr. Mainwarings arrangements will be proportionately great.

The Military Board in forwarding to Government the Quarter Master General's minute on the subject of the arrangements made for the Removal of the

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Stores from Chandernagherry expressed some degree of ap-
prehension respecting the efficiency of the Carriage which
would be supplied for that Service, and at the same time
directed the Officer Commanding Vellore to state the manner
in which the removal of the stores was effected. That
Officers Report is entirely favorable to the efficiency of
the Carriage supplied on that occasion, and it is due to the
exertions and zeal of the Garrison Keeper at Vellore that a
Copy of it should be submitted to the Government.

(Signed) J. Munro
Dr. Mr. Genl.

2r. Mr. Gen.l Office
Fort St. George
15. July, 1808.

To Lieutenant Colonel J. Munro
Quarter Master General of the Army.

Sir,
Fort St George.

Your letter to me of the 14th May and its
Enclosure have engaged my serious attention, and agree-
ably to your desire I have now the honor to signify to
you for the information of Government and of the Military
Board that having Communicated to the Persons whom
I have been accustomed to depend upon for supplies of Carriage
in

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in cases of Emergency, the Expectations of the Company on that head as explained by you, they have acquiesced in the Reasonableness there of, and I have accordingly succeeded in prevailing upon them to undertake the Removal of the serviceable Stores at Madura to Trichinopoly and Dindigul on Terms which will make a difference of twenty 20 p Cent Cs than the Charge which has hitherto been allowed by the Regulations of the Service - I further beg leave to state that although it appeared to me advantageous to employ the same description of people that had usually been called upon on occasions of a Similar nature, in preference to persuit Strangers provided their demands were equally moderate I did not neglect to ascertain as far as lay in my power the Conditions on which other Persons were willing to enter upon the undertaking, and I found them not so favorable by 2 or 3 per Cent -

As I have not deemed it eligible (if ever it was practicable) to hire the Carriage of any description by the trip, the above mentioned advantage accruing to the Company is calculated upon the contracting owners

owners not being permitted to delay or to take more time than is usually allowed for the performance of the object - after their Bullocks and Carts shall have been delivered over to the Offic of Ordnance and thereby entertained - This indeed the Escorts accompanying the stores should see to prevent - On the Contrary they / the owners / rely upon meeting with no detention at any of the arsenals -

I am aware that the sum of benefit to Government by the terms which I have now the honor to acquaint you I have obtained is not quite equal to that which you informed me had been ensured by the Paymaster and Commissary of Supplies at Vellore - But I am persuaded that a reference to the locality of Vellore contiguous as that Fortress is to Countries abounding in Cattle, and an examination also of data which is probably in your Own Office compared with the resources of a like nature in these parts, will more than account for the falling short - and having in the arrangement consulted the interests of the Company

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and paid the strictest attention to the wishes of Government founded thereon, I trust what I have will merit the approbation of my Superiors -

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

/ Signed / Wm Mainwaring
Pay.r & acting Comm.t of Supplies

Palamcottah
Pay Office
4th July 1808-

/ A true Copy /
/ Signed / I Munro
Lt. Col. Genl

/ True Copies /
/ Signed / A Stock
D. A. M. B.

Extract of a Letter from the Officer Commanding at Vellore to the Secretary of the Military Board dated 14th June 1808-

"In reply to your letter dated the 16th April last directing me "to report particularly the state in which the Stores may arrive at Vellore, and the length of time that they may have been on the road." I have to state that the Stores do not appear to have been injured in the Carriage from Chundernaghurry, and that they were brought from thence in as short a time as it was possible -

/ True Extract /

/ Signed / A. Stock

Dep.t A. M. B.

Extract

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Extract from the Minute of the Quarter Master General dated 15th July 1808.

Para 3d A Letter from the Agent for Public Cattle to the Officer Commanding the 2d Battalion 22d Regiment Native Infantry stating the value of an Elephant and two Camels belonging to that Officer, and which he offered for sale to the Public on the abolition of the Tent Contract As the number of Elephants and Camels actually in the service scarcely exceeds the establishment directed to be permanently main-tained it may be expedient to Recommend the purchase of the two Camels belonging to Lieutenant Colonel Buchan.

/True Extract/

/Signed/ A Stock
D. S. M. B.

To Lieutenant Colonel Buchan

Sir,

I have examined your Elephants and three Camels, the former is small and not capable of Car-rying more than three Private Tents at Present, and would be in my opinion worth 500 Rupees if his Eyes were not sore, at present I cannot recommend his being purchased, one of the Camels is

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is weak in the Joints, the other two are fit for the service and worth /220/ Two hundred and twenty Rupees each -

/ Signed / Thos. Young
Agent for O. C.

Seringapatam
7th July 1808 -

/ True Copy /
/ Signed / A. Stock
D. S. M. B.

To the Honorable Sir G. H. Barlow Bart K. B.
Governor in Council &c. &c. &c.

Honorable Sir,

We have the honor to acknowledge the Receipt of a Letter from the Secretary of Government in the Military Department dated 14th July, and one without date; and to report that the necessary orders have been given -

From the Military Board - Submit a report on the machinery constructed at the Powder mills and recommend the temporary continuance on that Establishment of the European artificer employed in their Construction - Report on improvement of the Kitchens of the 22d Regiment of Light Dragoons at Bangalore which they have been authorized -

2. We enclose Copy of the Report of a Committee of our Board appointed to inspect the Machinery of the new Powder Mills, which has lately been finished by the Superintending Engineer in the most complete and satisfactory manner -

3. We also forward Extract of a Letter from the Superintending Engineer suggesting the propriety of retaining, for

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for a few Months, the Person who has been employed in casting the metallic Cylinders at the Salary which he has hitherto received from the Engineer, the Committee state their opinion that this measure will be advisable, in which we entirely concur and recommend it accordingly.

4. The Committee which inspected the Out-houses of the Dragoon Barracks at Bangalore have Recommended that the spaces between the pillars of the Cooking Sheds shall be filled with a wall, leaving Doors and Windows at proper intervals. the expence of this alteration will be trifling, and as it appears to be necessary in Consequence of the high winds which prevail at Bangalore, we have directed that it may take place.

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

Fort St. George
25th July 1808.

/ Signed / Robt. Bell
J. Munro
P. Bruce

Report of a Committee of the Military Board consisting of the Chief Engineer, the Quarter Master General, and Military Auditor General, appointed the 11th July 1808 to Survey and report on

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on the machinery of the New Powder mills -

The Committee having met and attended by the Superintending Engineer proceeded to the new Powder mills and examined the undermentioned machinery &c -

No 1. The Cylinders beds and machinery of 4 Cylinder mills with the sunk pathways for the Bullocks -

2. The Cylinder and Machinery of the Salt Petre Mill -

3. Two Pairs of Spare axels with Brass Boxes complete for the Cylinder mills -

4. Four Machines for Counting the Rounds of the Cylinders fixed upon the Mills -

5 Sheet Copper laid upon the Drying Terrace with Sheathing Boards and Joists laid under the Copper Plates

6 One additional Copper Boiler for refining Salt Petre at the eastern end of the refining Room -

7. One Copper Tube for the purpose of conveying water from the Cistern to the Copper Boiler at the east end of the room with a Brass Cock &c:

8 One Leaden Pipe with 3 Brass Cocks for conveying Water from the Cistern to the 3 Copper Boilers in the same

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same Room -

9. The Furnace for Casting the Cylinders and shed for the Moulds &c -

10. Inclined Planes to Carry off the Rain water from the Area of the Mills -

11. The Apparatus of the Drying house -

The Committee having Carefully inspected the Machinery of the Four Cylinder Mills have to report that the several alterations and additions suggested by the Committee appointed to investigate the cause of the late explosions, have been made by the Engineer, and that they appear to answer the purpose intended -

The Cylinder and Machinery of the Salt Petre Mill, the Drying Terrace, spare axels, and the other Works above detailed are also performed in a very satisfactory manner and of good materials -

The Committee concur in opinion with the Superintending Engineer that it is desireable to have an expert Workman Stationed at the Mills for the purpose of keeping the Machinery in good order, and therefore recommend that

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that Mr Menaud be retained for three months for this purpose at the end of which time the Native Brazier maistry now employed will be sufficiently instructed to perform this necessary duty.

Fort St George
18 July 1808.

/ Signed / E. Trapaud
J. Munro
D. Bruce

/ True Copy / Signed / A Stock
D. S. M. B

Extract of Letter from the Superintending Engineer at the Presidency to the Secretary of the Military Board dated 9 July 1808.

"The Board must be aware that to keep the machinery of the Powder Mills in an efficient state, the greatest attention must be paid to it, and by having artificers acquainted with the work constantly upon the spot, to repair any part that gives way when the Cylinders are in motion, a great saving in expense as well as in time must be the consequence. To this end I beg to propose that Mr Menaud the Person who has been employed by me in casting the Metallic Cylinders be retained at

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same Room -

9. The Furnace for Casting the Cylinders and Shed for the Moulds &c.

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11. The Apparatus of the Drying house.

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Fort St George
18th July 1808-

/ Signed / E. Trapaud
J. Munro
D. Bruce

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at the Powder mills on a Sallary of Pagodas 60 ₱ month, the wages he has all along received until a native Mastry has been sufficiently instructed to perform this necessary and indispensible duty - all the implements required for this work are now at the mills and the Furnace for casting Brass and shed for the Moulds are completed and in good order, so that the only additional expence will be the Salary before mentioned. It may be proper at the same time to mention that the 60 Pagodas ₱ month proposed to be paid to Mr. Menaud includes the pay of three of his apprentices who are very expert at the description of Work required -

/ True Extract /

/ Signed / A. Stock
D. S. M. B.

To the Honble Sir G. H. Barlow Bart K. B.

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

Honorable Sir,

From the Military Board - Inclose a List of works which have been suspended under the late orders for reverting to the system of building by Contract, and state that they have authorized the completion by the Engineers of such works as were in considerable forwardness - Recommend that the Furnace of the New Hospital at Seringapatam may be completed by the Engineer, in consequence of a deviation having been authorized in that work as an Experiment.

Paras. In consequence of the Orders which we issued respecting the Engineer's Department as reported in our Letter of the 30th June we have received reports from the several stations

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stations where Engineers are employed, and we have now the
honor to submit an abstract Statement of the several works
which have been authorized but have not yet been commenced
on, and which are consequently suspended untill the fur-
ther Orders of Government are received; we have given orders
for the Completion According to the Original Plan of those
works which are in considerable forwardness-

We have the honor to Enclose Extract
2.
of a Letter from the Engineer at Seringapatam respecting the
Terrace of the new Hospital in that Garrison: Under the
Circumstances stated by the Engineer we Recommend
that the Completion of the work may be entirely entrusted
to him, as we authorized a deviation from the usual mode
at the suggestion of Captain De Havilland and the
success of the Experiment depends upon his being able to
execute the work in the manner he originally proposed-

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

Fort St. George
25- July 1808-

/ Signed / { Rob. Bell
I. Munro
P. Bruce.

List

List of Works formerly authorized the execution of which has been postponed

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	Probable Estimated Amount	when authorized	Remarks-
Presidency			
For rebuilding the North East Lunette of the St George's Front upon a foundation of Wells agreeably to Plan No 4	35347. 24 49	24th November 1806	Seven Lac of Bricks have been prepared for this work; no advance paid on account- a deduction will be made should any of the interior Retaining walls be found sound-
For constructing a Bomb proof Magazine in the South East angle of Fort St. George calculated to hold 1200 Barrels of Gun powder — agreeably to Plan & Section No 9. & 10. . .	4990 29 55	24th November 1806	The Materials prepared for this magazine has been applied to another work, no advance paid on this account—
Poonamalee			
Orders for Repairing the Quarters in the Fort of Poonamalee appropriated for the use of Officers Prisoners of War —			Not Commenced or Estimated

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Arcot

For Repairing the Comm[d] Officers Quarters	180	27	15	23[d] May 1808	Materials only Collected

Trichinopoly

For Constructing a place of Arms for a Regiment of Native Cavalry Consisting of 6 Troops ---- 3491 34 23 1st March 1808 The Materials in part Collected.

Dindigul

For Repairs to the Granaries ------ 782 38 37 2d January 1808 Not Commenced-

Seringapatam

Drain Ordered to be made by the Committee of Health ---------- Expence not stated

Materials prepared- N. B.- Transcript from the Engineer's Letter- "I beg to know whether urgent Repairs arising from accidents or otherwise ordered by the Officer Commanding the division or Garrison are likewise

	Probable Estimated amount	When authorized	Remarks
			to be suspended until the arrangements for the System of Contract is prepared."
Bangalore			
For Constructing an European Hospital in the Fort for 300 Men	56553 8 25	9th February 1807	The progress of this Work is stopped not being materially advanced 1/3d of Cost Recommended
For Constructing 2 Hospitals for 2 European Corps in the Cantonment in one Compound for 100 Men each	5002 37 52	23d May 1808	Work not Commenced but materials are Collecting and 1/3d advance recommended.
Cananore			
Improving a Gunshed to accommodate a Detachment of Artillery	232 36 12	2d May 1808.	Not Commenced, as the weather would not admit of Removing the Men into Tents, there being no other accomodation for them — advances have been authorized to Government

Military Board office
Fort St. George
25 July 1808

(Signed) J. Marshall
S. M. B.

Extract

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Extract of a Letter from the Superintending Engineer at Seringapatam to the Military Board. dated 8th July 1808.

There are Materials prepared for another Drain, and also preparing for the completion of the Terrace of the new Native Hospital; which at my suggestion was ordered to be left unfinished untill a Wet season had passed over it; in the letter from the Secretary to the Military Board dated 30th November last. This last in particular I hope I may be allowed to finish as it belongs to a Building constructed by myself; and being a measure adopted by way of Experiment, I am anxious to see the utmost Justice done to it by employing my own people -

A true Extract

/ Signed / A. Stock
D. S. M. Bo

To the Honble Sir George H. Barlow Bart. K. B.

Governor in Council &c &c &c

From the same - Recommend payment of Bills & submit a further explanation of two charges included in the Register of Extraordinaries for Feby last.

Honorable Sir,

Para 1 We beg to forward and to recommend payment of the following Bills. viz -

No 1 Bill of the Officer Commanding at Chittoor

for

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for repairing the Public Buildings at that station, amount-
-ting to Pagodas 146-24-74 of which a Balance is due
of Pagodas 16-24-74-

N.o 2. Bill of the Commercial Resident
at Salem for Tents made up for the Public Service
Amounting to Pagodas 2929-30-63 a Balance of Pagodas
3282-8-42 Remains in the hands of the Commercial
Resident for further supplies-

2 The Recommendation of the Bills
N.os 6 and 22 in the Register of Extraordinaries for February
1808- contrary to the opinion of the Military Auditor General
arose from a Mistake in the Office of our Secretary;
in the examination of the Bills, it appeared that in
the month of April 1807- Seventy five Garce of Rice
was purchased and stored by Order of Lieutenant Colonel
Forbes, Commanding in Malabar and Canara, and as
the additional Rent would be Reasonable for storing
that quantity, the Bills were considered to be ad-
-missible, without adverting to the omission on the part
of the Garrison Storekeeper, who under any Circumstances
should have made regular application for authority;
upon

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upon reconsideration we entirely concur in the opinion of the Military Auditor General, in regard to those Bills.

3. With respect to the Bill No. 36 Tatties and arcot Roofs, we beg to state that there is no specific regulation concerning them, previous to the year 1796. Tatties arcot Roofs &c were issued under the Signature of the Town Major for the use of Guards, when there are not Gard-houses, and for the use of certain public offices &c- when the regulations of 1797 were published, the duty of Checking and passing such Indents devolved on the Military Board, and the Rule adopted depended upon a consideration of the actual Exigencies of the Service-

We have the honor to be

&c &c &c

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25th July 1808-

/ Signed / Rob. Bell
I. Munro
P. Bruce

To

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To the Honorable Sir G. H. Barlow Bt. K. B

Governor in Council &c &c &c

Honorable Sir,

From the same — Submit a plan and Estimate for an Embankment before the Houses of Messrs Latour & Co: Messrs Dalrymple & Greig: and Lieut. Fraser on the Beach — also a letter from Messrs Latour & Co remonstrating against the delay which would attend the Execution of the work by Contract — Inclose an Estimate for extending the European Barrack at Hydrabad &c

1 In obedience to the Orders conveyed in the 6th Paragraph of the Chief Secretary's letter of the 23d July, we have the honor to submit Plan of an Embankment calculated to give Security to the Buildings lately erected on the Beach South of the Custom House by Messrs Latour & Co, Lieutenant J. Fraser and Messrs Dalryample and Greig; together with an Estimate of the probable Expense of that work. The Estimate amounts to Pagodas 1,684-16- for each Building, or Pagodas 5053-6- for the whole.

2. Messrs Latour and Company having addressed a Letter to us on the Subject of the proposed Embankment, we do ourselves the honor to enclose Copy of that document for the decision of Government.

3. We beg also to forward a Plan and Estimate of the expence of extending the European Barrack at Hydrabad, so as to afford Accommodation for 200 Men in addition to the number which can

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can now be accommodated, and this we imagine will be sufficient according to the suggestion of the Resident at Hydrabad, which was forwarded with Mr Buchans Letter of the 2d July. The Estimate &c amounts to Pagodas 5857-5-35-

We have the honor to be

Honorable Sir

Your most Obedient

humble Servants

Fort St George
1st August 1808.

/ Signed /

E. Trapaud
I. Munro
D. Bruce

Probable

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Probable Estimate of the Expence of Constructing a Terrace Ghaut and Bulwark in front of the Houses on the Beach lately erected by Messrs Lautour and Lieutenant Thomas Fraser and messrs Dalrumple and Greig, agreeably to the accompany Plan -

Measurement							Prices								
Length	Breadth	Thickness	Sq.r feet	Cubic ft	Cubic yds		Pagodas	Fanams	Cash	Pagodas	Fanams	Cash	Pagodas	Fanams	Cash
						For One House									
7	5	"	"	"	"	6 Wells each	10	"	"	each	60	"	"		
35	5	3.6	"	62½	"	Foundations above the Wells									
35	3.	3.	"	315	"	Do at the Top of the Slope									
70	4 6	2.6	"	787½	"	Do at the Sides									
			Total	1715	"	Brick Work in Chunam	"	2	40	₱ 2f			102	3	40

35	34	"	1190	"	"	Paving with wrought Blue Stones one Course, and two Course of Walls Brick in Chunam Underneath	"	8	"	7 ft	226 28 "
						Rough Blue Stones for Bulwark	"	"	"		1142 36 "
						70 Country wood Piles	1	10	40 each		87 21 "
						Cooly employed for Piling	"	"	"		30 " "
100	20	5	"	"	370 3/8	Filling in with Earth	"	4	"	7 & 6 p	35 11 40

1684 16 "

Total of Three Houses Pagodas ——— 5053 6 "

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/Signed/ E. Trapaud
C. E

True Copy
/Signed/ A Stock
D. S. M.

To

Estimate of Repairs &c 1808

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To The President and Members

of the Military Board

Gentlemen,

Having learned that Government have instructed you to take measures for executing by Contract an Embankment in front of these Buildings, we take the Liberty of stating the following circumstances.

Having always Considered the Government under an understood Agreement between the late Right Honorable Governor and certain Individuals engaged to Construct an Embankment and to make a terraced Road in front of the Buildings we and the proprietors of the Two adjoining Houses addressed a memorial to Government in December last praying that the work might be begun to which the Honorable Board did not then think it expedient to assent.

The matter has from that period remained in suspence till about a fortnight ago, when there happened to be a violent Surf and the Sea advancing upon our house brought the subject

of

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of the Embankment strongly in our mind; and we Considering that the N. E. monsoon was approaching it appeared to us an indispensable duty to take immediate steps for saving the property. Under that feeling we wrote to Mr. Fraser of the Engineers Requesting he would forthwith do what he might deem necessary towards preserving our house from the encroachment of the Sea, and explicitly saying that we were confident our doing so would not vitiate the Claim which, under the Agreement above alluded to, we had upon Government for the Expence of the Work -

In consequence of our application Mr. Fraser did Commence the work Ten days ago by the sinking of wells, and was making good progress when yesterday in Consequence of his learning through your Board the intentions of Government to have the work done by Contract, Mr. Fraser stopped short and withdrew his People -

We beg leave to observe Gentlemen that we are now within Two months of that period when

it

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it will be impracticable to carry on the work in question, and should it at the Commencement of the Monsoon be left off incomplete there is a great Chance of such part as is done being swept away, and consequently of the money expended being lost-

It cannot fail to occur to you that the time necessary for advertising a Contract, the time necessary for considering of and accepting Proposals, and the time necessary for a Contractor providing the Materials for entering on the work will run the Com= =mencement of it to a period greatly too late for Comple= =ting it before the setting in of the winter Monsoons-

Under those Circumstances we submit to you the propriety of the work being prosecuted by Mr Fraser on his Estimate, and if you are of that opinion we earnestly request you to Recommend the same to Government-

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

Beach Buildings
Madras
July the 30th 1808-

(Signed) Fra.s Larkbour & Co.

(True Copy)
(Signed) J. Stock
D. S. M.

Probable

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Probable Estimate of the expense of Constructing an Additional Range to the Barracks at Hydrabad, capable of Containing 200 Men; agreeably to the accompanying Plan and Section.

Measurement							Prices					
Length	Breadth	Thickness	Solid Ft	Cubic Ft	Cubic Yds		Pagodas	Fanams	Cash	Pagodas	Fanams	Cash
						Excavating the Foundation	"	"	"	36	"	"
994.	3.	2.9	"	8,200½	"	Foundation						
994	12.6	1.9	"	21,743¾	"	Wall above						
42.	9.	1.9	"	661½	"	Gable Ends						
370.	2.9	2.	"	2,035	"	Foundation of the Verandah						
64	9.	1.6	"	864	"	43 Piers above						
36	3.	2.9	"	297.	"	Foundation of 2 New Cross Walls for the Passage of Communication						
36.	12.	1.9	"	756.	"	Wall above						
18.	6.	1.9	"	189	"	Gable Ends						
				34,746¾	"							
				2,184	"	Deduct Doors and window way						
			Total	32,562¾	"	Brick in Chunam	"	2	45	Pagt	Fanams	1986 30 3.

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Measurement								Prices					
Length	Breadth	Thickness	Solid Feet	Cubic Feet	Cubic Yards			Pagodas Fanams Cash			Pagodas Fanams Cash		
121	1.9	1.6	"	317 3/8	"	11 Arch ways							
27	1.9	1.6	"	70 7/8		6 Door ways							
186	1.9	1.6	"	488 1/4	"	62 Windows							
			Total	876 3/4	"	Arch work in Chunam					" 4 40	Feet	93 39 30
994	25	"	24850	"	"								
42	18	"	756	"	"								
25	7	"	176	"	"								
		Total	25781	"	"	Plastering One Coat Chunam					1 10 40	Feet	322 11 2
490	5	5	"	85	"	Cornice Work in Chunam					" 3 "	Feet	63 "
490	32	"	15680	"	"	Roofing with Teak wood Rafters &c					12 21 "	Feet	196 " "
486	19	"	9234	"	"								
380	17	"	2660	"	"								
		Total	11894	"	"	Flooring with Blue Stones					" 3 "	Feet	849 24 "
220	7	6	"	"	"	Breast Summers							22 " "
7	4	"	"	"	"	6 Pairs of Batten Doors each					9 " "	each	54 " "
4	3	"	"	"	"	62 Pairs of Batten Windows					4 " "	do	248 " "
						372 Iron Bars 3900 ft					" 3 "	Feet	278 24 "
												Pags	5857 5 35

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A true Copy
Signed A Hook
D. S. M.

Signed E. Trapaud
C.C.

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Resolutions thereon

Resolved in consideration of the facts represented by Messrs Lautour & Co. that authority be given to the Superintending Engineer for completing the embankment which he has commenced in front of the house of that Firm and of the adjacent Buildings -

Resolved that the Military Board be desired to state their opinion as to the expediency of extending the embankment at the space occupied as a Marine yard and to submit an Estimate of the probable expense of that additional work, if they should consider it to be indispensible -

The Board conclude that it will be proper that the proposed addition to the European Barrack at Hydrabad should be authorised in the manner prescribed with regard to the construction of other Public buildings - Ordered that an intimation to that effect be given to the Military Board -

Ordered

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Ordered, that the Military Board be furnished with the following Reply to the other points stated in the foregoing letters -

To The President and Members of
The Military Board.

Gentlemen,

Para 1. I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the Receipt of your letters of the 18th and 25th ultimo -

2. The Draft of the General Order which you have submitted respecting the transmission of Returns in the Ordnance and store Department has been approved and published -

3. The Military Auditor General has been desired in conformity with your suggestion to authorise the Pay of the third Serjeant employed in the Ordnance Department at Trichinopoly, and to admit the additional charge for stationary allowed to the Commissary of Ordnance and Stores at Seringapatam -

4. Orders have been given to the Town

To the Military Board approving generally their suggestion in the above letter - stating that the Collector of Tinnivelly will be required to explain the deficiency in the Rice delivered to the Garrison storekeeper at Palamcottah - Commends the arrangements made for the removal of stores from Madura and Chittoor under the superintendence of Mess.rs Mainwaring and Dent respectively - Desiring that the necessity of repairing the Embankment at Chintadrapet may be ascertained - postpones the repair of the E. Lunette of the St. George's Gate, and the Construction of a new magazine at the Presidency - also of the proposed drain at Seringapatam authorises the execution of the other works & desires that a Plan and Estimate for a Powder Magazine on a larger scale may be submitted - authorises the Completion of the terrace at the new Hospital at

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Town Major for stationing at the Powder Mills an effective guard of the strength which you have proposed.

5 I am directed to desire that orders may be given for the sale of the grain delivered at Negapatam to the Garrison storekeeper of Trichinopoly. The Governor in Council has further resolved for the reasons which you have stated that the amount only which may be realized by the sale shall be debited to the account of the Military Department, and that the difference between that amount and the original cost of the grain shall be considered a Revenue charge.

6. Authority will be given for the admission of the Bill of the Garrison Storekeeper of Palamcottah amounting to Pagodas 2975-32-4 on account of Grain delivered to that Officer by the Collector of Tinnevelly who will be required to afford an explanation regarding the stated excess of that charge above the quantity of grain actually delivered.

7 I am directed to desire that the Sentry Boxes required in the Fort and Cantonment of Bangalore may be constructed of Wood and masonry in the

At Seringapatam by the Engineer, and desires them to state the orders given to that Officer respecting the execution of works of an urgent nature. authorises the improvement of the Kitchen of the Dragoons at Bangalore. Passes the Recommended Bills and the explained charge in the register of Extraordinaries for February.

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The proportion which you have stated—

8 The Governor in Council has approved the measures adopted by the Quarter Master General for the Removal of the Stores from Madura, and has observed with satisfaction the favorable result of a similar Arrangement under the Zealous Superintendence of the Garrison Storekeeper of Vellore—

9. The Governor in Council is pleased to authorise the purchase of the two Camels tendered for sale by Lieutenant Colonel Buchan at the stated price—

10 The Petition of the inhabitants of Chintadrapet respecting the embankment of the river in the vicinity of that Village will be referred to the Board of Trade according to your suggestion, but in the meantime it will be proper that the necessity for repairing that embankment should be ascertained by survey—

11. The Governor in Council has concurred in the Recommendation of the Committee appointed to survey the Machinery at the Powder mills for continuing the pay of the European artificer at present employed on that Establishment for a further period of three months—

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12 The Governor in Council having resolved in the present state of the public finances to suspend the execution of every work which may not be absolutely necessary, I am directed to inform you that he has deemed it proper to postpone the proposed Repair of the North East Lunette, of the St. George's Gate, and the construction of a new Magazine in Fort St. George. It is also deemed expedient to dispense with the immediate construction of the Drain Recommended for the improvement of Seringapatam. With respect to the other works stated in the list submitted with your letter of the 25th ultimo, it is the intention of the Governor in Council that they shall be executed without delay—

13. It is also the intention of the Governor in Council to authorise the Construction of a new Magazine in Fort St. George at the earliest period at which it may be proper to incur that expense; but adverting to the acknowledged insufficiency of the present means for storing Gun powder at the Presidency, it

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it appears to the Governor in Council that the proposed building should be executed on a large scale, and I am directed to desire that the plan and Estimate of the Superintending Engineer may be modified accordingly-

14 In consideration of the particular circumstances of the case the Governor in Council is pleased to permit the Superintending Engineer at Seringapatam to complete the terrace of the Hospital at that station-

15 I am directed to desire that you will report the orders which you may have furnished to that Officer in reply to his reference respecting the execution of Repairs of an urgent nature-

16 The Governor in Council is pleased to authorise the proposed alteration of the outhouses belonging to the Barracks of the Regiment of Light Dragoons at Bangalore-

17 Authority has been given for the payment of the Bills recommended in your letter of the 25 ultimo; and the Governor in Council has been pleased under the further explanation which

you

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you have afforded to sanction the charge /No 36/ included in the Register of Extraordinaries for the month of February last.

I have the honor to be

&c. &c. &c.

/Signed/ G. Strachey
Sect. to Govt.

Fort St. George
6. August 1808.

Read the following letters from the Military Auditor General -

To the Honorable Sir G. H. Barlow Bart & K. B.

Governor in Council &c &c &c

Honorable Sir,

At the Request of the Paymaster of

From the Military Auditor General - recommends that the Officers of His Majesty's 30 Regiment lately sent on Foreign Service be relieved from the retrenchment of their Tent allowance -

1.

Company's allowances to the Kings Troops, I have the honor to lay before you Copy of a Letter received from that officer in explanation to a Retrenchment of Charges for Tent allowance drawn by the Officers belonging to the Detachment of His Majesty's 30th Regiment of Foot who were employed on the late Expedition to the Eastward, as I do not consider myself warranted to pass the Charges before receiving your Commands Regarding them -

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them -

2. For the information of your Honorable Board, I have accordingly to state, that the Regulations for Camp Equipage, direct the Tents, Bullocks, Lascars &c belonging to officers to be regularly mustered and the muster and Inspection Reports properly certified, to be forwarded along with the Pay Abstracts, as the proper documents upon which the Office of Audit is authorized to pass charges for Tent allowance - In consequence of these not having accompanied the Pay abstracts of the above mentioned Detachment for the months of November, December, January and February, the charges were upon audit objected to - Altho' the Retrenchment is in conformity to prescribed Regulation, what has been represented however of the impracticability of mustering Camp Equipage on board of ship in general also the difficulties of providing Room and transporting of Bullocks and Lascars, may be deserving of Consideration, as well as Extra Expences to which officers proceeding on foreign Service are subjected, and in the Course of which often to severe privations, &

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your Honorable Board may therefore be induced to order the Retrenchment to be remitted and that your decision on the present case, shall be my guide on the auditing similar charges in future.

I have the honor to be

&c &c &c

/ Signed / P. Bruce
M. A. G.

Mill.y Aud.r G.l Office

Fort St. George

29 July 1808.

Major P. Bruce

Military Auditor General

Fort St. George

Sir,

The Paymaster of the 30th Regiment having represented to me the serious loss the officers of that Corps, who were recently employed on the expedition to the Eastward will sustain, if the retrenchment of their Tent allowance for the period they were on service should be enforced, owing to the muster and Inspection Reports of their Camp Equipage not having been furnished to the Office of Audit, I beg to submit to your Consideration circumstances which I trust &c will induce you to admit on Reaudit the Tent allowance in

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en question -

The officers in the first place took their Camp Equipage with them by Order, the nature of the Service upon which they were employed precluded the possibility of its being regularly mustered, their Tents were exposed to such damage in shipping, and transhipping as well as on board of ship, and lastly they had not the means of Compleling their Establishment of Carriage and Servants -

Should you not feel warranted in passing the Tent allowance upon what I have thus stated - Permit me to Request that you will have the goodness to Recommend a favorable Consideration of the Subject to the Honorable the Governor in Council -

I have the honor to be

&c. &c. &c

/ Signed / J. Campbell

D. P. G.

/ A true Copy /

/ Signed / P. Bruce.

M. A. G.

Kings Pay Office
Madras 19th July 1808 -

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Extracts relative to the Embarkation of Camp Equipage of a Detachment Ordered on Foreign Service under the Command of Lieutenant Colonel Lockhart of His Majesty's 30th Regiment in the month of October 1807 -

"To Lieutenant Colonel Lockhart

No.

His Majesty's 30th Regiment

The Commissary of Stores at the Arsenal will arrange the imbarkation of the Camp Equipage of the Men. It will be necessary that the officers should send their Camp equipage on the morning of the 10th Instant to the watering place at the North Beach. You will be pleased to allot a careful Serjeant to the case of the Officers Camp Equipage, and as the officers of Artillery have been also directed to send their Camp Equipage to the Beach on the Morning of the 10th Instant it will be very desireable that the Serjeant should be directed to take charge of it."

/ Signed / J. Munro

Q. M. G.

Quarter Master Genl's Office
Fort St George
8 October 1807 -

To

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"To the Commissary of Stores

Fort St. George

The Camp Equipage of the Officers under Orders for Embarkation will be Collected on the 10th Instant at the watering place at the Mount Beach under the care of a Serjeant of the 30th Regiment and the Commander in Chief requests that you will make arrangements for embarking on the Worcester the Camp Equipage of the Officers with that of the Men."

No 2.

/ Signed / J. Munro

Dr. Mr. Gen.

Dr. Mr. Gen.l Office
Fort St. George
8th October 1807

The above are true Extracts
/ Signed / Benjn Nun Lieut. & Adjt 30th

Dr. Mr. Gen.l Office
Fort St. George
25th July 1808.

Late Adjutant to the above mentioned Detachment.

To the Honorable Sir George H. Barlow Bt. & K.B.
Governor in Council &c &c &c

Honorable Sir,

I have the honor to state for the information of your Honorable Board that upon passing at this Office 2 Bills of Major Travers of His Majesty's 22d Regt. of

From the Military Auditor General — requests to know if he is to pass two Bills of Major Travers of His Majesty's 22d Regiment of Light Dragoons &c. for employing petty stores for remount Horses at

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of Light Dragoons lately in charge of Remount horses for
that Regiment, and also for the Remount Horses of the 7th
Regiment of Native Cavalry, I corrected the charge for
furnishing petty articles of Shoes &c, which was made
at the rate of 36 fanams each horse per mensem, and
admitted the charge only at 12 fanams agreeably to
the Orders of Government. In support of the charge how-
ever Major Travers has forwarded an Extract from
the Minutes of the Honorable the Governor in Council
under date the 5th April last, which admits the charge
at the former rate to the Agent for the purchase of
Horses, and under which authority Major Travers also
claims the allowance at the same rate. In passing
the allowance in the Bills of the Agent I was of course
guided by the above authority, but did not consider it
proper to pass the charge at the same rate to other Offi-
cers in charge of the Remount horses for last season, I
now await your further Instructions regarding it.

at the former rate as authorized in the case of the Agent.

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

/ Signed / P. Bruce

M. A. Gl

Mill'y Aud'r Gl's Office
Fort St George
1st August 1808.

To

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To the Honorable

Sir George Hilaro Barlow Bart. G.C.B.

Governor in Council &c &c &c

Honorable Sir,

From the Military Auditor General requests to know if Major Leith actual charge for Passage money is to be paid or only the established allowance on that account—

In obedience to your Commands communicated in a letter from the Chief Secretary to Government under date the 14th Ultimo, the requisite Instructions have been given to discharge the arrears of Regimental Pay and allowances to Major Leith, and also the usual allowances of the office of Judge Advocate General— As the charge for his Passage to India exceeds the established allowance to Officers of his Rank, I have judged it proper to submit Copy of a Letter which I have received from that Officer upon the subject, together with a receipt for three hundred Guineas, the sum paid by him to Captain Locke Commander of the David Scott Indiaman, on account of his accommodation in that ship, which your Honorable Board may probably be induced to Sanction the Reimbursement on the same principle on which that Officer's Passage money to England

was

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was defrayed -

Mill.y Aud.r Gl's Office
Fort St. George
2d August 1808.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c
(Signed) P. Bruce
M. A. Gl.

Major P. Bruce
Military Auditor General

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 18th instant, and accordingly have to state to you the following circumstance -

2. I was Ordered by Government to proceed to Europe in the Month of October 1806, on a par-ticular duty; and received accordingly an advance of 6 Months of my allowances -

3. I have now to forward you my Bills from the Period of my last receipt's up to the first of the Current Month -

4 You are pleased to desire that I make out a Bill for the established Allowance for passage money

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money, that it may be passed. As I was not limited to any particular sum in that respect on proceeding to Europe, but paid the Captain of the ship, agreeably to what he demanded for my accommodation £400 by an Order from Government, I have expected that the same principle would be admitted on my return and accordingly, paid 300 Guineas for my passage in the David Scott, and that of my Servant (as per Receipt) and which by my drawing on Madras at the exchange of the day in London amounts to Pagodas 869.

5. I was at great pains to procure my passage at the cheapest rate, and the above will be found considerably below what is usually paid by persons of my Rank Returning to India.

6. I drew for no money whatever from the Company whilst in England, of which Circumstance I send you the usual certificate.

I have the honor to be

&c &c &c

Fort St. George
30th July 1808.

(A true Copy) (Signed) J. Leith. Major
Judge Advocate Genl.
(Signed) P. Bruce
M.A.G.

Port

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Portsmouth 20th February 1808.

Received of Major Leith an Order on Messrs Coutts & Co. for three hundred Guineas being for his Passage to India on the David Scott.

(Signed) John Locke
Jr.

To The Honorable

Sir George Hilaro Barlow Bt. & K. B.

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

Honorable Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Mr. Secretary Strachey's letter of the 20th ultimo just received, in which I am desired to explain the difficulty which has occurred in paying to Captain Stainforth Johnston the Subsistence which he is entitled to receive under the Orders of the Honorable Court of Directors &c. In obedience to these Commands I have respectfully to bring to the notice of your Honorable Board my letter to the Military Paymaster of Fort St. George dated 26th March last which was submitted by the Secretary to the Commander in Chief for your Consideration, in which a particular clause is quoted by which the Honorable Court reserve to themselves the

From the same - Explains the difficulty in adjusting Capt. S. Johnston's claim to the subsistence of his Rank while under suspension -

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the power of deciding upon claims similar to that of Captain Johnstone—

Such being the construction I put on the Orders of the Honorable Court upon this point, and in which I concluded your Honorable Board had concurred by the Resolution passed in the Minutes of the Honorable the Governor in Council upon the 8th of April last to the following effect. "Resolved that the claim of "Captain Johnstone to arrears of Pay from the date of his "Suspension from the Service be decided in conformity to "the Orders of the Honorable Court of Directors on that subject "stated in their Letter to this Government under date the "21st November 1806."

Under that Impression I declined giving Instructions to the Military Paymaster of Fort St George to discharge the arrears of subsistence claimed by Captain Johnstone— If I have erred however in the Construction of the Orders of the Honorable Court, or on the determination of your Honorable Board, it will be extremly satisfactory to me to receive your further Instructions relative thereto, as I acknowledge that the inference which I have drawn from

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from the Orders of the Honorable Court bears hard upon the particular case of Captain Johnstone -

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

/ Signed / P. Bruce

M. A. G.

Mil.y Aud.r G.l's office

Fort St. George

3d August 1808.

order thereon

Ordered that the following Reply be dispatched -

To The Military Auditor General

Sir,

Para.

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letters of the 29th ultimo, and of the 1st 2d & 3d Instant -

2. The Governor in Council has been pleased to concur in your Recommendation for relieving the Officers of His Majesty's 30th Regiment who lately proceeded on Service to the Eastward from the Retrenchment of their Tent allowance during the period of that expedition -

3. I am directed to inform you that the Resolution of the Governor in Council for continuing the former allowance of thirty six Fanams for the supply of Petty Stores for the use of the horses purchased in the course of the last season was considered to

To the Military Auditor General - Relieving the above mentioned Officers of His majesty's 30th Regiment from the retrenchment of their Tent allowance - Stating that the resolution for allowing the agent for the purchase of horses to charge at the former rates for petty stores supplied last season was applicable to the officers in charge of the Regimental Etc. that Major Leith's charge for Passage money is to be fully paid: and that Payment of Capt.n Johnstone's subsistence cannot be authorised without special orders from the Court of Directors -

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to extend to the case of every officer in charge of a distinct lot of Horses as well as to the Agent of supply - I you will accordingly relieve Major Travers of His Majesty's 22d Regiment of Light Dragoons from the Retrenchment which he has incurred on that account.

4 Major Leith having proceeded to England on the publick service, I am directed to desire that you will authorize the payment of his Bill for passage money, Amounting to Pagodas 869, on that officers declaration upon honor to the actual disbursement of that sum -

5 I am directed to inform you that on an attentive consideration of the orders of the Honorable Court of Directors respecting the payment of subsistence to officers in a state of suspension from the service, the Governor in Council has decided that Captain J. Johnstone cannot be permitted to draw the subsistence of his Rank without the special authority of the Honorable Court -

I have the honor to be &c &c

Signed G. Strachey
Sct. to Govt.

Fort St. George
6 August 1808 -

Read

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Read the following Letter from the Military Paymaister General –

To the Chief Secretary of Government

Fort St George

Sir

I have to request that you will be pleased to lay before the Honorable the Governor in Coun-cil the accompanying Correspondence in consequence of the Security for Colonel Oliver being called upon to refund the Amount over drawn by him on account of Off Reck-onings for the years 1801 and 1802/3 –

I have &c &c &c

(Signed) B. Roebuck

M. P. G.

From the Military Paymaster Genl. – submits a letter from the Security for Lt. (late Colonel) Oliver, requesting that the Claims of that Officer on the Off reckoning Fund may be adjusted at the same time that the sum over-paid to him on account of that Fund for the year 1802/3 is discharged.

Fort St George

30 July 1808.

Captain Charles Farran

Security for Colonel Oliver

Hydrabad

Sir,

On the final Settlement of the Off Reck-oning Fund for the year 1801 and 1802 the following Sum appears to have been over-paid to 1802/3.

Colonel J. Oliver . . . . Pagodas 590 – 29 – 75

at

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at the time the partial advance on account of the
off Reckonings for that year was paid and for which
Indemnity Bonds were entered into to answer any
excess that might be made -

I have to request that the Amount
may be remitted to me by a draft on your agents at Madras.

I have to add that for the year 1801 Pr 178 - 32 . 53
is due to him and which falls to be paid -

Fort St George
5 May 1808 -

Sam Vs - Vs Vs

/ Signed / Br Roebuck

M. P. Gf.

To the Paymaster Subsidiary Force.

Hydrabad

Sir,

I request you will be pleased to hand
the enclosed Letter to Captain Farran with a Demand
for the Payment of the Amount, and inform me of the Result
as early as possible -

Fort St George
14 May 1808 -

Sam Vs - Vs Vs

/ Signed / B. Roebuck

M. P. Gf.

To

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To the Military Paymaster General

Sir,

On receipt of your letter of the 14th ultimo I dispatched your letter to Captain Farran Security to Colonel S. Oliver, and have just now been favored with his Answer which I enclose for your information. I subjoin a Copy of the letter which I addressed to him -

I have the honor to be

S.. S.. S

/ Signed / W. Morison
Payr.

Secunderabad
9 June 1808.

"To Captain Farran

Security for Colonel Oliver

Sir

"The Military Paymaster General has "directed me to forward the enclosed letter to you with "a demand for the payment of Pagodas 590-29-75 and "to reply to his letter as early as possible - I request there- "fore to be favored with an Order on Madras for the amount -

/ Signed / W. Morison
Payr.

Secunderabad
21st May 1808 -

/ A true Copy /
/ Signed / Wm Morison
Payr.

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To Captain Morison

Paymaster Hyderabad Subsidiary Force

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the Receipt of your letter of the 21st May 1808 enclosing a letter from the Military Paymaster General to me as Security for Colonel Oliver Requiring me to Repay Pags. 590-29-75- over paid to Colonel Oliver on account of his Off Reckonings for the years 1801 and 1802 and adding that for 1801 Pagodas 178-32-53 is due to him and which falls to be paid- In reply to which I have to Request that an adjustment of the Off Reckonings due to Colonel Oliver from the above period to the 20th June 1807 (when he Ceased to belong to the Service) may be made with as little delay as possible, and any Balance if in his favor be paid to me or should it be against him on the final Adjustment I will pay it to the extent of Pagodas One thousand-

(Signed) Capt. Chr. Farran
21st Regt. Security for Colr. Oliver

(True Copies)
(Signed) B. Roebuck
M.P.G.

Ordered

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Order thereon

Ordered that a Copy of the foregoing letter be referred to the Military Auditor General for consideration and Report.

Read the following Letters from the Town Major of Fort St. George -

The Chief Secretary to Government

Fort St George

Sir,

From the Town Major - submits a charge for the passage of three discharged Soldiers from Masulipatam according to an agreement Concluded by the Officer Commanding at that station -

I have the honor to transmit for the consideration of the Honorable the Governor in Council a letter from Major Hazlewood Commanding Masulipatam - reporting his agreement with Captain Torrick of the Country Ship Jupiter, for the passage of three discharged Soldiers from Masulipatam to the Presidency at the rate of five pagodas p man to be paid by me upon their Landing.

The men were safely Landed here two days ago - upon the arrival of the Jupiter -

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

Fort St George
28 July 1808 -

/ Signed / R. Barclay
Town Major

Ls

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To the Town Major

of Fort St. George

Sir,

There being three Europeans at this Station who were discharged the Service on the 31 December and who from sickness are incapacitated from proceeding by Land to Madras without the assistance of a Dooly for each man besides the necessity of a Seapoy Guard to escort them -

I have thought it more adviseable to send them by sea, and they have accordingly been this day embarked upon the Jupiter Captain Lorrick with whom I have entered into an agreement to Land them at Madras for the Consideration of Five Pagodas each Man - and having no mode of drawing that Amount here the Captain agrees to receive that Amount from you at Madras upon Landing the Men -

Masulipatam
28 June 1808 -

(Signed) I. Haslewood
Major Commandeny
Masulipatam -

To

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Fort St. George 29th July 1808

To The Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St George.

Sir,

Agreeably to the Orders of Government
from the Commandant
with a List of Prisoners
of War Landed at this
Presidency -

Dated the 29th March last. I have the honor to submit for a Statement
of the French Prisoners of War Landed on the 23d July 1808, and
sent to Poonamallee on the 25th Say
ensign to Poonamallee the same Day.

I have the honor to be Sir &c &c
(Signed) W. Barclay
Town Major

Statement of French Prisoners of War exhibiting their Name and Rank, the Date of their Capture and the Name of the Ship on which and by which they was Captured, or from whence Received and how disposed of -

	Names	Rank	Ships Name Captured on and when	By what Ship Captured or from whence received.	Remarks
1	Roser	Seamen	French National Frigate L. Piedmontaise 8th March 1808 -	H.C.M. Ship Fiorenzo and Landed at Fort St George from H.C.M. Ship Belleisle on the 23d July 1808	Sent to Poonamallee on the 23d July 1808 -
2	Jf. Franzier				

Town Majors Office
Fort St George
29 July 1808 -

(Signed) R. Barclay
Town Major

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To The Chief Secretary to Government

Sir,

Fort St. George

From the Town Major - requests authority for drawing subsistence for Prisoners of War newly arrived -

I have the honor to inform you that Two French Prisoners of War Landed from His Majesty's Ship Belligueax on the 23d Instant, were forwarded to Poonamalee the same day - I Request the Sanction of the Honorable the Governor in Council for their being subsisted - as the other Prisoners under similar circumstances -

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

Town Major's Office
Fort St. George
29th July 1808 -

(Signed) R. Barclay
T. Major

The Chief Secretary to Government

Fort St. George.

Sir,

From the Same - Submits a letter from the Mathematical Instructor of the Military Institution respecting the difficulty experienced by the Junior Class in Continuing to rent Dutch Gardens under the late order for reducing their allowance for House rent -

I have the honor to transmit to you for the consideration of the Honorable the Governor in Council a letter with two enclosures received by me from the Instructor to the Military Institution, respecting the House rent allowed to the Junior Class -

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

Fort St. George
30th July 1808 -

(Signed) R. Barclay
Town Major

To

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To The Town Major of

Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor of forwarding to you a letter addressed to me by the Officers of the Junior class of the Military Institution with a Copy of Mr. Dent's letter respecting the Rent of his house, which Mr. Dent declares he will reduce from 100 to 80 pagodas a month provided the Officers engage themselves to keep the house during their absence from Madras on Survey. Although there be at the present moment no other house at Madras proper for the accommodation of their whole number, yet the Gentlemen cannot but hesitate to undergo such an expense during the considerable time of about five months, during which they will be surveying. I take therefore the liberty to request you to be pleased to bring this circumstance to the Knowledge of the Honorable Governor in Council, with the observation that during the absence of the Gentlemen from Madras, Government had during the

last

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last three years rented the said house for the accom-
-modation of all sick Officers arriving at the Presidency
for the Recovery of their health, and of the Cadets ar-
-riving at that period from Europe; further that the
very time of the absence of the now Junior class will
be that, at which a new class is to be selected by His
Excellency the Commander in Chief for the Institution,
to which class Government has, to your knowledge,
during the first year of their stay at the Presidency,
allowed the full house rent, and who may then occupy
Dent's Garden. Upon these considerations I dare hope
Government will be pleased to resolve, in favor of the
Junior class of the Military Institution to rent as for-
-merly Dent's Garden during their absence from Madras,
that they may be enabled to consent without any dis-
-advantage to themselves to the agreement proposed
by Mr. Dent.

Madras on the
27 July 1808.

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

(Signed) A Troyer

Instructor to the Military
Institution.

To

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To the Officer Superintending the Mill.y Institution.

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit to you for your perusal a Copy of Mr. E Dents letter to me respecting the house occupied by us- On reading it you will observe his objections to the terms proposed by us and likewise the reduction he is willing to make in its rent provided we retain it while an Survey, but you will be aware that the alteration would by no means compensate for the great expense we must incur, by renting it during so considerable a period of absence, and when we have no allowance for a Study Room- Under these disadvantages we are unable to retain it and there is not one house at Madras where we can be accommodated- I have therefore to request you will be pleased to mention the Circumstances to the Town Major-

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27th July 1808-

I have the honor to be
Sir. Your. &c.
(Signed) Jn. Fyffe
Lt. Mill.y Institution

Copy

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Copy of a Letter from E. Dent Esqr
To Lieut Fyfe Military Institution
Sir,

Having been from Madras I was unable to reply to the favor of your letter of the 13th Instant intimating that the Gentlemen of the Military Institution are still willing to occupy the house lately Rented from me for their accommodation by Government on the same terms excepting the period they might be on Survey & absent from the presidency. As this mode of Renting my house would be inconvenient to me, I beg to decline the offer, but I am willing to reduce the Rent from Pagodas 100 to Pagodas 80 to be paid monthly if it should suit the Gentlemen of the Military Institution to Rent the house at this rate -

Fort St George
22d July 1808 -

I am &c &c &c
/ Signed / Edwd Dent

Order thereon -

Ordered that Authority be given for the admission of the charge incurred in providing a passage for the three Soldiers abovementioned, and for the payment of the usual Subsistence for the Prisoners of War

Recently

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recently landed at Fort St. George -

With respect to the arrangement proposed by the Gentlemen of the Junior class of the Military Institution with a view to enable them to continue to rent the house which they at present occupy, Ordered, that the Town Major be desired to state his opinion, whether the demand for public Quarters, during the absence of those Gentlemen on their annual Surveys, has been usually so extensive as to justify the Board in concluding that arrangement -

Ordered also that the Town Major be informed that the Board will be disposed to consider favorably any reasonable arrangement which he may suggest for ensuring to the Gentlemen of the Institution a Continuance of their present accommodations -

The Chief Secretary to Government.

Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit to you for the information of the Honorable the Governor in Council - Copies of a Correspondence in five Nos which has

From the Town Major submitting Correspondence with Mr Stanley late a Captain in the 25th Regt Native Infantry relative to a demand of that Gentleman for the Copy of a letter addressed by Lieut Col Bowness to the Assistant adjutant Genl in the ceded districts -

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has lately passed between Mr Stanley late a Captain in the service & myself-

Mr Stanley has no doubt conceived that - as he was generally under my charge, all his applications connected with his Military life should be made through me - On the contrary I do not think that the charge which I have of Mr Stanley would warrant my making an applic: : cation for the letter which he wants -

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28th July 1808-

I have the honor to be &c. &c. &c
/ Signed / R. Barclay
Town Major

To The Town Major of
Fort St George

Sir,

May I request you will be so obliging as to make application for me (Excuse me if applying through you, is not the proper Channel) to Lieutenant Colonel Bowness for a Copy of his official letter respecting myself, to the Assistant Adjutant General Ceded District written for the information of the late Major General Sir William

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William Clarke Bart. Commanding the Ceded Districts

it being of much importance to me to get that letter -

The letter is dated Camp

Bellary 11th December 1807 - and addressed to the Assistant

Adjutant General Ceded Districts at Hoodecondah -

/ Signed / R. Stanley

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14th July 1808 -

/ A true Copy

/ Signed / R. Barclay

Town Major

To Mr. Stanley

Sir,

I do not conceive myself authorized to

apply to Colonel Bowness for a Copy of the letter which

you allude to in your letter to me of this date -

Colonel Bowness is now at the Presidency

to whom I beg leave to refer you -

/ Signed / R. Barclay

Town Major

Town Major's Office

Fort St. George

14th July 1808 -

A true Copy

/ Signed / R. Barclay

Town Major -

To Major Barclay

Town Major Fort St. George -

Sir,

May I request to know from you the

proper

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proper Channel to apply through for the letter I require from Lieutenant Colonel Bownes; were the letter not of the first Consequence to me and was it not incumbent on me to provide myself with a Copy of it I would not trouble you again on the occasion -

Madras
26 July 1808.

/ Signed / R. Stanley
/ A true Copy /
/ Signed / R. Barclay
Town Major

To Mr. Stanley -
Sir,

I do not know any more direct or proper Channel for your application for a Copy of Lieutenant Colonel Bownes's letter to the Assistant Adjutant General in the Ceded Districts than your writing a letter to him addressed at Bellary, unless you prefer writing to Colonel Bownes himself who is now at the Presidency -

Town Major's Office
Fort St George
26 July 1808.

/ Signed / R. Barclay
Town Major
/ A true Copy /
/ Signed / R. Barclay
Town Major

To Major Barclay
Sir,

Town Major Fort St George

I have already repeatedly written to the Assistant

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Assistant Adjutant General Ceded Districts for a Copy of the Letter but without success - and were I to write to Lieutenant Colonel Bowness it will only I am satisfied be a Waste of time, as I am certain in not getting the letter from him -

It is only through you Sir, the Government or Commander in Chief I feel satisfied that I have any chance of getting the letter in question -

Fort St. George
26 - July 1808 -

/ Signed / R. Stanley
/ A true Copy /
/ Signed / R - Barclay
Town Major

The Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George.

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit to you for the information of the Honorable the Governor in Council - a letter just now received from Lieutenant Colonel Bowness &c representing that Mr Stanley had come into his Compound, & requesting that Measures may be taken for preventing him from doing so again - On which subject I request the orders of the Honorable the Governor in Council -

From the Town Major - with a letter from Lieut Colonel Bowness - stating that Mr Stanley has been within his Garden, and requesting that he may be restrained from entering it in future -

I have the honor to be &c. &c. &c
/ Signed / R - Barclay
Town Major

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To

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To the Town Major

Sir,

Fort St. George

Having observed Mr. Stanley late Captain in the 1st Battalion 25 Regiment who my duty obliged to bring before a Genl. Court Martial within my Compound, with I suppose no good design, and he being now placed under your Orders, may I request you will be pleased to take such measures as may prevent him going there in future -

Fort St. George
28. July 1808 -

/ Signed / G. Bowness
Lieut Colonel

The Chief Secretary to Government.

Sir,

Fort St. George

From the Town Major. with a further letter from Lt. Col. Bowness complaining of Mr. Stanley's intrusion into his house, & of his improper Conduct -

I have the honor to transmit another letter from Lieutenant Colonel Bowness regarding Mr. Stanley's visit to his house

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28 July 1808 -

/ Signed / R. Barclay
Town Major,

To the Town Major

Sir,

Fort St. George

I think it necessary further to mention to you that after my return to my house I found Mr

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Mr Stanley sitting in my Veranda, before my asking him the occasion of his visit he replied that he came to demand satisfaction of me and made use of other insulting and improper Language, and am persuaded would have gone further lengths had my servant not been at hand to prevent it -

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28th July 1808-

/Signed/ Geo. Bonnefs
Lieut Colonel

The Chief Secretary to Government

Fort St George

Sir,

From the Town Major - with a letter from Mr Stanley enclosing Copy of one which he has addressed to Lt Col Bonnefs demanding the Paper in question & requesting that measures may be taken for obtaining that paper for him -

I request you will lay the accom=panying two letters from Mr Stanley, before the Honble the Governor in Council, along with his former Correspon=dence which I forwarded to you yesterday -

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

Fort St George
29th July 1808-

/Signed/ R Barclay
Town Major

To Major Barclay

Town Major of Fort St George

Sir,

In consequence of your letter of the 28th Instant I have made application to Lieut Col Bonnefs for

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for a Copy of the letter I require from him, but (as I surmised) without effect. I have therefore to reiterate my request of you "that you will be so obliging as to make application for the letter (for me) in any way you may deem most fit -

Madras
29th July 1808 -

Yours Obediently
(Signed) R. Stanley.

I enclose you a Copy of the letter I wrote to Lieutenant Colonel Bowness on this subject -

(Signed) R. Stanley -

To Lieutenant Colonel Bowness

Sir,

&c. &c. &c

I wrote to the Town Major requesting he would make application to you (for me) for a Copy of your letter to the Assistant Adjutant General Ceded Districts Hodeconda Dated Camp Bellary 11 December 1807 - such being of Consequence to me and of importance that I should provide myself with a Copy of it, but the Town Major wrote me in reply that the proper, and direct Channel of application is to the assistant adjutant General Ceded Districts at Bellary - unless I would prefer the

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the more immediate way of applying to you direct here at the Presidency, and as I have already repeatedly written to the Assistant adjutant General Ceded Districts for a Copy of this letter but without success. I am now induced to write to you for it, and I request you will be pleased to let me have it -

27th July 1808. An answer is requested -

/ Signed / R. Stanley

Minute thereon The foregoing correspondence regarding Lieutenant Colonel Bowness and Mr Stanley having been taken into Consideration, the Board are of Opinion that it is unnecessary for them to interpose their Authority in either case, and that it will be sufficient to desire the Town Major to refer Lieutenant Colonel Bowness to the Civil Magistrate for legal protection from any outrage, which he may have reason to apprehend on the part of Mr Stanley -

The Chief Secretary to Government

Fort St. George

Sir

From the Town Major submits an application from Mr. Fair an Assistant Surgeon in the Bengal Establishment for permission to remain behind the Fleet proceeding to Bengal.

I have the honor to forward to you for the Consideration of the Honorable the Governor in Council an

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Bengal, and to visit his Brother at Chicacole - explains Mr Fair's wish not to remain unless measures are taken to prevent his loss of Rank -

an application from Mr Peter Fair an Assistant Surgeon on the Bengal Establishment for permission to remain behind the fleet about to sail for Calcutta, in order to see his Brother at Chicacole, on his way to Calcutta.

Mr Fair has explained his plan more fully to me verbally which is to go up to Vizajapatam on the Phonix, visit his Brother at Chicacole, and then to proceed on by land to Calcutta, if no opportunity occurs before the change of the monsoon for his going by sea, but he does not wish to do this unless the Honorable the Governor in Council may be pleased to sanction the measure; or to make such a report of it to the Supreme Government as will save him from any supercession in Rank -.

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5 August 1808.

I have the honor to be &c. &c. &c.
/ Signed / R. Barclay
Town Major

To the Town Major

Fort St. George.

Since my arrival here I find that business of importance renders it necessary that I should

&c

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see my Brother Captain Fair now stationed at Chicacole. I request you will obtain for me the Honorable Governor's permission to remain at Madras after the sailing of the present Bengal Fleet, in order that I may avail myself of the first opportunity for proceeding to that Place -

I am &c &c &c

Madras
5th August 1808 -

/ Signed / Peter Fair
Assistant Surgeon Bengal Establishment

To the Chief Secretary to Government

Fort St George

from the Town Major requesting an advance for an Officer of the Bengal Establishment -

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit to you for the consideration of the Honorable the Governor in Council letter from a Lieutenant of the Bengal Establishment undernamed - who arrived here on the Honorable Company's Ship Hugh Inglis requesting an advance of /100/ Rupees on account of the Bengal Government - upon which I beg you to obtain for me the orders of the Honorable the Governor in Council -

An abstract for the amount accompanies this letter
Lieutenant G. Waite

I have the Honor to be &c - &c &c

/ Signed / R Barclay
Town Major

Town Majors Office
Fort St George
5 August 1808 -

To

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To The Town Major

Sir, Fort St. George

I have the honor to inform you that I arrived in these Roads on the Honorable Company's ship Hugh Inglis from England - on my way to Bengal to which Establishment I belong - and request you will procure the sanction of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council for an advance of 1100 Rupees to be made me to be accounted for with the Bengal Government -

Fort St George

5 August 1808.

/ Signed / G. Waite

Lieut. 22d Regt. N. I.

Ordered that the following letters be dispatched -

To the Town Major of

Fort St. George.

Sir,

To the Town Major - Permitting Mr Fair to remain behind the Fleet, but stating that no assurance can be given respecting his Rey & Rank which might interfere with the Regulations of the Bengal Service - stating also that the Supreme Government will be apprized of the Circumstances under which Mr Fair has been permitted to remain - authorizing the advance requested -

Para 1 I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letters of this date -

2. The Honorable the Governor in Council will not object to Mr Fair being permitted to leave the fleet and to proceed to Calcutta in the manner which he

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he proposes; but the Governor in Council cannot give an assurance that may interfere with the usual course of the Regulations established in Bengal relative to the Rank or Pay of Medical Officers. The Right Honble the Governor General in Council will be informed however of the Circumstances under which Mr. Fair has been permitted to remain for a limited period at this Presidency—

3. Authority has been given for the pay-
=ment of an advance of One hundred Rupees to Lieut. Wayte of the Bengal Establishment—

Fort St. George
5 August 1808—

I am &c. &c. &c.
/ Signed / G. Buchan
Chief Sec. to Govt.

To Thomas Brown Esqr.
Chief Secretary of the Government at
Fort William.

Sir

To the Chief Secretary at Fort William — stating the Circumstances under which Mr. Assistant Surgeon Fair has been permitted to remain at this Presidency —

Para. I am directed to enclose for the infor-
=mation of the Right Honorable the Governor General in
Council the Copy of a letter from the Town Major of Fort St. George and of the papers to which it refers, and to state that Mr. Fair has been permitted under the circumstances which

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which have led to his application, to remain for a limited period at this Presidency, and to proceed to Calcutta in the mode which he proposes-

2 The Governor in Council has at the same time directed that it shall be explained to Mr. Fair that the permission which has been granted is not intended to interfere in any respect with the usual course of the Regulations which may be established in Bengal regarding the Rank or Pay of Medical Officers-

Fort St. George
5. August 1808-

I have the honor to be &c. &c. &c.
(Signed) G. Buchan
Chief Sec.t to Govt.

Read the following letters-

To the Chief Secretary to Government

Fort St. George.

Sir,

From the officer Comd.g the Southn. Divn. Reports the circumstances under which a Detachment has marched from Dindigul for the Protection of the Jail at Daraporam.

I have the honor to forward for the information of the Honorable the Governor in Council, Certain letters received this day from the officer Commanding at Dindigul-

Head Quarters
Southern Division of the Army
Trichinopoly
26. July 1808-

I have the honor to be &c. &c. &c.
(Signed) F. Fuller
M. G.

To

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To the Assistant Adjutant General
of the Southern Division

Sir,

Herewith I have the honor to transmit for Major General Fuller's Information, a Copy of a Public, and Extract from a private, Letter received Express last Evening from the Magistrate of Daraporam -

From the Circumstances detailed therein I deemed it adviseable to detach a Complete Company and a half under the Command of Captain Chitty and a Subaltern -

I hope this arrangement will meet with the Major General's approbation, as in the event of any attack being made, I conceive the beforementioned not too large a Force, and even should nothing serious occur, it appears to me better to err on the cautious side -

The Detachment marched this morning at 3 oclock, and will arrive at Daraporam Tomorrow morning -

/ Signed / D. McDonell Major
Commanding Dindigul

Dindigul
23d July 1808 -

Copy

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Copy of Public Letter received from the Magistrate of Dara-
-poram dated 2d July 1808-

To The Officer Commanding

Sir, at Dindigul

In consequence of information this Day received importing the probability of an attempt being intended to be made by a Considerable Body of men to Liberate the convicts in the Jail at this Station, to be accompanied, with other irregularities, and not having sufficient means of Defence in the event of any such attack, I deem it my Duty to request you will detach such a Guard as you may think necessary for the protection of the Prisons contai-
-ning about 490 Persons, and the safety of the Public Records-

/Signed/ I. S. Savary
A true Copy Magistrate
/Signed/ D. Mc Donell. Major
Commanding Dindigul

Extract from a Private Letter received from the Magistrate of Daraporam Dated 2d July 1808-

"I wish to prevent the possibility of
"success, should any attack be made, the information is
"given on oath. The Macabarra and another fugitive Polygar,
now

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"now in the Cochin Country are stated to be the Principals
"in the Business, and that they have collected a Force of
"1500 men: it is added that their emissaries have been at
"work in this Neighbourhood, and that assistance is to
"be given them: that the Gentlemen are to be disposed of
"the Prisoners released, the Country plundered, and the
"arms of the Victors to become famous as far as Madras."

(A true Extract)
(Signed) D. McDonell Major
Commanding Dindigul

Ordered that the Officer Commanding the
Southern Division be informed that the Board have
approved the measure reported in the foregoing letter.

Order thereon.

To The Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

Sir,

From the Commanding Officer at Vellore - Encloses the Proceedings of a Committee on the Bazar Accounts of the Pettah; and a general account of Collections and Disbursements - States a remission which he has granted to the arrack Contractors -

I have herewith the honor to transmit
to you the proceedings of a Committee on the Bazar Ac-
counts of the Pettah of Vellore, from the 1st January to the
30th June 1808, inclusive, together with the General Account
of Collections and Disbursements -

The

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The arrack Contractor stated to me, that all his works and a considerable quantity of his stock, to the Amount of 1600 Rupees, had been distroyed by Fire,- In consequence of which I took it upon me, to make him a Remission of 300 Rupees, till the pleasure of Government is known.

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

/ Signed / Rofslang

Lieut Col. Commanding

Vellore

25 July 1808-

Order thereon

Ordered that a Copy of the foregoing letter with the Original enclosures be transmitted to the Accountant General and Civil Auditor, and that he be informed that the Board have approved the Remission granted to the Arrack Contractor at Vellore, under the Circumstances stated by the Commanding Officer -

Ordered also that the Accountant General and Civil Auditor be informed that the Board are desirous of obtaining a more particular account of the nature of the Pensions alluded to in the Original Proceedings now transmitted to him -

To

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To The Honorable

Sir George Barlow Bart. K.B.

Governor in Council Fort St. George

&c. &c. &c

Honorable Sir,

As the Letter from the Chief Secre-

tary to me, of the 26th ultimo implies the discontinuance

of my temporary employment in the Judicial Depart-

ment, I have the honor to request an Order to resume my

Office of Persian Interpreter to Head Quarters agreeably

to the Resolution of Government of the 2d of October 1804;

and confirmed by the General Letter of the Honorable Court

of Directors, in the Military Department, of the 30th July

1806 - par: 393 -

"When Captain Leith shall have completed

"the duties of his temporary employment in the Judicial Line,

"we shall have no objection to his resuming the Office of Persian

"Interpreter at Head Quarters, under your resolution of the 2d

"October 1804, with the Salary formerly annexed to it of Pagodas 100 ₰ month."

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

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1st August 1808 -

/ Signed / J. Leith

Major

Resolved

From Major Leith applying for permission to resume the Office of Persian Interpreter at Head Quarters in Conformity with the Orders of the Court of Directors and in Consequence of the late discontinuance of his Salary in the Judicial Department -

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Resolution thereon

Resolved that it will be proper to furnish the Commander in Chief with a Copy of the fore-going application, before the Board proceed to issue their Orders for Major Leith to resume the appointment of Persian Interpreter at Head Quarters.

To George Buchan Esqr

Chief Secretary to Government

Fort St George.

Sir,

From the Resident at Hyderabad. Encloses further Papers respecting the Contract concluded by the Dept Adjutant General of the Subsidiary Force with Naganah for the supply of Grain, tending to prove the fulfilment of the Contract and the propriety of Captain Conway's Conduct in having Concluded it. submits for decision whether any Compensation should be granted to Naganah for his loss by the refusal of the General Agent to ratify the agreement.

1. I have the honor to convey to you Copies of the following Papers.

No 1. A Letter from the Resident to Lieutenant Colonel Montresor dated the 4th December 1807.

No 2 A Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Montresor to the Resident dated the 26th January, and enclosing a Letter of Explanation from Captain Conway.

No 3. A Letter from the Resident to Lieutenant Colonel Montresor, dated the 3d February 1808.

No 4 A Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Montresor dated the 14th February enclosing the Proceedings of a Committee of officers on the subject of Naganah's Conduct.

2d It is proper that I should explain that

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that these Papers were prepared for Transmission to Govern-
-ment in February last, but that the Sudden Preparation
for Field Service of the Subsidiary Force at that Period,
and the Numerous and important Calls upon my whole
attention since that time has prevented my Resuming the
Consideration of the Subject-

3. The Honorable the Governor in Council
will be pleased to observe that a Committee of Officers have
determined that the Contract which was entered into by
Naganah was performed to its fullest Extent-

4th I understand that since that De-
-termination, Naganah has received from the General
Agent, Payment of the Balance of 19800 Rupees which was
due to him on the 1st of June 1807-

5th As Captain Conway has now brought
forward all the Explanations which occur to him in Jus-
-tification of the motives which induced him to conclude
the additional Contract with Naganah, which the General
Agent did not think himself at Liberty to ratify, it will
remain with the Government to decide upon the merits
of Captain Conway's Conduct and whether any Remuneration
be

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be due to Nayanah for the Loss which he suffered on that

Occasion —

Hydrabad

15. July 1808.

I have the honor to be

&c. &c. &c

(Signed) H. Sydenham

Resident

To Lieutenant Colonel Montresor

Commanding the Subsidiary Force.

Sir,

Para 1. I have the honor to transmit to you a Copy of a letter to me from the Military Secretary to the Madras Government with Copies of the Enclosures which accompanied that Letter —

2d If the Deputy Adjutant General of the Subsidiary Force should be able to furnish any further Explanation of his Conduct in Concluding the late Contract, or be desirous to lay before Government any further information upon that subject, I request that he may be permitted to do so —

3. I beg to call your particular attention to the circumstance stated by the General Agent for Cavalry &

Supplies

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supplies of Nagana's having failed in the Fulfillment of his contract, a Circumstance of which I believe that both you and I were perfectly ignorant. It will be proper that Tatiah, in the absence of Nagana's should be required to furnish the fullest Explanation of this part of his Conduct -

I have the honor to be

&c &c &c

/ Signed / Thos Sydenham
Resident

/ A true Copy /
/ Signed / Thos Sydenham
Resident

Hyderabad
4th December 1807.

To Captain Sydenham
Resident at Hydrabad -

Sir,

When I received your letter of the 4th of December last, I called upon Captain Conway for any further Explanation he might wish to give relative to the Contract he made with Tatiah for supplying the Subsidiary Force with Grain -

Captain Conway has in Consequence addressed a letter to me on the Subject, and I now do myself the honor of inclosing it to you, and request you

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you will have the goodness to forward it to the Madras Government—

You will observe that Captain Conway has fully explained the Circumstance which led to Nagannahs being accused of not having fulfilled his Contract but which I was entirely ignorant of until I was favored with your letter—

I have the honor to be

Secunderabad
26th January 1808—

W. W. &c

(Signed) Thos G. Montresor
Lieut Colonel

(A true Copy)
(Signed) Charles Russell
Second Assist

To Lieutenant Colonel Montresor

Commanding Hydrabad Subsidy Force—

Sir,

In obedience to your directions, I have now the honor to reply to the Residents Letter to you under date the 4th December 1807, and it is with regret I find myself in the first instance called upon by the Secretary to Governments Letter of the 18th November 1807

to

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to Explain those points in which according to the Statement of the General Agent for Cavalry supplies" I appear to have acted without authority and without due attention to the public Interest" The first question which regards the Authority I had for making the Contract, is the point to be determined, and as I had the honor in my Letter to Lieutenant Colonel Montresor of the 27th August 1807, to lay before him a Copy of Captain Munts Letter to me. I am not aware how I can further explain myself on this subject as I conceive the decision must ultimately rest on the Interpretation of the 2d Para: of that Letter, whether "you may offer to take proposals" is a positive or conditional authority. I must confess that even now viewing it as a litigated phrase, it appears to me to delegate full power upon the Conditions dictated in that Letter and as they were all obtained, I trust that by the following Narrative I shall make it appear to the satisfaction of the Honorable the Governor, that I acted up to the Spirit of the Instructions I received. No one will I presume venture to suppose that I derived

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derived any advantage from the transaction, consequently I could only have acted with the double view of assisting a private Friend, and furthering the Public Service, which I am convinced both you and Captain Sydenham will do me the justice to say I have never in any shape neglected.

Captain Munt in his letter to the Military Board, seems impressed with an idea that I tendered my services to the late Captain Baynes, Therefore take this opportunity of explaining that while I am ready to give my utmost assistance to the Service in any shape, it is my good fortune to hold too high and important a Staff situation to tender myself as the agent of any Department, that I imagined till now under the Controul of the Officer I am appointed by assist. But the fact is that when Captain Baynes was here in August 1806. I recommended Captain Baynes to employ Captr Wren as his agent, when he made it a particular request that I would myself superintend the Conduct of the Servant he meant to leave in charge and regulate the contracts hereafter to be made. To this I assented and when Captain Munt was appointed to succeed him, the

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intimacy and friendship I had for that Officer, induced me to offer a Continuance of those Services, which never till then were tendered, and friendship was the motive -

Captain Munt in his Letter to the Military Board of the 31 October 1807 informs the Board that his Letter to the Commanding Officer of the Subsidiary Force, dated the 26 January was a delicate intimation, that he wished to confine the Duties of his Department entirely to the Officers named by Government to conduct its Duties. Had it appeared to me to have had that object, I should certainly have taken advantage of it, and saved myself much unnecessary trouble, and mortification, but how could human conception have given such an Interpretation to it when accompanied by the following private Letter to me -

Extract of a Letter from Captain Munt to Captain Conway without date -

"By the Tappall of this Day I have "publicly addressed the Officer Commanding the Hydrabad "Subsidiary Force on the Subject of the Gram Department

of

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"of the two Cavalry Corps Composing your Force.

"Facilitate by every means within your

"Power the early accomplishment of the object and give

"me privately your opinion of the possibility of striking

"off some of the Public Cattle from the Expences of the

"two Regiments-"

"One Bullock to 4 Horses I should imagine

"would be sufficient to export the Gram from so short a

"distance as the place where it is lodged to the Cavalry

"Lines. Nor can I see any advantage that the Service

"can at any time derive from an Establishment that appe

"to me to be so easily Recruited to a full Complement

"in the event of any Emergency-

"I shall be happy to benefit by your

"observations if you can suggest any thing expedient. I

"apprehend however it would be a difficult task to arrang

"any immediate plan which should operate more be-

"neficially for the Public Economy than Baynes's Arrangemt.

Surely I was right in considering that

my further Services would be acceptable, and under that

impression I published / with Colonel Montresors permission

for

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for Proposals for a new Contract, as that made by
Captain Baynes was within a few days of its expiration.
These proposals I transmitted to Captain Munt as he has
stated, and I here take occasion to observe, that it appeared
both to Colonel Montresor and myself, all the reply that
was necessary to Captain Munts Letter to him of the 26th
January. When I transmitted these Proposals to Captain
Munt I certainly left it to him to confirm them, but
instead of their being returned to me confirmed I received
from Captain Munt the following Letter, which led me
to suppose he had taken a new view of the subject and required
a more adequate supply as a Provision against the
probable scarcity from the want of periodical Rains,
and the expression of Captain Munts Letter also left me
to suppose myself vested with full power to conclude a
contract, if it embraced the objects pointed out by him,
To this Letter, I must take the liberty of requesting
the Honorable the Governor in Councils attention, as
it is the authority on which I have acted, and whatever
may be the decision, I trust no unfavorable impression
will remain on the Honorable the Governors mind with
regard

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Regard to my attention to the publick Interest" which it has ever been my first object zealously and honorably to attend to.

Captain Munts Letter to Captain Conway without Date -

"I have only time to say that if Tattiah and Nayanah will stock 6 months Gram for the two "Regiments within two months from the end of this "month - their Proposals will be accepted that is to say. "they are to lodge 180 Garce of Gram before the 1st of May."

"In this case you may offer to take "Proposals for the Consumption of the Regiments exclusive "of the 180 Garce from them or any other Person, for four "/4/ months more at the rate of 30 Garce on an average "per month."

"If the Parties, Tattiah and Nayanah, "agree to stock the Gram /180 Garce/ at the rates they have "sent in, they may Commence as soon as possible. Payment "for this quantity shall be made on such eligible terms "as you can fix for the Company."

On

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"On this Subject be a little particular
"and make an advantageous Settlement otherwise it
may be objected."-

"The Monthly quantities shall be paid
"for on the terms of the last Agreement you sent me,
"calculated at 4 instead of six months supplies."-

I concluded that the Honorable
the Governor in Council will consider that every object of
this Letter, is embraced in the Contract, I concluded with
Nagapatnam and Tattiah on the 4th March 1807, and if Captain
Munt had authority to dictate such Proposals and those
Proposals were acceded to, what further Confirmation was
necessary; besides Captain Munt observes, "If the parties
"Tattiah and Nagapatnam agree to stock the Gram (130 Garce)
"at the rates they have sent in, they may Commence as soon
"as possible." No doubt this fully empowered me to autho-
-rize them to Commence stocking the Gram, and how is it
to be supposed they would engage in so large a purchase,
upon an unconcluded Contract. The terms of the Contract
have already been declared by you and Captain Sydenham

"as

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"as Reasonable as could be expected." Captain Munt states that "When he received my Sketch" he had information that the Supplies could be furnished on lower terms" and that "no measures had been taken in the City of Hydrabad" to publish to the Gram merchants that the Contract was for sale. To the former of these observations I shall only refer to my Letter to you of the 27th August last, now I believe before Government, and as I believe Captain Sydenham is of the same opinion with myself that Contracts with Merchants in the City of Hydrabad are little to be depended upon, I leave that subject to his better judgement to decide upon. The sale of the Contract was published at the Choultry of the Cantonment Bazar. It now only remains for me to shew that when Captain Munt refused his sanction to the Contract I had concluded as will appear from the following Extracts of Letters from him, that I requested the subject to be laid before the Military Board and Government which he declined.

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Extracts of Letters from Captain Munt N.os 3.4.
5 & 7. with Captain Conway's Reply N.o 6

N.o 3

"I have Received your Letter and Pro-
"posals, and will Communicate with you in a few days
"on the Subject of them -

"In your first Letter you intimate
"that the Grain Remaining in Store was sufficient for
"two months consumption, This quantity is I apprehend
"the 30 Garce exclusive of the Contract There cannot
"therefore be any hurry necessary in storing new Grain
"at least not for a few days, for should any other Terms
"be offered lower than Tattiahs at other Stations and
"adequate Security given - Tattiahs agreement and
"proposals will be useless, I will write you on the
"subject in a few days -

N.o 4

I send the Bills for the Bullock Account
and Second of the same - I have written to Nayganah
and Tattiah on the subject of the Contract, which was
occasioned by your misconception of my Letter as the
proposals

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proposals only were wanting to submit to Govern-
-ment for approval, thro' the Military Board— no
Contract can be concluded unless recommended by
me thro' this Channel to the Council, who must
confirm it—

I have however taken care so to arrange
the Business that no material alteration or incon-
-venience can arise—

N.o 5.

In consequence of some new Arrange-
-ments in the Department of the General Agent Cavalry
Supplies which are now about to take place, I have
dispatched a man to Hydrabad, to settle and arrange
my affairs there until my arrival— which I hope
will take place some time during the month of
May— In the mean while I have directed Tattiah
to Communicate direct with me thro' my Bramin
Vencatroyloo—

N.o 6

From Captain Conway to Captain Munt

I have received all your letters &
respecting

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respecting the Contract made by me with Talliah on the 4th March last, and am sorry that any mistake of mine should have involved him in so great a loss as he must certainly suffer, if not relieved by your good offices. As to the first Paragraph of your letter without date, on which I acted, it is perfectly clear, and you confirm the Contract for 180 Garce of Gram, but in the next Par. you say in this case you may offer to take proposals for the Consumption of the Regiments exclusive of the 180 Garce from them or any other Person for four (4) months more at the rate of 30 Garce on an average 7 month "and in the last Para. you add The monthly Quantities shall be paid for on the Terms of the last agreement you sent me, calculated at 4 instead of six months" I was led to conclude all this agreement from a Conviction that these terms were such as you required, and as the time did not admit of reference, the former Contract was concluded on the last day of February and there was only 30 Garce of Grain in Store, sufficient for the Consumption of March. The Stock you desired to be laid in 180 Garce, was not to be expected

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expected till may, and no Contractor could undertake to renew the supply for the monthly Consumption without some preparation, thus I did as I thought most adviseable for the public good, and hoped to have met your full approbation of the measure, you do not however appear to give your Concurrence to. the 4th Paragraph. Tattiah has represented to me in such strong terms, that he will be a considerable losor by having 120 Garce of Grain thrown on his hands, by the alteration you propose in the Contract that I feel very unpleasantly situated towards him, thus circumstanced and convinced that from the prospect of Grain rising at this Station from the want of periodical Rains, the whole Contract made by me on the 4th March, under what I really conceived your full authority, is not only unexceptionable, but advantageous, I beg of you to use your endeavours to set things Right, and should be obliged by your laying the whole business before the Military Board and Government if you do not feel authorized to fix it yourself.

Poor Baynes requested me to act for him

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him here, and I offered from a wish to oblige you to continue to do the same, I am sorry you misconceived my motives, and should have thought it necessary to allow your Concopsly to write to the Contractor and Conicopoly here "that no person had anything to say to them but you" and that they had no occasion to consult me," It is far from my wish to interfere with any persons Department, and I took your hint and gave the trouble I had taken, from the moment I received your

"letter, and now I have only to hope that you will relieve "me from the present embarrasment by Confirming my "agreument with Tattish of the 4th of March, by which "you will oblige me by relieving my mind, and do the "Company a Service by making a good Contract.

N.o 7.

"I am on the Eve of embarking on "the Drake but will reply in full to your Letter in a few "days, and as we stretch out off and on only until the 5th "of next Month, you will receive it shortly. for the "present I can only say I should be grieved that your "feelings were hurt by a necessary act of mine.

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"A contract has been concluded on
"much lower terms than those which Tattiah proposes
"The Military Board will conceive me mad to recommend
"a Dearer Contract -

"I cannot delegate an authority to
"any person to conclude a Contract I wished for Propo-
"sals to compare with those of other peoples - if every
"person to whom I wrote throughout the Country reques-
"ting them to procure proposals for the delivery of
"Grain at your station had Concluded a Contract I should
"have had five different Contracts upon my hands. It is
"the busineſs of this Office to obtain the lowest terms and
"the Board would reprimand me for giving them un-
"necessary trouble in Recommending the adoption of a
"measure directly Contrary to the Established Rules of the
"Office -

"I cannot Recognize any authority in
any person to conclude an agreement as it strikes at the
very foundation of the appointment -

"Tattiah has mis stated the matter
"to you, if you Re-peruse your Correſpondence you will
find

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find that he cannot be a loser" I am at a loss to con-
ceive to what Captain Munt alludes, he probably can
explain himself on this subject -

"It is true I confirmed your first
"agreement because it was then the lowest tender that
"had been received"-

When the Contractors could receive
no satisfaction from me, they naturally referred to the
Resident for redress. I furnished a Statement of the
particulars to Colonel Montresor on the 27th August last,
for the information of the Resident, by his desire, and
I earnestly hope this may produce a more favorable
view of my Conduct and the Contractors situation -

Interested as I must be considered in
every thing that relates to the fulfilment of the Contract
I concluded, I trust it will not be deemed improper in
me to endeavour to shew that the Contractors have
fulfilled their engagements, and that no Claim exists
against them for Wastage to authorize the non payment
of the Balance due to them. The Contractor Lattish
informs me that he lodged in the Goshen Mail 105
Garee

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Garce in March 1807 and 75 in April making the Total 180 Garce which by his Contract was to be lodged there by the 1st of June. that in July 1807 he Completed the delivery of that Grain (which should have been received by the General agent on the 1st June) to the Servants in the General Agents Department by the Marcal then in use with the Two Regiments of Cavalry, and the same that the late Captain Baynes approved and used without either the measure or measurement being disputed, on the Contrary he states that he always allowed the agents Servants to measure as they pleased. when the grain was all delivered the Contractor did receive the agents Servants Receipts annexed which was the Voucher on which payment was to be made. The Contractor has further requested of me to state in his Vindication, that the Cause of the deficiency of Gram which Captain Munt (Claims) and withholds the Balance on account of (was occasioned by the Issues being made to the Regiments from a longer Marcall which

Captain

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Captain Munt sent up in August-

/ Signed / T. H. S. Conway

Dept. Adjt. Genl.

Cantonment

Secunderabad

24th January 1809-

/ Copy /

Received from Saboon Tattiah Contractor at Hydrabad

/210/ Two hundred and Ten Garce of Chenna as follows viz.

		£.	M.	C.
1807 March 1st to the 31st	the Balance of last Contract	30	"	"
	In part of the Contract for 180 Garce	5.	"	"
April 1st to the 30th	Do. Do.	44.	99.	"
May 1st to the 31st	Do. Do.	78.	369.	"
June 1st to 30th	Do. Do.	38.	239.	6
July 1st to 11th	Do. Do.	10.	68.	9
Delivered to Lieutenant Lyne as p his receipt		2.	373.	9.
Cantonment Secundrabad, Total Received		210.	"	"

12th July 1807.

N.B. Original Receipts were granted by the 2d. Mr. of the 1st and 8th Regiments of Native Cavalry to Tattiah for 35 Garce received by them in the month of March 1807 are included above -

/ Signed / G. Kylasnordum

Con.r to the G. A. C. S.

at Hydrabad -

a true Copy of the Duplicate receipt as presented to me by the Contractor.

/ Signed / T. H. S. Conway

Dept. Adjt. Genl.

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To Lieutenant Colonel Montresor

Commanding the Subsidiary Force

Sir,

Para. 1. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 26th ultimo with Enclosures from the Deputy Adjutant General on the subject of the Contract for Horse Gram which he concluded in February last with Naganah and Tattiah -

2. I have already stated to the Madras Government my opinions upon the Terms of that Contract, upon the manner in which it was concluded, and upon the Loss which the Contractors have sustained from the refusal of the General agent to ratify certain parts of the Contract, as also from his having withheld from them a Balance of 19,000 Rupees which by the Terms of the Contract ought to have been paid on the 1st of June last -

3. The further Explanations contained in the Deputy Adjutant Generals Letter of the 26th ultimo will justify him, I trust with Government for having concluded the Contract, but I could have wished he had given a more

more decided opinion upon the fulfillment of its
Terms by the Contractors, from whose information
only and not from his own Knowledge, he endeavours
to shew that they had strictly performed their Engagements.

4th Thus the matter appears to me to
rest at present upon assertions only. The General
agent states that the Contractors had not delivered into
store 180 Garce of Gram by the 1st of June, agreeably to
the Terms of the Contract, and that there was a deficiency
of Gram still to be made good, which appears to
have arisen from the difference between measurement
by an old and a new Marcal -

Upon those Grounds the General Agent
withheld from the Contractors Payment of the Balance
of 19,800 Rupees, which should have been discharged on
the 1st of June, provided the whole quantity of Gram viz.
180 Garce, had by that time been stored -

5 The Contractors on the other hand
assert, that the stipulated quantity of Gram viz. 180
Garce was stored in the Gosh Mahl by the 1st of June,
and was ready for delivery at that period had it been
demanded

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demanded, but that the delivery of the whole was not completed as will appear by the Receipts until the month following-

6th The Contractors assert also that the measurement of the Gram was left to the Servants in the General agents Department who used the Marcals belonging to the Cavalry Regiments and the same which the late General agent Captain Baynes had approved without either the measure or the measurement being disputed-

7th The Military Board having approved of Captain Munts Conduct towards the Contractors who will in consequence be considered by Government to have failed in their Engagements and be exposed perhaps to the Payment of a very Considerable Penalty, it appears to me but just and reasonable that they should have an opportunity of Vindicating themselves and I therefore request that this opportunity may be granted to them in such official manner as you may think best adapted for ascertaining the principal point whether or not they have strictly performed the Engagements

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Engagements which they entered into with the Deputy Adjutant General -

I have the honor to be

&c. &c. &c

Hydrabad

15 February 1808 -

(Signed) Jhs. Sydenham

Resident

A true Copy

(Signed) J. Sydenham

Resident -

N. 4.

To Captain Sydenham

Resident at Hydrabad

Sir,

In consequence of your letter of the 8th Instant, which I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of, I ordered a Committee of three experienced officers to assemble, and investigate the point in dispute, relative to the fulfilment of the Contract, entered into between the General Agent of Cavalry supplies and Tattiah -

Enclosed herewith are the proceedings of the Committee, by which it appears evident the terms

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of the Contract were fulfilled by Pallicah, that is to say, that he did agreeable to those terms deliver into store 180 Garce of Gram by the 1st of June and that the Marcal with which it was measured was that in use with the Regiments of Cavalry and Stamped with the Company's Mark-

It appears the new Marcol sent here by Captain Munt did not arrive till upwards of two months after the Gram had been stored -

I have the honor to be

W. W. W.

(Signed) T. G. Montresor.

Lieut Colonel

(A true Copy)

(Signed) Charles Russell
First Asst.

Secunderabad
14th February 1808

Proceedings of a Committee, assembled by Order of the Commanding Officer of the Hydrabad Subsidiary Force, to investigate a Subject which will be laid before them by the Deputy Adjutant General Secunderabad -

6 February 1808.

President

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President

Captain Mackentosh 22d Regiment N. I.

Captain Macleod, Dy Qr Mr Genl. } Members { Mr. Turton, Qr Mr 33d Regt.

The Committee having read the Deputy adjutant Generals letter N. 1 and likewise perused the Contract entered into by the General agent for Cavalry Supplies with Rajah Bundawah Naggannah and Tattiah, for the supply of Gram for the two Regiments of Cavalry in the Division of the Hydrabad Subsidiary Force -

Tattiah on the part of Naggannah being called informs the Committee that 105 Garce were lodged in the Gosharnaul before the 31st of March and 73 were lodged before 30th April -

Question by the Committee. To whom did you deliver the Grain at the periods you mention? -

Answer - Upon my having lodged the Grain I called upon the General Agents people to measure it, and was told by Vencatasubiah the General

agents

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agents servant that he could not measure it until another Conicopoly arrived from Madras to assist him or he received authority to entertain one here. upon this I reported to Captain Conway my having lodged the Grain and that the General Agents People would not measure it.

Question by the Committee to Pattiah — Did you conceive that by the terms of the Contract you were bound to bring the 180 Gara lodged by you in the Goshimaul to the Cavalry lines?

Answer — I did not. I conceived my Contract fulfilled when the Grain was lodged in the Goshimaul.

2d Question — By what measure did you put this Grain into store?

Answer — I put the whole of it in by weight at the rate of 40 Pullas ℔ Gara, and left to the General Agents people to measure it out by the Regular Company's Mercal.

3d Question — How much of this Grain did you deliver to the people of the General Agent and when

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did you deliver it?

Answer - I delivered to Gurreeroyam at the Goshimaul 78 Garce previous to the 30th of April -

4th Question - By whose Mercal was this Grain measured, yours or his?

Answer - By his Own Mercal, and his own Servants - Captain Conway, Deputy Adjutant General is called upon, and the following Question put to him -

Question 1st - Did Tattiah Report to you in april or May 1807, that he had lodged the Grain according to his Agreement, and that the General Agents Servant would not measure it?

Answer - He frequently Reported it to me -

Question 2d: Do you Know whether the Quantity was then stored according to his Agreement or not?

Answer - I went to the Goshimaul to see it and there appeared to me to be the quantity, but not having seen it measured, I cannot positively say that the whole was then stored -

Chulmiah Conicopoly informs the Com-
mittee

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Committee that the Grain was stored by Tatteah as per the accompanying Statement. N.2.

Vincata Soobiah Canicopoly to the General agent informs the Committee that he was told by Tatteah about the 9th or 10th of April that there were upwards of 100 Garce of Grain Ready in the Goshmaul, and desired that he would measure it as soon as he Could, and by the time that it was measured, the rest of the Gram would be ready for him, but as he Vincata Tasubiah had neither people nor measures he could not at the time measure it, he therefore, only received 24 Garce, which he delivered out for the daily Consumption of the Cavalry by their own measures. He received Orders from the Department of the General agent on the 24th of March not to receive any of the Grain Contracted for the monthly Consumption, but whatever he received was to be deducted from the 180 Garce; on the 24th April he was Relieved by Gerroyam's Brother-

Gerroyam

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Gerravoyan who has acted as Coni.
copoly for his Brother since the 24th of April
1807 being called on by the Committee and
the first Article of the Contract No. 3 being
Read to him informs the Committee that
he believes that 100 Garce were in store in
the Goshimaul previous to the 1st May and
that he knows there were upwards of 180 Garce
lodged there previous to the 1st of June

1st When was your Brother entertained as
Canicopoly to the General Agent-

Answer- On the 24th of April 1807 altho my Brother
was named Conecopoly Ingeneral did the
greatest part of the duty-

2d Question- Where is your Brother and what is the
Reason that he is not here?

Answer- He is Confined to his House with the Small
Pox and cannot Come out-

Question 3d What instruction did your Brother
Receive from the General Agent upon being
appointed Conicopoly?

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told by Tatliah that he could not do it untill
he was ordered to do so as he had delivered
the whole of the Grain by their own Measure.

12th Question. When was this request made to Tatliah?

Answer. I think it was in the months of September
and November.

13th Question. Have you any Reason to think that if
you had measured the Grain with a Measure
equal in Size to the one you received on the
8th August that Tatliah would have objected
to it.?

Answer. I do not think he would, as he made no
objections whatever to any measures.

The Committee from all that has
appeared before them are of the following opi-
nion viz.t

With regard to the 1st query contained
in the Deputy Adjutant Generals letter the
Committee is of opinion that the Contract has
been fulfilled by the Contracting parties in its
fullest extent.

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With regard to the 2d query the Committee is of opinion that the quantities stored on the 1st Article of the Contract were delivered by the proper measure, that is the Company's Mercal then in use with the Department of the General Agent and the two Regiments of Cavalry, and stamped with the Company's Mark, and that of Course no objections were made by the Department, it being their own measure -

With Regard to the 3d query it appears evident that the Mercal sent up by the General Agent for the use of the two Regiments of Cavalry, did not arrive untill two months, and eight days, after the Contract had been fulfilled, and as will appear by the Accompanying Copy No. 4 of the Conicopoly's Receipt Subsequent to the time the whole of the Gram was delivered to the General Agents Department -

/ Signed / A. Mackintosh
Capt. & President
" C. Macleod
Dept. Qr. Mr. Gl.
" R. Turton
Qr. Mr. 33d Regt.

A true Copy
/ Signed / Charles Russell
First Asst.

To

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With

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With regard to the 2d query the Committee is of opinion that the quantities stored on the 5 Articles of the Contract were delivered by the proper measure, that is the Company's Mercal then in use with the Depart-ment of the General Agent and the two Regiments of Cavalry, and stamped with the Company's Mark, and that of Course no objections were made by the Department, it being their own measure -

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" R. Turton
Qr. Mr. 33d Regt.

A true Copy
/ Signed / Charles Russell
First Asst.

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To Captain Mackintosh

President of a Committee

Sir,

I am directed by Lieutenant Colonel Montresor to Communicate to you his desire that the Committee of which you are President will make the following Enquiries, and Report your Opinion upon the subject of them -

1st Whether the 1st article of the enclosed Contract has, or has not been Completed, by the Contracting parties Nayganah and Tattiah -

2d Whether the Quantities of Grain Stored on that article and Contract were delivered by proper measures, and stored by the prescribed period, and if any and what objections were made to the measurement by the General Agents Servants -

3. Whether the Marcal Sent up by the General Agent for the use of the two Regiments was received prior or Subsequently to the delivery of the 180 Garce -

The Contracting parties Nayganah and

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and Tatlah will attend to give the information re-
quired of them, and the Quarter Masters of the 1st 18th
Regiments with the General Agents Servants, it is
presumed can determine the 2d and 3d Questions -

(Signed) T. H. S. Conway
Dpt Adjt Gl.

(A true Copy)

Cantonments
Secunderabad
6. February 1808 -

(Signed) A. Mackintosh
Capt & President

(A true Copy)
(Signed) Charles Russell
First Capt.

		G.	M	S	£	M	S
March	5th	"	285	2			
	6th	1	280	"			
	7th	3	290	"			
	8th	4	250	"			
	9th	4	261	7			
	10th	5	190	10			
	11th	5	187	6			
	12th	8	17	1			
	13th	5	240	"			
	14th	"	325	"			
	15th	6	70	"			
	17th	3	122	11			
		"	"	"			

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			℔	M	ʃ	℔	M ʃ
March	22d	4	306	3			
	23d	13	48	8¾			
	24th	12	200	"			
	25th	13	61	1¾			
	26th	1	378	4			
	28th	6	22	11			
	31st	3.	153	9.			
					105	127	2½
April	3d	5	122	6			
	4th	5	14.	2			
	7th	"	107	6			
	9th	5	71	8			
	10th	11	392.	3			
	11th	1	390	"			
	12th	-	155	.			
	19th	3	162	1			
	20th	1	176	3			
	21st	1	387	1			
	22d	1	53	9			
	23d	1	312	11			
	25th	3	35	8			
	28th	17	167	6			
	29th	10	332	6			
	30th	3.	354	7.			
					75	35	5.

/ A true Copy /
/ Signed / Charles Russell
First Assistant.

Articles

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Duplicate

Articles of agreement made and Provided between Captain Henery Munt General agent for Cavalry Supplies and Tattiah, on the part of himself, and Rajah Bun-dawah Neggaiah for the Supply of Grain for the two Cavalry Regiments in the Division of the Hydrabad Subsidiary Force. Station at Nuggur Sagur-

1st The Contractors promise and bind themselves to store in the Granary Called Goothie Maul, One hundred and Eighty 180 Garce, of new Chinna, or Coolty, at the Rate of Four hundred and Forty [440] Company's Rupees P Garce, of Chinna, and 360 Three Hundred and Sixty Company's Rupees P Garce of Coolty. The Contractors further agree that of the above Quan-tity one Hundred Garce shall be delivered into store by the 1st May, and the Remaining Eighty Garce by the 1st June 1807.

2d An advance of 39,600 Thirty nine thou-sand six Hundred Company's Rupees, to be made to the Contractor Immediately, Nineteen thousand Eight hundred

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hundred 19800 in further part of the Contract be paid on the 1st May and the Remainder on the 1st June 1807.

3d The Contracting parties Pattiah and Rajah Bundawah Nyganah bind themselves to fulfill the above agreement or in default to forfeit the sum of 15,000 Fifteen thousand Star Pagodas to the Honorable Company.

4 It is also agreed on the part of the Con=tracting persons to furnish Chinna or Coolly of a good and Serviceable Quality for the monthly Con=sumption of the Cavalry at this station for a period of four months viz from the 1st of March 1807 to the 30th June 1807 at the above rates receiving monthly payment for the Quantities delivered to the Quarter Masters of Regiments at the Regimental Store Rooms.

5th In failure of the 4th article of this Agree=ment the Contractors Pattiah and Rajah Bundawah Nagganah agree to forfeit to the Honorable Com=pany the Sum of 8000 Eight Thousand Company Rupees.

6 That the Contractors shall receive

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10000 Ten thousand Rupees, for the supply of Grain, agreeable to the 4th Article for march, april, May and June 1807 which sum is to be deducted from his Bills for May, and June at the rate of 5000 five thousand Rupees each month -

Hydrabad Cantonments March 4th 1807

here Signed in Gentoos by Lattiah

Witness / Signed / T. H. S. Conway
Dy Asst. Gl.
" A Kennedy
" W. R. Taylor

A true Copy
/ Signed / A. Macintosh
Capt & President

A true Copy
/ Signed / Charles Russell
First assistant

Duplicate

Received from Lattiah Contractor at Hydra-bad / 210 / Two hundred and Ten Garce of Chenna as follows viz

	G.	M.	S.
1807 March 1st to the 31st the Balance of last contract - - - -	30.	"	"
In part of the Contract for 180 Garce - - - -	5		
April 1st to the 30th Do - - Do - - Do -	44.	99.	"
May 1st to the 31st Do - - Do - - Do	78.	369.	-

Sirs

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June 1st to the 30th	Do — Do	Do	38. 289. 6
July 1st to the 11th	Do — — Do	Do	10. 68 — 9.
Delivered to Lt Lyne as p his receipt —			2. 373. 9.
Total Received — 210.			

Cantonment Secunderabad
12th July 1807

/ Signed / G. Kylasanadum
Conico p. to the G. a. C. S.
at
Hydrabad

NB. Original Receipts were granted by the Dr. Mr. of the 1st & 8th Regts N. I & a true Copy to Pattiah for 35 Thirty five Garee / Signed / A. Mackintosh
Capt & President

Received by them in the month of March 1807 are included above — A true Copy.

/ Signed / Charles Ruffell
First assistant -

Order thereon

Ordered that a Copy of the foregoing letter be furnished to the Military Board, and that they be desired to state their opinion as to the Compensation claimed by Nayanah for the loss, which he is represented to have sustained from the refusal of the General Agent for Cavalry Supplies to confirm the agreement concluded with Captain Conway for the supply

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of Grams for the Regiments of Cavalry serving with the Subsidiary Force of Hydrabad -

To the Chief Secretary to Government
at
Fort St. George

Sir,

I am directed by the Presi-dent and Members of the Board of Trade to Communicate to you for the information of the Honorable the Governor in Council that the Commanders of the Honorable Company's China Ships in consequence of the want of men on board those ships have requested to be allowed to embark the regulated number (10) of the French Prisoners now at Poonamalle on each ship on the Condition of delivering them upon their arrival in England, and the Board beg leave to submit the request of the Commanders for the consideration of His Honor in Council.

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From the acting Secretary to the Marine Board - suggesting that ten French Prisoners of War may be embarked on each of the H. C. China ships as Marines to be surrendered as Prisoners on their arrival in England -

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Fort St. George
4th August 1808.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
(Signed) J. Gwatkin.
Act. Sec.

Resolution thereon.

Resolved to authorise the arrangement proposed in the foregoing letter.

To George Buchan Esqr.
Chief Secretary to Government
&c. &c.

Sir,

From Messrs Tulloh & Co. claiming some iron guns at Tranquebar formerly belonging to the H. C. S. Kent as mortgaged to them but which have been declared to be the property of another claimant.

Wishing to make some arrange-
ment for the disposal of Twenty Guns, short
18 Pounders formerly belonging to the Kent Indiaman
which had been mortgaged to us by Captain M. S.
Wamberg on account of A. Poupiah, whose agent He
was, We lately applied to Mr. D. Hosford and
Messrs Boalth & Co of Tranquebar on the subject, and to
our great surprise have been given to understand
by them, as per the two accompanying Letters of
20th May and 4th ultimo, that the property has been
claimed

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claimed by a Person named Chinnapah, who has got a Sentence in his favor from their Court, and which they consider irrevocable -

In support of our claim We beg leave to transmit the accompanying Letters from Colonel Cullen of the 4th 7th & 28th March 29th April & 20th August 1802, as also Copies of our Letters to him of 11th March and 9th April 1802 by which you will perceive that the guns and the other Property mort= -gaged, were regularly delivered over and taken possession of by him in our name, by virtue of the Mortgage Deed forwarded in Ours of the 11th March, as suggested in his of the 7th same month - Conceiving the Property to be safe in the hands of Mr Kilson (who embarked &c some time afterwards & Died on his passage to Europe) or in those of his House under the above firm of Boalth & Co. We made no further enquiries respecting the guns, altho' we made several attempts to dispose of them to Admiral Rainier,

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Rainier, but could not agree about the price, and did not endeavour to bring them to Madras on account of the Expence and because. We were given to understand that the Danish Government would object to their being exported in time of War as the Circumstance might be construed so as to affect their Neutrality -

As we have every reason to suppose that the Circumstance of the Guns having been taken posession of by Coll. Callen as our Property must have been well known to both the Parties above mentioned. We are the more surprised at their appearing to be ignorant of the foul play that has been going on & we trust for the sake of their Characters that they may be able to exculpate themselves from blame; and if the Danish Court has been imposed upon by a false claim We are willing to presume that they will not only reverse the sentence but punish severely the Authors of the deception that has been practised upon them -

We therefore take the liberty of requesting that

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That you will embrace an early opportunity of submitting the above Circumstances for the Consideration of the Honorable The Governor in Council, that with the permission of Government enquiry may be made through the Resident at Tranquebar, and measures taken in the mean time to prevent the Guns from being alienated or otherwise disposed of, until our just right be either established or Legally superseded -

We have the honor to be

&c &c &c

(Signed) Tullok. Brodie Baly burton & Co.

P.S. The Original Mortgage of the Cargo - was never returned to us by Colonel Cullen, nor has it been found Amongst his Papers; We therefore conclude that it must have been either delivered in to the Court at Tranquebar, when he took possession of the Guns, or handed over to his agents Messrs Boalth & Co which he does not mention in any of his Letters -

Accompanying

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Accompanying is the Mortgage Bill of
of the Ship and Cargo thereon on board; the articles
which the other Mortgage is granted, under the sa
having been previously landed at Tranquebar and put un
the charge of Mr Hosford.

/ Signed / T.B. H. & C.

order thereon. Ordered that a Copy of the foregoing Letter with
the original Papers therein referred to be transmitted to the
Commissioner at Tranquebar in order that he may fully inves
-gate the case and Report the result for the consideration
of the Board.

" G.A. Barlow

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" Oakes

" J.A. Harmajor

E.A. Strange

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