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very considerable Proportion of Field the very newest and best Construction their Stores complete beyond what we ed from in any reasonable Calculation for the service of Island.

Inclosed I have the honor to transmit to your Lordship in Council a Short Re of the Amount of the said Field Train, and I ha only to add that should any of your Lordship's Mi Arrangements render the use of the whole or any par of this Train in the smallest degree desirable for the Service of the Honorable East India Company, that I shall have much satisfaction in holding it in Readine to comply with any wish your Lordship in Council may have on the occasion, and it can at all times be Ready for embarkation at the very shortest Notice

I have the honor to be &c &c

(Signed) Thos. Maitland

A true Copy

(Signed) Richd. Plasket

Columbo
11 December 1808.

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Return of Field Ordnance - Colombo December 9th 1808-

Ordnance, Mounted on Travelling Carriages, with Limbers, Tumbrils, fixed Ammunition, &c. &c. perfectly complete.

	No.	Total
12 Prs Medium	6	
6 " Light	12	
3 "	12	
8 Inch Howitzers	4	
5½ "	6	
4⅖	8	
Total		48

(Signed) Clemt. M. Edwards
Mil.y Secy

A true Copy

(Signed) R. Plasket
Dy Secy to Govt.

To

Fort St. George — January 1809

To the Chief Secretary to Government
at Fort St. George

From the Acting Secretary to the Board of Trade. Encloses Copy of a letter from the Captain of the H. C. Ship Wm. Pitt, and Requests that the Passage money therein mentioned may be paid

Sir,

I am directed by the President and Members of the Marine Board to transmit to you, for the information of the Honorable the Governor in Council, the Accompanying Copy of a Letter from the Commander of the Honorable Company's Ship William Pitt, and to Request, that the Passage Money due to Captain Graham for the persons therein mentioned, may be paid to him, agreeably to the rates established by this Government.

Fort St. George
16th. January 1809

I have the honor to be Sir yr.
(Signed) J. Gwatkin
Actg. Secy.

J. Gwatkin Esqre.
Secretary to the Board of Trade

Sir,

I beg leave to inform you for the information of the President and Members of the Board of Trade, in Conformity to the following letter received from the Bengal Government. Vizt.

To

Fort St. George — January 1809

To Captain C. Graham

Commander, H. C. Ship Wm. Pitt.

Sir,

The Right Honorable the Governor General in Council having been pleased to order Accommodations to be provided for the Conveyance to Fort St. George of certain Officers and Troops belonging to His Majesty's and the Honorable Company's Military Services, I am directed by the Marine Board to inform you that they have allotted the following proportion thereof to proceed on the Ship you Command for that presidency Viz.

2 Ensigns H. M. 59th Regt. Foot
34 Rank & File ...... Do.
9 Cadets H. C. Military Services, &
2 Rank & File .... Do.

I am likewise directed to state that the Amount of Paſsage Money which may be Allowed to you for this Service, is left for Adjustment under the orders of the Honorable the Governor in Council

at

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at Fort St. George.

Fort William
3d. December 1808.

I am &c. &c.

(Signed) John Hayes
Secy. to Marine Board

I received on board as per enclosed receipt of the Commanding Officer, at Sauger on the 20th December 1808, 2 Ensigns and 28 Rank & File of His Majesty's 59th Regiment, and landed them safe at Masulipatam 9th January 1809 at 4 P.M. I also received on board 9 Cadets at Sauger on 19th December 1808. and landed the same at this Presidency on the 12th instant. I have therefore to solicit the Board for the passage money agreeably to their instructions.

I have also to Acquaint you for the information of the President and Members of the Board of Trade, the two Soldiers wives of His Majesty's 14th Regiment ordered on Board the Wm. Pitt by this Government were duly received on board on the 1st September 1808 and landed at Fort William on the 15th September 1808, for which no compensation has yet been received

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received, I therefore trust that the Board will be pleased to direct the usual Allowance to be paid for them, and also for -

2 Ensigns H. M. 59th Regiment
1 Serjeant ....
1 Corpl. ....
26 privates ....
31

From 20th December to 9th January 1809 both days inclusive - 21-

9 H. C. Cadets from 19th December to 12th January 1809 both days inclusive - 25 days.

I am &c. &c.

(Signed) Chas. Grahame

A true Copy

(Signed) J. Gwatkin
Actg Secy

Madras
14th January 1809

This is to Certify that the Undermentioned Officers and Privates of His Majesty's 59th Regiment of Foot were received on board the Honorable Company's Ship William Pitt in Saugor Roads, on the 20th December 1808 and landed at Masulipatam, on the 9th January 1809

Duncan

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	Duncan Gordon	Ensign
	John Meyer	Do.
	Kenith Young	Serjeant
	John Rice	Corporal
5	Denis Alleson	Private
	Joseph Booth	Do.
	Thomas Fitzgerald	Do.
	Patrick Folley	Do.
	James Gorman	Do.
10	Hugh Heffernan	Do.
	Patrick Heffernan	Do.
	John Jennings	Do.
	Patrick Kelly	Do.
	Joseph Lounds	Do.
15	John Marra	Do.
	George Mitchell	Do.
	John Menonge	Do.
	Edwd. Manning	Do.
	Timothy Murphy	Do.
20	Michael Oneal	Do.

2 Ensigns
1 Serjeant
1 Corporal
26 Privates
30

Duncan Gordon
Ensn. H.M. 57th Regt.
Commanding Party

Patrick

	Patrick Ryan	private
	Joseph Seadon	Do.
	John Sexton	Do.
	William Taylor	Do.
25	Mathew Taylor	Do.
	Luke Wilson	Do.
	George Ward	Do.
	Thomas Worthall	Do.
	Patrick Wall	Do.
30	John Walker	Do.

A true Copy

(Signed) J. Gwatkin
Actg Secy

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

Honorable Sir,

From the Military Auditor General - submits a Claim from Lieut. Byam for Passage Money, with an observation.

Lieutenant William Byam of the 6th Regiment of Native Infantry, a Prisoner of War, to whom your honor in Council, have been pleased in the General of the 23d February last, to grant permission to proceed to Europe

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	Duncan Gordon	Ensign
	John Lloyd	Do.
	Kenith Young	Serjeant
	John Rice	Corporal
5	Denis Alleson	Private
	Joseph Booth	Do.
	Thomas Fitzgerald	Do.
	Patrick Folley	Do.
	James Gorman	Do.
10	Hugh Wifferman	Do.
	Patrick Wifferman	Do.
	John Jennings	Do.
	Patrick Kelly	Do.
	Joseph Sounds	Do.
15	John Marra	Do.
	George Mitchell	Do.
	John Menonge	Do.
	Edwd. Manning	Do.
	Timothy Murphy	Do.
20	Michael Oneal	Do.

2 Ensigns
1 Serjeant
1 Corporal
26 Privates
31

Duncan Gordon
Ensn. H.M. 37th Regt.
Commanding Party

Patrick

Fort St. George – January 1809

	Patrick Ryan	private
	Joseph Seaton	Do.
	John Sexton	Do.
	William Taylor	Do.
25	Mathew Taylor	Do.
	Luke Wilson	Do.
	George Ward	Do.
	Thomas Worthale	Do.
	Patrick Wall	Do.
30	John Walker	Do.

A true Copy

(Signed) Jn. Gwatkin
Actg Secy

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

Honorable Sir,

From the Military Auditor General – submits a Claim from Lieut. Byam for Passage Money, with an observation.

Lieutenant William Byam of the 6th Regiment of Native Infantry, a Prisoner of War, to whom your honor in Council, have been pleased in the General of the 23d February last, to grant permission to proceed to

Europe for the purpose of effecting his Exchange, has by letter, of which I herewith submit a Copy, applied for Passage Money to England, and for Six Months Advance of Subsistence, in Conformity to the G. O. of Government of the 17th October 1807. As the case of this Officer is peculiar, and the above cited General Order is not strictly applicable to it, I have considered it my duty to lay the same before your Honorable Board, to receive your Commands regarding it. The only case in my recollection which is similar, is that of Cornet R. Rashleigh of the 3d Regiment of Native Cavalry, which I had the honor to lay before you on the 22d of February last, to which request your Honorable Board was pleased to accede.

Mility Audr Genls Office
Fort St George 16th Jany 1809.

I have the honor to be &c. &c.
(Signed) P. Bruce
Mility Audr Genl

To the Military Auditor General

Sir,
Fort St George

Having received permission from the Governor in Council to proceed to Europe to effect my

Exchange as being a Prisoner of War on Parole (see General Order of the 23d. of last February) but being unable to procure my Passage before, I request you will now have the goodness to order me the usual Allowance of Passage Money and Advance of Pay for a Lieutenant, as I mean to proceed by one of the Indiamen now in the Roads, which will sail in a very few days.

Madras
14th Jany 1809.

(Signed) Wm. Byam Smith
1st Battn. 6th Regt. N. I.

A true Copy
(Signed) P. Bruce
Mily. Adjn. Genl.

Sent the following Letters.

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

Sir,

To the Secretary to the Government at Bengal. Reports that Major General Fuller has been directed to proceed to Bengal with the least possible delay. Encloses List of Officers on this Establishment Prisoners of War with an observation.

Para. 1. I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to Acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 26th Ultimo, and to Acquaint you for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council that Major General Fuller has been Required in Conformity with His Lordship's Orders to proceed to the Presidency of Fort William with the least possible delay.

2 I am directed to Request that you will submit to His Lordship in Council the enclosed List of Officers on this Establishment, Prisoners of War, which has been prepared under the instructions conveyed to this Government in the letter from Mr. Secretary Edmonstone, dated the 5th of December last

3 It may also be proper at the same time to lay before His Lordship in Council the enclosed Copy of a Communication already made to the Honble the Court of Directors on that subject by the Governor in Council at Fort St. George.

Fort St. George
18th January 1809.

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

(Signed) G. Strachey
Secy. to Govt.

To the President and Members of the Military Board

To the Military Board.
Encloses List of Stores & Provisions wanted
Cond

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor and Directs that an Arrangement may be made with the Naval Contractors for the supply of Salt Provisions Biscuit & Flour therein ~ mentioned ~

Governor in Council to desire that the Stores and Provisions specified in the enclosed List may be held in immediate readiness to be embarked on Tonnage which will be engaged for that purpose.

The Governor in Council desires ~ that an Arrangement may be made with the Naval Contractors for the supply of the Salt Provisions Biscuit, and flour mentioned in the enclosed List

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

(Signed) G. Buchan

Chief Secy. to Govt.

Fort St. George

17th January 1809.

List of Military and Provision Stores proposed to be sent to Quilon.

		Tons
300,000	Musket Cartridges	80
1000	Shells (6 Pounder)	
100	Barrels Gun Powder (100 lbs each)	
3000	Shot 6 Pounder Round	
1000	Do. ..... Cannester	
1000	Do. ..... Quilted	
60	Privates Tents.	

Tents

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100000 Flints 3000 Portfires 5000 Six Pounder Cartridges	
Arrack for four Months for 2000 Men Amounts to 12000 Gallons, or 80 Leaguers	73
Salt Provisions for One Month for 2000 Men, Amounts to 60,000 lbs. or 128 Hogsds.	58
Biscuit for one Month for 2000 Men Amounts to 90 Candy, or 450 bags	37
Flour for 2 Months for 2000 Men Amounts to 34 Candy " 5 ms. " 18 lbs., or 137 bags	10

Total Tons 258.

Sent the following Letters entered in M. B. Nos. 41-42-43-44-45-46-47

To the Military Board

To the Military Board encloses Copy of letters from the Commanding Officers at Masulipatam and Seringapatam on the subject of Works required at those Stations.

To the Military Auditor General

To the Military Auditor General Encloses Report from the Military Paymaster General on the subject of Outstanding Balances – Copy of a letter from that Officer relative to Fees due on Account of Military Commissions.

To the Town Major of Fort St. George

To the Town Major of Fort St. George.

The Prisoners of War mentioned in his letter of the 13th Instant to receive the established rate of subsistence from the time of their landing at Ganjam.

To the Magistrate of Pondicherry.

To the Magistrate at Pondicherry.

Encloses Copies of Letters from and to the Town Major of Fort St. George relative to Prisoners of War permitted to reside at Pondicherry on their Parole.

The same to the Military Auditor General.

The same to the Militry Audr General.

To Lieutenant Colonel Munro.

To Lieut. Col. Munro.

Informs him that Authority has been given for the purchase of the Instruments mentioned in his letter of the 14th Instant

To the Seringapatam Prize Committee.

To the Seringapatam Prize Committee.

Encloses for their Report Application from Mr. Surgeon Belly to share in the Seringapatam Prize Fund.

To the Company's Solicitor

To Mr. Orme — Encloses for Advocate General's Report Original letter from the Chief Secretary at Bombay relative to two Natives accused of peculation at that Presidency.

19th Received the following Letter —

George Buchan Esqr.

Chief Secretary to Government

From the Military Secretary to the Commander in Chief Encloses Draft of a G.O. for increasing the Horse Artillery in Conformity to the Orders of Government.

Sir, Fort St. George

I have the honor by desire of the Commander in Chief to submit for the Approbation of the Honorable the Governor in Council the Draft of a G. O. by Government for carrying into effect the Resolution of Government for Augmenting the Horse Artillery.

No time will be lost in completing the Arrangements for that purpose.

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

(Signed) Wm. Macpherson

My Secy

Fort St. George
Commr. in Chief's Office
18th January 1809.

G. O.

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Fort St. George
23d January 1809

G. O. By Government

The Honorable the Governor in Council having been pleased to resolve that an Augmentation of the European Horse Artillery shall immediately take place by Drafts from the Battalions of Artillery - the Commander in Chief is requested to give the Necessary Orders for carrying that Arrangement into effect.

By Order of the Honorable the Governor in Council.

(Signed) Geo. Strachey
Secy to Govt.

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

From the Military Secy to the Commander in Chief - Encloses an Application from Major Welsh of the No. 3 and Recommends it to the favorable Consideration of Government

Sir,

I have the honor to forward a Letter Addressed to you by Major Welsh of the 3d Native Infantry Regiment.

Altho' perhaps the Request contained in Major Welsh's application is not usual, Yet from the particular Circumstance of that Officer's case, The Commander in Chief submits his appeal to the known liberality of the Honorable the Governor in Council.

Fort St. George
Commr. in Chief's Office
18th January 1809.

I have the honor to be Sir &c.
(Signed) Wm. Macpherson
Mil Secy.

To the Chief Secretary to Government

Sir,
Fort St. George

It is not without the greatest reluctance I find myself compelled to intrude upon you, to request that you will have the goodness to lay before Government this my Application for an Advance of Money, to enable me to leave the Presidency to join my Corps.

A Constant series of Misfortunes (to which I see no period) have reduced my finances to such an Ebb, that nothing but the liberality of Government can relieve me. as my pay and Allowances are little more than barely sufficient for the Support of a growing Family and I have now no prospect beyond

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the Service.

On leaving England to Return to this Country, I was forced to paſs two Promiſsory Notes, both payable here within 2 Months of this Date.

One for £100 for Sundries at 7.6d. 265 Pags.
The other for Paſsage Money . . . 1241 Do.
Total . 1,506 Pags.

I will not intrude to state any thing further, as those from whom I have been obliged to borrow these Sums, are not so preſsing and will kindly allow me time to recover a little, ere they demand any Return; — but as I can only hope for this indulgence by a candid disclosure of my present Circumstances (however humiliating to my feelings) I beg leave to add that the Arrears now due me, will only serve to pay the Expences of my family to Trichinopoly, and I have neither Horse nor any thing further than Cloaths &c. in my poſseſsion, having disposed of every thing else 18 Months ago, to defray in part my Paſsage to England.

Under such Circumstances I did

not apply to the Bengal Government for an advance (which to the Amount of 2000 Rupees, was granted to other Cadet Officers of my Rank in the same fleet) as it would not have answered the Ends of my present Application which is that Government would have the goodneſs to advance me 1000 Star Pagodas (300 of which for present use) and direct it to be stopped from my Allowances by Monthly Instalments.

Fort St George
January 16th 1809.

I have the honor to be &ca &ca
(Signed) J. Welsh
Major 2d Battn 3d Regt N. I.

George Strachey Esqre
Secretary to Government

From the Military Secy to the Commr in Chief Enclosing Application from Lieutt Ruſsell for an Advance of Pay with Recommendation.

Sir,

Fort St George

I am directed by His Excellency the Commander in Chief to Request you will submit the enclosed Application from Lieutenant Ruſsell to the consideration of the Honorable the Governor in Council with His Excellency's Recommendation in its favor.

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Commr. in Chief's Office
19th January 1809.

I have the honor to be &c. &c.
(Signed) Wm. Macpherson
My Secy

To the Secretary to the Commander in Chief

Sir,

I beg leave to state that I came here with a Detachment of the 2d. Battalion 7th Regiment Native Infantry in Charge of Treasure from the Ceded Districts and Am About to return to Bellary — As the pay for this Month is due in a few days and there is no Pay Office in my Route where I can receive it. I have to request you will procure me Authority to receive the Pay of January for the Detachment in Advance — I should be greatly obliged to you for an early Answer as my stay here is short.

I am &c. &c.

(Signed) Danl. Russell Lieut.
Commg. Detachmt.
2d. Battn. 7th Regt. N. I.

Fort St. George
January 19th 1809.

To

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To the Chief Secretary to Government

Sir,

From the Assistant Adjutant General of the Army — Encloses List of Gentlemen Cadets lately Arrived, and Reports the Return of Captn. Hay of the 18th Regiment from the Cape.

By desire of His Excellency the Commander in Chief I have the honor to report for the information of the Honorable the Governor in Council that the Officers and Gentlemen Cadets named in the enclosed List have reported their Arrival from England.

The Certificates from the Honorable the Court of Directors of permission for the Officers to return to their duty in India; and of Appointment for twenty two Gentlemen Cadets are enclosed, with letters from five other Cadets who have not presented Certificates stating the Circumstances of their Case.

His Excellency is pleased to Recommend that the whole of these Gentlemen be admitted on the Establishment as Cadets with the exception of Mr Melsom who is not eligible until the 2nd day of February next when he will attain the Age of 15 Years.

I have the honor likewise to forward the prescribed declaration signed by the Gentlemen Cadets who have arrived - and a Surgeons Certificate of the State of health of Mr. Cadet Boulton, who is detained by indisposition in Bengal -

Captain Edward Hay of the 18th Native Regiment having returned from leave to the Cape of Good Hope for the benefit of his health has likewise Reported his Arrival -

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

Adjutant Genl's Office
Fort St. George
18th January 1809

(Signed) J. McDowall
Assist. Adjut. Genl.

P. S. A Surgeon's Certificate of the State of health of Ensign Leigh of the 22nd Regiment Native Infantry is likewise enclosed

List of Officers who have produced the Authority of the Hon'ble Court of Directors for their return to their duty in India -

Lieutenant Colonel	J. G. Graham	Madras European Regiment		
Lieutenant Colonel	Hamilton Hall	22nd	Native	Regiment
Major	James Welsh	3rd	Do.	Do.
"	Mathew Hawes	10th	Do.	Do.
Lieutenant	Robert Heming	5th	Do.	Do.

List

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List of Gentlemen Cadets who have produced Certificat
of their Appointment by the Honorable Court of Direct

Cavalry Charles Egerton Dukinfield
Robert Langley Highmoor
3. John Gordon

Artillery or Engineers - Alexr. Cunningham Crichton
2. Alexr. Crawfurd - { Lost his Certificat on the Wreck of th Travers.

Infantry John Gilmore Curry
John Tucker.
Angus Macpherson.
George Searancke.
5 William Scott.
William Napper Pace.
Francis Mountford.
Thos. Alexr. Crichton.
John Hunt
10. John Wright.
Henry Kitt.
Edward William
John Stanley Smith.

Jame

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Infantry · James Hodgë Logan -
15 Henry Bevan -
James Strange Kinsey -
Chas. Fergusson -
John Gordon Rorison -
George Milsom - - - - - - - - { Produced No Certificate under the prescribed Age.
Samuel Dew. - - - - - - - -
Robt. Shedden - - - - - - - - { Certificate lost, these Gentlemen were wrecked on the Travers.
Samuel Sharpe - - - - - - - -

And a Certificate of Mr. Surgeon Cheen of the Bengal Establishment, stating, that Indisposition prevents Mr. Cadet H. Boulton's proceeding from Fort William to Madras.

(Signed) Jn. McDowall
Assist. Adjut. Genl.

To the Adjutant General

Sir,

I have the honor of reporting my Arrival here in the Honorable Company's Ship William Pitt having lost my Appointment for the Artillery — owing to the unfortunate Wreck of the Travers I wish to know how to proceed.

Madras –
January 13th 1809

I have the honor to be &ca &ca

(Signed) Archibald Crawfurd

To the Adjutant General of the Army
Fort St George

Sir,

I beg leave to state that I was appointed a Cadet on the Madras Establishment on the nomination of Sir Hugh Inglis one of the Directors of the Honorable East India Company, the Date of such Appointment to Commence from the 2d Day of February 1809 being that on which I shall attain the Age of 15 Years, and have accordingly arrived in India on the Honorable Company's Ship Earl Spencer Captain Hemming who was directed by the Honorable Court of Directors to receive me as a Passenger under these Circumstances – I presume to hope therefore I may be permitted to join the Cadet Company.

Fort St George
January 13th 1809

I have the honor to be
&ca &ca

(Signed) George Milsom

To

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To the Adjutant General of the
Army

Sir,

I have the honor of reporting my Arrival here, on board, the Honorable Company's Ship William Pitt having lost my Appointment, for the Infantry, owing to the Unfortunate Wreck of the Travers, I beg to know in what manner to proceed.

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

Madras
January 13th 1809. (Signed) Samuel Dew
Cadet

To the Adjutant General of the
Army

Sir,

I have the honor of reporting my Arrival here on board the Honorable Company's ~ Ship William Pitt, having lost my Appointment for the Infantry owing to the Unfortunate Wreck of the Travers, I wish to know how to proceed.

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

Madras
January 13th 1809. (Signed) Robt. Shedden
Cadet

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To the Adjutant General

Sir,

I have the honor of reporting my Arrival here in the Honorable Company's Ship Jane Dutchess of Gordon — Having lost my Appointment for the Infantry and every thing owing to the unfortunate Wreck of the Honorable Company's Extra Ship Travers I wish to know how to proceed —

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

Madras
January 18th 1809 —

(Signed) Saml. P. Sharpe
Cadet

I do hereby Certify that Mr. H. Boulton a Cadet on the Madras Establishment Arrived here on the 18th of last Month in a bad state of health, and he now continues so unwell, that I sincerely declare to the best of my Judgement, he is incapable of proceeding to join his Corps for the Present.

Fort William
December 12th 1808 —

(Signed) Michl. Cheese
Surgeon 2d Battn. Artillery

Fort St. George January 1809.

We whose Names are hereunto subscribed Cadets in the Military Service of the Honorable United East India Company, do Acknowledge that we received at the India House a Copy of the Articles of War for the said Service, and that we have frequently and Carefully perused the same on the Voyage out from England.

(Signed) John Wright Cadet
" Chas. Fergusson — Cadet
" John Stanley Smith — Cadet
" Robt. Langley Wighmore — Cadet
" Robt. Shedden — — Cadet
" Alexr. Cunningham Crichton —
" Angus Macpherson — Cadet
" Archd. Crawfurd —
" Henry Kitt — — — Cadet
" John Rorison — — Cadet
" John Gilmore Curry — Cadet
" Wm. Napper Pace — Cadet

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(Signed) George Searancke — Cadet
" Thomas Alexr. Crichton — Do.
" Fras. Mountford — Do.
" Jn. Hodge Logan — Do.
" John Tucker — Do.
" John Hunt — Do.
" Samuel Sharpe — Do.
" John Gordon —
" Edward Williams.
" Samuel Dew.
" James Jn. Kinsey.
" William Scott.
" Henry Bevan.
" Charles Egerton Dukinfield.
" George Milsom.

I Certify that Ensign Leigh of the 2d. Battn. 22d. Regiment Madras Native Infantry is rendered incapable of proceeding to India, by his having an extensive Ulceration of the Arm, an Abscess in the Leg, and being otherwise much debilitated.

Cape of Good Hope
September 16th 1808.

(Signed) Richd. Spencer
Surgeon 21st Light Dragoons
& Actg Garrison Surgeon.

To the Chief Secretary to Government

From the Assistant
Adjutant General
of the Army Re-
commending the
Appointments of
Gentlemen Cadets &
Corrections of Rank

Sir,

I have the honor to request that you will submit to the Honorable the Governor in Council the Recommendation of His Excellency the Commander in Chief that the Undermentioned Gentlemen Cadets of Infantry shall be promoted to be Ensigns as follows.

		Date of Rank
Messrs.	R. J. Marr	27th June 1806.
	Thomas Clubbe	3rd July 1807.
	Edward Winchester	
	George Birch	
	Richard Colebrook	
	Charles Chambers	
	George Newman	
	William Peyton	
	F. C. Smith	
	Grenville Sharpe	

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Messrs.	Ed. F. Helgame	18th March 1808
	R. W. Carwardine	4th May 1808
	H. A. Thompson	19th July 1808
	Samuel Mansell	17th August 1808
	Andrew Gray	27th August 1808
	Richard Cozens	18th September 1808
	Henry Allen	19th October 1808
	Henry Harrison	21st October 1808
	Joseph Anthony	10th January 1809

His Excellency further recommends that the following Corrections of Rank shall take place.

Ensign	James Brodie date of Rank	3d August 1808
"	C. Charlesworth	19th August 1808
"	H. Cazalet	21st August 1808
"	James Scott	22d August 1808
"	William Stokoe	28th August 1808
"	J. B. Berry	4th September 1808
"	Alexr. Tweedie	9th September 1808
"	Christopher Bagot	2d October 1808
"	M. Clarke	5th October 1808

" John Tod .... 12th October 1808
" J. W. Cleaveland .... 10th December 1808
" A. Hendrie .... 27th December 1808
" T. R. Stockdale .... 29th December 1808

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

(Signed) J. McDowall
Assist. Adjt. Genl.

Adjut. Genl. Office
Fort St. George
19th January 1809

To the Chief Secretary to Government

Sir,

From the Assist. Adjutant General of the Army. Encloses Application from Lieut. Parker of the 1st Battn 13th Regt to be permitted to proceed to Europe on Sick Certificate.

I have the honor to enclose an Application from Lieutenant Parker of the 1st Battalion 13th Regiment for permission to proceed to Europe on Sick Certificate, duly attested, which His Excellency the Commander in Chief Recommends to the Honorable the Governor in Council to be complied with.

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

(Signed) J. McDowall
Assist. Adjt. Genl.

Adjut. Genl. Office
Fort St. George
19th January 1809.

To the Hon'ble the Governor in Council

Sir, Herewith I have the honor to enclose

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a Certificate, signed upon Oath by two Surgeons; and have particularly to request, that you will be pleased to grant me Permission to return immediately to Europe, for the Reestablishment of my Health.

Madras
19th January 1809.

(Signed) Henry Parker Lieut.
1st Battn. 13th Regt. N. I.

This is to Certify that Lieutenant Henry Parker of the 1st Battalion 13th Regiment Native Infantry, has since the Month of November 1807 laboured under a Severe Disease of both his Testicles & progress towards the cure having materially injured his Constitution from the Quantity of Mercury employed, and the Nature of this Climate rendering him extremely liable to a relapse, We do hereby solemnly declare that We think it absolutely necessary that Lieutenant Henry Parker should proceed with as little delay as possible to Europe for the Recovery of his Health.

So help us God.

(Signed) S. J. Reviere Assist. Surgn.
1st Battn. 13th Regt. N. I.
" S. Parrack Assist. Surgeon
1st Battn. 8th Regt. N. I.
Sworn

Sworn to before me at
Trichinopoly this Seventh
day of January 1809.
(Signed) R. H. Latham
Justice of Peace.

Received and sent the following Let
entered in M. B. No. 48-49-50-51-52.

From the Military Auditor General.

From Major Bruce. Reports on a General Estimate of Cash for payment of the Army for the Month of February.

To the Commander in Chief.

To Lieutenant General Macdowall. Encloses Extracts from the Proceedings of Government to be Communicated to the Medical Board.

To Ditto.

To Ditto. Encloses Extract from the Proceedings of Government.

To the Military Board.

To the Military Board. Encloses Copy of a letter from the Acting Secretary to the Board of Trade, and directs that orders may be given for Shipping the Articles therein mentioned.

To the Military Paymaster General.

To the Military Paymaster General.

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Encloses Copy of Report from the Military Auditor General on General Estimate of Cash.

20th Received the following Letter.

To the Chief Secretary to Government
at Fort St. George

Sir,

Lr from the Acting Secretary to the Board of Trade - Encloses an application from the Captain of the H. C.s Ship Lady Jane Dundas for Certain Passage money due to him, and recommends that the Amount may be discharged.

I am directed by the President and Members of the Marine Board to transmit to you the Accompanying Application from the Commander of the Honorable Company's Ship Lady Jane Dundas, (similar to the one from the Commander of the William Pitt submitted to you in my letter of the 16th Instant) and to request that the Passage money due to Captain Eckford for the persons mentioned in his letter, may be paid to him agreeably to the rates established by this Government.

I have the honor to be
Sir &c.
(Signed) Jn. Gwatkin
Actg Secy

Fort St. George
20th January 1809.

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To J. Gwatkin Esqr.

Acting Secretary to the Board of Trade

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose, for the information of the President and Members of the Board of Trade, a Copy of an Order from the Chief Secretary — Calcutta to receive on Board a Detachment of His Majesty's 59th Regiment and Ten Cadets for this Presidency, with an Abstract of the time they were victualled; and have to Request that the Necessary Orders may be given for the Allowance to be granted as contained in the enclosed letter.

I have the honor to be &ca &ca

Madras
18th January 1809.

(Signed) John Eckford
Comr. H. C. Ship Lady Jane Dundas.

A true Copy
(Signed) J. Gwatkin
Actg Secy

To Captain John Eckford
Commander of the Honble Company's Ship
Lady Jane Dundas

Sir,

You are hereby ordered to Receive on

board your Ship, and Accommodate with a passage to Fort St. George, the Undermentioned Persons Vizt.

1 Lieutenant H. M. 80th Regiment
1 Ensign - H. M. 59th Do.
33 Rank & File - Do.
1. Do. .... 80th Do.

9 Cadets of the Honorable Company's Military Service with their Necessaries. the Government of Fort St. George being at the Expence.

I am &c. &c.

Fort William
24th December 1808.

(Signed) John Brown
Secy to Govt. Pub. Dept.

A true Copy
(Signed) J. Eckford
A true Copy
(Signed) Jn. Gwatkin
Actg Secy

Abstract

To 30 Rank & file	20 days	H. M. 59th Regt. landed at Masulipatam.
To 1 Officer	20 "	
To 1 Rank & file	22 "	landed at Madras.
To 1 Officer	22 "	
To 10 Cadets	22 "	

(Signed) J. Eckford
A true Copy (Signed) Jn. Gwatkin
Actg Secy

Sent

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To the Military Auditor General.

Sent a Letter to the Military Auditor General entered in M. B. No. 53 — Encloses an Original letter from Captain Bagshaw and desires the Adjustment of the Offreckonings due to him —

21st The President sends in Circulation the following Minute.

Presidents Minute Recommends the appointment of Lieutt. Colonel Clarke to be Commissary of Stores at the presidency — Lieutt. Jno. Beaumont of the 5th Natv. Regt. to be Adjutant of the 2d Battn. vice Cubbon. Ensign Henry Dixon of the 3d Natv. Regt. to perform the duties of Fort Adjutant at Tanjore. Captain A. Balmain of the 7th N. I. to be Brigade Major to the Forces serving in Travancore. Recommends the appointment of Messrs. Borthwick, Law & Budd to the Military Institution, & of three Conductors vizt. Sub Conductor J. Vanderpolt — Sergt. Js. Thacker Sergt. Majr. William Gore

The President recommends the following appointments —

Lieutenant Colonel Clarke to be Commissary of Stores at the Presidency, in Conformity to the Nomination of the Honorable Court of Directors.

Lieutenant John Beaumont of the 5th Native Regiment to be Adjutant of the 2d Battalion Vice Cubbon —

Ensign Henry Dixon of the 3d Native Regiment, to perform the duties of the Fort Adjutant of Tanjore, on the usual Allowances —

Captain Alexr. Balmain of the 7th Native Regiment to be Brigade Major of the Troops serving in Travancore —

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It is Recommended that the following Gentlemen Cadets be admitted on the Establishment of the Military Institution -

Messrs. - Alexr. Borthwick -

William Law -

Wm. Henry Budd -

It is Recommended that the following persons may be Appointed Conductors of Ordnance -

Sub Conductor L. Vanderpolt -

Serjeant Jas. Thacker -

Serjeant Major Wm. Gore -

(Signed) G. H. B—

Received the following Letters -

George Buchan Esqr.

Chief Secretary to Government

Sir,

From the Commander in Chief - Reports that he has considered it expedient to put Lieutt. Coll. Munro Quarter Mr. Genl. of the army under arrest, & that if the Governor in Council continues to wish that Major Blacker should be detached to Travancore, he may recommend a person to conduct the duties of the Quarter Master General's Department.

Be pleased to inform the Honble. the Governor in Council that I have deemed it expedient, to place Lieutenant Colonel Munro Quarter Master General of the Army under Arrest, and I deem it proper that Government should be made Acquainted with the Circumstance, that should the Honorable the President be still inclined to detach Major Blacker on a Secret mission to the Southward, notwithstanding the non-Concurrence of Lieut. Genl. Macdowall, I may have an Opportunity of Recommending a person to transact the business of the Office.

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

Madras
January 20th 1809

(Signed) Hay Macdowall.

To the Chief Secretary to Government

From the Judge Advocate General Requests that Lieutt. Colonel Martin may be directed to remain in the Country for the purpose of appearing in support of the Charges, he has preferred against Lieutt. Colll. Munro Quarter Master Genl. of the army.

Sir,

The Quarter Master General of the Army, having been Yesterday ordered in Arrest by the Commander in Chief, at the instance of Lieutenant Colo. Martin, and other Officers, I have the honor to request that Colonel Martin, who has obtained permission from Government, to proceed to Europe by the Ships now under dispatch, may be directed to remain in the Country, for the purpose of appearing in support of the Charges he has preferred.

Fort St. George
21st. January 1809

(Signed) Jn. Leith
Judge Advocate Genl.

To

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To the Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George.

From the Military Secry to the Honble the Governor. Encloses letter from Lieut. Johnston of H. M. 34th Regimt with Enclosures, and Submits an observa: tion thereon -

Sir,

I request you will lay before the Honorable the Governor in Council the Accompanying letter dated the 19th instant from Lieutenant George Johnston of His Majesty's 34th Regiment with its two enclosures.

As Lieutenant Johnston has not forwarded a Copy of the Letter which I addressed to him on the 14th Instant, altho' he has referred to it, I have taken the liberty to add one to this packet.

It may also be permitted to me to notice to you on this Occasion that the Original papers mentioned in Mr. Johnston's letter of the 6th instant (which forms a No. in his Recent Address) were not before me when I wrote to him on the 14th and therefore I was obliged to take his own Account, in the letter of the 6th, of the date of Mr. Urquhart's Application to you which then stood November, altho' you will observe that he has, before Returning that letter, altered the date to

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to October

I am sensible that such an alteration of the dates of the transaction alluded to, can have no influence on the general merits of the case – but it appears a very unusual thing – and deserving of some Notice, as he founds a part of his Argument upon that date –

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

(Signed) R. Barclay
M. S.

Fort St. George
20th January 1809.

Major R. Barclay

Military Secretary to the Honble the Governor

Sir,

I have been honored with your letter of the 14th Instant and observe with some Surprise my letter of Complaint against the Chief Secretary to Government returned to me by order of the Honble the Governor, as being made without any just Reason and Remarking on my having forwarded it contrary to the rules of the Service – It is easy to make assertions, but in making, care should be taken to Attend to Fact – If a period of nearly three Months (Vizt.

from 10th October 1808 to the 6th January 1809) be not sufficient for a Reply to a Common Communication, I have complained without reason – The letter enclosed by Mr. Urquhart to the Chief Secretary was taken no notice of for that period, but the enclosure kept, and not returned even to this day – certainly from the 10th October (as you will observe to be the date of Mr Urquhart's letter of which herewith I enclose copy) to the 22d. December nearly two Months and a half cannot be considered close on each other, and I am of Opinion that had not my letter of the 22d. to the Chief Secretary been forwarded, that the letter from Mr. Urquhart would never have been noticed, and as it has hitherto the enclosure kept – My letter of the 22d. December to the Chief Secretary with its enclosures were of that Nature as could have no occasion whatever to be returned to me thro' the circuitous Channel of the Commander in Chief by the Northern Circars, it appears strange that such a Medium should be observed on a Subject the Commander in Chief could have nothing to say, but the whole tenor of Conduct of the Chief Secretary accords with such inconsistency, common Politeness I should have supposed might, if duty did not dictate to him to have Acknowledged my letter, particular as it was - surely then after finding that upwards of two Months had elapsed from Mr. Urquhart's letter, and 15 days more from the period of mine to the Chief Secretary, I might reasonably believe no notice was intended to be taken of the Communications, or at least a delay till it would be too late to answer my end by the sailing of the Fleet for Europe - my Complaint therefore was not without good Reason, and the Channel I observed was requisite after experiencing the Neglect I had -

I have now to Request that the Chief Secretary may be ordered to return the paper inclosed by Mr. Urquhart to him on the 10th October Ultimo, and I consider it proper to return again the Complaint I made, remarking that I forward Copy of it with other Papers to Europe to be printed and laid before the Honorable Court of Directors-

I have now to apologize for trespassing so long but a charge of having unjustly made a public Complaint is such as I could not consistently with the Character it has ever been my endeavour to support, pass unnoticed-

Madras
18th Jany 1809

I have the honor to be &ca &ca
(Signed) George Johnston
Lieut. H. M. 34th Regt.

To the Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose for your perusal a Memorial of Lieutenant George Johnston, of His Majesty's 34th Regiment, which he has requested of me to print, and should it not appear objectionable, may I hope to obtain your permission to comply with his request.

Monthly Journal Press
Madras 10th October 1808.

I have the honor to be &ca &ca
(Signed) W. Urquhart
Printer & Proprietor

The

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The above is a true Copy of Mr. Urquharts letter to which he had had no Reply on the 6th Jan. but the inclosed paper kept, and not returned even to that day.

(Signed) George Johnston
Lieut. 34th Regt

Madras
18th January 1809.

Lieutenant George Johnston
His Majesty's 34th Regiment
Madras

Sir,

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor to return the letter which you forwarded direct to him on the 6th instant, contrary to the Rules of the service and without any just Reason.

I am at the same time permitted by Sir George Barlow to Acquaint you that as your letter of the 22d December to the Chief Secretary followed so close on Mr. Urquhart's address to that Officer on the same subject, they were both considered to be answered in a letter of the 28th December to his Excellency the Commander in Chief.

intimating that the papers which you had sent in, could not be printed and they were returned with that letter.

I am &c. &c.

Fort St. George
14th January 1809

(Signed) R. Barclay
M. S.

A true Copy

(Signed) R. Barclay
M. S.

The Honorable
Sir George Barlow Bart K. B.
Governor &c. &c. &c.

Honorable Sir,

By my direction in the beginning of October last the Chief Secretary to Government was addressed by Mr. Urquhart, the proprietor of a printing press at Madras, altho' the letter required attention and a Reply, none was given, and enclosures that ought to have been returned were kept; under date 22d. December I had occasion to address the Chief Secretary to Government, altho' my letter particularly required attention and a Reply, no Notice has been taken, but enclosures that ought to have been returned to me have been kept.—

Such palpable and unsafe Neglect of duty in a Public Officer I am under the Necessity of Officially Complaining to your Excellency of, and as I find the prescribed Channel of Communication uncertain and unsafe, I have taken the liberty of forwarding this direct to your Excellency.

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

Chintadrapett
January 6th 1809.

(Signed) George Johnston
Lieutt. H. M. 24th Regt.

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

From the Military Board. Encloses Copy of a letter from the Naval Contractors, and request whether the Articles ordered to be prepared by the Board should be sent in addition to those reported by the Contractors.

Honorable Sir,

1 We have the honor to enclose Copy of a Letter which we have received from the Naval Contractors, in Reply to the Letter which we sent respecting the Shipment of Provisions for Ceylon.

2 Being totally unacquainted with the Nature of the communication alluded to in

the Contractors letter, and of the source whence they received it, we request to be informed whether the Articles which we were directed to prepare, should be sent in addition to those reported by the Contractors.

Fort St. George
20th January 1809.

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

(Signed) Ed. Trapaud
" Js. Capper
" P. Bruce

To the Secretary to the Military Board

Sir,

We are this moment favored with your letter of yesterday's date and its Enclosures.

A Communication to the same purport was made to us two days ago, and a considerable proportion of the Articles required have already been shipped on board the Lovely Hannah, and the Remainder shall be sent off with all possible expedition.

We have likewise been desired to ship 12,000 Gallons of Arrack to Quilon, and the greater part of it is already on board.

We are &c. &c.

Forsely & Baker

(Signed) Jn. Balfour

A true Copy

(Signed) Jn. Marshall
S. M. B.

Sent the following Letters.

To Lieutenant General Macdowall
Commander in Chief

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Sir,

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the Receipt of your Excellency's Letter of the 20th Instant.

Your Excellency having judged it expedient to adopt the measure of placing the Quarter Master General of the Army under Arrest, it is probable that the absence of Major Blacker from the Presidency might be attended with inconvenience. The Governor in Council had no intention of employing Major Blacker on any mission of a Secret nature, as stated in your Excellency's letter, and as inconvenience would at this period be liable to arise from detaching that Officer, the intention will be of course Relinquished

Fort St George
21st January 1809.

I have the honor to be &ca &ca

(Signed) Geo Buchan
Chief Secy to Govt

Fort
20th

To Lieutenant General Macdowall
Commander in Chief

To the Commander in Chief Enclosing Copy of a letter from the Judge Advocate General and Requests that the Subject of the Application therein Stated may be made known to Lieutenant Colonel Martin for his guidance.

Sir,

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to transmit to you the Copy of a letter which has been received from the Judge Advocate General, and to convey to your Excellency the request of the Governor in Council that the subject of the Application therein Stated may be made known to Lieutenant Colonel Martin, for his guidance.

Fort St George
21st January 1809

I have the honor to be &ca &ca

(Signed) Geo Buchan
Chief Secy to Govt

Sent the following letters entered

in M. B. No. 54. 55. 56.

To the Military Auditor General.

To the Military Auditor General. Encloses Extract of a letter from the Military Board, and directs him to Authorize the payment of the Bills and Advances of Money therein Recommended.

To Ditto. To Ditto. Encloses Extract from the Proceedings of Government.

To the Military Auditor General.

To the Military Auditor General. Encloses Extract of a letter from the Acting Secretary to the Board of Trade, to Authorize the payment of the Passage money therein mentioned to Captain Eckford.

22d. Sent a letter to the Military

To the Military Auditor General. Auditor General entered in M. B. No. 57. Encloses Copy of a letter from the Acting Secretary to the Board of Trade, and directs him to Authorize the payment of the Passage Money therein mentioned.

23d. Received the following Letter

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To the Chief Secretary to Government

From the Commander
of the Honble Co. Ship
Jane Dutchess of
Gordon _ Requests to be
furnished with an Order
for Passage Money on
Account of Passengers
embarked on board
his Ship by order of the
Supreme Government.

Sir,

By Order of the Bengal Government I received on board the Honorable Company's Ship Jane Duchess of Gordon, under my Command, 1 Lieutenant of His Majesty's 59th Regiment of Foot, and 8 Cadets of the Honorable Company's Military Service _ for whose Passage Money I was directed to Apply to the Madras Government _

I have presented an Account to the Military Auditor General, for the Amount, at the rate of 1 St. Pag.a pr. diem for the time the Lieut. of His Majesty's 59th Regiment was on board, and £ 70 for each Cadet, _ but he has refused to pass the Account, without an Order from Government, which I request to have granted to me for that purpose _

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ry 22d. 1809.

I have the honor to be &ca. &ca.
(Signed) J. Cameron

Sent

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Sent the following Letters.

To the Military Board — States that the Articles Shipped by the Naval Contractors should be considered to form part of the General Indent. Reason. Transmits Copy of a Letter from the Governor of Ceylon — to State whether any of the Ordnance and Stores therein mentioned are Required for the Service of this Presidency.

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 Letter of the 20th Instant, and to Acquaint you that to obviate delay the Naval Contractors were verbally informed of the Nature of the Articles of supply required for the public Service at Ceilon; and as they appear in that verbal Communication to have anticipated the Official Authority, the Articles which have been Shipped should be of Course considered to form a part of the General Indent.

2. I am directed to transmit to you the enclosed Copy of a Letter from His Excellency the Governor of Ceylon, and to desire that you will State whether any of the Ordnance or Stores therein mentioned are Required for the Service of this

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this Presidency.

Fort St. George
23rd January 1809.

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

(Signed) Geo. Buchan
Chief Secy. to Govt.

To the Military Secretary to the Honorable the Governor. Expresses the disapprobation of the Honble the Governor at the letter transmitted by Lieut. Johnston of H.M. 34th Regt.; and explains the Reasons on which it has been considered as expedient to admit it on the Records of Government.

To the Military Secretary
the Honorable the Governor
Fort St. George

Sir,

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to Acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 20th Instant.

The letter from Lieutenant Johnston of His Majesty's 34th Regiment to the Honorable the Governor under date the 6th Instant, and the renewal of that Communication in his letter to you of the 10th Instant, were equally irregular as the Commander in Chief is the only channel through which an Officer of the Rank of Lieutenant Johnston is at liberty to address the Government on any subject.

I am directed to desire that you will inform Lieutenant Johnston that the Governor in Council considers the nature of his Correspondence to be

in the highest degree disrespectful and improper —
The Governor in Council has however directed the papers to be recorded, in order that a suitable explanation may be submitted to the Honorable Court of Directors, and in order that the Honorable Court may have a farther proof of the indecent violence of that Officer's Temper and conduct.

Fort St. George
23d. January 1809.

I am &ca. &ca.
(Signed) G. Strachey
Secy. to Govt.

Received and sent the following Letters entered in M. B. Nos. 58. 59. 60.

From the Chief Engineer. From Colonel Trapaud. Transmits Copies of Plans.

To the Marine Board. To the Marine Board - Encloses Copy of a Letter from the Supreme Government, and directs them to state their Opinion regarding the best mode of Conveying His Majesty's 89th Regiment from Trincomalee to this Presidency.

To the Military Auditor General

To the Military Auditor General. Encloses Copy of a letter from the Commander in Chief's Military Secretary regarding an Application submitted by Major Welsh for an Advance of Money. Directs him to Authorize the Advance applied for by Lieutenant Ruſsell, and to admit the Claim of Lieutenant Byam.

24th Received and sent the following Letters entered in M. B. No. 61-62-63-64-65.

From the Secretary to the Government at Fort William

From Mr Thornhill. Encloses a Letter Addreſsed to the Secretary and Accountant to the Military Board.

From the Military Auditor General.

From Major Bruce. Reports on Estimates of Cash required by the Paymasters at Mysore and Trichinopoly.

From the Accountant General.

From Mr Smith. Recommends that Pay and Allowances may be Advertised to be iſsued to the Troops on the 6th February.

To Ditto.

To the Accountant General. Encloses Extract from the Proceedings of Government.

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To the Military Paymaster General.

To the Military Paymaster General.

Encloses Copy of Military Auditor General's Report on the Estimates of Cash required by the Paymasters in Mysore and Trichinopoly.

25th

Received the following Letter and Proceedings of the Medical Board.

To the Chief Secretary to Government

Sir,

From the Assistant Adjutant General of the Army. Encloses letter from Ensign Hanmer of the 7th Regiment N. I. with Recommendation thereon.

I am directed by the Commander in Chief to request that you will lay the enclosed letter before the Honorable the Governor in Council with His Excellency's Recommendation that the Request of Ensign Hanmer of the 7th Regiment Native Infantry may be complied with, for permission to proceed to Europe for the recovery of his health.

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

Adjut. Genls. Office
Fort St. George
25th January 1809.

(Signed) S. McDowall
Assist. Adjt. Genl.

To

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To the Honble Sir George Barlow Bart K.B.

Governor in Council

Sir, Fort St. George

I have the honor to enclose a sick Certificate from the Garrison Surgeon of Fort St. George and Request that I may be permitted to proceed to Europe by the Ships now under dispatch for the recovery of my health, an indulgence which I earnestly hope will be granted to me as in my present situation I find it impossible to perform my duty as an Officer.

Fort St. George
25th January 1809.

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

(Signed) Graham Hanmer Ensign
7th Regt. N. I.

I do hereby Certify, that Ensign Graham Hanmer of the 7th Regiment is unable to do his duty in consequence of a Rupture, and it is my Opinion that he should proceed to Europe by the earliest Opportunity.

Fort St. George
January 25th 1809.

(Signed) J. D. White
Garrison Surgeon

Medical

Proceedings of the Medical Board — Encloses Copy of a letter from Mr. Surgeon James, Soliciting permission to withdraw his Application for leave of absence; with an observation —

Resolutions of the Governor in Council Dated 27th January 1809.

Medical Board 23d January 1809.

1 The Medical Board have herewith the honor to forward, Copy of a letter from Mr. Surgeon James of this date, soliciting permission to withdraw his Application for leave of Absence to England, and to return to his former Station at Tanjore —

2 The grounds on which Mr. James has stated this Application, the Medical Board beg leave to submit to the consideration of His Excellency the

Approved & Ordered —

By Order of the Honorable the Governor in Council.

(Signed) G. Strachey
Secy to Govt.

830 Fort St. George " January 1809.

the Commander in Chief and
Government

(Signed) James Anderson
Physician General
" Terence Gahagan M.D.
& 2d. Member Medical Board
" Andw. Berry
3d. Member Medical Board

To James Anderson Esqr.
Physician General and
Members of the Medical Board

Gentlemen,

As I have been prevented procuring a Passage, by the Ships which are going to sail from this Presidency, in a few days, I have to request you will make Application to the Honorable the Governor in Council, for permission to withdraw my Leave of Absence to England, on Furlough for three Years, and that I may be allowed, to return to Tanjore, as Garrison Surgeon to that Station.

I remain &c. &c.

Madras ~ 23d January 1809

(Signed) John James

True Copy

(Signed) Wm. Horsman

Supt. Medl. Bd.

Received and Sent the following Letters entered in M. B. No. 66. 67.

From the Aid de Camp to the Commander in Chief.

From Captain Coombs. Forwards Proceedings of the Medical Board.

To the Military Auditor General.

To the Military Auditor General Encloses Copy of a letter from the Commander of the Honorable Company's Ship Jane Dutchess of Gordon, and directs him to Authorize the payment of the Passage Money therein mentioned.

Received the following Letter.

26th

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

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

From the Military Board. Reports that the orders Communicated in Mr. Chief Secretary Buchan's letter of the 17th have been carried into execution, and that the Stores have been embarked with an observation.

Honble Sir,

On the 18th Instant We had the

honor to Report the orders which we had given in Consequence of Mr Buchan's letter of the 17th; We now have the honor to report that the Stores have been embarked; but we take the liberty to Notice that the List forwarded to us does not include Fuzes or Carbine Balls, without which the Shrapnell's Shells (1000) that have been sent, will be useleſs on Service; and as we have not been informed of the purpose for which the Stores are intended, we have not considered ourselves Authorized to order any Additional Articles, without the expreſs Sanction of Government, but as the Public Service might eventually suffer from the Omiſsion of a Neceſsary part of the Equipment if the Stores be intended for Service, We have deemed it our duty to submit a Report on the subject for the information of Government.

We have the honor to be &c &c

Fort St George
25th January 1809

(Signed) Ed Trapaud
" Jn Capper
" P. Bruce

Sent

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Sent the following Letter

To the President and Members of the Military Board

To the Military Board. Directs them to embark whatever articles may be requisite to render the Shells already shipped useful.

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to Acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 25th Instant, and to Acquaint you that there can be no doubt of the propriety of embarking whatever articles may be requisite to render the Shells which have been embarked useful.

I have the honor to be Gen. &c.

(Signed) Gn. Buchan
Chief Secy. to Govt.

Fort St. George
26th January 1809.

Sent a letter to the Commanders of the Indiamen entered in M. B. No. 68 – Encloses List of Charter Party Passengers to be received on board their several Ships –

To the Commanders of the H. C. Ships Jane Dutchess of Gordon, Wm. Pitt, & Lady Jane Dundas.

At

Fort St. George 27th. January 1809.

At a Consultation

Present

The Honorable

Sir George Hilaro Barlow Bart. & K. B.

Governor and President

Friday the 27th. January 1809.

William Petrie
Thomas Oakes and
J. H. Casamaijor } Esqrs.

Minutes of last Consultation Read and Approved.

The following Papers are transferred by Order of the Board from the Proceedings of the Secret to those of the Military Department.

From the Quarter Master General of the Army — explanatory of the Circumstances which have brought on his Arrest. Remarks on the Report respecting the abolition of the Tent Contract — inclosures connected with the Subject.

To the Chief Secretary of Government

Sir,

The Near dispatch of the Ships has induced me to express a Request that you will be pleased to Submit to the Consideration of the Government the Accompanying Copy of a letter to the Chief Secretary of Government which I have forwarded this day

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way through the channel of His Excellency the Commander in Chief.

I have the honor to remain

Sir &c &c

(Signed) J. Munro

Qr. Mr. Gl.

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To the Chief Secretary of Government

Sir,

Having been directed by the late Commander in Chief to prepare a Report on the System for the provision and Carriage of the Camp equipage of the Native troops by Contract, I entered into an examination of that subject, and submitted to Sir John Cradock a paper containing the result of the Consideration which I bestowed on it. That report received the unqualified approbation of the late Commander in Chief, who in laying it before the Government stated that it was written in obedience to his Orders, and might be considered as the Combined result of his own and my reflection. The report having been referred by the Governor Lord William Bentinck to the examination of some Officers of talents and experience met with their Concurrence, and Although His Lordship was disposed to entertain a favorable Opinion of the Contract system, he was convinced by the reasonings stated in the report of the erroneous nature of that System, and the expediency of repealing it at the period of time when the Report was approved by Lord William Bentinck the removal of His Lordship from India left it in the hands of his Successor, and as it corresponded with Mr. Petrie's Sentiments it was forwarded to Bengal, it received the approbation of the Supreme Government and was finally carried into execution under the present Government.

It appears that soon after the publication of the Orders for the abolition of the tent Contract, a plan was formed by some Officers Commanding Native Corps, of preferring charges against me on the foundation of my Report; and these Charges actually arrived at Head Quarters about three Months ago.- They were sent by the Commander in Chief to the Judge Advocate General, and that Officer having entered into an extensive consideration of the subject stated in decided terms the illegality of the Charges, and the absence of all grounds of proceeding upon them. The Commander in Chief was pleased to shew me the Charges and the Report of the Judge Advocate General; and I preſsed upon His Excellencies attention the expediency of bringing the Question to an early decision, and of submitting it to the Honorable the Governor in Council as it was eſsentially connected with the Arrangements and the Authority of the Government. The Commander in Chief did not expreſs a decided intention; the tendency of his Opinions appeared to be that I should be tried by a General Court Martial; but after repeated solicitations he stated

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that as the Judge Advocate General had exhib only one side of the question he judged it expedi to refer it to the Opinion of Mr. Marsh - Having renewed my Applications for a decision of the Question I was informed the day before yesterday by the Commander in Chief that it was his intention to leave the whole matter to the Considerati of his Successor; and in about an hour after I received this assurance, the Deputy Adjutant General delivered to me a letter and a Message from the Commander in Chief directing me to consider myself as placed under an arrest upon the Charges which I have mentioned - I forward to you a Copy of these charges, of the Letter delivered to me by the Deputy Adjutant General, of my Reply, and of an Answer which I have received from the Commander in Chief, and in which His Excellency has been pleased to state some of the reasons by which his Conduct has been actuated -

The want of time disables me from

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from stating the considerations connected with this subject, which it is my earnest desire to submit to the judgement of the Honorable the Governor in Council. The Report, upon which the Commander in Chief at the instance of some Officers of the Army has placed me in Arrest, was written by the Special orders of the late Commander in Chief, was approved of by him, and declared in his Minute which Accompanied it to be the result of his own reflection and mine, and it has been acted upon by the Supreme and local Governments. It is superfluous for me to state the deep injury which will inevitably be sustained by the discipline of the service, if a Public Staff Officer shall be made responsible to a party of Officers for an Official report written in the strict execution of his duty, and approved by all the authorities under which he acts. If such a course of proceeding shall be followed no Staff Officer can ever venture to execute

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his duty with integrity and zeal, to point out abuses, or discover fraud; for the circumstance of being liable to the disgrace of an arrest and trial for the discharge of Public duty will deter many men from performing it - That proceeding will have the effect of making the Army the Judges of the propriety of continuing or repealing military regulations, the disadvantage, or the tendency to abuse of a System can seldom be pointed out without insinuations being either stated or understood of a nature unfavorable to the conduct of the persons by whom the System is managed; and if the Public Officer who points out that disadvantage shall be liable to be tried by the persons whose interests are affected by his conduct, it is evident that the Army and not the Government will be the judges of Military Arrangement, that no Staff Officer will submit to the Government a Plan unpopular to the Army, and that the greatest obstacles will be opposed to the reform of abuses or the improvement of the Service. -

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a Staff Officer must embrace the Alternative of either neglecting his duty, or exposing himself to the disgrace of a Public trial at the instance of Officers who may expect impunity for their conduct, from their Numbers, or from the uncertainty to which the event of all trials is subject. - If any illustration of these observations should be necessary the following Case may be stated. - It may be supposed that I had received the most ample and Authentic information of the abuses of the tent Contract System; that this information was sufficient to convince my judgement and that of the Commander in Chief and the Government of the necessity of annulling that System, although from the information being of a Confidential nature it could not be produced as evidence before a General Court Martial. - It would have been my positive duty to state that the tent Contract System was replete with abuses; that Statement would involve insinuations hostile to the integrity of the Officers by whom the system was managed, and I may ask if I should be liable to the disgrace of a Public Arrest and trial for having declared what every obligation of my public duty demanded, and what Circumstances must have prevented me from proving before a Court Martial.

But the report contains nothing of a Nature injurious to the Characters of the Officers of the Army; it is founded upon the general and immutable principles of human Nature; and was not intended to apply to the actual conduct of any Class of persons. The object of that Report was to expose on the general principles which constitute the great foundations of Public Regulation the fundamental errors of a System which was calculated to disunite the interest from the duty of the Officers of the Army, and not in any respect to advert to the mode in which that System has been executed. The justness of the

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general grounds which I adopted was sufficiently confirmed by experience which had shewn that the Contract System produced considerable advantages to Officers Commanding Corps in Garrison, and immense expences in the Field. That this System produced unfavorable effects on the Military Ardour of any part of the Army has never been stated, but it was an indispensable obligation of my duty in Officially reporting on the subject to point out its tendency under the Operation of motives that too often influence human Conduct to produce such effects, and its disadvantage therefore as a permanent regulation. In preparing the report upon the Tent Contract nothing was more remote from my mind than to state a Sentiment in any respect adverse to the honor, integrity, and Military virtue of any portion of the Officers of the Army; the report was entirely dictated by motives of Public duty and founded upon General grounds;

and they who view it in a different light mistake a Course of reasoning from Cause to effect, from principles to their probable consequences, for Arguements founded upon Statements of a description dishonorable to the Army. I do not mean by these explanations to disavow any part of the report, as I am still impressed with the Strongest conviction of its justness and truth.

If the report had never been submitted to the Government it might have rested with the Commander in Chief to decide on the Charges that are founded on it; but as it now forms a part of the records, and acts of the Government, any proceedings relative to it must necessarily be referred to their Authority and decision. Considering myself responsible to my Superiors only for the Official opinions which I may be called upon to State in the execution of my duty, and the Opinions which I stated relative to the Tent Contract System having been acted upon by the

Government

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Government. I judge it to be a duty which I owe to myself to the Station which I hold, to the Public Service and to the interests of my Country — to submit my situation to the Consideration of the Government, and to appeal to their justice for the support of my public Conduct, and the vindication of my Character —

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

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22nd January 1809.

(Signed) J. Munro
Qr. Mr. Genl.

A true Copy

(Signed) J. Munro
Qr. Mr. Genl.

Lieutenant Colonel John Munro

Quarter Master General of the Army, placed in Arrest by Order of the Commander in Chief on the 20th — January 1809 charged as follows Vizt.

Charge ... We the undersigned Officers do hereby Charge Lieutenant Colonel John Munro Quarter Master General

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General of the Army, and Captain in the Madras European Regiment, with conduct unbecoming the character of an Officer and a Gentleman in the following instance Vizt.

For having in his proposed Plan for the abolition of the Tent Contract, lately held by Officers Commanding Native Corps, made use of false and infamous insinuations, thereby tending to injure our Characters as Officers, and otherwise injurious to our Reputation as Gentlemen.

(Signed) C. Rumley Lieutt. Colll. Comg 5th Regt. Cavy
" A. Sentleger Lieutt. Colll. Comg 6th Regt. Cavy
" P. H. Vesey Lieutt. Colll. Comg 2d Bn 6th Regt.
" J. Knowles Captain Comg 1st Bn 3d Regt.
" Rd. Munro Major 2d Bn 24th Regt.
" Ardw. McDowall Major 15th Regt.
" W. J. Smith Captain Comg 2d Bn 14th Regt.
" P. Richardson Major Comg 2d Bn 2d Regt.
" G. Lang Major Comg 1st Bn 10th Regt.

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(Signed) Charles Lucas Captn. Comg. 2d. Bn. 3d. Regt.
" J. Durand Lieut. Colo. Comg. 2d. Bn. 8th. Regt.
" G. Martin Lieut. Colo. Comg. 1st. Bn. 15th. Regt.
" W. Orrok Lieut. Colo. Comg. 1st. Bn. 8th. Regt.
" John De Morgan Major 2d. Bn. 22d. Regt.
" J. P. Keasberry Captn. Comg. 2d. Bn. 9th. Regt.
" J. Lindsay Captn. Comg. 2d. Bn. 22d. Regt.
" J. M. Vernon Major Comg. 2d. Bn. 12th. Regt.
" J. Whitlie Major Comg. 2d. Bn. 19th. Regt.
" Alexr. Muirhead Major Comg. 2d. Bn. 18th. Regt.
" G. Neal Major Comg. 1st. Regt. N. Cavy.
" H. Fraser Major Comg. 2d. Bn. 5th. Regt.
" M. Stuart Major Comg. 2d. Bn. 17th. Regt.
" C. Deacon Major Comg. 1st. Bn. 16th. Regt.
" C. Farran Captain Comg. 2d. Bn. 21st. Regt.
" R. Fletcher Lieut. Colo. Comg. 1st. Bn. 12th. Regt.
" G. M. Gibson Captn. Comg. 1st. Bn. 10th. Regt.
" J. Dunn Lieut. Colo. Comg. 8th. Regt. Cavy.

A. Floyer

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(Signed) A. Floyer Lieut. Colo. Comg 3d. Regt. Cavy.

Countersigned

By Order of Lieutenant General Macdowall Commander in Chief.

(Signed) F. Capper

Adjut. Genl.

A true Copy of Signatures

(Signed) F. Capper

Adjutt. Genl.

Lieutenant Colonel Munro

Quarter Master General

Sir,

Upon a reperusal of the papers connected with the charges given in against you by a respectable body of the Officers of the Army, I have in addition to what I informed you of this morning found it necessary to order you to be placed under an Arrest, and I shall Recommend it to my Successor to bring you to trial upon the charges preferred against you, as I find that in the Opinion of the Judge Advocate General, any Court Martial ordered to be assembled by me could only be confirmed by my own Signature — I regret that this subject has not been sooner decided upon, but being desirous of obtaining every Opinion, and a recent one of some importance having only been forwarded to me a few days ago, it was impossible to avoid delay.

I am &c &c

(Signed) Hay Macdowall

A true Copy

(Signed) J. Munro
Dy. Mr. Gl.

Madras
January 20th

To His Excellency
Lieutenant General Macdowall
&c &c &c

Sir,

I have received the letter and Message which your Excellency has been pleased to convey to me through the channel of the Deputy Adjutant General; and I beg leave to inform you that in obedience to your Commands I consider myself to be placed under an arrest from this date. — Having this Morning expressed your intention to leave the whole subject of the Charges preferred against me to the consideration of your Successor I cannot refrain from stating the Sentiments of Surprise that have been excited in my mind at your adopting a step which is in some measure decisive of the Question, and must contribute to embarrass the exercise of your successor's discretion relative to the most adviseable means of finally arranging a point upon which a diversity of opinion has existed. — It is far from my wish to express an Opinion regarding the Nature of the proceedings which you have been pleased to follow, but a sense of public duty induces me to notice the extraordinary spectacle of an Officer holding one of the first situations under the Government, being placed in Arrest by a Commander in Chief for a Report prepared under the special Orders of the preceding Commander in Chief which the latter declared upon record to be the combined result of his own and that Officer's reflection, and which has received the entire approbation of this and the Supreme Government.

Holding an Appointment of importance under the Government, I have the honor to express a request that your Excellency will be pleased to communicate information to the Honorable the Governor in Council of the measure which you have adopted in order that Arrangements may be made for the conduct of the department which the Government have entrusted to my care.

I am &c. &c.

(Signed) Jn. Munro
Qr. Mr. Genl.

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A true Copy
(Signed) Jn. Munro
Qr. Mr. Genl.

Lieutenant Colonel Munro
Quarter Master General

Sir,

Actuated but by one motive, an earnest desire to do justice to every individual under my

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my Command, I had long deliberated on the uncommon and interesting case, of the principal Officers of an Army having given in Charges against one of the General Staff; I had endeavoured to obtain every information that might guide me in deciding; and if I have erred in Judgement, I cannot well be accused of rashneſs. In place of embarraſsing my Succeſsor by the Step I have pursued, I have so cleared the path that he cannot go astray; I think you should be tried, and if I had left the papers containing the Charge, the several Opinions, and the explanations to General Gowdie, without putting you under an Arrest, I should have left the door open to the poſsible introduction of undue influence and arbitrary Power. The General has only now to Aſsemble a Court Martial, which he will be enabled to do in a few days, as he is expected immediately here, and if you are acquitted, you will then have an

Opportunity

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Opportunity of bringing forward those who have endeavoured to traduce your Character.

I am &ca. &ca.

(Signed) Hay Macdowall

A true Copy

(Signed) Jn. Munro

Qr. Mr. Genl.

From the Quarter master General of the Army - appeal to Government on the occasion of his arrest. his address to Government on the Subject transmitted thro' the Commander in Chief Returned by that Officer -

To the Chief Secretary of Government

Sir,

Conceiving that every Officer holding a situation under the Government has a right to appeal to their Authority on points connected with his public conduct, and involving considerations connected with the authority and the measures of the Government, I judged it to be my duty to address a Letter to the Chief Secretary of Government through the Channel of the Commander in Chief on the subject of proceedings which have been instituted against me in consequence of an Official report which forms a part of the acts and Records of the Honorable the Governor in Council. - The Commander

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Commander in Chief having returned that Letter, it has become my duty to transmit it to you direct, and in having recourse to this unavoidable measure, I beg leave to declare that I have no intention whatever of manifesting disrespect to the Authority of the Commander in Chief; I also transmit a Copy of a Letter which I have received from the Commander in Chief. If the subject which I now submit to the decision of the Government had been purely of the Military nature which the Commander in Chief is pleased to state, I certainly should never have thought of appealing from his decision; but in the inseparable connection of that subject with the Arrangements, the Authority, and the dignity of the Government, I trust that sufficient reasons will be found for the measure which I am now obliged to adopt.

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

(Signed) J. Munro

Qr. Mr. Genl.

Lieut.

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Lieutenant Colonel Munro
Quarter Master General

Sir,

I have received your Letter and a Packet addressed to the Chief Secretary of Government, the contents of which I have perused.

As I cannot admit that the Honorable the Governor in Council can interfere in a Question purely Military and which rests entirely on my own judgement, I cannot submit your remonstrance and Appeal, as you are pleased to call it to the Board, without Compromising the high situation in which I am placed.

Had I conceived it at all necessary to have resorted to the Opinion of Government, I could myself have laid the papers before it, but after much reflection I have I believe adopted a measure the least objectionable, and most likely to produce a perfect elucidation of the case.

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I think it will be allowed that your present Attempt to make a reference to a Civil Government is Novel and unexampled, and striking a blow at the root of Military Authority which cannot be sufficiently reprobated.

I trust that it will not be disputed that I have the uncontrolled, and unalienable right of judging of the conduct of every Officer under my Command, and I cannot but view your present Application as extremely indelicate and disrespectful.

I am &ca. &ca.

(Signed) Hay Macdowall

A true Copy

(Signed) Jn. Munro

Qr. Mr. Genl.

Madras
Jany. 23d. 1809

To the Advocate General

To the Advocate General. Forwarding Certain papers received from the Quarter Master Genl. of the Army relative

Sir,

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to transmit to you the enclosed papers which have been submitted to the Governor in

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relative to the charge against that Officer, and desiring his Opinion in Communication with the Judge Advocate General on the subject of them -

Council by the Quarter Master General of the Army.

As it appears from the Statement of that Officer that the charge preferred against him have been founded on proceedings which obtained the most formal Sanction of the Government of Fort St. George, and of the Supreme Government, it is the desire of the Governor in Council that you will state with the least possible delay, your opinion respecting the degree of validity which a charge of that Nature may be considered to possess, & the measures which it may be competent to the Government to adopt under the circumstances of the case.

The several previous papers connected with the subject are transmitted for your perusal -

The Governor in Council being desirous that a full consideration should be given to this Question, it is his desire that you will com-

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communicate on the subject, with the Judge Advocate General, to whom a Copy of this Letter has been forwarded.

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

To the Judge Advocate General

Sir,

To the Judge Advocate General Transmitting Copy of the foregoing letter for his information.

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to transmit for your information and guidance the enclosed Copy of a letter of this date to the Advocate General.

Fort St. George
23d. Jany. 1809.

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

To the Chief Secretary to Government

Sir,

Fort St. George

From the Advocate General legal Opinion and Report upon the Subject of the Quarter Mr. Genl's Assist.

I have received your letter dated the 23d. Instant referring to my consideration the papers submitted to Government by the Quarter master

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Master General and desiring my Opinion respecting the validity of the Charges preferred against him, and respecting the measures competent to be adopted by Government upon the case. I have according to the Command of the Honorable the Governor in Council Communicated with the Judge Advocate General upon the subject to which your letter relates.

That Officer in Addition to the papers furnished to me with your letter has delivered to me his Opinion dated the 7th November last upon the same subject, which I now enclose, and have no hesitation in declaring my perfect coincidence in the result of his very able and Accurate investigation of the subject – He has furnished me with a Copy of Sir John Cradock's minute upon the subject of the paper against which the Charges preferred Against Colonel Munro are aimed. I am clearly of Opinion that the paper in Question does not contain any matter which can be the proper

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subject of the charges now preferred Against him -

When an individual thinks proper to come forward as the Adviser and informer of the public Authorities, he is bound at his peril to know and to be able to prove that he is well founded in his Statements where other individuals may be hurt by his Suggestions. But Colonel Munro was placed in a situation in which he was bound to advise the Commander in Chief as to the State of the Army and to deliver his Sentiments such as they were and from such sources as he might have opportunity of forming them, liable like all men to be misinformed, or to err in his conclusions if he had been called upon to State his Opinion as to the conduct or Character of any individual of the Army he was bound freely, fully & conscientiously to do so. and was intitled to protection in it, however hard that Opinion might bear upon the individual. The Regular and authorized adviser of the public Autho-

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Authorities becomes identified with the Authorities which consult him. He is Answerable to them and to those superiors to whom they are answerable; but not to the persons whom those Authorities have to control and against whom it may have been his duty to advise. I perfectly accede to the proposition of Colo. Munro that if the adviser of any public Authority were to be amenable to the individuals affected by the Advice given, no man could do his public duty with safety: But the paper Complained of appears and has already been shown from the report of the Judge Advocate General not to contain even a Charge against any individual Officer or body of Officers, but is merely a general Statement of the situation of the Army with general reasoning upon it, in which the Commander in Chief and the Government fully acquiesced. Indeed by the extract furnished me of the Minute of the late Commander in Chief it is evident that the statements and Arguments used in that paper are the result of the joint experience, as well as of the joint reflection of the Commander in Chief and Colonel Munro; those suggestions having been adopted in practice by the highest Authority, are now its acts.

I am clearly of Opinion that the charges founded upon that paper of Colonel Munro at the instance of the Officers affected by it, ought not to be sustained, and that Colonel Munro is entitled to the decided support and protection of the Authorities under which he acted to prevent his being brought to trial upon those Charges.

Or perhaps it would be more correct to say that the superior Authorities are entitled to vindicate their acts from being questioned by those under their controul, in the shape of a trial of the Advice under which those acts have proceeded.

The Report of the Judge Advocate General shows in a very strong manner the

Effect which such a trial might be expected to produce upon the discipline and Subordination of the Army;

From his information I am confirmed in supposing that in ordinary cases the more regular course of correcting an embarrassment would be thro' the intervention of the Commander in Chief by signifying to him the Opinion and intentions of Government. but he agrees with me in Opinion that if in any particular case a Necessity should arise (of which Government are the only judges) to exert their indisputable Supreme Authority directly and immediately, it is perfectly competent for them so to do; by discharging any Officer from Arrest, or such other Measures as the exigency of the occasion may require.

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

Madras
24th January 1809

(Signed) A. Anstruther
Advocate Genl.

To

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To the Adjutant General of the Army

Sir,

I had the honor on the 1st Instant, to receive your Letter, Covering a Charge against the ~ Quarter Master General of the Army, Lieutenant Colonel Munro, and desiring, by Order of His Excellency the Commander in Chief, my Opinion whether the Charges could be, legally brought forward in their present form.

As in the construction of Law, the legal form is, intimately connected with the substance it became material to look into the whole Circumstances of the Case; and I was therefore induced, by my letter to you of the same date to request to be furnished with a copy of the Paper, alluded to in the charges; your letter, in reply, acquaints me that you had sent the whole of the Papers as transmitted to Head Quarters.

Having had occasion to see the Commander in Chief, the same day, I was furnished, by his Excellency, with a Copy of the Paper in Question -

As the case is altogether new and unprecedented, and involves in it questions of the greatest importance to Military Decipline, I have taken time to consider it, with some attention, and in stating my Opinion, I beg to be allowed the liberty of, also, submitting the grounds on which it is supported. And for the more clear apprehension of the whole, I shall observe the following Order:-

1st To state the fact, or Subject of the Charge.

2d To state the clear and established principles of Law.

3d To Apply the Law to the Fact.

4th To subjoin such general observations, as may appear to arise out of the Collateral Considerations of the Case.

1st As to the fact, or subject of the present Question.

It rests on the following Charge -

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"We the undersigned Officers do hereby "charge Lieutenant Colonel John Munro, Quarter "Master General of the Army, and Captain in the "Madras European Regiment, with conduct unbe:"coming the Character of an Officer and a Gentleman, "in the following instance, Vizt.

"For having, in his proposed Plan "for the Abolition of the Tent Contract, lately held "by Officers Commanding Native Corps, made use "of false and infamous insinuations, thereby, tending "to injure our Characters, as Officers, and Otherwise "injurious to our reputations as Gentlemen".-

"This charge is signed by twenty four Officers, Commanding Corps, and forwarded in a letter dated from Bangalore 25th of September last, Addressed to Captain Macpherson, the Secretary to His Excellency the Commander in Chief Lieutt. General Macdowal; and signed by the Honble. Lieutenant Colonel StLeger, and Lieutenant Colonels Rumley and Martin.-

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The letter, after stating the injury they conceived they had suffered upon accusations which the Quarter Master General had insinuated against them in his Public Report,- adds, that a Copy of the charge has been forwarded to the other Divisions of the Army, which in due course, they trust will be transmitted to Head Quarters.-

As the charge is too generally stated to be clearly understood, it became necessary to refer to the Paper, on which it was grounded, being the Quarter Master General's Report, on the abolition of the Tent Contract

The following is understood to be the offensive passage in the Report.-

Thirdly - - - - "By granting the same allowances in Peace and War, for the equipment of "Native Corps while the expences incidental to "that charge are unavoidably much greater in "War than in Peace, it places the duty and interests "of Officers Commanding Native Corps, in direct

"opposition to one another; it makes it their interest,
"that the Corps should not be in a state of efficiency
"fit for Field Service, and therefore, furnishes strong
"inducements to neglect their most important duties."

It appears that the late Commander in Chief Sir John Cradock, addressed a letter on the 7th of February 1807, to Lieutenant Colonel Munro, as Quarter Master General of the Army, stating that the subject of the Camp Equipage had for a long time engaged his attention, and that the subsisting arrangements were found erroneous.

He, therefore, requested that he would without loss of time, take this subject into his special consideration; and give him (the Commander in Chief) every assistance that might enable him to form a just Judgment.

This letter is marked private and Confidential.

This Quarter Master General in obedience to the above directions, enters into an

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Examination of the existing system of Camp Equipage, and Carriage of the Native Troops of the Army, which he submits to his Consideration in the form of a Report, and forwards to him in a letter, under an Official Address on the 30th. of June 1807.

This Report, would appear to have been favorably received, and Approved of by the Commander in Chief; as the Plan it suggested was afterwards, in part, if not altogether, adopted.

The papers before me do not furnish means of tracing the farther progress of the Quarter Master General's Report; but it seems Known, to have gone, both before the Madras Government, and also that of Bengal; and will no doubt, come in the regular course before the Honorable Court of Directors.

The duties of the Office of Quarter Master General come, naturally to be considered in this part of the case, for they are circumstances of fact.

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As Quarter Master General, the Department of the Camp Equipage is peculiarly under his charge. And Accordingly, he is the proper person to advise the Commander in Chief on that head.

It was proposed in the second place to state the clear and established principles of Law.

It may be assumed as a principle, that a Commander in Chief of an Army, has a right to call for the advice and Opinion of any Officer under his Command, on a Subject of Military Arrangement, under that Officers peculiar Department. and the Opinion so called for, is bound to be given bona fide, according to his best abilities.

Whenever the Law enjoins a duty, it protects the Agent in the legal discharge of it. The legal discharge, I take to be, where the Act is done according to the usual, and Common course of things.— On the other hand, the Law will not allow any one under the pretence of duty, to do a wanton, and malicious act.— If it is necessary, that men should be protected in the due discharge of their powers, it is equally so, that they should not be allowed to pervert those powers to a bad end.— But a Regard to public conveniency, has established certain Bars, to the hasty accusation of public Officers, in order that they may not be intimidated from doing their duty.— No action, accordingly, will lie against a Judge for any act done in his Judicial capacity, nor against a grandjury man for presenting, or finding a bill of Indictment; nor against a petit-jury-man for his verdict; though the act done should be charged to be wrongful and malicious.— This rule, must have been adopted on the principle stated by Lord Coke; namely, that it would deter jurors from the public Service if they were liable to such an action in every case, where, in the Opinion of the Parties, against whom they had decided, their decision proceeded from Malicious motives. If such actions could be maintained, the Multiplicity of them would render it impossible for a Judge or Juror to discharge the duties of his Office. The exemption is, therefore, established on behalf of the public; and results from principles of policy and convenience - A private Prosecutor of a Malicious prosecution is liable to an action on the case, for a Malicious prosecution in preferring such an indictment before a grandjury. Yet, if the same person, serving on the grandjury were Maliciously to present, or to find such an indictment, no action would lie - Thus, it is clear, that the same act done by the same person, and proceeding from the same evil Motive, is, or is not actionable, according to his acting in a private, or a public Capacity - In Hawkins (pleas of the Crown) it is laid down, "that no one is liable to any prosecution whatever "in respect of any verdict given by him in criminal "matters either upon the grand or petit jury;" and he states the reason to be, that they may not be biassed with the fear of being harrassed with vexatious suits for acting according to their consciences" -

The following may be stated as clear Law Vizt.

No act done under the direction, and with the sanction of one authority can be converted into a matter of crime, by any succeeding Authority of similar and coextensive powers; unless, the act was of itself, originally, a crime by the general Law of the Land. The above, are the more general principles of Law. subordinate ones will come to be brought forward, in the further course of the examination -

And now to apply the Law to the fact or circumstances of the case -

It was observed, that wherever the Law enjoins a duty it protects the Agent in the legal discharge of it - This principle applies to every state of society; but it peculiarly, recognized in regard to words or writings, neceſsarily used to the disadvantage of others.

The eſsence of the present charge seems to be, that the Report was a libel or Defamation: But in order to judge, how far, it can be regarded as a culpable, or justifiable act, it may be proper to consider the general rules of Law, as to that species of offence, as they will furnish principles applicable to the present case.

"Nothing shall be construed a libel, which is neceſsary in the course of legal proceedings, and is relavent to the Matter which is before the Court. So no matter which is stated in any Memorial, or Petition for the redreſs of Grievances, and addreſsed in the proper channels, by which such redreſs may be had; that is, to the persons, only, who have power to give such redreſs, shall be deemed libellous. as Where the defendant being Deputy Governor of Greenwich Hospital, wrote a large Volume, of which, he also printed several Copies, containing an account of the abuses of the Hospital, and treating the Characters of many of the Officers of the Hospital, (and Lord Sandwich in particular, who was then first Lord of the Admiralty), with much asperity, he distributed the Copies to the Governors of the Hospital only - but it did not appear that he had given a Copy to any other Person: on a rule, for information for this as a libel, Lord Mansfield held, that this distribution of the Copies to the persons only, who were from their situation called on to redress the grievances, and had from their situation power to do it, was not a publication, sufficient to make that a libel; and he seemed to think, that, whether the paper was printed or in Manuscript; under these Circumstances made no difference" (Espinasse Nisi Prius p. 505-6)-

This principle obtains, not only in regard to judicial proceedings in Courts of Law, but in respect to Memorials presented to parliament

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parliament, or to other public bodies. — Where a Memorial or Petition is presented to a Court of Justice, or to persons holding cognizance over the case, they are held to be the only Judges, whether the expressions it contains, are proper or not; and such, as they deem irrelavant, or too offensive, they will direct to be struck out; or censure the Memorialist for having used.

The same principles, apply to the present case. The observations of the Quarter Master General arose out of the Nature of the subject, and were made in the discharge of an Official duty. Neither were they made public, further than the Necessity of the case required. The letter of the Commander in Chief is headed private and confidential. At the bottom of the Copy which I have received, there is subjoined "This Letter was afterwards recorded on the Proceedings of Government, as a Public Document." But surely it did not become a Public Document from the circumstance of being so recorded; for the Proceedings of Government are not open to public or general inspection; and access can only be had to them, on an Official application for some purpose of duty. An Application to Government, from any of the Officers who signed the charge, for the purpose of examining how far they were personally injured by the Report, would not, it is believed, have procured access to the Records. At least, during the period of former Governments, stronger personal grounds for inspection of Papers have been refused. A Court of Justice will refuse a Copy of their Proceedings, in order to ground a Criminal Prosecution on, where they disapprove of the Measure. — In like manner, a Government it may be supposed, will refuse a Paper from their Records, where they conceive, it is to be used to the detriment of an Individual, whose conduct they have sanctioned, or if they should grant it, at all, it will only be on a legal notice from a Court of Justice - But, be this as it may: if the Original letter from the Commander in Chief was private, the Letter in Reply to it, must be considered, equally so, as being a mere acceſsary, or contingency to the first; and therefore following the Nature of its principle. And the inferior Officer could not, well, enjoin secrecy to the Commander in Chief, on the face of this Letter as he had done. There is, therefore no ground, for considering the Letter as a Paper open to the public uses that has been made of it, and if the Paper is not published and acted upon, by Official Authority, it must be considered as a Surreptitious document from one of the Public Offices, which that Office can interdict the further use of. The same as the Court of Parliament, or other Court, may interdict the publication of their Records, until their permiſsion in that respect is first obtained.

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Clear right to stop all further proceeding by their servants, as to that paper; it being part of one of their Records in the Secret and Political Department. Any servant refusing to obey their Orders in this respect might be liable to forfeit their Service.— We give this, as the extent of their legal powers; how far may judge it proper to act in these, is, Entirely within their own direction.-

No act, it was observed, done under the direction, and with the sanction of one Authority, can be converted into matter of Crime by any succeeding Authority, of similar and coextensive powers unleſs the act itself was, originally, a crime by the general Law of the Land.-

A Political measure, being often only fit, or unfit, in reference to particular junctures or times, is, always, examinable by a succeeding Government; and adhered to, or reversed, on their discretion; But a legal or moral question being at all times equally certain, is never drawn in Question before succeeding Government, where the former has sanctioned the act, unless the thing complained of, was distinctly a crime, and had not been tried. Lieutenant Darke of the Artillery, laid some Complaint before General Clarke, as Commander in Chief, respecting a Court of Enquiry, that he conceived he had suffered by, during the period of Colonel Brathwaites Command of the Army, his (General Clarke's) answer was, that he supposed the former Commander knew his powers; and he was not come out to examine into the Acts of his Predecessors. I state this from Memory having no note of the transaction.

The principle in these cases is, first, that there is a certain period, at which jurisdiction, Naturally commences, and Secondly, that equals have no Authority over equals. Thus a decree past by one or two Judges, cannot in case of an Appeal, be reversed but by a greater number, or by a higher authority, Errors in Parliament, can only be revised there; because there is no higher authority.

That a positive Crime when Committed, during the period of a former Commander in Chief's Command, and not then proceeded against; may be prosecuted during the period of his Successors authority, is clear; unless proscribed by the King's Articles of War. — But, where the matter is not, of itself, a declared Crime by positive Law, but only becomes so, by inferences, and constructive reasoning, and had arisen out of the Act of the former Commander, it would appear to me very doubtful how far it could, on this new sense of things, become punishable "Every Member of Society (says *Baccaria*) "should know when he is Criminal, and when "innocent." (Ch: XI.) But it is impossible to know this if an Act is to be sanctioned by one Commander in Chief, and then Regarded as a Crime by his Successors. — For it is necessary that the thing should be regarded as a Crime before a Criminal Charge can be admitted in regard to it.

The great principle of Military Law, as handed down from the most ancient times is "Let there be no appeal in Military cases. Let the "Order of the General who Commanded be taken for "just, and ratified": such was the Rule of the Romans, who best understood Military Discipline. And this principle we see adopted in Courts of Common Law, who seldom, or never admit of any Military case being brought before them.

But to go more minutely into the actual merits of the present case. The Quarter Master General's Crime consists in having said that the same Allowances in Peace and in War places the Interest and duty of Officers in direct Opposition. It makes it their interest that their Corps should not be in a state of efficiency fit for field Service, and therefore furnishes strong inducements to neglect the most important duties. -

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It is to be observed in what capacity these words were spoken — They were given as a general principle for establishing Certain Laws for the Government of a Community. But is this a new observation, that men's duties and interest should not be placed in Opposition? "Those that "have written upon Civil Government (says an "eminent Author) lay it down as a first principle, "and all historians demonstrate the same, that "whoever would found a State and make proper "Laws for the Government of it, must presuppose "that all men are bad by nature, and that "they will not fail to shew that natural depravity of heart, whenever they have a fair opportunity, and though it may possibly be concealed "for a while, on Account of some secret reason, "which does not then appear to men of small "experience, yet time, (which is therefore justly "called the father of truth) commonly brings it to light in the end" —

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And the same principle is to be found in every Writer on Government - Laws, we are told, are made to gaurd against what men may do, and not to trust to what they will do, - Nor is the Sentiment confined to barren generalities, or speculative Authors - It is adopted into Vulgar, daily practice, and the same principles, delivered in nearly the same words, and applied to the same body of men, is to be found in a Report delivered in, to the same Commander in Chief, only a few Months previous to the date in Question, It had been the practice for Government to allow Officers Command:ing Stations a certain per centage on Spirituous Liquors sold by the Public Agent for that Commodity - The consequence was, that the more Liquor that was ? drunk by the men, the more, ? the more Fanams came to be shared by the Commanding Officers on the yearly division of the profit. The Head Surgeon of the Centre Division conceived that this Circumstance might in some instances encourage Drunkeneſs, by inducing Officers to wink at abuses; and he therefore, in one of his Reports suggests the expediency of this source of gain being done away; — "because, he says, it can never be proper for a wise Government to place Mens duties in Opposition to their interest." — I quote from Memory; but the above, I believe, will be found to be, nearly the words used by Mr. Head Surgeon Berry, in one of his Reports, on the Centre Division for 1806 —

The expression struck me the more forcibly, as a not incurious illustration of the various changes that the principles of our thinking undergo in a few Years.

If the Remarks of the Quarter Master General are founded on principle, they cannot be regarded as Criminal — The Law of England (which is founded on good sense and on inferences drawn from common life) never allows duty and interest to come in competition; because it believes, that the latter will always prove too strong for the former. A Man shall not be judge in his own Cause; a Juryman shall not sit where he has an interest; a Witneſs shall not be heard, where he would gain an Advantage, one way, or other, by the decision of a Cause. Nay, he shall not be heard, where he, even supposes himself interested; or where his honor may be affected by the testimony he gives. These exceptions are urged every day against the Individuals. The Judge is objected to; the Juryman is challenged, the witneſs is set aside. Yet none of these thinks his Credit affected. How then can these Officers pretend to say that their Character is affected by a principle established by all political writers, and adopted by our Laws as one of the safeguards of society. Let us reverse the case. It has been given as a good Rule for the examination of the justneſs of any proposition, to reverse its principle; and then to view the Amount supposing then, that the Quarter Master General had used the converse of the Proposition; and had expreſsed

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expreſsed himself thus, "it is very true that "this Allowance puts mens duties in Opposition "to their Interest, but it is not to be supposed "that they will allow the consideration of the one "to affect the discharge of the other." - Would such proposition have been held discreet, and prudent in a Public Man? Would it have been considered as a proper principle in an Officer whose duty it was to controul the expenditure of public money, and to check the sources of Corruption? -

Has not the whole system of our service and of every service in the world, proceeded upon this very principle he is charged with using. —

Why were Muster Masters formerly established? and why was the payment of the Corps taken away from the Commanding Officer, and given to the Officer Commanding Troops and Companys; or why are so many forms and Checks established for the cloathing supplies and Management of an Army, but upon the principle, that duty is but a feeble guard against interest and self gain? — was it ever objected to the Officers who proposed these checks against Corruption and abuses, that their plans were injurious to the Character of the Army? It may be true, that these Checks are not, perhaps, necessary in many instances. The great body of an English Army (and of this Army in particular) will always be found to be men of honor and integrity Yet as exceptions are sometimes to be found, in the Characters of particular Individuals, and as Laws — always speak a general Language, and proscribe — alike against all, the common Arrangements must every where proceed, as if the whole community requir-ed the same check. — How then can it be criminal in an Officer to have acted and advised on this — principle? A crime implies the violation of some Law, the neglect of some duty, or the infringement of some moral principle. — But he acted in Conformity to the spirit of our Law. — In obedience to his duty —

and in support of the moral principle, which will always be best supported by removing men from the temptation to do wrong.–

4th. – It was proposed to subjoin such general observations, as may appear to arise out of the collateral considerations of the case.

The liberty of discuſsing public measures, has been, always regarded as one of the first rights of society, but it is very immaterial whether that right is to be controuled by the hand of power, or the combination of party.

In either case, the effect is the same. – the present is an Attempt to controul the discuſsion of public questions in the Councils of Government and the Commander in Chief by a combination of Officers. – It is impoſsible not to see the consequences of such an attempt. If they have a right to come forward in this instance, they have a right to do so, equally, in every similar one, where they find their interests, or their feelings affected, What security –

then, can any public Officer have for doing his duty? In the discharge of my own Office, as public prosecutor, I have every day to contend against the vices and passions of society. Every other Office, that is intended as a check on these, has the same duty to perform, But what Security can I, or any other Officer, have against a Criminal charge, if this one is tolerated? Under such Circumstances, men in public Stations will be afraid to act. Those whom their Office is intended to controul will insult and threaten them -

It may be said, that the Number of Names affixed to the Charge calls, more particularly for its being enquired into - But the Number of persons engaged in any act, does not therefore legalize it. - Two, or more, imperfect things do not make one perfect. - The Number of Signatures, only shows the spirit of Combination; and the Necessity of resisting it - Our Laws expressly forbid tumultuous Petitions: and the principle is still

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still more applicable to a Military society.

Wherever a trial has been irregularly demanded, Commanders in Chief have, always resisted granting it, unless on Charges preferred by the immediate Commanding Officer against his inferior, whom he can order in arrest by his own act. The instances indeed, of these Refusals, are not so numerous as might, perhaps, be expected, because the case is not, always, submitted to the previous inspection of a Judge Advocate, which might prevent a Number of irregular complaints being examined into, and which only occasion a needless expence and interruption of the public Service.

It may be thought, perhaps, that the Quarter Master General's Character can only be cleared up, by a public enquiry. But every Man's Character is, sufficiently, cleared, when the Law does not raise that presumption against him, which is necessary to put him on his trial,

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All Trial is an Investigation of some thing that is doubtful; but here the fact speaks for itself; the legality of an Official Act being proved by the act itself, where the Superior authorities have ratified and confirmed it.

And there could be no honor in defending a charge which the accuser had no right whatever to agitate or prefer.

(Signed) J. Leith
Judge Advocate Genl.

Fort St. George
7th. November 1808

A true Copy
(Signed) J. Leith
Judge Advocate Genl.

Minute of the Commander in Chief

I have the honor to lay before the Government, the copy of a Letter addressed some time ago to the Quarter Master General of the Army, which connected with various conversations I have had with Lieutenant Colonel Munro, on the subject of the existing Regulations respecting the supply of Camp Equipage has produced the annexed reply and very able Statement from that Officer.

It would be superfluous in me to urge at any length the validity of the Arguments set-forth in the Quarter Master General's Report, as I may say, they convey the result of our joint reflection upon the subject, and are the issue of that experience which arises from our respective situations.

I feel strongly persuaded that if the System proposed, take effect under such improvements, as the Wisdom of the Council may suggest, the greatest benefit will ensue; and that Economy and Military propriety will be equally secured. The former principle, I conceive, will go to a much greater extent than exhibited, as with design to prevent the chance of error, an extraordinary latitude of expence was admitted.

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I should not act fairly with Government did I not apprize the Council that I imagine the Plan submitted will be viewed in a very unfavorable light by the Commanding Officers of Regiments. for reasons too obvious to require remark, and as the supposed injury will fall upon that class of Officers whom the peculiar and local circumstances of this Country place in a situation, that really demands, adventitious support and every alleviation of expence; I am most anxious that the Government should consider their case, and while they are about to derive an excessive saving, at the "alledged expence" of those Officers, who could only reimburse themselves for the past charges of War by the advantages of Peace, in the existing Contract, extend to them a reasonable compensation, that will not only have the effect of an apparent act of Justice, but in its operation, invite Officers of Rank to residence with their Corps, and turn their Attention

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to Regimental Command.

Under this impression I submit to Government the Plan as detailed in the Quarter Master General's Letter, accompanied by a Statement of the expence of allowing a Superior batta to the Lieutenant Colonels actually Commanding Corps and Stations, an Arrangement not new in principles, but only an extension of the one existing.

The recent abolition of the Bazar Fund, a source of new and extreme Profit to the State taken away from the Commanding Officers of Stations, by the aid of which, the required hospitality throughout this extensive Country, that affords no accommodation to the Traveller, or assistance to the sick Officer, in various wants not to be described, seems to plead the cause of Officers Commanding Stations with a resistless Force: for the same demands upon their feelings and generosity remain undiminished, and their means have suffered a deep alteration -

(Signed) J. F. Cradock
Lieut. Genl.

Madras
13th. July 1807.

To Lieutenant General Macdowall
Commander in Chief

To the Commander in Chief - expressing surprize at his having put Lieutt. Coll. Munro under Arrest. observations relative to the legality of this proceeding with Recommendation in consequence.

Sir,

I have the honor to Acquaint your Excellency by desire of the Honorable the Governor in Council that the Quarter Master General of the Army has laid before the Governor in Council a representation of the Circumstances under which your Excellency has adopted the determination of placing that Officer in Arrest.

The Governor in Council directs me to state to your Excellency that this event has excited in his mind the most painful feelings. It is impossible at the moment of the dispatch of the fleet for England to go into a Minute explanation of all the considerations connected with it; but I am directed to suggest in the most earnest manner for your Excellency's consideration that the Act on which it appears that the Charge preferred Against Lieutenant Colonel Munro has been founded, is now the act of the Govt., having been approved and adopted in the most public and formal manner both by the Government of Fort St. George, and by the Supreme Government. The Governor in Council is called upon therefore to state that he can never give his concurrence to the exposure of a Public Officer to obloquy and degradation, for opinions which he may have expressed in the fulfilment of his public duty, approved and confirmed as those Opinions have been by every competent Authority.

The Governor in Council is at present unable to discuss the particular grounds of the Opinions in Question; but He thinks it proper to observe that he has looked in Vain for any just cause of Complaint, that it might be possible by any construction to attach to them; and this consideration must add to the weight of public obligation imposed on this Government, to give its firmest support to an Officer against whom no other charge is apparently imputable than that arising from the faithful and conscientious performance of his public trust.

As it is impossible that the conduct of Lieutenant Colonel Munro can be submitted to the cognizance of a Court Martial on the charge now preferred without involving a discussion and trial of the public Measures of the late Commander in Chief, and of the Government, the Governor in Council might have been led to expect a previous communication from your Excellency on this important Question; and the Governor in Council cannot but deeply feel the Sentiments which have been expressed by your Excellency in some part of the papers now before the Government - The Governor in Council however under the pressure of the occasion waves all considerations of this Nature, and his views being solely directed to the means best calculated to preserve the foundations of public confidence, and of public Authority, I have been Commanded most ear:nestly to recommend to your Excellency the release of Lieutenant Colonel Munro from his present Arrest.

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24th January 1809.

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

George Buchan Esqr.
Chief Secretary of Government

From the Commander in Chief Requesting a perusal of the Qr. Mr. Genl's appeal to Government.

Sir,

I am favored with your Letter of this date, and have the honor to request that I may be favored with a Copy of Lieutenant Colonel Munro's appeal to Government which I only cursorily inspected when transmitted to me by that Officer, and until I have perused it I shall take the liberty to defer replying to the dispatch from you written by the Command of the Honorable the Governor in Council.

Madras
January 25th 1809.

I am &ca &ca
(Signed) Hay Macdowall

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To Lieutenant General Macdowall
Commander in Chief

To the Commander in Chief - Transmits letter from Lieut. Coll. Munro for his perusal, and request that he will return it when not further Required -

Sir,

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to Acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter of this date, and have the honor to transmit to your Excellency by desire of the Governor in Council the original Letter received from Lieutenant Colonel Munro.

It being an Original paper, it is the request of the Governor in Council, that your Excellency will give directions for its being returned, when not farther required.

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

(Signed) Go. Buchan
Chief Secy. to Govt.

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George Buchan Esqre.
Chief Secretary to Government

From the Commander in Chief - On the Subject of the Qr. Mr. Genl's Arrest - the Application of that Officer to the Government and the interference of the Civil Authority -

Sir,

It is not without a mixture of surprise and regret I have perused your letter of Yesterday's date, on the subject of the Arrest of the Quarter

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Master General; I was totally unprepared to receive from the Honorable the Governor in Council an implied censure on my Conduct as Commander in Chief of this Army, and a direct interference from the Civil Authority with the only prerogative almost remaining in his hands, the power of Judging of the propriety of bringing to trial every Officer who may be accused of Crimes or Misdemeanors - such interference I presume to think is unprecedented, and strikes me as encouraging a very dangerous example, by holding out to the Army protection and support in defiance of the Judgment and Authority of the person Appointed by the Legislature to direct and controul the department placed under his immediate Charge; - it reduces the Articles of War to a dead Letter, and is destructive of every Military principle. -

The charges preferred against Lieutenant Colonel Munro, by a body of Respectable Officers, after much reflexion I saw no

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correct method of disposing of but by the Measure I have adopted; it is the only legitimate Method of Affording him an Opportunity of vindicating his character, and in that event being the result of the deliberation of a Court Martial, he will then be enabled to bring his accusers to trial:- they are Answerable for their Acts, and the perseverence with which they adhere to their purpose, has led me to imagine, that they consider their proceedings as the best adapted to relieve them from injurious aspersions.

Under this view of the matter the observations of the Honorable the Governor in Council, in regard to the Plans of the Quarter Master General having been Approved by Government, cannot occasion on my part any deviation from the line to be pursued which is strictly Military, nor can I evade bringing the Question to Issue without compromising the honor of the whole Army; I therefore very sincerely have to lament that I cannot comply with a recommendation so earnestly urged by the Honorable

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the Governor in Council.—

I have farther to state for the information of the Honorable the President in Council that I shall direct a Charge to be exhibited against Lieutenant Colonel Munro for disrespect to the Commander in Chief, in presuming to Address Government, it being contrary to established Orders; subversive of Military discipline, and in Opposition to the customs of the service.—

To elucidate this subject, I have the honor of Request* you will submit to the Honorable the Governor in Council the Accompanying Extract of a Letter from the late revered and lamented Marquis Cornwallis.

The Warrant which I possess from His Majesty, and the Commission I hold from the East India Company guide me in the discharge of the important duties Attached to my Situation, and which vest in me certain Rights and Powers which I cannot without danger abandon.—

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Had any other process appeared to me practicable for lessening the difficulties of this disagreeable case, I should have been most happy in having had recourse to the Mildest means for bringing it to a conclusion; but perhaps the Honorable the Governor in Council is not aware that if Lieutenant Colonel Munro was released from Arrest to-day, he would tomorrow of himself demand a trial, and while his Character suffers from the strong imputations against it, a Court Martial would be granted to him. it seems to be impossible to avoid a series of Courts Martial, and my Judgment has led me to declare that the Quarter Master General shall be first tried:- this Officer endeavours to screen himself by stating that he holds a Situation under Government and presumes to deny the Authority of the Commander in Chief, but the case is absolutely the reverse, as he is one of the principal Staff of the person at the Head of the Army, and I deny that he can hold any Communication but thro' the channel of his Superior.

I have at the desire of the Honorable the President in Council returned Lieutenant Colonel Munro's Original papers.

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January 25th 1809

I have the honor to be &ca &ca
(Signed) Hay Macdowall

Extract of a Letter from Earl Cornwallis Dated Fort William 14th March 1789 Recorded in the Office of the Adjutant General of the Army.

"I trust if it has not been already "done, that the Government of Fort St. George will upon "Mature deliberation see the Necessity of recalling "so Indefensible a Resolution, and before I con: "clude this Letter I must express my wish that "it would be recollected by the Civil and "Military Department at Madras that the "×Adjutant General of the Company's Troops on that Establishment

× The Quarter Master General is in the same predicament.

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"Establishment cannot without the greatest Irregularity,
"unless as I have already mentioned the functions of
"the Commander in Chief should be exercised by the
"Board, have any direct Communication with the
"Civil Government. He has no independant authority
"of his own, but is only an Executive Instrument,
"in the hands of the Commander in Chief or of the
"Senior Officer of the Troops when discharging as at
"present the Duties of that Office, for circulating his
"Orders to the Army, in the manner that he may think
"proper to direct. All Minutes of Council or Orders
"of Government that relate to the Troops ought to be
"addressed directly to the Commander in Chief or Senior
"Officer, and he alone should be held responsible to
"Government for the purpose of distribution and Effectual
"execution of them."

A true Extract
(Signed) Fr. Capper
true Copy Adjt. Genl.
(Signed) J. M. Coombs
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To Lieutenant General Macdowall
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Sir,

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to Acknowledge the Receipt of your Excellency's Letter of the 25th Instant, and to express the request of the Governor in Council to be informed whether he is to understand from that Communication that it is your intention to decline a Compliance with the Orders of the Governor in Council on the subject of the release of the Quarter Master General from Arrest, as under the explanation conveyed in the letter which I had the honor of Addressing to your Excellency by desire of the Governor in Council on the 24th Instant, the Governor in Council considered that Communication to be equivalent to be expression of his Orders on the Subject.

The Governor in Council will be solicitous to receive your Excellency's early Reply on this point

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

(Signed) Gn Buchan
Chief Secy to Govt.

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George Buchan Esqre
Chief Secretary to Government

Sir,

From the Commander in Chief - nature of his Commission - protest against the Release of the Qr Mr General -

I am favored with your letter of this date, and lose not a Moment to reply to it.

In my Commission from the East India Company it is stated that I am Appointed Commander in Chief at the Presidency of Fort St. George, — Subject however to the orders of the Governor in Council, but as in my humble judgment this is meant to imply that such orders should be legal and constitutional, I do not see how I can yield up my Military Authority without protesting against what I conceive to be an undue interference — this I am compelled to do in my own vindication, and to defend me from the displeasure of my Sovereign.

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If under this protest the Honorable the Governor in Council is pleased to persist in conveying to me a positive Order that Lieutenant Colonel Munro shall be released, I must of course submit - by this Act the degradation of the Commander in Chief will be completed, and I shall most seriously lament that the Honorable the Governor in Council should have had recourse to so unexampled a measure.

I have the honor to be &ca &ca

(Signed) Hay Macdowall

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To Lieutenant General Macdowall
Commander in Chief

To the Commander in Chief. Directing him forthwith to Release Col. Munro from his Arrest.

Sir,

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to Acknowledge the Receipt of your Excellency's Letter of this date and to convey to you the Orders of the Governor in Council that you do forthwith release Lieutenant Colonel Munro from his Arrest.

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(Signed) G. Buchan
Chief Secy to Govt.

Read the following Letter from the Commander in Chief

George Buchan Esqr.
Chief Secretary to Government

Sir,

From the Commander in Chief forwarding a memorial from the Army to the Court of Directors -

Placed at the head of an Army of near Seventy thousand Men, Commanded by as brave and patriotic a body of Officers as ever did honor to the Profession of Arms, it is a duty I owe to them, and to the high situation I hold, to do every thing in my power to protect their rights and to redress their grievances.

The Accompanying Memorial from the Officers Composing the Madras Army, and Addressed to the Honorable the Court of Directors, is so fully expressive of their feelings, and states so temperately their several Complaints, that it cannot fail to make

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a deep impreſsion on the minds of the Representatives of the East India Company.

While cheerfully performing their duty amidst the Alarm and peril incident to a Soldier's life, they have gradually witneſsed the Annihilation of every emolument that could have afforded present comfort, or have held out, tho' at a remote period, a prospect of future competency, and a hope of revisiting their Native land - they are now reduced to a bare subsistence, and are doomed to paſs their lives in this remote and unwholesome climate, without a chance of ever beholding their families or connexions - such a situation must warmly interest the mind of the humane and liberal, and should their Appeal acquire the Additional aid of the Recommendation of the Honorable the President in Council, joy will be diffused in every countenance, and succeſs must follow if their cause is espoused by a just and generous

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Madras Government.

January 23d. 1809.

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

(Signed) Hay Macdowall

Lieutt. Genl.

To the Honorable Court of Directors

of the Honble East India Company &ca. &ca.

Honble Sirs,

1st. We the undersigned Officers of the Honorable Company's Army on the Establishment of Fort St. George being firmly persuaded that the Interests of our Honble Masters are inseperable from our own, and impressed with a full confidence in the candour and liberality so eminently the Characteristics of the Honble the East India Company have come to the resolution of submitting our grievances to the consideration of your Honble Court

2d. The Officers of the Madras Army feel confident the subject will meet with that favorable attention which its importance dictates, and that our representation will be viewed in the light intended, a respectful but solemn appeal to your feelings as Men, and to your Justice, prudence and impartiality as rulers of a vast Empire.

3d. The peculiar nature and constitution of the Company's Army, so different from that of any other in the World, is in the first place a proper object of consideration. In entering the National Service of our Country a British Subject may calculate fairly on spending at least a considerable portion of his Military life, in the enjoyment attendant on a residence in his Native land; but such is the constitution of your Service that it is necessary, before a young man can embrace it, that he should have made up his mind to sacrifice for the present every tie of Kindred and connexion, to submit to a long and painful separation, in a climate most ungenial to his constitution from all that he holds most dear, in the hope that at a future period, he may be enabled to return to them crowned by the hands of honor and Virtue, with that competence to which he looks forward as the solace of his troubles, the just reward of his meritorious services. deprive him of that prospect. what is his profession but Slavery. what is his life but a burden?

4th The Service did till lately realize in a great measure their expectations. but the present exhibits a melancholy reverse. The Chief sources of emolument hitherto enjoyed by the Army, no longer exist. thus rendering our prospects most gloomy, as thirty or forty years must now be passed in the service, before that Rank can be obtained, which will intitle them to reap in a small degree the harvest of their toils: of what worth then is such dependance when health, the greatest blessing in life is flown, and when Age prohibits the power of enjoying it.

5th How few escape the ravages of War and diseases incidental to the climate, experience has shewn, but still the prospect of re=visiting at no ordinary length of time our Native land, in comfort cheers us in the dreary path - but if this object is removed, or placed at such a distance as to be almost without our reach, hope is destroyed and emulation ceases to exist. Families of respectability will no longer consider your service as a liberal provision for their Sons; vacancies must be supplied by such description of persons as offer, and under such circumstances the fate of an Army which at this Moment may be classed among the most respectable in the World, is too obviously melancholy, to be contemplated without regret and Alarm.

Among the many instances of reduction in the emoluments of the Army, We cannot avoid considering the abolition of the Buzzar Allowance formerly granted to Officers in Command of Divisions and Stations, together with the recent Orders of Government prohibiting

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Full Batta to be drawn by Officers Commanding — Small Posts and Garrisons as instances of peculiar hardship. In no Country perhaps in the World are the duties of hospitality more strictly and Neceſsarily attended to, particularly in the general reception and entertainment of Travellers, whether they may be personally acquainted or not. Government in a general order under date the 1st. November 1804. have most honorably and Openly admitted this principle in the following Paragraph * "5th. Claſs".

"Officers Commanding Small — "Posts which from their Situation on principle roads "neceſsarily subject them to expenses which the — "Allowances of their Rank is insufficient to — "support." —

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Vide G. O. 1st. November 1804.

6th. To these from our first entering into the Service We have been taught to look up as our unalienable rights. They have enabled Officers —

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exercising Commands to support their Respectability in the eyes of the Natives, and it may be safely said have not a little contributed to raise the Army to its present state of estimation by holding forth an adequate encouragement to Young Men of respectability to enter your service.

7th We are also impressed with a just sense of the degradation and injury to which we have been exposed by the mode of Selecting Officers for general Commands. On this peculiar occasion we beg to observe that it is with serious regret we feel the necessity of bringing to the Notice of your Honorable Court the frequent disregard paid to your Honorable Courts orders and instructions by the Government of Madras, particularly in the instance of retaining the Officers of His Majesty's Service in the Command of principle stations of which their *Corps form no part* and of the Appointments of Paymasters to be held by Military Men, neither of which have been carried into effect and is consequently in direct Opposition to your Authority. The Chief object of the principle lately assumed appears to be the total exclusion of the Officers of your Army from any situation of trust, responsibility or emolument by the transfer of such situations to the Officers of His Majesty's Service -

8th. We are far from wishing to revive any invidious distinctions between the two Services, and are fully aware of the wisdom and necessity of that rule of Government which leaves to the local Authorities in India the Selection of Officers for Military Commands by any restriction with respect to the branches of the Army from which the Selections are to be made but when a decided preference is shewn to the Officers of His Majesty's Service we cannot but express a just indignation at measures so discordant to our feelings as soldiers, for we cannot admit for one moment the Superior right of His Majesty's Officers to Situations of general Command in the Indian Army, as such admission would alone be grounded upon a recognition of Superior Claims and Superior qualifications on their part, and a renunciation of our own of those advantages which may without presumption be supposed to result from the devotion of the Chief part of our lives to the service of our Country in this Quarter of the World.

9th We feel partial redress in the Removing of His Majesty's Officers from Subordinate Staff situations lately held by them, and as the justness of such a measure so evidently appeared to your Honorable Court as to be adopted by your Government we rely on a further extension of that justness to a Removal of the grievance above Complained of by the preference Shewn to His Majesty's Officers in Selection to Commands,

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10th Excepting in a few instances an Officer has nothing now to look to but his bare pay, nothing remains to reward merit or to excite emulation, we are doomed to toil through many a painful year on an Allowance scarcely adequate to our subsistence, until after a period of twenty two years actual service in India we have the melancholy alternative of returning home to live in dependence and comparative poverty on the pension of our Ranks or of combating with Age and infirmities in a clime avowedly hostile to our Constitutions.

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11th Did We conceive the finances of our Honorable Masters were in such a State as to require reductions which renders us poor indeed but which cannot much enrich them, we should chearfully acquiesce in such measures, but when we find that Nothing of a similar nature is attempted on the other Establishments, on the contrary that the Allowances of the Bengal Army are Superior to our own, we are convinced they cannot have been dictated by sound policy or just regard to your Interests.

12th It is almost superfluous to press upon the attention of your Honorable Court the advanced price of every European Article of Consumption, the inhanced value of the common necessaries of Life, and increase of wages of all description of Domestics so peculiar to this presidency. It seldom happen that with the most rigid economy the present Pay and Allowances meet every reasonable demand in the different ranks of your Army.

13th The next consideration we have the honor to draw the attention of your Honble Court to is the abolition of the Tent Contract recently held by Officers Commanding Native Corps, and the consequent destruction of the most active principle of prompt movement with the Army. Persons blinded by self-interest and unaware of the extent and Magnitude of the designs they propose to embrace, have presented specious plans of economy to Government which though they may appear fair in theory are morally impoſsible in practice. To elucidate these aſsertions it is only neceſsary to compare the Mysore Campaign in 1799 at but a very inconsiderable distance from the Presidency when the Public Appointments and Stores of the Army were carried by Government, and the Memorable and eventful wars in which we have so recently been engaged with the confederate Marattah Chieftains, many hundred miles removed from our nearest frontier, the distreſs and inconvenience experienced on the former occasion was found so great that the Commander in Chief

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(General Harris) was necessitated in General Orders to call for the assistance of Individuals and even of the Sepoys to convey a part of the public Stores.

14th The Active energy and zeal which pervaded the Tent Department during our long protracted and desultory war with the Marattahs not only affords incontestable evidence of the fidelity of Commanding Officers of Corps in the execution of their stipulated engagements, and of the attention paid by them to the health and comfort of their men, but forms a striking contrast to the difficulties and embarrassments experienced in a Campaign of not six Months duration and within a hundred and fifty miles of our own Territories.

15th The Tent Contract for Native Corps was established on the 10th April 1802. From that period as will appear by the Honorable Sir Arthur

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Arthur Wellesley's letter to the Most Noble the Governor General under date "Jafferabad the 17th January 1804" many Corps employed in the Marattah Campaign had been in the Field from which some of them did not return till the middle of 1806. The Honorable General in this letter dwells strongly upon the loss Officers sustained individually in Camp Equipage and other Field Equipments. The same Arguments to the situation of Officers in General as expressed in the Honorable General's letter and in consequence of which they subsequently received six Months Batta as gratuity, equally applied to Commanding Officers. the latter however received no extra compensation on Account of the heavy damage sustained in the public Camp Equipage of their Corps. the Regulations Established on the 10th of April 1802 having expressly Provided against it. It is but reasonable to infer that had Commanding Officers then in the Field conceived that the Allowance which they understood to be *solemnly* guaranteed to them in the Public Orders of Government was to be discontinued the moment it became a temporary advantage to withdraw it by the return of the Army to Quarters they would have made a respectful application to Government to release them from a burden of a *present expense* without a prospect of future emolument as an indemnification for immediate loss.

We forbear recurring to every instance in which Government have experienced difficulties in conducting the Camp Equipage of the Army. This happened more particularly in 1791 when at a Moment of public distress the late Marquis Cornwallis trusting to the Zeal and Ardour for the interests of their employers, that have, we believe eminently distinguished the Coast Army in every important crises entrusted temporarily the Conducting the Camp Equipage to Officers Commanding Native Corps when he found it impossible,

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impossible to be conducted by Government. On this occasion (as on every other, the Officers of the Army cheerfully acquiesced in a measure that was productive of Advantage to the State.

Since in the instances above mentioned with the base and unfounded insinuations against the Officers Commanding Native Corps as Arguments used for depriving them of the guarantee to them in Public Orders, must evidently at the moment have lost them the confidence of your Government so destructive to the boasted emulation, Zeal and Ardour of your Officers, the Service has been deeply Wounded, they became the grounds of Complaint which so powerfully urge the redress we solicit, thus We the Officers of the Madras Army in one Voice humbly Petition your Honorable Court to grant that We be restored to and Confirmed in our former privilege of participating in the profits of the Buzzar Fund and that the Madras Army be placed permanently on the same Allowances with that of

Bengal and in urging this request we presume we only ask what justice demands, our Services entitle us to, and what we shall ever consider as our just rights.

Under the fullest conviction of that generosity of Sentiment and confidence in the wisdom of Council which prevail in the decisions of your Honorable Court, we cannot but regret and feelingly lament the injury which the Public Service sustains from the representative of the Army, the Commander in Chief being deprived of the accustomed power from his exclusion from a Seat in Council, nor is it without considerable alarm that we foresee unaided by his Council and Advice our dearest interests may be unintentionally sacrificed and the Security of the public safety endangered by measures which from a defect in Military experience are not with due precision calculated upon. The ill effects resulting from the present system have in too many instances been manifest

We therefore humbly solicit of your Honorable Court to take the subject into your most serious consideration, begging to observe that We look forward with anxious solicitude for your favorable decision on this important occurrence.

We avail ourselves of this Opportunity to respectfully touch on the subject of the Off-reckonings which were said to have been thrown into a general fund under the plea that the Colonels on the Madras Establishment derived greater advantage from them than that of Bengal. We should, we have to remark, been ready to allow of the justice and equity of the decision, were it not that the Army of Madras are excluded from every advantage enjoyed by Our Brother Officers in other respects, on that Establishment.

To Add weight to our Claims we are not vain enough to enumerate our Services which without Arrogance may be allowed at least commensurate with that portion of your Army distinguished by more Substantial marks of your favour and consideration We shall forbear drawing a retrospect of occasions which called forth an unanimous voice of approbation. 'tis enough that we have Accomplished what the wisdom of our Governors dictated; 'tis enough for us that we have extended your Dominions, and secured your Power; and 'tis enough in our praise that we have done our duty and are always ready to follow where it points the way.

Be assured Honorable Sirs that Our Loyalty to your cause is unshaken, but We feel it a duty we owe to ourselves to state what we conceive real grievances that we may not appear tacitly to acquiesce in our own degradation. and perswaded that our Claims are founded in justice, we look forward with confidence to the completion of our wishes at no distant period; in the mean time we await the Opportunity of desplaying to the World (as we have done on all former occasions) that in Zeal and Ardour for your cause and the cause of Our Country the Officers of the Madras Army yield to none.

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Establishment
January 1809

(Signed) Ald Taylor Lieut. Coll. Commt. M. E. Regt.
„ J. Hazlewood Major
„ Mont. Cosby Major
„ Richard John Cotgrave Captain Engineers
„ A. Gibson Captain Artillery
„ F. Best Lieutenant Artillery
„ G. S. Nixon Lieut. & Adjutt. M. E. Regt.
„ H. J. Yarde Captain M. E. Regt.
„ James A. Kelly Lieut. Mad. E. Regt.
„ Hu. Kyd Lieutenant Mad. E. Regt.
„ Thomas Hancorne Lieut. Mad. E. Regt.
„ Chas. Forbes Lieutenant Mad. E. Regt.
„ John Cursham Ensign Mad. E. Regt.
„ B. Hooper Lieut. Mad. E. Regt.

James

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(Signed) James Stewart - Lieutt. Madt. Eu. Regt.

" S. Colman - Lieutt. - Madt. Eu. Regt.

" A. Gordon - Ensign. Madt. Eu. Regt.

" Benjn. Baker - Ensign - Madt. Eu: Regt.

" James Roy - Ensign - Madt. Eu. Regt.

" G. Maxwell - Ensign - Madt. Eu. Regt.

" Wm. Stone - Lieutt. 1st Battn. 24th Regt. N.I.

" David Forbes. Lieutt. - Madt. Eu. Regt.

" R. McDawall Captn. 1st 24th Regiment.

" Wm. Coles Carberry Lieutt. Madt. Eu. Regiment.

" James Annesley - Garrison Surgeon.

" John Macleod - Assistant Surgeon.

" John McIntosh Lieutt. 1st Battn. 24th Regt. N.I.

" Edwd. Burges Lieutt. 1st Battn. 24th Regt. N.I.

" Samuel Marshall - Lieutenant. 24th Regt.

" G. Gibbs - Ensign .... 24th Regt.

" H. Harvey - Ensign ..... 24th Regt.

" John James - Ensign 1st Battn. 24th Regt.

" L. W. Watson - Ensign 1st Battn. 24th Regt. N.I.

" J. Nixon - Lieutenant .... 24th Regiment.

Gm

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(Signed) G. M. Stewart .... 24th Regt.
" R. Jenkins Lieutenant ...... 24th Regt.
" Jn. Sadler Captain Lieutenant 1st 24th
" Wm. Godfrey Major Invalids.
" Wm. Jones Daker Ensign Madras Eur. Regt.
" W. R. Fair. Fort Adjutant
" G. G. Maitland Lieutenant Madr. Eur. Regt.
" Josh. Cecil Lieutenant Madras Eur. Regt.
" W. Davenant Lieutenant Madras Eur. Regt.
" H. C. Woodward Lieut. Madras Eur. Regt.
" A. Andrews Captain Madras Eur. Regt.
" Geo. Anderson. Surgeon Madras Eur. Regt.
" P. Brown. Ensign Madras Eur. Regt.
" W. Finwick Lieutenant Madras Eur. Regt.
" C. H. Powell Captn. 1st Battn. 24th Regt.
" John Geo. Bellingham Captn. 8th N. I.
" Richd. Burn. Captain 2d Battn. 2d Regt.
" G. R. Kelly. 2d Regiment N. I.
" M. Beauman. Captain Artillery.
" Geo. Martin. Lieutenant Colonel. 2d Battn.
22d Regt. N. I.

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(Signed) Js. Lindsay - Captain.
" Chas. Ferrier Captain.
" Geo: Alexander Surgeon.
" C. Bowen. Lieutenant.
" W. Oliver - Lieutenant.
" E. Leith - Lieutenant.
" G. Dunmore - Lieutenant.
" G. H. Budd - Lieutenant.
" J. Crown - Lieutenant.
" J. H. Talbot - Lieutenant.
" Ed. Duheaume - Ensign.
" G. Storey - Ensign.
" J. Malton - Ensign.
" J. Hodgson - Lieutenant 22d Native Infantry.
" W. H. Loftie - Lieutenant 2d Battn. 19th Regt.
" J. Briggs Lieutenant 1st Battn. Artillery.
" James Limond - Captain Artillery.
" Walter Sharp - Captain Lieutenant Artillery.
" J. F. de Havilland Captn. Lieutt. Engineers.
" Wm. Burton - Captain Lieutenant Artillery

David

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(Signed) David Scott Surgeon 1st Battn. Artillery.

2d Battalion 12th Regiment N. I.

" John Green - Lieutenant.

" James Smith Lieutenant.

" James Kitson - Lieutenant.

" John Scott - Lieutenant.

" Geo: Hutchinson - Ensign.

" R. Richardson - Assistant Surgeon.

" Jn. Jamieson - Ensign.

" Thomas Hadaway - Ensign.

" Jno. Wm. Moncrieffe - Lieutenant.

" Wm. John Jackson - Ensign.

" Robt. Munro Lieutt. Col. 2d Battn. 10th Regt.
Commanding Nundydroog.

" E. J. Pateshall Lieutt. 1st Battn. 15th Regt.

" G. Braun Lieutt. 1st Battn. 15th Regt.

" R. Richardson Lieutt. 1st Bn. 15th Regt. N. I.

" W. Herring Lieutt. 1st Battn. 15th Regt. N. I.

" Saml. Yates Ensign 1st Bn. 15th Regt. N. I.

" John Addison Ensign 1st Bn. 8th Regt. N. I.

J. D.

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(Signed) Geo: Sanford Captain 1st Battn 9th Regt
" C. Bagot Ensign Do ... Do
" Wm Griffinhoofe Lieut. 1st Battn 9th N. R.
" C. D. Stanley Lieut. 1st Battn 9th Regt
" N. Moore Ensign 1st Battn 9th Regt N. I.
" W. Preston Ensign 1st Battn 9th Regt N. I.
" A. Anderson Lieut. 1st Battn 9th Regt N. I.
" A. G. Greenson Ensign 1st Battn 9th Regt N. I.
" H. Massey Lieut. 1st Battn 9th Regt N. I.
" J. Glenholme Lieut. 1st Battn 9th Regt
" G. Field Lieut. 1st Battn 9th Regt N. I.
" J. W. Smith Captain 1st Battn 9th Regt N. I.
" Ed. Bertie Lieut. 1st Battn 9th Regt N. I.
" C. Rumley Lieutenant Colonel Cavalry.
" John Colebrooke Major 5th Regt Cavalry.
" Henry Mason Captain 5th — Cavalry.
" E. Hume Lieutenant 5th Regt Cavalry.
" F. D. Sampson Lieut. 5th Regt Cavalry.
" Henry Fowle Surgeon.
" Jno Blackiston Ensign Engineers.

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(Signed) P. Richardson Major 2d Battn 2d Regt
" Anthony Monin Captn 2d Battn 2d Regt
" Geo. Wiltshir Lieutenant 2d Battn 2d Regt
" Wm. Tweedie Lieutt 2d Battn 2d Regt
" G. Strachan Ensign 2d Battn 2d Regt N. I.
" W. Armstrong Ensign 2d Battn 2d Regt N. I.
" Francis W. Wilton Captn Lieutt 2d Bn 2d Regt
" Thos A Chambers Lieutt 2d Battn 2d Regt N. I.
" Jno Palmer Keasberry, Major 9th Regt N. I.
" Alexr McLeod Captain 9th Regiment
" Thos Hicks Lieutt 2d Battn 9th Regt N. I.
" Thos Marrett Lieutt 2d Battn 9th Regt N. I.
" Jas. P. McCormick Lt 2d Bn 9th Regt N. I.
" Thos Prendergast Lieutt 2d Battn 9th Regt
" C. A. Elderton Lieutenant 9th Regt
" Geo: Rose Lieutenant 9th Regt N. I.
" Wm C. Oldham Lieutt 2d Battn 9th Regt
" Wm Horsley Rowley Lt 2d Battn 9th Regt N. I.
" J. Paterson Surgeon Madras Establishment
" Alexr McClelland 2d Battn 9th Regt

George

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(Signed) George Scott Ensign 2d Battn 9th Regt N. I.
" D. McAndrew Assistant Surgeon
" H. F. Smith Captn 2d Battn 14th Regt N. I.
" J. Walker Captn 2d Battn 14th Regt
" J. Ives Captn 2d Battn 14th Regt
" Thos King Captain 2d Battn 14th Regt
" R. G. Wilson Lieutt 2d Battn 14th Regt
" R. Spears Lieutt 2d Battn 14th Regt
" Thos Cox Lieutt 2d Battn 14th Regt
" P. Fenoulhet Lieutt 2d Battn 14th Regt
§ " J. Lighton Lieutt - - - - 14th Regt
" C. L. Nelthropp Lieutt 2d Bn 14th Regt
" Js Buchan Lieutt 2d Battn 14th Regt
" Thos Carmichael Lieutt 2d Battn 14th Regt
" Wm Hilton Lieutt 2d Battn 14th Regt
" Thos Casey Lieutt 2d Battn 14th Regt
" H. Buckworth Ensign 2d Bn 14th Regt
" John Williams Ensign 2d Bn 14th Regt
" Henry O'Hara Ensign 2d Bn 14th Regt N. I.
" Alexr McIntosh Ensign 2d Bn 14th Regt

John

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(Signed) John Rich Assist. Surgn. 2d Bn. 14th Regt.
" Saml. Haggard Ensign 2d Battn. 14th Regt.
" Jn. W. Whyte Captn. Lt. 13th Native Regt.
" Wm. Tytler Lieut. 6th Regt. N. I.
" Geo. Martin Lieutenant Colonel
" Jn. Geo. Graham Lieutenant Colonel.
" Andw. McDowall Major 15th Regt.
" Wm. Munro Captain 15th Regiment.
" A. Lemand Captain 15th Regiment
" John Turner Captain Do.
" H. Y. Kent Lieutenant Do.
" R. Rolleston Lieutenant Do.
" Wm. Vaughan Lieutenant Do.
" Osswd. Kinnen Lieutenant 15th Regiment.
" Ed. Bond Lieutenant Do.
" Js. Noble Ensign Do.
" A. McCormick Ensign Do.
" Thos. Alston Ensign Do.
" Assistant Surgeon George Mather.
" E. Boardman Captn. 18th N. Regt.

Ed. P.

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(Signed) Ed. P. Long Captain 18th Regiment
" Chas. Dining Lieut. 1st Battn. 18th
" Rd. Molesworth Lieut. 1st Battn.
" Thos. Youngson Lieutenant 18th Regiment
" Wm. Story Lieutenant 1st Battn. 18th Regt.
" J. B. Blount Lieutenant 18th Regt.
" C. Mitchell Ensign - - - 18th Regt.
" J. H. Monk Ensign . 18th Regt.
" G. O'Reilly . Ensign . . Do.
" Wm. McLeod . Ensign . . . Do.
" Jno. Irving Assistant Surgeon -
" Ed. P. Stevenson Captain 25th Regiment
" R. Davis . Captain . . Do.
" Thos. Palmer Captain Lieut. 25th Regt.
" W. Seton . Lieut. and Adjutt.
" Michael H. Davidson Lieut. 25th
" Thos. Clode . Lieut. . . Do.
" Thos. Goodrich . Lieut. 2d Battn. 25th Regt.
" L. A. Dowton . Lieut. Do.
" George Worthy - - - - Do.

Wm.

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(Signed) Wm. McCally Major 2d. Batt. 25th Regt. N. I.
" Ramsay Haden Assistant Surgeon.
" Charles Brook Lieutenant
" C. D. Bruce Major 20th Regt. N. I.
" D. Millar Captain 1st Batt. 20th Regt.
" R. H. Yates Captain ---- 20th Regt.
" Thos. Vincent Captain --- 20th Regt.
" W. T. Baker Lieut. 1st Batt. 20th Regt. N. I.
" W. Reid Lieut. 1st Batt. 20th Regt.
" John Tucker Lieut. 1st Batt. 20th Regt.
" George Dun Lieut. 1st Batt. 20th Regt.
" Arch. Inglis Lieut ---- 20th Regt. N. I.
" W. K. Ritchie Ensign 1st Batt. 20th Regt.
" J. Hughes Ensign ------ 20th Regt. N. I.
" J. W. Pew ------ 1st Batt. 20th Regt. N. I.
" John Warden Ensign 1st Batt. 20th Regt. N. I.
" A. McLeod Ensign 1st Batt. 20th Regt.
" T. Henry - Ensign 1st Batt. 20th Regt.
" Jn. Lindsay Major 2d. Batt. 11th Regt.
" Jas. Brodie Captain 2d. Batt. 11th Regt.

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(Signed) Jn. Lutwedge Captn. 2d Battn. 11th Regt.
" H.W. Sale Captn. Lieutt. 2d Battn. 11th Regt.
" Lieutenant & Adjutt. Edmonds 2d Battn. 11th Regt.
" Saml. Lewis Lieutenant 2d Battn. 11th Regt. N.I.
" J. T. Hammond Ensign 2d Battn. 11th Regt. N.I.
" Geo. Norton Lieutenant 2d Battn. 11th Regt. N.I.
" Jas. Burnside Ensign 2d Battn. 11th Regt. N.I.
" Wm. Borthwick Ensign 2d Battn. 11th Regt. N.I.
" R. Butler Ensign 2d Battn. 11th Regt.
" C. O. Lord Ensign 2d Battn. 11th Regt. N.I.
" Fras. Green Lieutenant 2d Battn. 11th Regt. N.I.
" John Steddy Surgeon 11th Regt.
" William Jones Assistant Surgeon 11th Regt.
" C Lethbridge Lieutenant 2d Battn. 11th Regt. N.I.
" Wm. J. Saunders Lieutt. 2d Battn. 11th Regt. N.I.
" Ed. Stopford Lieutenant 2d Battn. 11th Regt.
" J. Durand Lt. Col. Comg. - - - 9th Regt. N.I.
" A. McLaren Lieutt. 2d Battn. 9th Regt.
" Peregrine Davie Lieutt. 2d Battn. 9th Regt.
" Henry Davie Captn. Lt. 1st Battn. 9th Regt.

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(Signed) Chas. A. Walker Lieut. 1st Battn. 8th Regt. N. I.
" W. Hunter Lieutenant 2d Battn. 8th Regt.
" A. Roberts Lieutenant 2d Battn. 8th Regt.
" Saml. Meddowcroft Ensn. 2d Battn. 8th Regt. N. I.
" Charles Cunningham Lt. 2d Battn. 13th Regt. N. I
" G. Lang Major 1st Battn. 13th Regt.
" Fras. James Captain 1st Battn. 13th Regt.
" G. L. Lambert Captain Do. ---- Do.
" Richard West Lieutenant Do. ---- Do.
" Wm. Bennett Lieutenant 1st Battn. 13th Regt.
" H. Swayne Lieutenant Do.
" Wm. Jones Lieutenant Do.
" Wm. B. Isacke Lieut. 1st Battn. 13th
" Hastings A. Moncrieff Lt. 1st Battn. 13th Regt.
" Henry Parker Lieutenant 1st Battn. 13th
" Chas. Brumfield Ensign Do.
" John Gwyne Ensign 1st Battn. 13th Regt.
" G. Dodwell Ensign 1st Battn. 13th Regt.
" J. S. Reviere Aſsistant Surgeon.
" D. McDonell Major 2d Battn. 16th Regt. N. I.

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(Signed) C. Hall Lieutenant 2d Battn 16th Regt
" P. B. Man Captn 2d Battn 16th Regt
" J. Williamson Lieutt 2d Battn 16th Regt
" J. Newland Ensign 2d Battn 16th N. I.
" Edwin Chitty Captn 2d Battn 16th Regt N. I.
" J. Watson Lieutenant 2d Battn 16th Regt N. I.
" T. D. Saunders Lieutenant 2d Battn 16th Regt N. I.
" J. Baines Lieutenant 2d Battn 16th Regt N. I.
" Henry John Bowler Lieutt 2d Battn 16th Regt N. I.
" Reginald W. R. Hansard Ensign Do — Do.
" S. Hodden Ensign 2d Battn 16th Regt N. I.
" W. Jones Assistant Surgeon.
" H. Bowen Captain 2d Battn 16th Regt
" Geo. Jones Lieutenant 2d Battn 16th Regt N. I.
" McW. Hunter Lieutt 2d Battn 16th Regt N. I.
" W. C. Hacker Ensign 16th Regiment N. I.
" P. H. Vesey Lieutt Coll 2d Battn 6th Regt
" Jno McDougall Captn 2d Battn 6th Regt N. I.
" Jno Golding Lieutenant 2d Battn 6th Regt N. I.
" Rd Parminter Captn 2d Battn 6th Regt N. I.

P. L.

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(Signed) P. L. Lambert Lieut. 2d Battn. 6th Regt.
" B. McMaster Ensign - 2d Battn. 6th Regt. N. I.
" W. R. Thomson Ensign - 2d Battn. 6th Regt. N. I.
" H. Townsend Captain - 2d Battn. 6th Regt. N. I.
" Thos. Noble Ensign - - 2d Battn. 6th Regt. N. I.
" Captain Rochead 2d Battn. 6th Regt.
" C. De Carteret Lieut. 2d Battn. 6th Regt. N. I.
" A. Sentleger Lieut. Coll. 6th Regt. N. Cavy.
" R. Woolf Cornet 6th Regiment Cavy.
" A. H. Johnston Lieut. 6th Regiment Cavy.
" H. Turton Lieut. - 6th Regiment Cavy.
" R. H. Russell Cornet. Do.
" Wm. Haines Assistant Surgeon 6th Regt. Cavy.
" John Logan Cornet - 6th Regiment Cavy.
" Wm. Babington Cornet 6th Regiment Cavy.
" John Smith Lieutenant 6th Regiment Cavy.
" Thos. Nuthall Major 6th Regiment Cavy.
" Chas. Lucas Captain - 2d Battn. 3d Regt. N. I.
" Jas. Fogg Lieutenant 2d Battn. 3d Regt. N. I.
" H. Dixon Ensign - 2d Battn. 3d Regt. N. I.

Wm.

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(Signed) Wm. Miller Blake Ensign 2d Bn. 3d Rt. N. I.
" Wm. Shepherd. Ensign 2d Battn. 3d Regt. N. I.
" C. B. Robinson Lieut. 2d Battn. 3d Regt. N. I.
" J. W. Dawson Lieut. 2d Battn. 3d Regt.
" A. R. Perkins Lieut. 1st Battn. 3d Regt. N. I.
" J. Herring Ensign 1st Battn. 3d Regt.
" S. Parrock Assist. Surgn. 1st Battn. 3d Regt. N. I.
" F. Mc. Goble Lieut. 2d Battn. 3d Regt. N. I.
" J. L. Hoſsteller Lt. 1st Battn. 3d Regt. N. I.
" Jas. Walker Lieut 2d Battn. 3d Regt.
" Thos. Stevenson Captn. Lt. 3d Regiment
" J. Carfrae Captain 2d Battn. 3d Regt.
" J. Fotheringham Captain Engineers.
" W. S. Anderson. Assistt. Surgeon 2d Battn. 7th Regt. N. I.
" Robt. Inverarity Lieut. 2d Battn. 3d Regt. N. I.
" J. Pearson Lieut. 2d Battn. 3d Regt. N. I.
" Wm. Moore Lieut. 1st Battn. 13th Regt. N. I.
" W. W. Jeffrey Lieut. 2d Battn. 3d Regt. N. I.
" J. Wilson. Lieut. 1st Battn. 3d Regt. N. I.
" Josh. Knowles Captn. Comg. 1st Battn. 3d N. Regt.

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(Signed) G. Wm Eccles. Ensign 1st Battn 3d N. In.
" R. R. Gore Lieutt 1st Battn 3d Regt N. I.
" B. Meredith. Ensign 1st Battn 3d Regt.
" W. H. Pepper. Captain 1st Battn 3d Regt.
" J. Storey. Major – 1st Battn 19th Regt.
" H. Kelley. Captain. 1st Battn 19th Regt.
" Geo. Ware. Captain. 1st Battn 19th Regt N. I.
" W. J. Harington Captain 1st Battn 19th Regt N. I.
" A. Norton Lieutt. 1st Battn 19th Regt N. I.
" D. C. Smith Lieutt. Do.
" J. H. Delamain Lieutt Do.
" Henry Dixon Lieutenant Do.
" A. Cooke Lieutenant 1st Bn 19th Regt N. I.
" C. Kippen Lieutt 1st Battn 19th Regt N. I.
" H. Dowden Lieutt 1st Battn 19th Regt.
" W. C. Fitzgerald - - - Do.
" A. Muirhead Major 2d Battn 17th Regt
" J. Crampton Captn 2d Battn 17th Regt
" Wm J. Blackmore Captn 2d Battn 17th
" Edm. Goodbehere. Lieutt 2d Battn 17th Regt

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(Signed) A. McQueen Lieut. 2d Battn. 18th Regt. N. I.
" Geo. J. Blair Lieut. 2d Battn. 18th Regt. N. I.
" Fletcher Norton Lieut. 2d Battn. 18th Regt.
" Jn. Tennent. Lieut. 2d Battn. 18th Regt.
" Robt. A. Murcott Ensign 2d Battn. 18th Regt.
" W. J. Bradford - Ensign 2d Battn. 18th Regt.
" Willm. McDowall Assistant Surgeon
2d Battn. 18th Regt.
" Jno. Slade. Lieut. 2d Battn. 18th Regt. N. I.
" J. Simons Lt. Col. Comg 1st Battn. 11th Regt. N. I.
" J. Woulfe Captain 1st Battn. 11th Regt. N. I.
" Hy. Downs Lieut. 1st Battn. 11th Regt.
" Jn. W. B. Smyth Lieutenant & Adjutt. Do.
" Robt. Wilson - Ensign - Do. - Do.
" Hy. Pearson - Ensign -
" Harry Green - Ensign Do. - Do.
" John Simons - Lieutenant 1st Battn. 11th Regt. N. I.
" St. Poignand Lieutenant.
" Wm. Haviet Major 10th Regiment Native Infantry

Ordered

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Ordered that the following letter be dispatched.

To Lieutenant General Macdowall
Commander in Chief

Sir,

To the Commander in Chief. Acknowledge the Receipt of the Memorial Submitted with his letter of the 23rd Instant. disapprove of the Sentiments expressed therein, and acquaint him that after having laid it before the Gov. Genl. in Council it will be brought under the Notice of the Court of Directors.

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to Acknowledge the Receipt of your Excellency's Letter of the 23rd Instant, and of the Memorial therewith Submitted.

The Governor in Council directs me to state that it is impossible he should not view with extreme disapprobation the Sentiments expressed in that paper. The subject will be brought under the Notice of the Honble Court Directors, but from the nature of it, the Governor in Council will consider it proper to postpone any final Orders regarding the disposal of the paper in Question, until it shall have been laid before the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council.

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Fort St. George 27th January 1809.

I have the honor to be Sir &ca

Fort St. George
28th January 1809.

(Signed) G. Buchan
Chief Secy to Govt.

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

Proceedings of the Medical Board transmitting various papers to be forwarded to the Court of Directors.

Resolutions of the Governor in Council Dated 27th January 1809.

Medical Board 16th January 1809.

Ordered that the papers mentioned in these Proceedings be transmitted to the Honble Court of Directors by the present Despatch.

By Order of the Honble the Governor in Council.

(Signed) G. Strachey
Secy to Govt.

The Medical Board have the honor to forward, the Annual Indent for Medicines, and Medical Stores, for the use of this Presidency, for the year 1811, at the same time, a List of the Servants of the Medical Establishment of Fort St. George for transmission to the Honorable the Court of Directors, by the Ships now under dispatch.

2 The Medical Board have also the honor to forward, the Annual Report of the Patients in the Hospital for Lunatics, specifying the dates of their Admission, disease, and restoration to Society, together with an Account of the expenses incurred, for that Institution, during the Year 1808, for the information of the Honorable the Court of Directors, agreeably to the Orders of Government, bearing date the 9th March 1802.

(Signed) Jas. Anderson
Physician General
" Terence Gahagan M. D.
2d Member Medl. Board.
" Andw. Berry
3d Member Medl. Board.

Read

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Read the following Letters.

To the Chief Secretary of Government
Fort St. George

Sir,

From the Adjutant General of the Army with various lists for transmission to the Court of Directors.

I have the honor to forward for transmission to the Honorable the Court of Directors by the Ships now under dispatch the following Documents.

No. 1 .... List of the Officers of the Honorable Company's Army on the Madras Establishment, corrected to the 7th of January 1809 including a list of Officers proceeding on leave to Europe and a list of Casualties of Officers between the 5th of October 1808 and the 17th of January 1809.

No. 2. ------ Register of European Non-commissioned and Private Soldiers, Drummers &c. of the Honorable Company's Service on the Madras Establishment corrected to the 1st of January 1809.

No. 3. ------ A General Return of His Majesty's Troops serving on the Coast of Coromandel,

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on the 1st of December 1808.

No. 4 - - - A General Return of the Honorable Company's Forces on the Establishment of Fort St. George, as the same stood on the 1st of December 1808.

I have the honor to be &ca &ca

(Signed) F. Capper

Adjutt. Genl.

Adjutt. Genl's Office
Fort St. George
19th January 1809.

To the Chief Secretary to Government

Sir,

From the Accountant General with a Statement of Sums deposited in the Treasury for transmission to England.

I have the Honor to enclose in Triplicate for transmission to the Honorable the Court of Directors, Statement of the Sums deposited in the Treasury on Account of the Estates of Military Persons deceased for the Quarter ending 31st October last, shewing the Sums which have been paid out again to Administrators and Others, and Specifying also the Sums Still Remaining unclaimed.

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Fort St. George
Accountt. Genl's Office
23d. January 1809.

I have the honor to be &ca. &ca.
(Signed) Cecil Smith
Accountt. Genl.

To the Chief Secretary of Government
Fort St. George

From the Military Paymaster General with a list of those who have come upon Lord Clive's fund for transmission to England.

Sir,

I herewith enclose you a List of the Persons to whom the Donation from Lord Clive's Fund has been granted since the 14th. October 1808. the date of my last Communication -

I am &ca. &ca.

Mility Paymr. Genl's Office
Fort St. George 21st. Jany 1809.

(Signed) B. Roebuck
Mily Paymr. Genl.

List

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List of Persons to whom the Donation from the late Lord Clive's Fund has been granted since the 14th October 1808. — Vizt. One fourth of their Husbands Pay.

Names of the Widows.	Names of their deceased Husbands.	Rank.
Mrs. Eliza Rand	Charles Rand	Captn. of Infantry.
" Anna Clarke	John Clarke	Condr. of Ordnance.
" Regina Munro	James Munro	Corpl. of Artillery.
" Shawreamal Anye	Zacharias Anye	Do. of Infantry.
" Lucy Chard	John Chard.	Matross of Artillery.

Military Paymaster General's Office
Fort St. George 21st January 1809.

(Signed) B. Roebuck
M. P. G.

Ordered

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order thereon

Ordered that the papers refered in the foregoing letters be transmitted to the Honorable Court of Directors by the present Despatch.

The Secretary lays before the Board the following Statement of the Medals which have been received from the Honorable Court of Directors.

Statement of the Medals which have been Actually Received.

Statement of the medals which have been actually received from England -

One Small Box containing four Gold Medals to be presented to the Nabob of Arcot the Rajahs of Tanjore Travancore & Coorga.

One Box. Containing 800 Silver Medals and 100 Silver Gilt Medals.

Four Boxes. Containing 3900 Copper Medals.

Fort St. George
27th January 1809

(Signed) G. Strachey
Secy to Govt.

ordered thereon

Ordered that a Copy of the foregoing Statement be transmitted to the Honorable Court of Directors by the present Despatch.

The President records the following

Fort St. George 27th January 1809.

following Letter from Lieutenant Johnston of His Majesty's 34th Regiment of Foot.

To Major Barclay.

Military Secretary to the Honble the Governor

Fort St. George

Sir,

From Lieut. G. Johnston of H. M. 34th Regt. relative to his Correspondence with Government.

I have been duly honored with your letter of the 24th Instant enclosing one from Mr. Secretary Strachey conveying to me by order of the Governor in Council their Sentiments on my letter in Reply and Explanation to you of the 18th January. I conceive that the same rule obtains for my Replying to, as receiving communications with the Governor in Council.

When an Insult was offered to me by Returning my letter of just Complaint for Neglect of duty which I had made against the Chief Secretary to Government, I thought it incumbent on me to reply in explanation. I respect myself too much to offer intentional disrespect to any person, but certainly those persons who could offer an Insult to the King, whose Servant I am, by declaring His Majesty's Commission, which

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I have the honor to hold a sufficient and sole cause to remove me from a Public Staff Appointment in the Army on thi Establishment, are not entitled to be respected by me -

I am thoroughly aware of the power of the Hon'ble the Governor in Council to represent my conduct to the Hon'ble Cou of Directors in any point of View they may think proper, and suc representation being unknown to me in particulars, I have n opportunity of Vindicating my conduct from whatever may be a against me; I have already suffered greatly by such representati and I leave the liberal and honorable mind to Judge of the of such proceeding, experience has proved to me in several insta that in such communications with the Hon'ble Court of Dire little attention has been paid to the dictates of Justice -

Madras
26th January 1809.

I have the honor to be &c &c

(Signed) George Johnston
Lieut H. M. 34th Regt

C. A. Berlow

E. W. Strange

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W. Petrie

J. Oakes

J. H. Casamajor

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Diary

Received the following Letter

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George Buchan Esqr.
Chief Secretary

From the Commander in Chief – Forwards a Memorial to be transmitted to the Court of Directors from the Commanding Officers of Corps on this Establishment with an observation –

Sir,

I have the honor to forward to you for the purpose of being laid before the Honorable the President in Council, a Memorial from almost the whole of the Officers in Command of the Native Corps under this Establishment which they request may be transmitted to the Honorable the Court of Directors

I beg leave to state that I had not seen this Memorial at the time I directed Lieutenant Colonel Munro to be placed under an arrest upon charges preferred against him by those Officers –

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

Madras
28th January 1809

(Signed) Hay Macdowall
Lieut. Colonel

Genl

Fort S.t George ~ January, 1809

Sent the following Letter

To Lieutenant General Macdowall

Commander in Chief

Sir

To the Same — Inform him that the Governor in Council considers the Memorial transmitted by His Excellency regarding the charges against the Quarter Master General to be improper to be submitted to the Court of Directors and returns the Memorial in Consequence —

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your Excellency's Letter of this date, and to acquaint you that under the orders recently passed on the subject of the Charges preferred against the Quarter Master General of the Army the Governor in Council considers the tenor of the Memorial transmitted with your Excellency's Letter to be objectionable and improper to be submitted to the Honorable Court of Directors, I have accordingly the honor to return the Memorial by desire of the Governor in Council —

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

(Signed) G. Buchan

Chief Secy. to Govt.

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28th Received and Sent the following Letters — entered in M.B. No. 69.70.71.72.73.—

From the Commander f the H.C. Ship Wm. Pitt.—

From Captain Graham Reports that Some Invalids labouring under contagious disorders have been sent on board his Ship, and requests that orders may be given for their removal—

From the Mily. Audr. General—

From Major Bruce Reports on an additional estimate of Cash required by the Paymr. at Palamcottah—

From Do. Do.

From Do. Do. Encloses Statements of Passage Money & advances made to Officers and Men of His Majesty's Regiments proceeding to Europe—

To the Town Major of Fort St. George—

To the Town Major of Fort St. George Encloses Copy of a letter from the Commander of the William Pitt, and directs him to recall the Invalids therein mentioned and Embarked on board that Ship—

To the Mily. Paymaster General—

To the Military Paymaster General— Encloses Copy of Military Auditor General's Report on additional estimate of Cash required by the Paymaster at Pallamcottah

29th Received & Sent the following Letters entered in

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1 29 in M. B. No. 74. 75. 76. 77. 78. 79. 80. 81 —

From the Mily. Secy. to the Commr. in Chief

From Captain Macpherson Forwarding Proceedings of the Medical Board 4th. January —

From the Mily. Paymr. General —

From Mr. Roebuck – Transmitting register of Bills drawn by the Poonah Paymaster —

From Do. Do.

From Do. – Do. Forwarding application of the Deputy Paymaster General of the King's Troops for leave of absence —

From the Officer Commg. Southern Division of the Army —

From Major General Fuller respecting the detaching a Military party to quell a disturbance —

From the Commr. of the H. C. Ship Jane Dutcheſs of Gordon —

From Captain Campion – Requesting the order of Government for paſsing an account for paſsage money —

From D. Savagere for her Mother at Pondi-cherry —

From M Sauvagere – application for pecuniary aſsistance —

To the Mily. Paymr. General —

To the Military Paymaster General Granting leave of Absence to Lieutenant Colonel Campbell

To the Commander of the H. C. S. Lady Jane Dundas —

To Captain Eckford &ca. Enclose List of Charter Party Paſsengers for England and desire they will receive them on board their respective Ships —

The Same to the Commr. of the H. C. S. Jane Dutcheſs of Gordon

Do. Do. Do. of the William Pitt ..

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Fort St. George 31st January 1809

At a Consultation
Present
The Honorable Sir George Hilaro Barlow Bt. & K.B.
Governor and President
William Petrie —
Thomas Oakes and } Esqrs. —
J. H. Casamajor — —

Tuesday the 31st January 1809

Minutes of last Consultation read and approved.

The President records the following Minute, and at the same time lays before the Board the following Note addressed to Him as the Governor of Fort Saint George by the Adjutant General of the Army. —

Presidents Minute — Suspension of the Adjt General of the Army — and appointment of Major Barclay to that situation recommended —

It having come to the knowledge of the President that the Adjutant General is equally responsible for the Circulation of the late Offensive Order of the Commander in Chief as the Deputy Adjutant General; and he having avowed that responsibility the President considers it his indispensable duty to recommend that the Suspension of Lieutenant Colonel Capper from the Service of the Company may be also ordered to take place.

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It is recommended that Major Robert Barclay may be Ordered to take temporary Charge of the Office of the Adjutant General.

(Signed) G: H: B.

Card from the Adjutant General of the Army - transmitting an Order by the Commander in Chief which he requests permission to publish to the Army -

The Adjutant General has the honor to request the Sanction of the Honorable the Governor for the publication of the accompanying Order to the Troops in the Garrison of Fort St. George.

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General Orders

Head Quarters: Choultry Plain,
28th January 1809.

G. O. by the Commander in Chief.

The immediate departure of Lieutenant General Macdowall from Madras will prevent his pursuing the design of bringing Lieutenant Colonel Munro Quarter Master General to Trial, for disrespect to the Commander in Chief, for disobedience of Orders, and for Contempt of Military Authority, in having resorted to the power of the Civil Government in defiance of the

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the Judgement of the Officer at the Head of the army, who had placed him under arrest on Charges preferred against him by a Number of Officers Commanding Native Corps, in Consequence of which appeal *direct* to the Honorable the President in Council. Lieutenant General Macdowall has received a Positive Order from the Chief Secretary to liberate Lieutenant Colonel Munro from arrest.

Such Conduct on the part of Lieutenant Colonel Munro being destructive of Subordination, Subversive of military discipline, a violation of the Sacred Rights of the Commander in Chief, and holding out a most dangerous example to the Service — Lieutenant General Macdowall in Support of the dignity of the Profession, and his own Station and Character, feels it incumbent on him to express his Strong disapprobation of Lieutenant Colonel Munro's unexampled Proceedings, and considers it a Solemn duty imposed upon him to Reprimand Lieutenant Colonel Munro in General Orders — and he is hereby reprimanded Accordingly.

(Signed) T. Boles
Dy. A. G.

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Resolution thereon

The Board Concur in the President's Recommendation, and it is Accordingly Resolved that the following General Order be published to the army –

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G. O. by Government.
Annulling the Appointment of Lieutenant General Mc Dowall to the Command of the army, in consequence of his issuing the foregoing order – suspending Major Boles D. A. G. for his having put his signature thereto and directing the adjutant Genl. to issue the necessary orders to expunge the order in question from every public record.

G. O. By Government

It has recently come to the Knowledge of the Honorable the Governor in Council that Lieutenant General Hay Macdowall did previously to his embarkation from this Presidency leave to be published to the Army a General Order dated the 28th Instant, in the highest degree disrespectful to the authority of the Government, in which that Officer has presumed to found a public Censure on an act adopted under the immediate authority of the Governor in Council, and to convey insinuations grossly derogatory to the Character of the Government, and Subversive of military discipline and of the foundations of Public authority –

The resignation of Lieutenant General Macdowall of the Command of the Army of Fort St. George not having been yet received, it becomes the duty of the Governor

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Governor in Council in Consideration of the violent and inflammatory Proceedings of that officer on the present and on other recent Occasions, and for the purpose of preventing the possible Repetition of farther Acts of outrage, to anticipate the period of his expected Resignation, and to annull the appointment of Lieutenant General Macdowall to the Command of the Army of this Presidency - Lieutenant General Macdowall is accordingly hereby removed from the Station of the Commander in Chief of the forces of Fort St. George.

The Governor in Council must lament with the deepest Regret the Necessity of resorting to an extreme measure of this Nature; but where a Manifest endeavour has been used to bring into degradation the Supreme public Authority, it is essential that the vindication should not be less Signal than the Offence; and that a Memorable example should be given that proceedings Subversive of established order, Can find no Security, under the Sanction of Rank however high, or of Station however exalted.

The General Order in question having been Circulated under the Signature of the deputy Adjutant General of the Army it must have been known to that Officer

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Officer that in giving Currency to a Paper of this offensive description, he was acting in direct violation of his duty to the Government, as no Authority can justify the execution of an illegal Act connected as that Act obviously in the present Case has been, with views of the most reprehensible nature, The Governor in Council thinks it proper to mark his highest displeasure at the Conduct of Major Boles by directing that he shall be suspended from the Service of the Honble. Company

The General Order left by the Commander in Chief for publication, under date the 28th Instant is directed to be expunged from every public Record, and the Adjutant General of the Army will immediately Circulate the necessary Orders for this purpose—

By Order of the Honorable the Governor in Council—

(Signed) George Buchan
Chief Sec. to Govt.

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G: O: By Government

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Suspending the adjutant General for being implicated in circulating the offensive general order of the 28th Ultimo & directing Major Barclay to do the duties of Adjutant General till further Orders.—

It having been made known to the Honorable the Governor in Council that the Adjutant General of the Army was materially implicated in the measure of giving currency to the offensive General Order of the Commander in Chief dated the 28th Ultimo it becomes the duty of the Honorable the Governor in Council to direct that Lieutenant Colonel Capper be suspended from the Service of the Honorable Company; and that officer is hereby suspended accordingly—

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The Governor in Council directs that Major Robert Barclay will take charge of the duties of the Office of Adjutant General until further orders.—

By order of the Honorable the Governor in Council.—

(Signed) G. Buchan
Chief Sec. to Govt.

Read the following Letters from the Commander in Chief from his Military Secretary, and his Aide de Camp, and from the Adjt. General of the Army.—

George Buchan Esqr.
Chief Secretary to Government.

Sir,

m the Commander
Chiefs charge of the
e and certain
ords Committed
to Care of his aid
Camp to be delivered
to Major General
wdie.—

I have the honor to request you will State to the Honorable the Governor in Council that I have directed my Aide de Camp Captain Coombs to remain in Charge of the Commander in Chiefs Office, and the records and papers in it, in order that they may be delivered over by him to Major General Gowdie on his arrival. There are some records which require particular explanations and which I have instructed

Captain

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Captain Coombs to State to General Gowdie, as my Departure will prevent my personal Communication with him.—

Madras
24th January 1809.

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

(Signed) Hay Macdowall
Lieutt. General.

Minute thereon

The Board approve the directions given by Lieutenant General Macdowall relative to the Custody and transfer of the Records of the Commander in Chief's Department.—

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

From the Military Secretary to the Commander in Chief transmitting Remt of Lieutt. Gepps papers

Sir,

His Excellency the Commander in Chief—

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oney lent, with
tition from the
tter and requesting
at Stoppages be
ade from Lieut
pps's pay for
quidating the amount

Chief directs me to forward to you a petition received by the Adjutant General of the Army from a Sepoy in the 2nd Battalion 7th Regiment representing that out of Some property he had Collected he advanced on loan to Lieutenant Gepp a Sum of Money Amounting to 593 Rupees which that Officer has Never repaid to him. The Original bond from that Officer to the Sepoy has been examined by the Adjutant General, and as that removes all doubt of the transaction and establishes the hardship of the Sepoy's Case, the Commander in Chief requests that authority may be granted for Stopping from Lieutenant Gepp's pay such portion Monthly as may be Judged necessary for liquidating the debt.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

&ca &ca

(Signed) Wm Macpherson

M. S.

ort St George

mmander in Chief's Office

st January 1809.

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To General Adjutant Caper

&ca. &ca. &ca.

The Humble Representation
of Mootoo of Arcot, a Sepoy
in the 2d. Battalion, 7th. Regiment
native Infantry.

I beg leave to state that when I was in Camp at Maratta Country, Lieutenant Gipp, who was an Officer of the Right Company belonging to the said Battalion did borrow and receive from me the Sum of Rupees 593. (part where of was my own acquisition and part I had borrowed from my friends) which he promised to pay me with its Interest by little and little out of his Monthly Salary - but he did not keep his said Promise Then he was Officiated in the 2d. Battalion 20th - Regiment and my said Battalion arrived to Bellary but till that time he did not send me my Rupees - therefore I accompanied the Treasury from thence to Madras, I applied to General Adjutant Agnew who in Consequence was pleased to write two letters for me Vizt. one letter to Lieutenant Gipp then at Villore, and the Other letter to the Fort Adjutant Maclin, allowing me one Months time and Ordering me to go thether and presenting the letters to them and receive my due from Lieutenant Gepp — I did accordingly and then the Said Lieutenant Gepp did execute a Bond to me for the Said 593 Rs. promising to pay it me by Instalments at 20 Pagodas ℘ Month including Interest — So I believed him and the Said Fort Adjutant and returned to Bellary but he did not send me the Money.

In the begining of this Year when General Salute was made, General Patter required me and my fellow Sepoys to declare our Grievances to him; then I found Opportunity to recount my above Grievance to the Said General, who on perusing my above Bond, promised to write to the General of Madras and get me my money recovered from the Said Lieutenant Gepp, but I have not Yet received any Sum of Money up to this day — and now I accompanied the Treasury from Bellary to Madras; and Lieutenant Gepp now residing here, I went to demand of him for payment of the Money due by him but gives me no proper answer — and the persons from whom I had borrowed money for the purpose of lending it to the Said Gentleman, are very trouble-some to me.

I therefore most humble implore Your Honor will be pleased to behold me with a Merciful Eye — and recover me my Due (as Pr. Bond) from the Said Lieutenant Gepp.

Which act of Justice would bind Your Honors most Humble Representator.

Ever to Pray

(Copy)

N.B. Interest at the Rate of 4 Rups. [illegible] P. month

This is to Certify that I owe Mootoo Arcot Sepoy with 2nd Battalion 7th Regiment Native Infantry the Sum of Two hundred and Ninety three Rupees, which I promise to liquidate by instalments of Twenty Pagodas Pr. Month from this day.

Vellore 24th May 1807.

(Signed) G. E. Gepp Lieutt.
2d. Battn. 7th Regt. N.I.

Resolution thereon

Resolved that the Gratuity and Half Batta of Lieutenant Gepp of the 2d. Battalion of the 7th Regiment of Native Infantry be Stopped from the 1st. Instant, and be appropriated to the payment of his debt to the Sepoy Mootoo of that Corps.

The Board refrain from recording any Observation respecting the Conduct of Lieutenant Gipp, as they Conclude that the Commander in Chief will have taken proper Notice of the transaction.

Ordered that the Commander in Chief be requested to give the Necessary directions for the due appropriation of the amount which will be stopped from Lieutenant Gipp's allowances.

From the Military Secretary to the Commander in Chief - epidimical disease prevalent in H. M. 22d. Dragoons requests the usual allowances may be granted to the individuals whose horses have died -

George Buchan Esqr.
Chief Secretary to Government

Sir, Fort St. George

I am directed by the Commander in Chief to request You will represent to the Honorable the Governor in Council that in Consequence of an epedimical disease which has visited His Majesty's 22nd. Light Dragoons, several Horses belonging to Officers and Quarter Masters have died from the Contagious infection. His Excellency therefore requests that the authority of Government may be granted for the payment of the established Sums to those Officers and

Quarter Masters who have lost their Horses by this disease, on furnishing the prescribed Certificates to that effect.

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

Fort St. George
Commander in Chief's Office
16th January 1809. —

(Signed) Wm. Macpherson
M. S.

Resolution thereon

Resolved that authority be given for the payment of the established Compensation to such of the Officers and Quarter Masters of His Majesty's 22d. Regiment of Light Dragoons, as may have lost their horses in Consequence of the Contagious disease which lately prevailed in that Regiment.

Ordered accordingly that the Commander in Chief be requested to lay before the Board the prescribed Certificates for each Casualty, in order that they may be furnished to the Military Auditor General for his information and Guidance.

George Buchan Esqr.
Chief Secretary to Government

From Do. forwarding enclosures respecting the inadequacy of the allowance for the provision of petty Articles required by the Agent for remount Horses — recommending an increase —

Sir

Fort St. George

I am directed by the Commander in Chief to forward a Letter Received from the Agent for the purchase of Remount Horses which His Excellency requests may be Submitted to the Consideration of the Honorable the Governor in Council with his Opinion that the present — allowance is inadequate to meet the expence incurred for the provision of the Necessary Supplies. —

I have the Honor to be
&ca. &ca.
(Signed) Wm. Macpherson
M: S.

Fort St. George
Commander in Chief's Office
16th January 1809.

To the Military Secretary
to His Excellency the Commander in Chief,

Sir,

In the Resolutions of Government of the 11th of May 1808 to my repeated Application for an — Augmentation to the Allowance for Petty Articles. — The — Honorable Governor in Council Says" In the event of its being proved to the Satisfaction of the Military Board — that the Rates allowed for the Provision of those Articles are inadequate to the Purpose — the Governor in Council will be disposed on the Recommendation of that Board to — authorize a reasonable augmentation of the Rates with Reference to the actual Disbursements of the Agents"

As

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As the accompanied Certificate — handed to me by Captain Lieutenant Montcrief in Charge of Remount Horses at Bombay and Certified by a Committee of Civilians) may be a Satisfactory proof to the Honorable Governor in Council of the inadequacy of the allowance for Petty articles - In Justice to that Gentleman I request that it may be laid before the Honorable the Governor in Council for Consideration, I also beg leave to State that — Firewood, Medicine and Gram Kettles are not included in the enclosed Statement - articles alone that will amount to near 36. Fanams per Month for each Horse from the Sickly State of the Young Horses on their arrival, and that Firewood is brought upwards of 20 miles.

Tho' this reference is equally applicable to Mangalore, where every Petty article is equally — exorbitant, I only wish to call the attention of the Board towards Captain Lieutenant Montcrief's Situation, — hoping it will be taken into Consideration and rectified

Mangalore
8th January 1809

(Signed) Dd. Foulis - Captain
& Agent for Purchase
of Remount Horses.

Bombay

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Duplicate

Bombay 19th December 1808. By Order of the Committee of Markets. I do hereby Certify that the following are the present Market prices for the under written Country Articles.

	Rs.		
Shoeing a horse, with 4 new shoes	2		
A Curry Comb		2	
a Coir Brush or hattea			36
A watering bridle with Cotten rope		3	
a Gram gunny bag		2	
Heel Leather		2	
Neck-band		3	
Head-Stall		3	
Coir rope for neck and heel	1		
a Jewle Complete	3	3	
An iron pricker		1	
An European comb, which alone are to be had at Bombay	1		
Rupees	11	3	36

(Signed) James Morley
Secretary to the Committee
of markets.

Ordered

order thereon

Ordered that the Subject of the foregoing letter both as it Concerns the Principal Agent for the purchase of Remount horses, and the Subordinate Agent at Bombay, be referred to the Military Board for Consideration and report.

From the Military Secretary to the Com=mander in Chief - On the Subject of stabling the Cavalry -

George Buchan Esqr.

Chief Secretary to Government

Sir, Fort St. George

I am directed by His Excellency the Commander in Chief to acknowledge his receipt of Mr. Secretary Strachey's letter of the 24th. Ultimo. Conveying the wish of the Honorable the Governor in Council that His Excellency should submit his Opinion with respect to the general expediency of providing Cover for the Horses of all the Regiments of Native Cavalry on this Establishment

The Commander in Chief has called upon the most experienced and able Officers in Command of Corps of Cavalry to report to him their Opinion on the Compara=tive Advantage of keeping the Horses under Cover or otherwise, and as soon as those reports are received His Excellency will lay them before Government

Lieut.

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Lieutenant General Macdowall is rather inclined to think that in this Climate the Horses of the Cavalry sustain no injury by being without Cover, and in his Judgement Stabling equal to one third or one fourth of the total Number of each Corps will be sufficient for the Occasional accommodation of Sick and Young Horses.

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

Fort St. George
Commander in Chief's Office
16th January 1809

(Signed) Wm. Macpherson
M. S.

Minute thereon

The Board will postpone their determination regarding the Construction of Stables for the Horses of the Regiments of Native Cavalry, until the several reports alluded to in the foregoing letter shall have been submitted by the Commander in Chief. —

Ordered in the mean time that authority be given for the repair of the Stabling at Arcot, agreeably to the Estimates submitted by the Military Board with their letter of the 12th Ultimo.

George

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From the Military Secretary to the Commander in Chief - forwarding application from Captain Smith for Superior batta -

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

Sir

I have the honor to forward with a request that you will Submit it to Government a letter from Captain Smith Commanding the 2d. Battalion 14th. Regiment.

Altho' the arrangements recently promulgated with regard to allowances to Officers Commanding Corps appear to the Commander in Chief Calculated to set at rest every question of this nature. Yet as Captain Smith is desirous of Submitting his Case to the Consideration of the Honorable the Governor in Council, His Excellency has directed me to forward it.

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

Fort St. George
Commt. in Chief's Office
18th. January 1809

(Signed) Wm. Macpherson
M: S:

To Captain Wm. Macpherson
Secretary to His Excellency the Commander in Chief
&ca. &ca. &ca.

Sir

However singular it may appear for

an Individual of my rank to make mention of Circumstances attended with hardship. Yet I cannot in Justice to the respectability of the Situation in which I am placed, desist any longer from bringing to the notice of His Excellency the Commander in Chief, my Situation as Commandant of a Corps, which necessarily involves many extraordinary expenses, and appears to require allowances suitable to the importance and dignity annexed to that Command. I have therefore the honor to Submit the Case for His Excellency the Commander in Chief's Consideration, fully persuaded, he will give it that Support, which in his judgement, it may appear to him, to merit; and be induced therefrom to recommend to Government, that Officers Similarly Situated with myself, may be placed upon the Superior Batta of their Rank. The adoption of this measure will be entirely Consonant to the orders of the Honorable Court of Directors; as those orders, direct all Officers Commanding Corps to draw the Batta of the rank next above that which they hold; and experience has long taught me, that the Full Batta of Captain, is by no means equal to my keeping up that respect and Consequence, my Situation demands, which attaches to it much Responsibility. — The Nature of the Service unavoidably places Captains in Command of Battalions but it rarely happens, that more than two or three are thus Circumstanced, and being so situated, the Duties and Responsibility falls equally as great upon an Officer of that Rank, as upon that of a Lieutenant Colonel or Major; but the allowances granted to the latter, for holding an equal Command is proportionably much greater.

It may perhaps have escaped the notice of Government that in their late Orders augmenting the allowances of Field Officers Commanding Corps, that of Captain's, Similarly Situated, became reduced, as the difference between Major's and Captain's Half Batta (the allowance formerly granted) is greater than that of Captain's Full Batta, now established. I therefore humbly Conceive, that the Spirit of the order, intended that Captain's at the Heads of Corps, should receive the difference between Majors and Captain's Full Batta. I trust therefore, that my Application to be placed upon a more Respectable footing, with regard to an increase of allowances, may not be Considered by His Excellency the Commander in Chief, as unreasonable, inapplicable or obtrusive, the more so, as granting this increase, cannot be Considered, as incurring an Additional expense upon Government.

I have the honor to be

&ca. &ca.

Cantonments Bangalore }
10th. December 1808. }

(Signed) W. F. Smith Captain
Com.g 2d. Battn. 14 Regt. N. I.

Resolution thereon

Resolved that the Claim of Captain Smith to Superior Batta, as Commanding Officer of a Native Battalion, is inadmissible. —

From the Military Secretary to the Comr. in Chief forwarding for Sanction orders issued by Lieutt. Colo. Cuppage for the employment of Coolies at Jemalabad —

George Buchan Esqr.
Chief Secretary to Government

Sir, Fort St. George

I am directed by the Commander in Chief to request you will submit to the Honorable the Governor in Council the inclosed letter from Lieutenant Colonel Cuppage Commanding the Troops in Malabar an Kanara.

I have the honor to be

&ca. &ca.

Fort St. George
Commr. in Chief's Office
18th. January 1809.

(Signed) Wm. Macpherson
M. S.

To

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The Military Secretary

To His Excellency The Commander in Chief.

Sir/ I have the honor to Submit for the approval of Government. Copy of an Order I deemed it Expedient to issue, to prevent fire Spreading to the Magazines on the Rock at Jemaulabad.

Head Quarters at Cananore — 10th January 1809

(Signed) J: Cuppage
Lieutt. Colol. Commg.

Head Quarters at Cannanore 9th January 1809

Op. O By Lieutenant Colonel Cuppage

The Officer Commanding the Fort of Jemaulabad will entertain as many Coolies as may be necessary for removing the long grass. growing round the Rock, the Expense incurred, is to be defrayed by the Military Pay Master in Kanara, on the Officer in Command presenting an abstract drawn out on honor, and Countersigned by the Officer Commanding the Provinces.

(Signed) E.W. Snow
Major of Brigade

Minute thereon

The Board Approve the orders issued by the Commanding Officer in Malabar and Canara for removing the grass in the vicinity of the Magazine at Jemaulabad.

From the Military Secretary to the Commr in Chief respecting the Allowances of Captain Hemming — Oath of that Officer on the Subject —

George Strachey Esqr.
Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

Sir,

Lieutenant Hemming of the 5th. Native Regiment recently returned from Europe has forwarded a declaration upon Oath of the last period to which he received his pay in England previous to his departure — This Officer has inadvertently omitted to bring with him the prescribed Certificate, and has in Consequence submitted the Oath which I have the honor to enclose, with the Commander in Chief's recommendation that authority may be given for paying Lieutenant Hemming his arrears from the date Certified in his declaration.

I have the Honor to be
&ca &ca
(Signed) Wm. Macpherson
M. S.

Fort St. George
Commdr. in Chief's Office
19th. January 1809.

I do make Oath and Swear that to the best of my knowledge I have not received any pay or allowances from the Honorable the East India Company since the

Month of May 1808

Sworn before me at Fort St. George
the 19th Day of January 1809 (Signed) Robert Hemming
(Signed) G. Taswell
Justice of Peace

Order thereon

Ordered that authority be given for paying to Lieutenant Hemming of the 5th Regiment of Native Infantry the arrears of Pay and Allowances, which may be due to him, on the affidavit which he has Submitted.

George Strachey Esqr.
Secretary to Government

From the Military Secy. to the Commr. in Chief - Subedar Narrain Sawmy to be attached as Supernumerary to effective Corps.

Sir, Fort St. George

I am directed by the Commander in Chief, to request you will state to the Honorable the Governor in Council his Opinion in reply to the reference made to him on the Subject of providing for Subedar Narrain Sawmy late of the Ceylon Infantry, that this Gallant and deserving Officer should be immediately attached as a Supernumerary to an Effective Corps and admitted on the Strength when a Vacancy occurs.

His Excellency is the more inclined to

this measure from his Own personal knowledge of the Merits and good Conduct of Subidar Narrain while the Lieutenant General Commanded his Majesty's Army on Ceylon, and His Excellency has particularly Charged me to Say that he never knew a Smarter or better Native Officer.

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

Fort St. George
Commr. in Chief's Office
21st January 1809

(Signed) Wm. Macpherson
M. S.

Order thereon

Ordered that the Commander in Chief be requested to post Subidar Narrain Sawmy to a Corps of Native Infantry in the manner, which he has recommended.

From the Military Secretary to the Commr. in Chief representation respecting non payment of the family Certificate of Naigue Chilla Sing of the 2d Bn. 2d Rt. N. I.

George Strachey Esqr.
Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

Sir

I have the honor to forward a Letter from Major Richardson Commanding the 2nd Battalion 2nd Native Regiment representing the Case of a Naigue of his Corps whose family Certificate appears not to have been paid, owing to some mistake tho the monthly

Stoppage on that Account was made from his Pay.

His Excellency the Commander in Chie
requests You will be so good as Submit the Representation to
Government, and expreſs his wish that it may meet with
favorable Consideration and that the Naigue may receive
the Amount of the Sums due on his family Certificates

I have the honor to be
&ca &ca
(Signed) Wm Macpherson
M S

Fort St. George
Commdr in Chief's Office
21st January 1809

The Military Secretary
To His Excellency the Commander in Ch

Sir,
I have the honor to enclose a Fami
Certificate of a Naigue Chittee Sing, who formerly a
Private in the 3d Regiment Native Cavalry, from whi
having received his Discharge in 1802, was in the Same
Year (September) Entertained in the 2d Battalion 3d
Regiment and having .... been employed against
Dundiah, and other Service from July 1800 to February
1802: a period of Twenty Months, his Family Certificate
(as will appear by the Remark on the Back was not
paid

paid; his name by some mistake having been omitted in the Roll furnished to the Paymaster, or Officer in Charge of Family Payments at Cuddalore, but the Stoppages of 1 Pag. monthly made from his Pay and allowances in the Field

I have to request the Circumstance may be submitted for his Excellency's Consideration.

(Signed) P. Richardson Major
Senr. Officer in Charge
2d Battn. 2d Regt. N. I.

Cantonment Bengalore
4th January 1809.

Stopp'd from Chellee Sing Private Trooper 3d Regiment Cavalry on account of Family Certificate.

Month of	Star Pag.	fanams	Cash
1800			
July	1	..	..
August	1	..	..
September	1	..	..
October	1	..	..
November	1	..	..
December	1	..	..
1801			

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Month of	Stat Pags	Fanams	Cash
1801.			
January	1	"	"
February	1	"	"
March	1	"	"
April	1	"	"
May	1	"	"
June	1	"	"
July	1	"	"
August	1	"	"
September	1	"	"
October	1	"	"
November	1	"	"
December	1	"	"
1802			
January	1	"	"
February	1	"	"
Total Stat Pags	20	"	"

Ordered

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Order thereon

Ordered that the Military Auditor General be desired to rectify the error which Appears to have Occurred in Respect to the Family Certificate of the Naigue Mentioned in the foregoing letter. –

From the Aid de Camp to the Commr. in Chief – fees to the riding Master at the Depot applied for. –

George Strachey Esqr.
Secretary to Government
Fort St George

Sir,

The Commander in Chief directs me to Request You will Submit the Accompanying letter from Lieutenant Colonel Hare with its enclosure to the Honorable the Governor in Council – The Government having Already Resolved that the Riding Master Should be Allowed Certain fees for breaking in horses and teaching Young Officers to ride, It only Remains with Lieutenant General Macdowall to Recommend that the Amount of the Fee to be paid Should be one-third more than is Allowed in England on the Same Account. as the duty in this Country is attended with more trouble and difficulty.

Fort St. George
Commdr. in Chiefs' Office
24th. January 1809

I have the honor to be
&ca &ca
(Signed) J. M. Combs.
Aid de Camp

Military

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Military Secretary

To the Commander in Chief

&ca. &ca. &ca.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward to you a Representation from Ensign King of the 80th Regiment, late Adjutant and Riding Master of the Depôt, together with the Names of Certain Officers of the Kings, and Companies Service, who, that Officer States, were taught to ride under him, and who have not paid him the Customary fees for instruction; with the Request, that at a Convenient Opportunity, You would bring the Subject before the Commander in Chief.

That Mr. King by the Government Order inclosed, Marked No 1. is undoubtedly entitled to the Customary fees for those Officers that were Actually dismissed as perfect in their Horse-manship there Can be no question about, but in my Opinion, the Same Should have been Required from the Officers previous to their leaving the Cantonment, upon the Signature of the Commanding Officer Stating that they were properly instructed and fit to be dismissed.

If

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It would at the same time be very hard upon Mr. King not to receive the allowances he is intitled to by Government Order.

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

Arcot
19th October 1808.

(Signed) J. Hare
Lieut. Col. 22d Drags.
Commanding Arcot

To Lieutenant Colonel Hare.
Commanding Arcot.

Sir.

I have the Honor to enclose You a Copy of the Government Orders relative to my Appointment of Adjutant and Riding Master to the late Cavalry Depot in this Cantonment - which intitles me to draw the allowances for teaching Officers to Ride and Breaking in their Horses - and likewise a list of those Officers who were reported fit to join their respective regiments, previous to the Discontinuation of the Depot which I request You will have the goodness to Submit to the Consideration of His Excellency the Commander in Chief hoping that his Excellency will authorize me to Draw the allowance which Officers

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Officers are entitled to pay for their instruction at the Riding School — when the Depot was discontinued and the Officers that had been doing duty there was Ordered to join their regiments — I made no Charge against them whatever as no established allowance had been laid down by the then Commander in Chief Sir John Cradock. the enclosed list only bears the Names of those Officers of the first Class and who were perfectly Compleat in Horsemanship — I furnished every thing that was Necessary for the use of the Riding School, and Never drew the least allowance for being Riding Master.

Arcot
9th. October 1808

I have the honor to be
&ca. &ca.
(Signed) J. King

Extract from G. O. Dated Adjt. Fort St. George 7th April 1807

Captain Davidson will draw the Full Batta of Major while thus employed, — and the Adjutant and Riding Master will receive the usual pay and allowances of an Adjutant of Cavalry in addition to the fees for instructing Officers and Breaking their Horses. which —

the Government has Sanctioned, and which will be detailed by the Commander in Chief, in the Regulations for the Establishment.

Area 9th October 1808.

List of Officers who were doing Duty at the late Cavalry Depot, and were reported fit to Join their Regts. before the Depot was Discontinued.

Rank	Names	Regiment	Remarks
Lieutenant	George Hein	22d. Light Drags.	
"	Allexander Campbell	25th. Do. Do.	
"	R. Nichols	25 Do. Do.	
"	—— Jefferies	25th Do. Do.	1 Horse Broke
"	—— Walton	25th Do. Do.	
Cornet	E. T. Fates	1st Regiment N. C.	2 " "
"	J. H. Clubly	3d Do. Do.	2 " "
"	Thos. Greenhill	4th Do. Do.	2 " "
"	Wm. Hamilton	4th Do. Do.	
"	J. Watkins	5th Do. Do.	1. " "
"	Thos. Arnis	5th Do. Do.	
"	H. Martin	5th Do. Do.	
"	G. Uhthoff	5th Do. Do.	
"	R. Crowther	5th Do. Do.	
Lieutenant	J. F. Reid	5th Do. Do.	
Cornet	Wm. Babington	6th Do. Do.	1 " "
"	J. Logan	6th Do. Do.	1. " "

(Signed) J King Adjt.
Late Cavalry Depot

Resolved

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Officers are entitled to pay for their instruction at the Riding School — when the Depot was discontinued and the Officers that had been doing duty there was Ordered to join their regiments — I made no Charge against them whatever *has no established allowance had been laid down by the then Commander in Chief Sir John Cradock — the enclosed list only bears the Names of those Officers of the first Class and who were perfectly Compleat in Horsemanship — I furnished every thing that was Necessary for the use of the Riding School, and Never drew the least allowance for being Riding Master.

Arcot
9th October 1808

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) J King

Extract from Gl. O. Adjt. Dated Fort St. George 7th April 1807

Captain Davidson will draw the Full Batta of Major whiles thus employed. — and the Adjutant and Riding Master will receive the usual pay and allowances of an Adjutant of Cavalry in addition to the fees for instructing Officers and Breaking their Horses, which —

the Government has Sanctioned, and which will be detailed by the Commander in Chief, in the Regulations for the Establishment.

Recd 9th October 1808.

List of Officers who were doing Duty at the late Cavalry Depot, and were reported fit to Join their Regts. before the Depot was Discontinued.

Rank	Names	Regiment	Remarks
Lieutenant - -	George - Hein - -	22d Light Drag.	
"	Allexander Campbell	25th Do. Do.	
"	R. Nichols.	25th Do. Do.	
"	—— Jefferies	25th Do. Do.	1 Horse Broke
"	—— Walton	25th Do. Do.	
Cornet - -	E. T. Fates	1st Regiment N.C.	2 " "
"	J. K. Clubly	3d Do. Do.	2 " "
"	Thos. Greenhill	4th Do. Do.	2 " "
"	Wm. Hamilton	4th Do. Do.	
"	J. Watkins	5th - - Do. Do.	1. " "
"	Thos. Adair - - -	5th Do. Do.	
"	H. Martin	5th Do. Do.	
"	G. Uhthoff	5th Do. Do.	
"	R. Crowther -	5th Do. Do.	
Lieutenant - -	J. H. Reed - - -	5th Do. Do.	
Cornet	Wm. Babington	6th Do. Do.	1 " "
"	J. — Logan - -	6th Do. Do.	1. " "

(Signed) J King adjt.
late Cavalry Depot

Resolved

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Resolution thereon

Resolved that the Fee payable to the late Riding Master at the Cavalry Depot be fixed at the amount recommended by the Commander in Chief, and that he be requested to give the necessary directions for the payment of it by the Officers mentioned in the List, which he has Submitted.

From the Aide de Camp to the Commr. in Chief Lieutt. Colo. Martin applies for the renewal of his Furlough.

George Buchan Esqr.
Chief Secretary to Government
Sir,

In the absence of the Military Secretary, I am Commanded by His Excellency the Commander in Chief to transmit the enclosed letter received from Lieutt. Colonel Martin, and to request you will be so good as submit it to the early Consideration of the Honorable the Governor in Council.

As Lieutenant Colonel Martin is extremely anxious to proceed to Europe, and as the cause of his detention in India has been removed by the release of the Quarter Master General from arrest, His Excellency hopes the Governor in Council will allow Lieutt. Colo. Martin to avail himself of the Furlough formerly Granted.

I have the honor to be Sir, &ca.
(Signed) J. McCombs
A.D.C.

Head Quarters
Choultry Plain
28th January 1809

To

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To His Excellency Lieut. General H. Macdowall
Commander in Chief &ca. &ca. &ca.

Sir,

I have the honor to acquaint your Excellency that I have been served with an Order of Government Notifying that the Honorable the Governor in Council had withdrawn the leave granted to me to proceed to Europe on Furlough.

As this Order is dated the 27th instant the period when the Quarter Master General was under an arrest, and that it was intended I should remain to prosecute him on his trial, it has occurred to me that a Mistake in some shape through the medium of the Secretary's Office has been the Occasion of the issue of this Order.

I am informed that the Quarter Master General was released from his arrest Yesterday — his enlargement I should suppose removed the impediment which prevailed to my proceeding to Europe, as I am not aware of any other reason that should detain me.

I have the honor to submit this matter

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Matter and Observations to Your Excellency's Conside:
:ration trusting that you will do me honor to take such Steps as may appear most suitable to Your Excellency to ascertain the State of the Case.

I have the honor to be

&ca. &ca.

Madras
29th January 1809

(Signed) Geo. Martin
Lieutt. Colo.

To lie on the table.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

To The Chief Secretary to Government

Sir,

From the Assistant Adjutant General of the Army – leave to proceed to England applied for by Lieutt. Colonel Vesey and for Lieutt. Steuart to proceed to Ceylon –

I am directed to request that you will submit the enclosed applications from Military Officers with the recommendation of His Excellency the Commander in Chief to the Honorable the Governor in Council that they may be favorably Considered.

1. From Lieutenant Colonel Vesey of the 6th Regiment Native Infantry requesting permission to proceed to England on Furlough in the month of October next. The Lieutenant Colonel States his Claims to this indulgence upon a Constant Service of 28 Years, without ever having been

absent from his Corps or Station for three Months during that period — The State of his health and his private affairs rendering this Measure Necessary.

2. Lieutenant Stuart of the 2d Battalion 21st Native Regiment Soliciting permission to proceed to the Island of Ceylon, by the Indiamen now under dispatch, for the purpose of Committing two Children, his Cousins, to the Care of Captain Gordon of the Terpsichore, who is to take them home.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) S. McDowall
Assist. Adjt. Genl.

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The Honorable Sir G. H. Barlow Bart. K.B.
Governor in Council of Fort St. George &c. &c.

Honorable Sir,

After a period of 28 Years Constant Service in this Country without ever having been absent on leave from my Corps or Station for three Months, — during that time — I now find my Constitution so much impaired as to render a Change of Climate Necessary.

for its Restoration. On this Account as well as on my own urgent private Affairs. I beg leave Honorable Sir to Solicit Your Sanction for my proceeding on leave to Europe by the next October Fleet. my State of Health is not such as to render a Sick Certificate Necessary. but its impaired State renders a Change of Climate Necessary. —

I hope my long Service will in some measure intitle me to Claim or request this Indulgence. — Believe me to remain Honorable Sir, with the greatest respect.

Pallamcottah
12th of January 1809.

&c. &c.

(Signed) P. H. Vesey Lieut. Coll.
Commg. Tinnevelly District

To The Honorable the Governor in Council

Honorable Sir

I presume to Solicit your Permission to Proceed to Ceylon in the India Ships now under dispatch, — for the Purpose of there Committing two Children, my Cousins, to the Care of Captain Gordon of the Terpsichore who is to take them home.

Madras
21st January 1809.

(Signed) C Stuart
Lieut. 2 Bn. 21st Regt.

Resolved

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Resolution thereon

Resolved that Lieutenant Colonel – Vesey be permitted to proceed to England on Furlough in October Next.

The Board Observe that the leave requested by Lieutenant Stuart of the 21st. Regiment of Native Infantry to proceed to the Island of Ceylon has been already granted to that Officer.

To The Chief Secretary to Government

From the Assistant Adjt. Genl. of the Army – Death of Major Godfrey reported, Application for four months – leave of Absence from Ensign Gordon —

Sir

By desire of the Commander in Chief I have the honor to report to you for the information of the Honorable the Governor in Council that Major William Godfrey of Invalids died at Masulipatam on the 13th. – Instant.

I am likewise directed to request that You will Submit the enclosed Application, with His Excellency's recommendation for the favorable Consideration of the Honorable the Governor in Council, from Ensign Gordon of the Madras European Regiment for four Months leave of absence to visit Nagpoor.

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

(Signed) S. McDowall

Asst. Adjt. Genl.

Fort St. George

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To

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To The Adjutant General of the Army
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to request the favour of your applying to His Excellency the Commander in Chief to grant me leave of absence from my Corps for the space of four months. and to permit me to proceed to Nagpoor.

I have a Brother Surgeon to the Resident, whom I have not seen since my arrival in India, and with whom I have urgent Private affairs to settle.

Masulipatam
12th. December 1808.

(Signed) A. Gordon. Ensign
Madras E. Regt.

Resolution thereon

Resolved that Ensign Gordon of the Madras European Regiment be permitted to proceed to Nagpoor on leave of absence for Four Months.

Read the following Memorial from Ensign Mackintosh of the Engineers, submitted with the letter from the Adjutant General of the Army under date the 2nd. Instant.

To

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Memorial from Ensign John Mackintosh the Engineers— claims to rank above Ensign Monteath—

To The Honorable Sir George Barlow Bart. K.B.
&ca. &ca. Governor in Council
Fort St. George

Honorable Sir,

It is with the deepest Concern and most Mortifying Disappointment, that I behold the Resolution of the 12th of August respecting my Memorial dated 15th of July 1808. By this resolution my prospects of future advancement become very discouraging. and my Hopes extremely depressed.

Supercession is ever of the most material Consequence, but in the Corps where I have the honor to Serve, its Effects are experienced in the most distressing Degree.

This, together with a Duty incumbent on me to promote my own advancement, will I trust sufficiently excuse me in thus a Second time endeavouring more fully to advance, and Substantiate my Claims to Seniority above Mr. Monteith.

It appears by the annexed Extract from the Resolutions of Government that the Reason of the

the Precedence given to Mr. Monteith is, that his Transfer – is prior to my Appointment to the Engineers.

Extract from the Resolutions of the Honorable the Governor in Council dated 12th of August 1808.

„ The Date of the Transfer of Ensign Mackintosh to Corps of –
„ Engineers, being Subsequent to that of the Transfer of Ensign –
„ Monteith, the Board are inclined to believe, that it would be
„ Contrary to the Regulations of the Service, to fix the rank –
„ of Ensign Mackintosh in that Corps, with reference to the –
„ rank originally Assigned them by the Honorable the Court of –
„ Directors.

Now I do with all Submission, and with the most respectful Deference humbly beg leave to Remind you Honorable Sir that my Nomination to the Engineers Cannot be Considered as a – Transfer, but as an original Appointment to that Corps.

The Cadets educated at the Royal Military Academy for the artillery or Engineer Service on this Establishment, have previously to, and even since my Appointment, been allowed the Choice of Corps. Confidently trusting that the Indulgence – which had hitherto been extended to my Predecessors would not be withheld from me; and having myself a decided preference for

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for the Engineer Service. I addressed (as soon as possible after my arrival at this Presidency) a public letter to His Excellency the Commander in Chief dated 15th of March, Specifying my Choice, and requesting that it might be Confirmed.

For what reason however I am unable to determine, expressly Contrary to my Desire, and after a Lapse of more than five Weeks from the Date of my previous Application, I was on the 22nd. of April placed in the Artillery — anxiously presuming that it must have arisen from some mistake, that my Appointment to the Engineers had not already taken place I again on the 3rd. of May addressed His Excellency the Commander in Chief, adverting to my Original request, and intreating that it might be Complied with.

Having received no answer to either of these Applications I wrote the following public letter.

To His Excellency Lieutenant General McDowal
Commander in Chief of the Army.

Sir

" I made Application on the 15th. of March
previous

"previous to my Appointment to the Artillery to be Nominated
"to the Corps of Engineers.
"And since likewise on the 3d. of May I requested my removal
"from the former to the latter Corps. I have as Yet however
"received no Official Information with regard to the result
"of these Applications. In Consequence of which
"I do again renew my request, as I am apprehensive
"that thro' some Mistake it has hitherto not been Complied
"with.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obedient humble Servt.
(Signed) J. Mackintosh

St. Thomas's Mount
2d. June 1808

You therefore Honorable Sir must be well aware that it did not arise from any Option on my part, that I was ever placed in the Artillery, nor from Neglect, or Want of Application that I was not in the first Instance Appointed to the Engineers.

The Hardships of my Case would indeed be most severely distressing, were I to be the Sufferer for Delays of which I was not the Cause, and which my timely Application could not prevent.

The first request of Mr. Milbourne the Same in all respects with my own, was immediately Complied with; he thereby has avoided those Difficulties which I have so long encountered, and which alone have hitherto precluded that Seniority assigned me by the Honorable the Court of Directors.

Moreover notwithstanding the word Transfer is to be found in the Order at length Appointing me to the Engineers; it does I presume for two reasons most evidently Appear from the Same, that it was not the intention of Government, that this Compliance with my Original request should be Considered as a Transfer.

Extract from General Orders Dated 21st of June 1808

The Governor in Council is pleased to transfer Mr. Mackintosh from the Artillery to the Engineers with the rank of Ensign from the 24th of March 1808.

1st Here I am removed to the Engineers, as Mr. not as Lieutenant Mackintosh; wherefore it does appear that my Appointment to the Artillery is not Considered as having ever taken place.

2nd I am allowed rank in the Engineers from the 24th of March; which is even prior to the Date of the publication of the Order placing me in the Artillery: Hence therefore likewise my Appointment to the Engineers must have been regarded as regular and Original.

The Case of Mr. Monteith however was very different; as will appear from the following Extract from General Orders dated 5th of January 1808.

The Governor in Council is pleased to transfer Lieutenant Fireworker Monteith from the Artillery to the Engineers in Compliance with his own request. The Application of Lieutenant Fireworker Monteith therefore, was to be transferred from the Artillery; my first, and only request was to be Appointed to the Engineers.

In addition moreover to the Seniority assigned me by the Honorable the Court of Directors. I do humbly Submit Honorable Sir to your Attention that I have still another Claim to precedence. Since the Voluntary Exchange of Mr. Monteith from the Artillery to the Engineers did take place on the 5th of January 1808. and Since I likewise was regularly appointed to the latter Corps on the 24th of

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March in the Same Year my Claim to Seniority is also founded on the following Extract from the Code of Regulations Page 139 Para 1.

„ An Officer desirous of exchanging from one Regiment
„ to Another. Shall enter the Regiment into which he
„ exchanges At the Youngest of his rank, which is to be
„ understood to be junior to all Officers entitled to be
„ appointed to that rank in the regiment, in the Year in
„ which the exchange takes place.

If on the Contrary notwithstanding all I have been able to urge, I should still Honorable Sir be Your Opinion that I was transferred from the Artillery, Since then in this Case I held the rank of Lieutenant, from the 17th. of February 1808, as Conferred by General Orders dated 22nd of April. I should thence by the above quoted Order have been entitled to the Rank of Junior Lieutenant when transferred to the Engineers — By the Same Order moreover Lieutenant Fireworker Monteith must have become the Youngest of his rank, Vizt. Junior Ensign in the Engineers Wherefore I do most humbly presume that in this last Case, I am not only entitled to Seniority above Mr. Monteith, but also above every Ensign in the Corps. Such Exaltation however I do by no means desire; the Object of my present Memorial is only to request, that my Appointment to the Engineers may be Considered as Original, in Compliance with my first Application I have now to the best of my Abilities advanced every Argument in Support of my Claims and trust with Sanguine Hope, that the Hardship of my Case will not be disregarded.

As I must Consider Your Decision upon this point of the greatest importance to my future Welfare, I humbly intreat that you will be pleased to grant me that Seniority, to which I do most respectfully Consider myself entitled, and which has been allotted me by the Honorable the Court of Directors in their General letter dated 3rd of June and 2nd September 1807.

Fully impressed with Confidence in Your Wisdom, Justice, and Impartiality.

Fort St. George
14th December 1808.

I have the honor to be &ca &ca
(Signed) John Mackintosh
Ensn. Engineers

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Minute and orders thereon.——

The Board having referred to their Proceedings of the 29th of March last, it Appears that while Ensign Mackintosh was Yet a Cadet for the Engineers or the Artillery, it was resolved in Compliance with his Application to post him to the former Corps, and that the Commander in Chief was requested to Specify the date of rank to which he was entitled in that Corps.

The Subsequent promotion therefore of Mr Mackintosh to be a Lieutenant Fireworker in the Artillery. As recommended by the Commander in Chief having evidently proceeded from an oversight of the previous Resolution, the Board are of Opinion that he is entitled to be Considered as having been Originally Appointed to the Engineers, and that his rank in that Corps should accordingly be determined with reference to his rank as a Cadet.

Ordered that the Commander in Chief be requested to State the date of rank which it will be proper to assign to Ensigns Mackintosh and Monteith in Conformity with the foregoing Resolution

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Proceedings of the Medical Board — application for larger Allowances for Mr. Ainslie –

Resolution.

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

Resolutions of the Governor in Council Dated 31st Jany 1809

Medical Board

16th January 1809

1 Read a Letter from th Superintending Surgeon of the Centr Division, enclosing one from Mr. Surgeon Whitelaw Ainslie, of the 2d Battalion Artillery, both dated the 12th Instant Copies of which, the Medical Board have herewith the honor to enclose. –

2. As the Application from Mr Whitelaw Ainslie, to be plac on a footing with the Officers of th Corps of Artillery, of his Correspon rank appears to be made on jus and reasonable Grounds, the Medic Board recommend to the Honora the Governor in Council, that the Surge

Ordered that the recommendation Submitted in these Proceedings be referred to the Military Auditor General for Consideration and report

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Report.

By order of the
Honorable the Governor in Council
(Signed) G. Strachey
Secy to Govern^t.

Surgeons of the Battalions of Artillery, and of the Squadron of Horse Artillery, be Considered with the Same indulgence, as that lately shewn to the Medical Officers, attached to Cavalry Regiments, and to the Infantry Officers, lately attached to the Artillery, as particularly pointed out, in Mr Whitelaw Ainslie's letter.

(Signed) Jas. Anderson
Physician General
" Terence Gahagan M.D.
2d Member Medical Bd.
" Andw Berry
3d Member Medical Bd.

To

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To James Anderson Esqr. P.G.
First Member and Members
Medical Board
Madras.

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to submit to your Board a Letter, just received from Mr. Surgeon Ainslie; praying that Ulterior allowances - according to their several ranks - may be granted to the Medical Officers attached to the Corps of Artillery: on the principle of, and pursuant to the precedent already established, in the Cavalry Corps on this Establishment.

As this Claime appears in my mind, to be not less just than reasonable, I request to be permitted to forward it to your Board, with my additional and warm Sufferage, in the hopes and expectation, that the usual and efficient Support of your Board, will be extended to Doctor Ainslie's representation in preferring it to the early and favourable attention of the Honorable the Governor in Council.

St. Thomas's Mount
12th January 1809.

I have the honor to remain &c. &c.
(Signed) Henry Harris MD.
Supt. Surgeon Centry Division

True Copy
(Signed) E. Wm. Horsman
Secty Medl. Bd.

To

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To James Anderson Esqr. P. G.
First Member and Members of the
Medical Board

Gentlemen,

Some Months ago, when the General Order was issued, authorising Medical Officers attached to Corps of Cavalry, to draw the established allowances of those Corps, according to their respective ranks. I was in hopes, that a subsequent order of the same nature, would have granted the same right, to the Medical Officers attached to the Corps of Artillery. however, as this has not hitherto been done, I take the liberty of requesting, should you think the Claim just, that you would have the Goodness to recommend, to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, that Surgeons and Assistant Surgeons, belonging to the two Battalions of Artillery, should receive not infantry pay, but the pay of the Corps to which they belong; in the same manner as it is granted, not only to Medical Officers attached to Corps of Cavalry, but to Military Officers lent to the Artillery, and now doing duty at St. Thomas's Mount.—

As nothing has prevented me from

making this Application, at an earlier period, but a disinclination to Solicit Government about trifles, whilst they were Occupied with more Serious Affairs, I have to hope, that Should the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, be pleased to acquiesce in my Request, he will at the Same time permit the medical Officers attached to the Artillery Battalions, to draw the little difference betwixt infantry and artillery pay, from the Date of the order, iſsued in favor of the Surgeons and Aſsistant Surgeons, doing duty with Regiments of Cavalry.

St. Thomas's Mount }
12th January 1809 – }

I have the honor to be
&ca &ca
(Signed) Whitw Ainslie
Surgeon
2d Battn Artillery

True Copy
(Signed) Wm Horsman
Secy. Med. Bd.

Read the following letters from the Military Board –

To

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To The Honorable Sir G. H. Barlow Bt. K.B.
Governor in Council
&ca. &ca. &ca.

From the Military Board. — application for an assistant Secy. — certain advances of Cash to the Superintending of Military Stores recommended for payment —

Honorable Sir,

1. The Secretary of our Board — having represented to us, that Considerable inconvenience is experienced in Conducting the business of his Office, — from the want of a person to perform the duties that are usually allotted to the Assistant Secretary, we forward his report on the Subject for the Consideration of Government.

2. We recommend payment of the enclosed four bills of the Agent for the Supply of Military Stores; for Articles provided for the Public Service — amounting together to Pagodas 31,802,, 25. 51.

3. We recommend also payment of a further Advance of Pagodas 7000. ,, . to the Superintending Engineer at the Presidency for the extension of the Bulwarks along the whole of the Sea Face of the Fort.

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

Fort St. George
17th. January 1809.

(Signed) Ed. Trapaud
" Robt. Bell
" P. Bruce

Memorandum

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Memorandum

The Secretary has the honor to report to the Board, that since the removal of the Assistant by the General Order dated 26th. November 1808 Considerable inconvenience has been experienced in the Office, from the want of a Person to perform the duties which were allotted to him; Lieutenant Balmain previous to his departure mentioned that several Officers were desirous to be Appointed to do the duty gratuitously; but, from some Cause with which the Secretary is not Acquainted; No person has yet been Appointed; he therefore takes the liberty to request that the Subject may be brought to the Notice of the Honorable the Governor in Council

Military Board Office
6th. January 1809.

(Signed) J. Marshall
S. M. B.

A true Copy
(Signed) A Hock
D. S. M. B.

Order thereon

Ordered that Authority be given for the payment of the Bills and Advance of money recommended in the foregoing letter

From the Military Board Shipment of Stores & provisions—

To The Honorable Sir G. H. Barlow Bart. K.B.
Governor in Council
&ca. &ca. &ca.

Honorable Sir,

We have received the Chief Secretary's Letter of the 17th Instant; and immediately sent to the respective Departments, Orders, of which we enclose Copies, for the information of Government.

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

Fort St. George
18th January 1809.

(Signed) J. Capper
" J. Munro
" P. Bruce

To The Garrison Storekeeper
Fort St. George

Sir,

I am directed by the Military Board to Enclose for your information and guidance, Extract of a letter from the Chief Secretary of Government, together

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together with Extract from the List to which it refers.

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18th January 1809.

(Signed) J. Marshall
S. M. B.

Extract of a Letter from the Chief Secretary to Govern=ment to the Military Board – Dated 17th January 1809.

1. "I am directed by the Governor in "Council to desire that the Stores and Provisions Specified "in the enclosed List may be held in immediate "readiness to be embarked on Tonnage which will be "engaged for that purpose"

List of Provision Store proposed to be Sent to Quilon

Arrack for four Months for 2000 men
Amounts to 1200 Gallons or 80 Leaguers } 73 Ton.

True Copies
(Signed) J. Marshall
S. M. B.

To The Commissary of Stores at the Arsenal
Fort St. George

Sir,

I am directed by the Military Board to enclose for Your information and Guidance,

Extract

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Extract of a letter from the Chief Secretary of Government together with Extract from a List to which it refers.

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18th January 1809

(Signed) J Marshall,
S M B.

Extract from a Letter from the Chief Secretary to Government to the Military Board Dated 17th Janry 1809

1. "I am directed by the Honble "the Governor in Council to desire that the Stores "Specified in the enclosed List may be held in immedi=ate readiness to be embarked on Tonnage which will "be Engaged for that purpose"

List of Military Stores proposed to be sent to Quilon

300,000	Musket Cartridges	Tons 80
1,000	Sharpnell's Shells (6 Pdr.)	
100.	Barrels Gunpowder (100 lb each	
3,000	Shot 6 Pdr round	
1000	Ditto Cannister	
1000	Ditto quilted	
60	Private Tents	
100,000	Flints	
3,000	Portfires	
5,000	Six Pounder Cartridges	

(True Copies)
(Signed) J Marshall
S. M. B. To

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To The Naval Contractors

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Military Board to Enclose for your information and guidance Copy of a letter from the Chief Secretary of Government, together with Extract from the List to which it refers.

I have the honor to be

&ca. &ca.

(Signed) J: Marshall

S M Board

Fort St. George
18th February 1809

To The President and Members of the

Military Board

Gentlemen,

Para 1. I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to desire that the Stores and Provisions Specified in the enclosed List may be held in immediate readiness to be embarked on Tonnage which will be Engaged for that purpose.

2. The Governor in Council desires than an Arrangement may be made with the Naval Contractors for the Supply of the Salt Provisions,

Biscuit

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Biscuit and Flour mentioned in the Enclosed List"

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17th January 1809

I have the honor to be
&ca. &ca.
(Signed) G. Buchan
Chief Secty. to Govt.

List of the Provision stores proposed to be sent to Quilon

Salt Provisions for one Month for 2,000 men amounts to 60,000 lbs or 128 Hogsds. –	Tons 58
Biscuit for one Month for 2000 men amounts to 90 Candy or 450 Bags –	" 37
Flour for 2 Months for 2000 men amounts to Candy 34.5^{m}. 18^{v} or 137 Bags –	" 10
	105

(True Copies)
(Signed) J. Marshall
S. M. B.

To The Honorable Sir G. H. Barlow Bart. K.B.
Governor in Council
&ca. &ca. &ca.

From the Military Board report on Mr. Hay's Saltpetre –

Honorable Sir,

We have the honor to forward a Copy of a Report of the Superintendent of the Powder mill, on

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on the Quality of the Salt Petre, lately received from Mr. Hay, which has been submitted to experiment in Consequence of the Orders of Government Conveyed in Mr Strachey's Letter of the 16th Instant.

Fort St. George
21st. January 1809

We have the honor to be,
&ca. &ca. &ca.
(Signed) E. Trapaud
" T. Capper
" Rob. Bell.

To The Secretary of the Military Board

Sir,

In Obedience to the Orders of the Board under date the 18th. instant, and received by me — Yesterday, Accompanied by extract of a letter from the Board of Trade to Government dated the 28th. October — last, both directing me to make an experiment with Twentyone bags of Saltpetre received from Mr. Hay — with a view to determine its quality, I have accordingly Ascertained that the Saltpetre of the third boiling is nearly pure, the Circumstance which has rendered it not entirely so, appears evidently to be the accidental —

Stowing

showing of the Crude Saltpeter, which was sent with that which was perfectly pure; for the nitre of the 2nd boiling being still mixed with Common Salt, the latter has melted and ran in the form of brine into the pure nitre; had not this Occurrence taken place the thrice boiled Saltpetre appears to be as pure as that purified by a similar process at the powder Manufacture.

Fort St. George
26th January 1809

(Signed) B. Bishop
Supt. Gr. Mre

A true Copy
(Signed) A Stock
D S M Bd.

order thereon

Ordered that a Copy of the foregoing letter be furnished for the information and Guidance of the Board of Trade.

From the Military Board. information required as to the supply of Stores on the Departure of the public agent—

To The Honorable Sir G. H. Barlow Bt. K B
Governor in Council
&ca. &ca. &ca.

Honorable Sir,

We have the honor to Report that the departure of Lieutenant Colonel Orr, and his retirement from the Service have left the department of agent for the Supply of Stores, without a manager; and as Sundry Stores are much required at present, we beg to be informed how they are to be Supplied, Lieutenant Colonel Orr, deputed Lieutenant Fraser to Conduct the duties of the Office untill the expiration of the present Month, and to deliver over Certain Stores which were already purchased, but as Lieutenant Colonel Orr Cannot now be Considered at the head of the Office we have not Considered it proper to send the Indents to his agent Lieut. Fraser.

We have the honor to be
&ca. &ca. &ca.
(Signed) C. Trapaud
" F. Capper
" Rob: Bell

Resolution thereon

Resolved that Lieutenant Fraser be directed to Officiate for the present as agent for the Supply of Military Stores.

Read the following letters from the Military Auditor General

To

Fort St. George 31st January 1809

To The Honorable Sir George Hilaro Barlow Bart. & K.B.
Governor in Council
&ca. &ca. &ca.

From the Military Auditor General. rate of exchange of fanams on account of the Contract for supply=ing head and heel ropes proposed to be fixed -

Honorable Sir,

1. I have the honor to State that it Appears, from a Communication recently received from the Paymaster to the Subsidiary Force at Hydrabad, the amount of Fanams which are entered in the Monthly Pay Abstracts of Troops of the Regiments of Cavalry Composing a part of that Force, on Account of the Contract allowance for providing head and heel ropes &ca. had been paid to the Officers Commanding Troops at the Conversion of 42 fanams for the Star Pagodas - As this rate of Exchange however appears to have been rectified by Instructions to the Resident at Hydrabad Conveyed in a letter to him from the Chief Secretary to Government under date the 23d September last for the guidance of the Paymaster, and to which I have had reference, I therefore beg leave to suggest that an Order may be published to regulate the Allowance in general, with all the Regiments, of Cavalry - Because the Usage

has hitherto been, not by Converting the Amount of Fanams on Account of this Contract Allowance into Pagodas at the Company's former rate of Exchange of 42 fanams for each Pagoda — but for the Paymaster to issue the amount in fanams. or in Pagodas at the Bazar rate of Exchange, whatever it might be at the Station.

2. It being now a general Regulation that 45 fanams for the Star Pagoda is to be the rate of Exchange for all Charges incurred in the different branches of the Service under this Presidency, it may be proper that such should be the Rate of Exchange on fanams Payable on account of the Contract allowance before mentioned. ÷

I have the honor to be
&ca. &ca. &ca.
(Signed) P. Bruce
M: A: Gl.

Military Auditor General's Office
Fort St. George 5th. January 1809.

Order thereon

Ordered that the Military Auditor General be desired to submit the Draft of a General Order for Carrying into effect the recommendation stated in the foregoing letter.

Read the following letter from the Military

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Military Paymaster General.

To The Chief Secretary of Government
Fort St. George

From the Mily Paymr. Genl. – with Copies of Cor=respondence between Mr. Paymaster Smith and Major Whitlie res=pecting batta drawn by the latter —

Sir,

Agreeably to Mr. Paymaster Smith's desire, I request You will be pleased to Submit to the Honorable the Governor in Council the accompanying Copy of a Correspondence between that Gentleman and Major Whitlie.

Fort St. George
17th January 1809

I am &ca. &ca.
(Signed) B. Roebuck
M. P. Gl.

To The Military Paymr. General
Fort St. George

Sir

I have the honor to forward a letter received by me Yesterday from Major Whitlie Commanding the 2d. Battalion 19th. Regiment Native Infantry which I am reluctantly Obliged to request You would lay before Government with my reply.

The G. O. alluded to by me do not Specify how far Officers on Courts Martial are entitled to Batta as Commanding a Corps and to the allowances as Members of a Court Martial; until Government shall have decided upon this particular I do not Consider myself authorized to discharge the Batta drawn for during the absence of Officers as abovementioned.

(Signed) J. Smith
Paymr.

Seringapatam
12th January 1809

J. Smith Esqr.
Pay Mr. Seringapatam

Sir,

I am informed there is a demur in Your Office to the payment of My Batta as Commandant of the 2d Battalion 19th Regiment and indeed the Abstracts have been returned twice to me from Your Office on the plea that I am not entitled to the full Batta for Commanding during the period I was Absent – I cannot suppose that you are so little acquainted with the Rules by which Your Office ought to be guided or so inconversant with the Nature of the Service as not to be able to discriminate between an Officer going on leave and on being Ordered away on a General duty. It is not reasonable to suppose / excuse me for the expression / that an Officer detached from a Corps by special order on a General duty such as a General Court martial; should lose the advantages of his Command, for even in the instance of the Senior Officer going on leave, he is still entitled to draw the Batta, making up to the next Senior the difference between full and half Batta. I did not go on leave – I submit what I have said to your Consideration – I shall keep the abstracts till I hear from you, I hope I shall not be Obliged to refer the matter to a higher authority.

I am
&c.a &c.a
(Signed) J. Whitlie
Major 2d Bn. 19th Regt. N.I.

Major J. Whitlie
Commanding 2d. Bn. 19 Regt. N.I.
Seringapatam

Sir

In reply to your letter without date received yesterday I beg to inform You that as no provision is made in the General Order of the 10th June 1808 nor in that of the 9th December following for Officers absent on Court Martial being intitled to the full batta of their rank as Commanding a Battalion, the Examiner in my Office pointed out the Circumstance to your Vakeel as Objectionable, a Reference having been made by you and three other field Officers to the Military Auditor General the 3d Instant on the Subject of your allowances, I am of Opinion that it will be proper to wait the decision of that Officer previous to your drawing your Batta as Commanding the Battalion, and as the Military Auditor General's reply may be expected here in a few days, no great inconveniency can ensue — I cannot help remarking that the Style of your letter to me is such that I am under the necessity of forwarding it to Government —

Seringapatam
10th January 1809.

(Signed) J. Smith
Paymr.

J. Smith Esqr.
Paymr. Seringapatam

Sir,

As You deem it Necessary to forward

my letter to Government I request you will be so-good as to Oblige me with a Copy of it, which I have not kept.

Seringapatam 10th June 1809

(Signed) J. Whitlie

Major 2d Bn. 19 Regt. N.I.

A true Copy

(Signed) J. Smith

Paymr.

a Copy was furnished

(Signed) J. S. - Paymr.

(True Copys)

(Signed) B. Roebuck

M.P.G.

order thereon

Ordered that the Claim of the Command-ing Officer of the 2d Battalion of the 19th Regiment of native Infantry be referred to the Military Auditor General for Consideration and Report

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

To

Fort St. George 31st January 1809

From the Town Major of Fort St. George — enclosing Bill for Offreckonings —

To the Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

Sir,

The proportion of the Offreckonings arising from the Clothing of the Native Invalids which I am allowed to receive being fixed; and having no Connection with the Adjustment of the General fund — has hitherto been paid at this Season I therefore enclose an Abstract for the proportion of those Offreckonings for the Year 1808 which become due on the 1st Instant.

I have the honor to be
&ca &ca

Fort St. George
11th January 1809.

(Signed) R. Barclay
Town Major

order thereon

Ordered that authority be given for the payment of the proportion of Offreckonings due to the Town Major of Fort St. George, if the Military Auditor General shall not perceive any Objection to that disbursement. —

Read the following letter from the Chief Engineer —

To

Fort St. George 31st. January 1809

From the Chief Engineer—
Transmitting Indent
for Sanction—

To The Chief Secretary to Government

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit an Indent upon the Superintendant of the Import ware House for— which I request Your procuring the Necessary authority—

I have the honor to be

&ca. &ca.

Engineer's Office
Fort St. George
17th. January 1809.

(Signed) E. Trapaud C.E.

order thereon

Ordered that authority be given— to the Board of Trade for Complying with the Indent— Submitted with the foregoing letter.

Read the following letter from the— Officer Commanding the Northern Division of the Army.

From the officer
Commanding the
Northern division of
the Army—respecting
the disturbances in
Vizagapatam—

Head Quarters. N. D. of the Army

To Geo: Strachey Esqr.
Secy to Govt. in the Military Department,
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge— receipt of your letter dated on the 4th Instant, and shall— Conform to the instructions therein Contained— Herewith—

I

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I forward Copy of a letter this Day received from Lieut
Colonel, Irton, the Contents of which form ground to foun
a hope, that the disturbances in the Vizagapatam dis-
trict may be very soon brought to a Conclusion, and th
without the proclamation of Martial Law.

I do not wish to Conclude without
expressing my decided Opinion, that the troubles not only
this, but in other Districts, have been excited by the rapac
and injustice of the present manager of the Maningha
Country named Camah Gorranah.

I have the honor to be
&ca. &ca.
(Signed) Fr. Gowdie M.G.
Commg. Northern Divi

Vizagapatam
January 14th. 1809.

The Officer Commanding
Northern Division

Sir

I have to inform You that by the rec
of a letter from Lieutenant Wight in Charge of the Station
Settenagrum during Lieutenant Cregoe's absence, he had g
letter from Jagganaichaloo Saying that reports had Come

of the Death of Virabuder Rauze – when this Circumstance is ascertained, we may look upon the Peace of the Country as almost established – On the Mooka Boy coming in it would be as well to withdraw all the Guards from the Foot of the Mountains to Vizinagrum leaving a Subedars – party at Gohalpilly for a short time to see whether any – partys make their appearance and give Confidence to the Inhabitants, when if in Communication with – Ramchunder Rauze they are no longer required they – might be withdrawn, perhaps about the end of February into Garrison. –

(Signed) S. Irton Lieut. Col.
Comg. Dest. Vizagapatam

Bimlipatam
12th – January 1809

(A true Copy)
(Signed) Thos. Arrison
Assist. Adjt. Genl. N. D.

order thereon

Ordered that a Copy of the foregoing letter be furnished to the Revenue Department.

Read the following letter from the Officer Commanding at Masulipatam.

To

Fort St. George 31st. January 1809

From the Officer Commanding the Garriſon of Maſuli=:patam - repairs required to the Draw Bridge at Maſulipatam -

To The Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

Sir,

I do myself the honor to transmit Proceedings of a Committee of Survey which I deemed it Neceſsary to Aſsemble in Conſequence of the Engineer having reported the Draw Bridge at the West Gate of this Garriſon and the Bascul to be quite out of Repair and rendered so far uſeleſs that the Draw Bridge Could not with Safety be hauled up - I request You will do me the honor to represent this Circumstance to the Honorable the Governor in Council to Obtain his Sanction for a New Draw Bridge and Bascul and for the repairs as recommended by the Committee -

Maſulipatam
7th January 1809.

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

(Signed) A. Taylor
Lt. Colo. Comt. & Comg. Masm. Garr.
& District

Proceedings of a Committee of Survey Aſsembled, by Order of Lieutenant Colonel Commandant A Taylor Com=:manding Maſulipatam, on Monday the 12th day of

Decr.

Fort St. George 31st. January 1809

December 1808, to examine and report upon the State of West Gate, Draw Bridge, Bascul and Stationary Bridge, — reported to be out of repair —

Major Haslewood President

Captn. Cotgrave Superintg. Engineer } Members { Captn. Gibson Commy. of Stores
Lieutt. Fair Fort Adjutant — } { Lieutt. Maitland 2 M. E. Regt.

The Committee proceed to inspect the — Draw Bridge, and find the iron Work entirely decayed the — joints of the Timbers worn out, and the planks for the most part unserviceable. The Copper Cap Squares are in good — Condition —

The iron work, Chains &ca. of the Bascul are in good Condition and will serve again with little — repair, the extent of which cannot be ascertained until the Bascul is taken to pieces, — The Timbers of the Bascul are split and the whole very much shaken and crazy. —

The Sleepers and the Planks of the — Stationary Bridge, are in general, in good Condition — The Committee recommend the whole of the planks to be taken up and refitted, and a few that are damaged to be renewed.

The

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The Committee are of Opinion that a new Draw Bridge and Bascul are required, and beg leave to recommend the performance of this work to the Military Board.

(Signed) J. Haslewood Major President
" Richd. John Cotgrave Captn. Sup: Engr. N.D.
" — A. Gibson Captn.
" — W. R. Fair Lieut. & Member
" — E. G. Maitland
Qr. Mr. M. E. Regt.

Order thereon

Ordered that a Copy of the foregoing letter be referred to the Military Board for Consideration and Report.

Read the following letter from the Officer Commanding the Body Guard.

From the officer commanding the Body Guard. Subidar Mahomed Huſsain recommended for a pension.

To The Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

Sir

Mahomed Huſsain Subidar of the Honorable Company's Corps of Bombay Cavalry having long suffered from ill health which has rendered him incapable of doing his duty; and the Surgeon who has attended him since May last having given the enclosed Certificate, from which it appears that no hope is entertained of a Complete recovery; I beg leave at the Subidars request to recommend through You to the Honorable the Governor in Council that Mahomed Huſsain may be pensioned on the full pay of his rank.

It is proper that I should state that the Subidar was transferred from the Madras Body Guard, to the above Corps, to aid in disciplining and forming it when first raised.

That he first enlisted in the Body Guard in 1786, served in the Campaigns under General Meadows and Lord Cornwallis against Tippoo Sultaun and latterly accompanied the Bombay Army under General Jones to Burtpore where it joined the army under Lord Lake.

I beg leave to enclose Copy of a letter from his Commanding Officer, and to add that Mohomed

Huſsain has Always been a willing, active, Zealous and brave, Soldier, and will I trust meet with the indulgence which I have taken the liberty to recommend -

I have the honor to be

&ca. &ca.

Madras
23d. January 1809 -

(Signed) J. Grant Captain

Commandg. Body Guard

I do hereby Certify that I have attended Mohomed Huſsain Subahdar late of the Body Guard for Complaints Chiefly arising from General debility but more parti=cularly for a deceaſe which has deprived him of the total use of his sword arm, and after attentively Considering his Case and Affording him every Medical Aſsistance in my power I am decidedly of Opinion that the long Continuance of his Complaints and the little probability of his permanent recovery have rendered him unfit for further Service.

Madras
22d. January 1809

(Signed) William Mackenzie

Aſsistt. Surgeon Body Guard

To

Fort St. George 31st. January 1809

To The Officer Commanding the Body Guard
Fort St. George

Dear Sir,

The Purport of this Communication, is, to acquaint You, that Mohomed Huſsain, Subedar, in the Honorable Company's Corps of Bombay Native Cavalry, late of the Madras Body Guard proceeds to Fort St. George, on furlough for the benefit of his health. He has been Subjected, to a long Course of Medicines, without any apparent good effect, and is Now, almost entirely deprived of the Use, of his right arm, and his Constitution, in every respect, Appears to be much impaired - He talks, should he not Recover, after a Sufficient perseverance, in a further Course of Medicine, aſsisted by the Change of air, of Applying to be Invalided.

I have much pleasure in intimating, that Mohomed Huſsain, Subedar, has always proved an excellent and attentive Officer, and has from his first joining the Corps, met with the full approbation, of the different Officers, who have Successively Commanded it.—

Dolka
12th February 1808.

I am
&ca &ca

(Signed) J. Roome
Captn. Commandg the Cavalry

(a true Copy)
(Signed) J. Grant Captain

Resolution thereon

Resolved that the Native Officer — mentioned in the foregoing letter be pensioned on the Full Pay of his Rank.

Read the following letter from the Officer Commanding at Poonamallee.

From the Officer Commanding at Poona-mallee - report upon Barracks for the Prisoners of War.—

To The Chief Secretary
to Government

Sir, Fort St. George

I have the honor to acquaint You for the information of His Excellency the Honorable the Governor in Council that the Prisoners of War Barracks have been repaired by order of the Military Board — about 20,000 New Tiles have been put on them and —

the Chunam in a very trifling degree removed - they are now in a Sufficient State of repairs to last for Considerable length of time.

I have the honor to be
&ca. &ca.
(Signed) H: Austin
Major Commandt.

Depot Poonamallee
14th January 1809.

order thereon

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

Read the following letter from the acting Magistrate at Pondicherry.

From the acting Magistrate at Pondicherry - application from Captn. Lieut. Ephron to return to the Isle of France -

To The Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose a Letter from Captain Ephron addressed to the Honorable the Governor - Captain Ephron ever since his residence at Pondicherry has been in an indifferent State of health; and for some time past I believe he has been generally Confined to his house.

I have the honor to be
&ca. &ca.
(Signed) E W Fallofield
Actg. Magistrate

Pondicherry
16th January 1809

To His Excellency Sir George Barlow &ca.
Governor of Madras.

Sir,

Having been unwell for these Several Months past, without hope of getting better in this Country, I determined, with the advice of Several persons, to write to Doctor Serjeant, and to request of him a Certificate stating my ailments and the Necessity that there was for my quitting this Climate in Order to reestablish my heath, which grows worse from day to day. He was acquainted with the State in which I was, although he had not attended me, and I Conceived that he Could have acquiesced in my demand, having informed me of his Opinion of my Case, previously to leaving Pondicherry - Enclosed is his reply, which I have the honor of Submitting to Your Excellency, as also the Certificates of the Physician and Surgeon who have attended me.— I entreat You to take into early Consideration my State of Suffering, and to allow of my Return to the Isle of France by the first Opportunity, Otherwise I am Certain of Sinking under the effects of the Climate of this Country, and of rendering by that event my family infinitely unhappy.— a prospect really afflicting, if you do not Cast a favorable Eye upon my distressing Situation

I have the honor to be with the most profound respect.

&ca. &ca.

Pondichery —
12
15 - January 1809.

(Signed) L. J. Epron
Post Captain

A true translation
(Signed) G. G. Keble
French Translator to Govt.

To Captain Epron

Sir,

I am favored with Your letter of the 1st Instant, as well as that of Your Surgeon.

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Fort St. George 31st January 1809

Not having been under my Care it is I am sorry to say, / not in my power to grant the required — Certificate - which should be on Oath, and founded on a personal Knowledge of Your disease.

I have every reason to believe, that a Certificate on Oath from Your Surgeon, will answer Your purpose; for the Prisoners of War at Pondicherry being directed to seek Medical Aid, from the Surgeons of their own Nation by an Order of Government, of 1804 it will not I conceive be expected, that I should Certify the State of — Your health, that being the province of the Surgeon under — whose care You have been -

I have Certainly known of Your being — several times Confined by ill health, and heard of Your being attacked by dysentery, previous to my departure to Madras and which I regret to hear Continues; with every wish for the recovery of your Health

I am &c. &c.
(Signed) Thos. Sergeant
Garn. Assist. Surgeon
Pondicherry

Camp
Tripatore
6th January 1809.

Fort St. George 31st. January 1809.-

I the undersigned Surgeon formerly an Aſsistant in the Hospitals of this City, do Certify that Mr. Epron, a Post Captain, lately in Command of the Frigate la Piemontaise, has been, for some time paſsed, incommoded with pains in the Stomach and Entrail, which have Considerably disordered his Organs of digestion, that in Consequence he Continues to Suffer under an extremely Obstinate dysenteric flux, for which every thing that art prescribes has been already employed, without producing any other effect than Slightly to palliate this Cruel Sickneſs. My Opinion is that the heat of this Climate does not agree with his Constitution, and I Conceive that a longer Residence in India Cannot but become fatal to him. In testimony of which I have delivered to him this Document at Pondichery the 14th. January 1809.

(Signed) I. Pochout

A true Translation

(Signed) G. G. Keble

French Translator

to Govern.t

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I the undersigned Surgeon Major of the Frigate of His Imperial Majesty La Piemontaise do Certify that Mr. Epron, Poſt Captain, Commanding the Said Frigate, has Suffered, eversince his arrival in the hot Countries, under Constant pains in the Stomach – that his health has in Consequence been Subject to various Changes. that the Susceptibility of the organes of digestion & Cattarrhall Affection has thrown him into a most Abstinately dysenteric State which the Aſsistance of Medicine has only paliated – a longer Residence in India Cannot but be extremely detrimental to him – indeed I will Venture to Affirm that nothing but returning into a more temperate Climate. can hold out any hope of a Certain Cure, and guarantee his Existence.

Given at Pondicherry the 15th January 1809.

(Signed) A. Morene

A true Translation

(Signed) G. G. Keble

French Translator

to Govt.

Copied

Fort St. George 31st January 1809

lie on the table.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

Read the following letters from the Chief Secretarys at Fort William and Bombay—

om the Chief Secretary
t Fort William. Officers
roceeding to Madras
passengers on board
the Company's Ships—

To George Buchan Esqr.

Chief Secretary to the Government
of Fort St. George

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council to transmit to you for the purpose of being laid before the Honorable the Governor in Council, the accompanying Copy of Extracts from the Proceedings of His Lordship in Council in the Military Department dated the 14th & 26th Instant, respecting the arrangements made by the Marine Board at this Presidency, with the Commanders of the Honorable Company's Ships Jane Dutchess of Gordon William Pitt, and Lady Jane Dundas, for the accommodation of Officers and Men proceeding on board of their Ships as passengers to Fort St. George.

I have the honor to be &ca &ca

(Signed) Thos Brown,

Chief Secty to Govt.

Fort William
the 30th December 1808.

Extract

Fort St. George 31st January 1809

Extract from the Proceedings of the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council, in the Military Department under dates the 1st and 26th December 1808.

Read Extracts from the Proceedings in the Public Department, under dates the 9th and 16th Instant.

The Governor General in Council, Approves, the arrangement formed by the Marine Board, as Reported in the foregoing Extracts, for the Conveyance to Fort St. George of the Officers, Cadets, and men under Orders to join their Corps by the Honorable Companys Ships, proceeding to that Presidency.

Ordered, that the following Instructions, be transmitted to the Officer Commanding at the Presidency, in Consequence of the arrangement above recorded.

To Major General Sir Ed. Baillie
Commanding at the
Presidency

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honble the Governor General in Council to Acknowledge the

receipt

Fort St. George 31st. January 1809.

Receipt of Your Letter of the 8th. Instant, with the ~ Corrected Return to which it refers of Officers, Cadets, and Private Men, for whom as Notified to You in my letter of the 28th Ultimo, it is the intention of Government, that a Conveyance to Fort St. George shall be provided in the three regular Ships, under dispatch for that Presidency.

2. In Consequence of the Names of ~ Several Officers, Appearing on the Return, which were not included on the list, forwarded by you to this Department under date the 30th. Ultimo, it became Necessary, that an alteration should be made, in the Arrangement formed by the Marine Board on that document, for allotting Accommodation for the Officers previously reported.

3. In providing the enclosed Copy of the allotment in Question, it is therefore Necessary to State, that in addition to that allotment the Undermentioned ~ Officers have been Appointed to the Honorable Company's Ships Lady Jane Dundas, and William Pitt as follows.

Vizt.

To

Fort St George 31st January 1809

To the Lady Jane Dundas
Lieut. Col. Graham
&
Major Hawes
To the William Pitt
Lieut. Colonel Hall
&
Major Welsh

Lieutenant Colonel Rowles for whom Accommodation, in the Honorable Companys Ship Dutchess of Gordon, is provided by the Original allotment, having since declined to avail himself of it. is not to be included in the present Arrangement.

With the Exceptions stated in the preceding Paragraph; the Officers, Cadets, and Private men above alluded to, will proceed to Fort St George in the different Ships to which they are allotted, according the present distribution.

The Governor General in Council, desires that you will issue the necessary Orders, for the Troops being embarked accordingly at Fort William as soon as the Sloops. directed to be provided for the Conveyance of them to the Ships at Saugor, Shall be in readineſs to receive them.

4. In Conformity to this arrangement it is also neceſsary that the Fort St. George Cadets now here, should proceed without delay to the Ships in which they may be instructed to embark under the present distribution of the Numbers, to be accommodated on board of those Ships respectively, and the Town Major has in consequence been directed, to furnish the Cadets with the Neceſsary Accommodation, for this purpose, at the earliest period that may be practicable.

5. You will further be pleased to cause the Neceſsary intimation to be given to the Officers regarding the Neceſsity of their immediate departure from Fort William, for the purpose of joining the Ships, in which accommodation has been appointed for them.

I am
&c. &c.
(Signed) J. Thornhill
Secty.

Council Chamber
14th Decr. 1808.

Read

Fort St. George 31st January 1809

Extract 26th December }

Read the following Letter received this day from the Fort Adjutant.

To John Thornhill Esqr.

Secy. to Govt. in the Milty. Depart.

Sir

I have the honor to forward to you herewith an Embarkation list of Officers and General return of Men, of His Majesty's and the Honorable Company's Services, who were accommodated with Passages to Fort St. George on the Ships Jane Dutchess of Gordon, William Pitt, and Lady Jane Dundas, with an additional list of the Names of the 27 Madras Cadets, arranged as they embarked on the different Ships.

Fort William
Town Major's Office
16th December 1808.

I have &ca.

(Signed) A Campbell

Fort Adjt.

List of Officers &ca. of the Madras Presidency; who were accommodated with Passages to Fort St. George, and embarked pr. Honorable Company's Ships on the 16th December 1808, at Fort William

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Pr. Jane Dutchess of Gordon

Lieutt. Coll. Rowles. H.C. Estbt. N. Cavalry
Lieutt. Butler. - - - 59th Foot.
34 Rank & file Do Do
2. Women - - - Do Do
9. Cadets for the Madras Estbt.

Pr. H.C. Ship William Pitt

Lieutt. Coll. Hall } H.C. Service
Major Welsh. }
Ensign Chadwick 59th Foot
Ensign Lloyd - - - 59th Foot
34 Rank and file Do Do
9. Cadets for the Madras Estbt.

Pr. Lady Jane Dundas

Lieutt. Coll. Graham } H.C. Service
Major Hawes - - - }
Lieutt. French - - - - - 30th Foot
Ensign Gordon - 59th Do
33. Rank & file - - Do Do
1 Do 80 Do

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9 Cadets for the Madras Estabt.

Fort William

(Signed) A Campbell

Fort Adjt.

Town Majors Office

16th December 1808

Embarkation List of Cadets of the Madras Establishment, who landed at Fort William and were Accommodated by Government with Passages to Fort St. George 16th Decr. 1808.

Pr. H.C. Ship William Pitt

1 J. H. Logan

J. Wright

F. Mountford

A. Crawfurd

5 Al. Crichton

J. A. Crichton

Saml. Dew

R. Shedden

9. William Scott.

Pr. H.C. Ship Jane Dutchess of Gordon

1 Edwd. Williams

Jno

Fort St. George 31st January 1809

Jno. Gordon
John Hunt
S.P. Sharpe
5 James Kinsey,
John Tucker
Henry Bevan
Henry Bolton - too ill to proceed
9 - . J.F. Smith
Pr. H.C. Ship Lady Jane Dundas
Henry Kitt
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Chas. Ferguson
5 J.G. Curry
A. McPherson
W. A. Pace
R.L. Highmore
9 Geo Learanke

The whole of the above Gentlemen embarked at Fort William this day, except Mr. Henry

Bolton who is too much indisposed.

Town Major's Office
16th December 1808.

(Signed) A Campbell
Fort Adjutant

Resolved, that the Necessary Orders be issued, for the Commanders of the Honorable Company Ships Lady Jane Dundas, William Pitt, and Dutchess of Gordon, to receive as passengers to Fort St. George the several Officers and Cadets allotted to their respective Ships, agreeably to the foregoing embarkation Returns, with an exception however to Lieutenant Colonel Rowle who has declined to avail himself of the accommodation allotted for him.

Ordered that Extracts from the Proceedings of the 14th and of this day's date relative to the Allotment of Officers, and Cadets destined for the Presidency of Fort St. George, be transmitted to the Public Department, whence the Necessary Orders will be forwarded to the Commanders of Ships, by dawk, to that Presidency, to enable them to adjust with the Government, the account of passage Money, which may be due to them for this

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A true Extract
(Signed) J. Thornhill
Secretary

(A true Copy)
(Signed) Thos. Brown
Chief Secty. to Govt.

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lvance of 5,000 Rupees
Captain Moncrieff
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To George Strachey Esqr.
Secretary to Government in the Military Dept.
at Fort St. George.

Sir

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to advise You that the Paymaster General has been instructed to Cause to be paid to Captain Moncrieff in Charge of the remount horses for the Regiments of Madras Cavalry with the Poona and Julna Forces, a further advance of Rupees (5,000) five thousand, debiting the amount to the Presidency of Fort St. George.

I have the honor to be &ca. &ca.
(Signed) Fras. Warden
Chief Secty.

Bombay Castle
6th. January 1809.

rder thereon.

Ordered that Copies of the foregoing letters be furnished to the Military Auditor General for his information and guidance.

Read the following letter from the Military Secretary to the late Commander in Chief

From the Military
Secretary to the late
Commander in Chief

George Buchan Esqr.
Chief Secretary to Govt.
Fort St. George

Sir

I am directed by the Commander in Chief to

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forwarding and recom=
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to request You will be so good as Submit to the Honorable the Governor in Council the enclosed letter.

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Lieutenant General Mc Dowall requests that it may meet with favorable Consideration.

I have the honor to be &ca &ca
(Signed) Wm Macpherson
M.S.

Fort St. George
Commander in Chief Office
19th January 1809.

To the Secretary
to His Excellency the Commander in Chief &ca &ca

Sir

We have the honor to lay before You, for His Excellency the Commander in Chief, a Claim as Field Officers, which we trust will meet the favorable Consideration of His Excellency, and induce him to Submit it to the Honorable the Governor in Council with such recommendation as the Case may seem to him to merit.

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We have the honor to be &ca &ca

Bangalore
17th. October 1808.

(Signed) Henry Conran
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" A. Wauchope Major Royal
" Gd. Browness Lieutt. Coll
Comg. 1 Bn. 25th. Regiment
" G. Martin Lieutt. Coll. 1st. Bn. 15 Regt.
" J. M. Vernon Major 2d. Bn. 12 Regt.
" A. McDowall Major 15th. Regt.
" John De Morgan Major 2 Bn. 22d. Regt.
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" H. F. Smith Captain Commanding
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Fort St. George
17th January 1809

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(Signed) E. Trapaud
Robt. Bell
P. Bruce

To the Officer Commanding
Trichinopoly

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Letter of the 28th December to the Secretary of Government, as being in a dangerous state.—

Military Board Office
Fort St. George
4th January 1809

(Signed) J. Marshall
Secy. Mil.y B.d

True Copy

(Signed) A. Stock
Depy. Secy. Mily. Bd.

Received and sent the following Letters entered in M B. No. 1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11.—

From the Accountant General.—

From Mr. Smith - Reference made to Mr. Collector Wallace on the Subjects of iſsuing Copper Coin.—

From the Officer Commanding the Southern Division of the Army.—

From Major General Fuller - Intimates his resignation of the Command of the Division to the next Senior Officer.—

From the Commiſsioner at Tranquebar.—

From Mr. Kelso. Paſsport granted to Mr. Chaternet to proceed to the Presidency in consequence of his acceptance of certain offers.—

To the Secretary to the Government at Bombay—

To Mr. Newnham Enclosing a letter from the Commandant of the Body Guard and informing him of the permission granted to Mahomed Hussain to retire on the full pay of his rank.—

To the Officer Commanding the Army in Chief.

To Major General Gowdie— Transmitting proceedings of the Medical Board to be forwarded to that Board.—

To the Chief Secretary to the Government at Columbo.

To the Honorable John Rodney— Transmitting despatches to be forwarded to England.—

To the Military Board

To the Military Board— Referring Copy of a letter from the Commanding Officer at Masulipatam stating the necessity of certain Works at that Station— Enclosing extract of the proceedings of Government and also Copy of a letter from the

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the Officer Commanding at Poonamallee — reporting the repair of the Barracks - Authority given for the payment of the Bills and advances of money.—

To the Military Auditor General

To the Military Auditor General.

Desiring that a draft of the General Order for regulating the allowance to the Cavalry Regiments at Hydrabad may be submitted. Enclosing the Claim of a Commanding Officer for full Batta while absent on a Court Martial - Major Whittie's letter to be noticed to the Commander in Chief Enclosing a letter from the Town Major and desiring that Offreckonings may be paid - Stating that a Subidar of the Body Guard had been pensioned - Encloses proceedings of Government with Extract of a letter from the Chief Secretary at Bombay reporting a further Advance on Account of Horse Agency—

To the Military Auditor General—

To the Military Auditor General - Transmitting Copy of a letter from the Chief Secretary of the Government at Fort William—

To the Town Major of Fort St. George—

To the Town Major - Acquainting him that orders had been iſsued for an Adjustment of his claim on the Offreckoning fund - Pensioning a Subidar in the Body Guard—

To the Commandant of the Body Guard—

To the Commandant of the Body Guard - Complying with his recommendation to pension the

Subidar

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Subidar Mahomed Hussain on the full pay of his rank.—

To the Military Board.— 2. Sent a letter to the Military Board entered in M. B. No. 12 Desiring that Lieutenant Fraser may officiate as Agent of Supplies.—

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At a Consultation

Present

The Honorable
Sir George Hilaro Barlow Bart. & K.B.
Governor and President

William Petrie
Thomas Oakes
and
J. H. Casamaijor } Esqrs.

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February 1809

Minutes of last Consultation read and approved.

Read the following letters from the late Commander in Chief's Military Secretary, from his Aide Camps, and from the Office of the Adjutant General of the Army

George Strachey Esqr.
Military Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

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Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency the Commander in Chief to request you will be so good as submit the enclosed Letter from Lieutenant Stuart to the Honorable the Governor in Council; – It has the Commander in Chiefs' support and recommendation.—

2 The Commander in Chief directs me to forward the enclosed extract of an order issued by Brigadier General Malcolm which requires the confirmation of Government.—

Fort St. George
Commander in Chief's Office
25th January 1809

I have the honor to be &c. &c.
(Signed) Wm. Macpherson
Milty. Secy.

To the Military Secretary

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

Sir,

The Auditor General having objected to my drawing the difference between my own Pay &c. as Lieutenant, and that of a Captain, the next superior rank, I beg to submit that the pay and full Batta of the rank next superior to that they have held, have always been drawn by the Officer Commanding the Cadet Company since its first Institution; at same time that such is Consistent with the General Regulations and Practice of the Service — This therefore in addition to the table allowance, more recently appropriated to the Command of the Cadet Institution, I Petition to be allowed —

Here, I beg to observe that my length of Service, together with general Report, authorises me to hope, that by the Arrival of the first Ships from home, such vacancies will be found to have occurred, as will Promote me to a Superior rank, with date Anterior to my relief from the Command of the Cadet Company — In which Case I should humbly hope, that a further Petition founded upon that Circumstance and supported by the Regulations of the Service might be permitted and favorably received —

Madras
23d January 1809

(Signed) C. Stuart
Lieut. 2d Battn.
21st Regt. N.I.

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Camp at Bombay
1st January 1809

G. O. By Brigadier General Malcolm

The Surgeon in Medical Charge of the Detachment of Cavalry will draw the allowance Established for the Number of Men of which it consists and he is Authorized to entertain a Dresser.

(A true Extract)
(Signed) F. Balmain
Actg. Major of Brigade
to the Force for
Foreign Service

As the claim of Lieutenant Stuart to draw the pay and Full Batta of a Captain while in the temporary Command of the Garrison of Cuddalore and of the Cadet Company appears to have been rejected in the first instance by the Military Auditor General, the Board observe that Lieutenant Stuart's Application must be considered as an appeal from the decision of the Military Auditor General, and should consequently be submitted through the Channel of that Officer —

With respect to the further claim eventually preferred by Lieutenant Stuart to draw the Pay and Full Batta of a Major, for the period of his having exercised the Command in question, the Board are of opinion that the discussion of that claim will be premature, until the actual succession of Lieutenant Stuart to the rank of Captain shall have been previously ascertained —

The Board approve and Confirm the orders issued by Brigadier General Malcolm at Bombay, as reported in the foregoing letter —

George Strachey Esqr.

Military Secretary to Government

Fort St. George

From the late Commander in Chief's Aid de Camp Compensation for certain horses died in consequence of forced Marches —

Sir,

The Commander in Chief directs

me in the Absence of the Military Secretary, to request you will submit the enclosed Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Montresor with the other papers to the Honorable the Governor in Council —

His Excellency recommends that Authority may be granted for the payment of Compensation to the Officers whose horses have been killed, as certified in the enclosed Certificates —

Fort St. George
Commander in Chief's Office
28th January 1809

I have the honor to be &c. &c.
(Signed) J. M. Coombs
A. D. C.

Head Quarters
Hydrabad Subsidary Force

To His Excellency the Commander
in Chief's Military Secretary
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose (No. 1) Proceedings of a Committee with a letter (No. 2) from Captain Noble Commanding the Squadron of Horse

Artillery, transmitted to me, by Lieutenant Colonel Doveton Commanding the Detachment of the subsidiary Force serving in Berar, which I request you will do me the favour to lay before His Excellency the Commander in Chief, who I trust will authorize the necessary application to be made to Government, for Payment for the Horses of Lieutenant Rudyard of the Squadron of Horse Artillery and Cornet Jones of the 8th Regiment Cavalry, that have died in consequence of the Forced March performed by Lieutenant Colonel Dovetons Detachment on the 27th and 28th Ultimo—

Cantonment
Secunderabad
17th January 1809

(Signed) T. G. Montresor
Lieut. Col.

Proceedings of a Committee assembled by Order of Captain A. Macleod Commanding 8th Regiment of Cavalry Camp Amalnair 29th December 1808, to examine a Second Charger reported totally disabled by Cornet Jones—

President
Captain Macleod
Members
Lieutenant C. W. Bell— Cornet Smith

The Committee proceed to examine

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a Chesnut Charger belonging to Cornet Jones 8th Regiment Cavalry which they find to have been disabled in consequence of a forced March of upwards of (40) Forty Miles, upon actual service —

(Signed) A. Macleod Captn.
8th Regt. N.C.
" C. W. Bell Lieut.
8th Regt. Cavalry
" H. Smith Cornet
8th Regt. Cavalry

I do Certify on honor that Cornet Jones rode the above mentioned Horse the whole of the March —

(Signed) A. Macleod
Captn. Comg. 8th N.C.

I do certify upon honor that the Detachment under my Command, made on the above occasion, a forced march of upwards of 40 Miles —

(Signed) J. Doveton Lieut. Col.
Comg. Detachment

Commander in Chiefs
Office Fort St. George
28th January 1809

Sanctioned
By order of the Commander in Chief
(Signed) J. H. Coombs
A.D.C.

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To Lieutenant Colonel Doveton
Commanding a Detachment in
Berar

Sir,

I have the honor to state the following circumstances regarding the loss of an Officer's Horse belonging to the Horse Artillery - the Horse in question belonged to Lieutenant and Adjutant Rudyard and was selected by him from the Remount of 1805 - He was taken ill on the Forced March lately made by the Detachment and died in consequence (after lingering several days) on the line of March yesterday - I beg leave to inclose a Certificate to that effect which I request may be laid before His Excellency the Commander in Chief in the hope that he may be pleased to recommend the usual Allowance should be paid to Lieutenant Rudyard for a Regimental Charger lost under similar Circumstances —

Camp
6th January 1809

(Signed) John Noble
Capt. & Comg. Horse Arty.

I do hereby certify that (in consequence

of

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of a Forced March made by the Berar Detachment from the Adjunta Ghaut to Amelnair a Regimental Horse belonging to Lieutenant and Adjutant Rudyart of the Horse Artillery was taken ill and after lingering several days died yesterday on the March—

Camp 6th. January
1809

(Signed) John Noble
Captn. Comg. Horse Artly.

I do hereby Certify that the Detachment under my Command made a forced March from Furdapoor, at the bottom of the Adjuntah Ghaut, by the way of Nusserabad to Amelnair a distance of about Eighty Miles—

Commander in Chiefs office
Fort St. George 28th. Jany 1809
The Commander in Chief Sanctions the Charge for Compensation
By order — (Signed) Lt. McCoombs
A D Camp

(Signed) J. Doveton
Lieut Col. Comg. Detacht.

order thereon

Ordered that authority be given for the payment of the usual Compensation to the two Officers reported to have lost their Horses in consequence of the late forced March of the Detachment under the Command of Lieutenant Colonel Doveton—

To

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To the Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

From the Deputy Adjutant General of the Army, recommends for sanction the purchase of certain prize horses made by order of Colonel Doveton – also request of that Officer to dispose of the Captured Guns to the Nizam – forwards application of the Widows Gay and Riemann for admission on the Military Fund – reports death of Mr. Conductor Thomson –

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose to you to be submitted to the Honorable the Governor in Council a Letter from the Officer Commanding the Hyderabad Subsidiary Force forwarding the Proceedings of a Committee on Twenty two Prize Horses purchased by Lieutenant Colonel Doveton, at the average price of One hundred Pagodas to replace the Horses lost by the two Regiments of Cavalry of the Detachment under his Command in Berar – and this purchase His Excellency the Commander in Chief recommends may be confirmed –

The latter Paragraph of Lieutenant Colonel Montresors' Letter respecting the Guns taken by Lieutenant Colonel Dovetons' Detachment, His Excellency requests may be laid before Government –

I am directed by His Excellency

to

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to forward to you to be submitted to the Honorable the Governor in Council with his recommendation, applications from the Widows of the late Isaac Gay, Gunner of Artillery, and the late Peter Reimann Private of Infantry for the benefit of Lord Clive's Fund —

I have also the honor to communicate to you the Death of Mr. Joseph Thompson, Invalid Conductor of Ordnance, on the 16th. Instant at Vizagapatam. —

Adjutant General's Office
25th. January 1809

I have the honor to be &c. &c.
(Signed) T. Boles
Depy. Adjt. Genl.

To the Adjutant General
of the Army —

Sir,

I have the honor to report for the information of His Excellency the Commander in Chief, that Lieutenant Colonel Doveton has purchased on account of the Honorable Company a number of Prize Horses to replace those which were lost by the Two Regiments of Cavalry in the attack made by the Detachment under his Command on the 28th Ultimo at Amulnair, at the average Price of One Hundred Star Pagodas per Horse - the Proceedings of the Committee aſsembled by Lieutenant Colonel Doveton's order to examine and Report upon the Horses, I have the honor to enclose, and as it appears particularly neceſsary to keep up the Efficiency of the Two Regiments in Advance, I trust this measure will meet the full approbation of His Excellency the Commander in Chief, and that he will obtain the neceſsary Authority for concluding the Purchase, and confirm the Authority which Lieutenant Colonel Doveton has given for their being received on the Strength of Regiments from the 29th Ultimo —

Lieutenant Colonel Doveton has also reported his intention of sending the Captured Guns to Jaulnah, and suggest the propriety of disposing of them to His Highneſs the Nizam's Government through the Medium of the Resident, under an impreſsion that they never can be of much use to our Government, on this subject I beg to be favoured with His Excellency the Commander in Chiefs' Orders – and in the mean time it is not my intention to give any directions on the subject of them —

Cantonment
Secunderabad
16th January 1809

(Signed) T. G. Montresor
Lieut. Col.

These are to Certify that Isaac Gay Matroſs in Captain Lloyds Company of Artillery, was by me lawfully Married to Katherina De Prosanie a Native of Assia – Given under my hand in Camp this 4th day of September 1783 –

Camp near St. Thomaſst
Mount 4th September 1783

(Signed) Robt. Bell
Adjt. Artillery

Tanjore 7th January
1809 —

This is to certify that Peter Reimann Private in the 1st independent Company of European

Invalids, and Helena Tallen, a Native of this Country were by me united in holy Matrimony at Cuddalore, according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Church of England, on the ninth Day of July, in the Year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and Ninety nine; by Permiſsion of his Superiors.

In the Presence of
(Signed) { Daniel Wallace his × Mark
James Pearson his + Mark } Privates

(Signed) C. W. Horst Miſsionary to the Hble Society for promoting Christian Knowledge

Resolution thereon

Resolved that the Commander in Chief be requested to call upon the Commanding Officer of the Subsidiary Force of Hydrabad for a detailed Statement and Valuation of the property recently captured by the Troops under the Command of Lieutenant Colonel Doveton, in order that the Governor in Council may be enabled to give the neceſsary directions for the legal appropriation of it.

Ordered in the mean time

that authority be given for allotting the Twenty two Captured Horses to the Regiments of Cavalry serving with the Detachment in Berar.—

Resolved that the two Widows mentioned in the foregoing letter be admitted Pensioners on Lord Clive's Fund.—

To the Chief Secretary to Government

From the Assistant Adjutant General of the Army. promotions in consequence of the deaths of Colonel Darley and Lieutenant Carr recommended

Sir,

I am directed by the Commander in Chief to request that you will state to the Honorable the Governor in Council that information has been received here from various Sources which His Excellency deems perfectly authentic of the Death of Lieutenant Colonel John Darley at Sea on the voyage to England on Board the Honorable Company's Ship Earl Howe.—

His Excellency therefore recommends that the following promotions shall take place.—

Senior Major of Infantry Patrick

Bruce of the 18th. Regiment to be Lieutenant Colonel Vice Darley deceased date of rank to be settled hereafter—

18th. Regiment N.I.

Captain Edward Boardman, to be Major— Captain Lieutenant William Firmin Blackmore to be Captain of a Company— Lieutenant Henry Erskine Somerville to be Captain Lieutenant, and Ensign Alexander Aitken to be Lieutenant in succession to Bruce promoted, date of rank to be settled hereafter—

Lieutenant Bushby of the 6th. Regiment Native Infantry having been placed on the Invalid List on the 9th. December last, and Mr. L. T. J. Janson being under suspension from the Service, (who tho' not promoted is posted to the 6th. Regiment as Senior Ensign agreeably to his appointment as a Cadet,) His Excellency the Commander in Chief recommends that Mr. Janson shall be superseded, and that the following promotion shall take place—

6th Regiment N.I.

Ensign B. McMaster to be Lieutenant Vice Bushby Invalided—date of rank 10th December 1808—

I have the honor to report to you for the information of the Honorable the Governor in Council that Lieutenant John Carr of the 8th Regiment Native Infantry died on the 9th instant—

His Excellency therefore recommends that the following promotion shall take place—

8th Regiment N.I.

Ensign George Muriel to be Lieutenant Vice Carr deceased—date of rank 10th January 1809—

Mr. Alexander MacDonald Cadet of Infantry to be Ensign date of rank 3d July 1807—

Fort St. George
25th January 1809

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) J. McDowall
Asst. Adjt. Genl.

Ordered

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Order thereon

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

To the Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

From the Deputy Adjutant General of the Army, application of Mr. Cadet Bell to proceed to sea.—

Sir,

I am directed to enclose to you for the purpose of being submitted to the Honorable the Governor in Council, with His Excellency the Commander in Chief's recommendation, an application from Mr. Alexander Bell Cadet of Infantry, for permission to proceed to Sea for the recovery of his health, as stated to be necessary in the accompanying Surgeons' Certificate.—

Adjutant Generals Office
29th January 1809

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obedient Servt.
(Signed) T. Boles
Depy. Adjt. Genl.

To

Fort St. George 3d. February 1809

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

Honorable Sir,

I have the honor to forward the Accompanying Certificate and have to request permission to proceed to Sea.—

Fort St. George
29th. January 1809

(Signed) Alexr. Bell
Cadet

This is to Certify that Mr. Cadet Bell has for the last two Months laboured under a severe Hepatitis— He has used Mercury both internally and by friction— and has repeatedly obtained temporary relief— but notwithstanding the Mercury has been regularly continued and his system affected for the last five weeks, he has had repeated relapses with the most severe pain on the right side & Shoulder— He had a Slight cough and affection of his breathing from which he has been relieved by repeated blisters— There is a considerable degree of general debility— I do declare upon my honor that it is my opinion that it is neceſsary that Mr. Bell should as soon as poſsible take a voyage to sea for the re-establishment of his health.—

Cuddalore
21st January 1809

(Signed) J. Campbell
Surgeon

Resolution thereon

Resolved that Mr. A. Bell Cadet of Infantry be permitted to proceed to Sea for the recovery of his health.—

To the Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

From the aſsistant Adjutant General of the Army. — Subadar Custory recommended for the Non Effective Establishment - Lieutenant Stewart requests to withdraw his application for leave.—

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose a Register of Subadar Custoory of the 2nd Battalion 18th Regiment Native Infantry whom His Excellency Lieutenant General MacDowall has directed me to request that you will recommend to the Honorable the Governor in Council to be placed on the Non-Effective Establishment upon a Pension of the full Pay of his Rank (15 Pagodas Monthly) for life.

In consequence of the faithfulneſs

evinced

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evinced in the year 1806 by this Native Officer and the jealousy and suspicion with which he was viewed in the Battalion, it was recommended to Government to remove him from the Service in order to relieve him from the disagreeable circumstances in which he was placed, and to bestow upon him an adequate Provision and some mark of the favor of Government.—

The Subadar sometime since proceeded to Tinnevelly on leave to receive charge of the land granted to him by Government.—

I have therefore to request if the Pension shall be granted, that instructions may be given to the Town Major of Fort St. George to prepare and transmit to this Office the necessary Pension Certificate, in order that he may be struck off from the Strength of the Corps—

Fort St. George
30th. January 1809

I have the honor to be &c. &c.
(Signed) J. McDowall
Asst. Adjt. Genl.

P.S. I am likewise directed to request that you

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you will lay the enclosed letter before the Honorable the Governor in Council from Lieutenant Stuart requesting to withdraw the leave granted to him of proceeding to Ceylon—

Register of Custoorey Subidar of the 2nd Battalion 18th Regiment Native Infantry Recommended to be Pensioned on Full Pay—

Name	Rank	Country	Years of Age	Years of Service	Height		Colour Cast and other Marks	Diseased	Why Recommended	Remarks
					Feet	Inches				
Custoorey	Subidar 2nd Class	Vellore	50	34	5	2	Bamboo Christian	1	Wounded in the Right Leg and faithful services	On Full Pay

Adjutant General's Office
28th January 1809

By Order of the Commander in Chief
(Signed) J. McDowall
Assist. Adjt. Genl. of the Army

To

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To the Honorable the Governor in Council

Honorable Sir,

With every sense of obligation for the favor shewn my request in the Permission granted me to proceed to Ceylon, I have again to intrude, by begging to decline it, as the Circumstances on which my Application was grounded, have Changed.—

Madras
30th January 1809

(Signed) C. Stuart
Lieut. 2d. B. 21st. Regt. N.I.

Resolution & order thereon

Resolved that Subidar Custoory of the 18th Regiment of Native Infantry be permitted to retire from the Service on the Full Pay of his Rank—

Ordered that the above Resolution be communicated to the Town Major of Fort St. George—

Resolved that Lieutenant Stuart of the 21st Regiment of Native Infantry be permitted to with-draw his application for leave to proceed to Ceylon.—

The Board proceed to pass orders

on

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on the following Proceedings of the Medical Board.

Proceedings of the Medical Board.
Monthly Returns of the Sick of the Army.—

Resolution of the Governor in Council Dated 3d February 1809

To be Recorded

By Order of the Honorable the Governor in Council.—

(Signed) G. Strachey Secy. to Govt.

Medical Board
30th January 1809

The Medical Board have the honor to forward the General Return of the Sick of the Army for the Month of October last.—

(Signed) Jas. Anderson
Physician Genl.

" Terence Gahagan M.D.
and 2d Member Medical Board

" Andw. Berry
3d Member Medl. Board

Read the following letters from the Military Board—

To

Fort S.t George 3.d February 1809

To the Honorable
Sir G.o H. Barlow Bar.t K: B.
Governor in Council
&c.a &c.a &c.a

From the Military Board - Bills and advances of Cash.- Minute of the Q.r M.r General on the subject of one of them.

Honorable Sir,

We have the honor to forward and to recommend the following Bills for payment Viz.t—

N.o 1 ......Bill of the Commercial Resident at Salem for Tents provided for the Public Service Amounting to Pagodas 3,606. 2. 15 whereof a balance is due of Pagodas 323. 38. 53.—

N.o 2 ....Bill of the Superintending Engineer Presidency Division for repairs executed to the Arrack Godowns at Wallajahbad Amounting to Pagodas 184. 30. 60.—

N.o 3 ....Bill of the Superintending Engineer Presidency for repairs to the Fortifications of Fort S.t George for the Month of October last, Amounting to Pagodas 225. 36. 67.—

N.o 4 ....Bill of the Superintending Engineer for repairs to the Fortifications of Fort S.t George during November 1808, Amounting to Pagodas 24. 15. 3.

No. 5 .... Bill of the Officer Commanding at Hullial for expences incurred in making up Litters for the conveyance of the Sick of a Detachment of the 1st Battalion 8th Regiment Native Infantry, Amounting to Pagodas 37. 24. — The Bill is accompanied by a Minute of the Quarter Master General noticing the emergency of the case. —

No. 6 .... Bill of the Commissary of Supply in Malabar for Boat hire in conveying Military Stores from Cannanore to Quilon in April last, Amounting to Pagodas 50. . — —

No. 7 .... 2 Bills of the Commissary of Supply in Malabar for Coolies employed in lotting Grain and Gunny Bags for Public Outcry in June and November 1808, Amounting to Pagodas 2. 27. . —

No. 8 .... Bill of the Commissary of Supply in Malabar for Carriage employed for the conveyance of Stores from Tellicherry to

Cannanore in October, Amounting to Pagodas 1. 36. –

No. 9 ..... Bill of the Commissary of Supply in Malabar for Stores conveyed to Palghautcherry, amounting to Pagodas 17. 6. . —

No. 10 ..... Bill of the Commissary of Supply in Malabar for transporting unserviceable Arms from Calicut to Cannanore, Amounting to Pagodas 10. – –

No. 11 ..... Bill of the Commissary of Supply in Malabar for conveying Military Stores from Mangalore to Cannanore, Amounting to Pagodas 85. 32. 10

No. 12 ..... Bill of the Commissary of Supply in Malabar for Boat hire in transporting Galloper Carriages from Mangalore to Bombay, for the service of the 2d. Regiment Madras Native Cavalry Amounting to Pagodas 57. 6. 34. —

2 We recommend also payment of an Advance of Pagodas 210. – – to the Engineer at Hydrabad, being the second third of the estimated Cost of the Drain constructing at the European

Barracks

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Barracks at Secunderabad.

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

Fort S^t. George
17^th. January 1809

(Signed) E. Trapaud
Rob^t. Bell
P. Bruce

Minute of the Quarter Master General

The Quarter Master General has the honor of submitting to the Board a letter from the Officer Commanding at Hulliat containing a Bill for certain Expences incurred in making up Litters for the Carriage of Sick, and other papers connected with that Charge.—

As it appears that the exigency of the Case required the Disbursement incurred on this occasion, the Quarter Master General recommends that the Bill which he has the honor to submit may be recommended or passed for payment. The Litters in question may be retained on the public Account, and stationed at Hulliat for the purpose of answering future occasion.—

Quarter Master Gen^ls. Office
Fort S^t. George
9^th. January 1809

(Signed) J. Munro
Q^r. M^r. Gen^l.

To

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To the Quarter Master General
of the Army

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose an Indent with the Copy of an official Letter from the Officer Commanding the Division—

As the roads will not permit wheeled Carriages to be made use of and as there are no Doolies in the Stores at this Station I have made up Village Cots covered with Comlies for the occasion— I beg leave to enclose a Bill of Expences incurred on the occasion— I also beg leave to observe that from an Idea that all Indents of this nature should be sent to the Military Board— I had previously sent this same Indent there— which being returned on account of the wrong Channel, has occasioned the Delay of this not being sent before to your Office for Confirmation &c.—

Hulliat
24th December 1808

(Signed) H. A. Miller
Lieut. Comg. Detacht.
1 Bn 8th Regt.

True Copies
(Signed) A. Stock
Depy Secy Mily Bd.

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

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

From the Military Board. applications for freight if complied with by the Comml. Residents a saving of expence; Military preparations in Malabar. Ordnance not required from Ceylon.—

Honorable Sir,

1 We have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Letters from the Chief Secretary of Government dated 7th and 11th January, and from the Secretary in the Military Department dated the 4th and 6th and to report that the necessary orders have been given.—

2 We have the honor to forward Copy of a Letter, with its enclosures which We have received from the Officer Commanding Vizagapatam; No.1. We submit to the Consideration of Government that a Compliance, on the part of Commercial Residents, with Applications for freight on Companys' Ships, when it may be convenient, would save the expence of freight for Stores which it may occasionally be necessary to bring down the Coast.—

3 We forward Copies and Extracts No.2 of Letters from the Officer Commanding in Malabar and Canara reporting measures which he has adopted

in consequence of certain orders of the Honorable the Governor in Council —

4 Having referred to the Commandant of Artillery for his report on the subject of His Excellency Lieutenant General Maitland's Letter of the 10th of December, we forward Copy of that Officers' reply; with which we entirely concur, being of opinion that no part of the Ordnance is required for the Service of this Presidency. — No. 4

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17th. January 1809

We have the honor to be &c. &c.
E. Trapaud
Robt. Bell
P. Bruce

To the Secretary of the Military Board
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to lay the following circumstances, with the several documents for the information of the Board, That on the arrival of the Honorable Company's Ships in these roads, on the 30th.

Ultimo, under Convoy of His Majesty's Ship Belliqueux I considered it my duty to apply to the Captains of the Honorable Companys Ships for permission to ship the unserviceable Fire Arms in Store - and in Answer thereto, I received Letters informing me that they are not authorized to take any thing on Board without the Orders of the Board of Trade or from their Commercial Residents - I have in consequence solicited the permission of the Acting Commercial Resident, to the respect of shipping the Arms. who in answer told me that he received no instructions from the Board to ship any of the Public Military Stores, nor he has no Vouchers in his Office to that effect.—

I am informed that there are some Indiamen expecting from Bengal, and as they will touch this Port I have to beg the Board will be pleased to advise the Commercial Resident to take the very first - opportunity to ship the unserviceable muskets for the Presidency —

Copies of Letters I received from

the Captains of the Honorable Company's Ships I herewith enclose for the information of the Board, together with a Copy of my Letter to the Acting Commercial Resident at this Station.—

Vizagapatam
5th. January 1809

(Signed) C. F. Cooper Captn.
Comg. Garrison Vizagapatam

To Captain Cooper
Commanding the Garrison of
Vizagapatam

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that I am not authorized to receive any thing on Board the Ship I command, but by an order from the Board of Trade or their Commercial Resident.—

Vizagapatam
30th. December 1808

I am &c. &c.

(Signed) John Eckford Comg. the Honble. Company's Ship Lady Jane Dundas.—

(True Copy)

(Signed) C. F. Cooper Captn. Comg.
Vizagapatam

To

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To Captain Cooper

Commanding the Garrison of

Vizagapatam

Sir,

I have Just received your application to have received on Board the Honorable Company's ship Jane Duchess of Gordon, 14 Chests of Arms and 17 Packages - and beg to acquaint you that I am not permitted to take them, unless your application be accompanied by an order from the Commercial Resident _

H: C: S. Jane Duchess
of Gordon
Vizagapatam Roads
31st. December 1808

I have the honor to be
&c: &c:
(Signed) Jno. Cameron
Commander

(A true Copy)
(Signed) C. F. Cooper
Captn. Comg. Vizagapatam

Captain C. F. Cooper

Commanding Garrison

Sir,

I have the honor to Acknowledge the receipt of yours of yesterdays date, and in reply beg to inform you being sent here for the express purpose of receiving Companys Bales, I cannot receive any thing on Board without the Commercial Residents express order.—

Vizagapatam
31st December 1808

Your Obedient Servant
(Signed) C. Graham

(A true Copy)
(Signed) C. F. Cooper Capt. Commg.
Vizagapatam

To the Acting Commercial Resident
Vizagapatam.

Sir,

Agreeably to the Orders of the Military Board under date the 26th September last, I have to send some unserviciable Arms to the Presidency and have in consequence applyed to the Officers Commanding the Honorable Companys Ships now in these roads, the Captain of the Ship Jane Duchess of Gordon agreed to take one third of them, and for the remainder two thirds I desired in my letters of yesterday to the other two Captains to take on their Ships - but the Captain of Lady Jane Dundas has written me that he is not authorized to take any thing on Board without the orders of the Board of Trade or from their Commercial Residents, I shall therefore be obliged to you for an order on the subject I cannot keep them here any longer - as the matter is of public nature, and I should consider that the Board will think it is thro' neglect of duty that I missed this safe opportunity in respect of dispatching them to the Presidency, and in consequence I shall have to report the same to the Board.—

Vizagapatam
31st. December 1808

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

(Signed) C. F. Cooper Capt.
Comg. Garrison
Vizagapatam

(True Copy)
(Signed) C. F. Cooper
Captn. Comg. Vizagapatam

True Copies
(Signed) A. Stock
Depy. Secy. Milty. Board

Extract

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Extract of a letter from the Officer Commanding in Malabar and Canara to the Secretary of the Military Board Dated 29th. December 1808—

"To follow up the directions of the Honorable the Governor in Council, I have directed the Commiſsary of Stores at this Station, to make up a quantity of Ammunition and to prepare for field Service six 6 Pounders and 2 Howitzers, two Brigade of the 6 Pounders and the two Howitzers are for the Service in Travancore, and will be dispatched within a few days, We are now transporting them on board Small Country Veſsels (Dow in the roads—

To the Secretary Military Board

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit an Invoice of Ordnance and Stores forwarded for the Services in Travancore and Proceedings of Committees on Stores received by the Commiſsary and am to report that I have directed the Commiſsary to prepare for field service, one Brigade of 6 Pounders

Cannanore
2d. January 1809

(Signed) J. Cuppage
Lieut. Col. Comg.

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Invoice of Stores sent to the Travancore Force at Quilon from the Stores at Cannanore

Cannanore 31st Decr. 1808

Articles	Number	Remarks
Ordnance Brass Gun 6 Pounder	4	
" " Howitzer 5½ Inch	2	
" " Mortar 5½ Inch	1	
Carriages Gun 6 Pounder	4	
" Howitzers 5½ Inch	2	
" Tumbrils Ammunition	8	
Shot Round fixed to Bottoms 6 Pounder	432	
" Grape Canester 6 Pounder fixed to Cartridges	150	
" " Loose 5½ Inch Howitzer	50	
Shells 5½ Inch Filled and fuzed	100	
" 5½ Inch Empty	250	
Spun Yarn Rolls	9	
Cartridges 6 Pounder fixed to Shot	432	

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Articles	Number	Remarks
Cartridges 6 Pounder fixed to Grape	150	
" Howitzers for loading 14 Ounces	148	
" Ditto Ditto for bursting	148	
" 6 Pounder filled spare	140	
" 6 Pounder Empty Spare	120	
" Howitzer spare Empty	"	
Bitts Gun Steel	12	
Boxes Dredging	2	
" for Tubes with Straps	6	
Buckets leather	8	
Collars Bullock Cotton	28	
Drivers and Setters	4	
Esses Iron	10	
Fuzes Drove 5½ Inch	500	
Rasps Fuze	4	
Vices Bench	1	

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Articles	Number	Remarks
Scales Quinter	1	
Aprons lead	6	
Saws fuze	1	
Compasses Brass Common Pair	1	
Hammers Claw	6	
Handspikes Purchasing	16	
„ Traversing	12	
Irons Priming	12	
Ladles with Worms 6 Pounder	4	
Locks Pad with Keys	16	
Linstocks with Cocks	6	
Port fire Sticks	6	
Punches Tube	6	
Match Cotton ... Skains.	19½	
„ Country ... Do.	32	
„ Quick ... Do.	4	
Pincers Fuze ... Pairs	4	
„ Tube ... „	4	

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Articles	Number	Remarks
Haversacks leather	14	
Pouches Priming	6	
Port fires Drove	300	
Ropes Drag Gun .... Setts	12	
" " Tumbril	8	
Rope Europe 2 Inch .... Fathoms	96	
Spunges Common 6 Pounder	8	
" Howitzer 5½ Inch	3	
" Mortar 5½ Inch	3	
Spikes Round	6	
" Raged	6	
Tarpaulins Limber	6	
" Tumbrils	8	
Traces Chain 6 Pounder	6	
" " Tumbril	8	
Twine Europe Skains	12	
" Country "	6	
Kegs Tar and Grease Filled with 4 Copper Hoops on each	8	

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Articles	Number	Remarks
Yokes Pole for Guns and Howitzer and Tumbrils ----	22	
" Trace ... Do. .... Do. ...	62	
Axes Pick	3	
" Hand	3	
Bill Hooks	3	
Mamoties	3	
Chalk .... lbs ...	10	
Scrapers Shell ....—	2	
Knives fuze	1	
Perpendicular Gun	2	
Funnels Copper	2	
Glasses Perspective	1	
Copper Measures ...... Setts	1	
Scales with weights Brass Sett —	1	
Quadrant Brass	1	
Gun powder 100 lbs. Barrels with 4 Copper Hoops on each	4	

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Articles	Number	Remarks
Engines for Driving Fuzes	1	
Belts Pouch Europe Buff	24	
" Bayonet " " with Scabbard	24	
Haversacks Ammunition	4	

(Signed) James Limond
Comy. of Stores

Intrenching Tools

Articles	No.	Remarks
Axes Pick Country	100	
Hooks Bill Europe	50	
Mamoties Europe	100	
Axes Hand Europe	100	
" Filling do.	50	
" Broad do.	50	
Crows Iron	25	
Spades Europe	100	

(Signed) James Limond
Comy. of Stores

1121 Fort St. George 3d. February 1809

To the Secretary of the Military Board

Sir,

I have the honor to report for the information of the Military Board, That the Resident in Travancore has called on me to supply Rice, Salt and Cattle for the Troops at Quilon, also a supply of Rice bags — He also remarks that a supply of Carriage Cattle would be desireable —

I have directed the Commissary to dispatch a supply of Rice, Salt, and Cattle, the transporting of the latter I apprehend will be very expensive, the Craft to be procured on the Coast is ill calculated for the purpose —

Of Rice bags we have not one in Store on the Coast, I have directed the Commissary to procure two thousand with all dispatch, a proportion of which shall be sent to Quilon —

I am sorry to say that the Artillery and Ordnance which Sailed from this on the 1st. instant are still in Sight of this port, the Wind has been direct from the South since the first.—

Head Quarters
at Cannanore
3d. January 1809

(Signed) J. Cuppage
Lieut. Col. Comg.

No. 4

To the Secretary to the Military Board

Sir,

I have the honor to report for the information of the Board that I have directed the Commiſsary of Supplies to lay in sufficient Paddy and Salt in the fort of Palghaut to subsist 200 Men for three months.—

I have deemed it neceſsary to iſsue the above orders, inconsequence of the disturbances apprehended in Travancore, and the poſsibility of their extending to the Southern Division of Malabar as Palyghaut is the only place of defence in Malabar and Kanara, with the exception of Cannanore.—

It has been usual to lay in Rice for the Troops, but under an idea that Paddy will be much leſs Expensive to Government, from its not requiring

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to be Annually renewed — I have directed it to be procured, which I trust will meet with the Boards approval —

Head Quarters
at Cannanore
7th. January 1809

(Signed) J. Cuppage
Lieut. Col. Comg.

True Copies and Extracts

(Signed) A. Stock
Depy. Secy. Mily. Bd.

To the Secretary to the Military Board

Sir,

I have the honor to Acknowledge receipt of the Deputy Secretary's letter of 2d. Instant, with enclosures, — and in consequence to State my opinion that no part of the Ordnance noted in the letter from His Excellency the Governor of Ceylon, is required under this Presidency —

St. Thomas's Mount
8th. January 1809

(Signed) Robt. Bell
Lieut. Colonel
Comt. Artillery

True Copy

(Signed) A. Stock
Depy. Secy. Mily. Bd.

Ordered

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Order thereon

Ordered that authority be given for the payment of the Bills and Advance of Money recommended by the Military Board, and that the following letters be dispatched—

To the President and Members of the Military Board

To the Military Board. Notifying that authority has been given for the payment of Bills and advances of money, stating that the Governor of Ceylon has been informed that the supply of Ordnance will not be required. Approving the measures taken by the Officer Commanding in Malabar and Canara—

Gentlemen,

1 I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letters of the 17th Instant, and to acquaint you that Authority has been given for the payment of the Bills and the Advance of Money therein recommended—

2 The Commercial Residents at the Northern Ports will be furnished with instructions for facilitating the Conveyance of Military Stores to the Presidency by the Honorable Companys' Ships according to your recommendation—

3 The Governor of Ceylon has been informed that the supply of Ordnance tendered by His Excellency for the Service of this Presidency will not

be required—

4 The Governor in Council approves the measures reported to have been taken by the Officer Commanding the troops in Malabar and Canara, in the execution of the orders furnished to him by the Chief Secretary—

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

(Signed) G. Strachey
Secy. to Govt.

Fort St. George
4th February 1809

To the Honorable John Rodney
Chief Secretary to the Government at
Columbo

To the Chief Secy to the Government at Columbo stating that the supply of Ordnance tendered by his Excellency is not requisite—

Sir,

1 I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of a letter from the Military Secretary of His Excellency the Governor of Ceylon dated the 16th of December last—

2 The Governor in Council desires me to request that you will express His acknowledgements to His Excellency for the tender of the

Valuable supply of Ordnance therein mentioned, but for which, as His Excellency will perceive on reference to the enclosed Report from the Military Board at Fort St. George, there is not any demand for the service of this Presidency.—

Fort St. George
4th. February 1809

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

(Signed) G. Strachey
Secy. to Govt.

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.

From the Military Auditor General – Retrenchments from the accounts of the Agent for public Cattle – Statements &c. furnished by the Agent enclosed.–

Honorable Sir,

I have the honor to lay before you a Statement shewing the Amount of Retrenchments against Captain Young late Agent for Public Cattle up to the 30th. of September last, when he was relieved from the charge of the Department agreeably to the Orders of Government under date the 3d. Instant. Amounting to the Sum of Pagodas 52759. 12. 36 shewing also the amount of the Sums Admitted Agreeably to the Decision of your honor in Council Amounting to Pagodas 51749. 18. 60 and the Sum not Admitted of Pagodas 1001. 3. 13 being the difference of Exchange between the Companys' former rate of Exchange of 42 fanams for the Star Pagoda and of 45 fanams the Buzar rate of Exchange which it was considered on Audit should have been brought to the Company's Credit Agreeably to the Resolution paſsed upon that Retrenchment the late Agent was called upon for a detailed Statement of the appropriation of the difference of Exchange in Question, which he has furnished, the Original of which I have now the honor to lay before you, and it will accordingly rest with your Honorable Board, whether or not they are Satisfactory and deemed Sufficient to remove the objection.—

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

Military Auditor Genl's Office
Fort St. George 23d January 1809

(Signed) P. Bruce
Mily. Audr. Genl.

Statement

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Statement Shewing the Amount Retrenched from the Accounts of Captain T. Young Agent for Public Cattle in Mysore from May 1803 to September 1808 inclusive, as also the Sums Admitted on reaudit- and the Sum refunded by the Agent for the Corresponding periods, together with the Balance which now falls to be refunded.___

	Retrenched on Audit			Admitted on reaudit			Difference			refunded for the Correspond-ing periods			Balance to be refunded		
1803/4	86	"	.	78	36	.	7	6	.	"	"	.	7	6	.
1804/5	4687	13	10	4,678	22	47	8	32	43	8	32	43	.	.	.
1805/6	3107	25	20	3,107	25	20	"	.	.	"	"	.	"	.	.
1807/8	22,216	8	6	21,660	23	6	555	27	.	"	"	.	555	27	.
1808/9	22,662	8	.	22,223	37	67	438	12	13	"	.	.	438	12	13
	52,759	12	36	51,749	18	60	1,009	35	56	8	32	43	1001	3	13

Military Auditor Genl's. Office
Fort St. George 21st. January 1809

(Signed) P. Bruce
Military Audr. Genl.

Account

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Account of Extra Charges in the Department

1808 31st.	To Cash paid Medicines &c. for Hospital as p. Memorandum Account of particulars	26	11	.
	To Cash paid Building 24 Chunam Valts or Cisterns Steeping Gram			
	25 Candy Chunam	12	21	.
	8 Maunds Jagary	2	28	.
	Bricklayers Cooleys and Womans &c. as p. Account particulars	14	36	.
	Mammetty Potts and Baskets	.	25	.
	Matts for Bullocks to eat Gram	"	15	.
	Potts to bring Water for Gram	.	10	.
	Additional allowance Granted Head Write Trevengadiah for Dooley Allowance	10	.	.
	Carried forward	67	11	.

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1808 January –	Brought forward	67	11	.	
	Head Mutseddy Mudvarow Travelling allowance to Different Depôts	10			
	3 Head Daragas	10	.	.	
	Paid Extra Conicopolys &c. Employed with Detachments as	8	.	.	
	Pension				
	5 Drivers Lame	8	15	.	
	Oil purchased for lamps in the Department	4	"	.	107. 26 .
February 29th	To Hospital Medicines &c. as per particulars Account	27	13	60	
	Building Grain Cistern				
	25 Candys Chunam	12	21	.	
	7 Maund Jaggary	2	14	.	
	Bricklayers Coolys &c.	16	34	.	
	Additional Allowance				
	Trevengadiah Dooly Allowance	10	.	.	
	Mudrarow Additional Allowance	10	.	.	
	3 Head Daragas allowed	10	.	.	
	Carried forward	86.	37	60	107. 26 .

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1808 February	Brought forward	86	37	60	107	26	"
	5 Lame Drivers Pension ..	8	15	"			
	Paid Extra Conicopolys	8	"	"			
	Lamp Oil purchased	5	"	"	110	7	60
March 19th	Hospital Medicines and Charges	32	33	60			
	Extra Carpenters and Smiths Employed to repair Sheds and Granarys	6	15	"			
	Iron purchased for Tools &c.	2	"	"			
	Additional Allowance						
	Head Writer Trivengadiah for Dooley Allowance ...	10	"	"			
	" Mutseddy Meedavaroo Travelling Allowance Different Depots	10	"	"			
	4 Head Darogas including 1 at Ballary	13	"	"			
	5 Lame Pensioners	8	15	"			
	Lamp Oil	4	22	40	86	41	20
April 30th	Hospital Medicines and Charges	21	33	60			
	Repairing Shed for Carpenters	3	"	"			
	Iron Purchased	1	"	"			
	Oil Purchased	4	"	"			
	Carried forward -	29	33	60	304	30	"

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1808 April	Brought forward	29	33	60			
	Additional Allowance						
	Head Writer Trevengadiah for Dooley Allowance	10	"	"			
	" Mudsuddy Mudavarow Allowance	10	"	"			
	4 Head Darogas	13	"	"			
	5 Lame Pensioners	8	15	"			
	Paid Conicopolys for Information	4	"	"			
	" Cloths Purchased for Presents given Darogas Returned from Command	12	24	"	87.	27	60
May	Hospital Medicines and Charges	24	5	50			
	Cooley Carpenter Hire	1	3	"			
	Potts and Matts &c.	1	"	"			
	Iron Purchased	"	22	40			
	Lamp Oil	3	22	40			
	Additional allowance						
	Head Writer Trevengadiah Dooley Allowance	10	"	"			
	" Mutsuddy Mudavarow	10	"	"			
	4 Head Darogas	13	"	"			
	Carried forward	63	8	50	392	11	60

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	Brought forward	63	8	50	392	11	60
	5 Pensioners	8	15	"			
	Mr. Conductor Rouse building Drain for Watering the Cattle in Ceded Districts	50	"	"			
					121	25	50
June 30	Hospital Medicines and Charges	27	33	60			
	Matts for feeding Gram	2	10	"			
	Potts for Water	"	30	"			
	Additional Allowance						
	Head Writer Treevengadiah Dooley Allowance	10	"	"			
	" Mutseddy Mudvarow	10	"	"			
	4 Head Darogas	13	"	"			
	5 Pensioners	8	15	"			
	Mr. Conductor Rouses charges for Watering	10	"	"			
					81	43	60
July 31.	Hospital Medicines and Charges &c.	26	27	10			
	Carpenters and Smiths	2	18	"			
	Iron purchased	2	"	"			
	Lamp Oil purchased	5	"	"			
	Additional Pay						
	Head Writer Treevengadiah Dooley Allowance	10	"	"			
	Carried forward	46	"	10	595	36	10

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1808 July	Brought forward	46	"	10	595	36	10
	Head Mutseddy Mudavarow	10	"	"			
	4 Head Darogas	13	"	"			
	5 Pensioners	8	15	"			
	Paid present given a Red Cloth for Darogah Mahomed Cawn	4	"	"			
	Cash paid perform Mauryathe Ceremonies for Gomary	10	"	"	91	15	10
August 31st.	Hospital Medicines and Charges	28	16	70			
	Lamp Oil	3	"	"			
	Motts Potts &c.	2	"	"			
	Head Writer Trevengadeah Dooley Allowance	10	"	"			
	" Mutseddy Mudavarow	10	"	"			
	4 Head Darogas	13	"	"			
	5 Pensioners	8	15	"	74	31	70
September 30th.	Cash paid Hospital Charges as pr. Account	9	6	"			
	Cash Paid 3 Head Darogas	10	"	"			
	Cash Paid Trevengadeah Dooley allowance	10	"	"			
	" Paid Mutseddy Mudavarow Additional allowance	10	"	"	39	6	"
	Total Star Pagodas				800	14	60

(Signed) Thomas Young
late Agent for
[illegible]

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Fort S.t George 3.d February 1809

Account of Materials and Workmanship in making a Cistern for the use of the Honorable Companys Kanskanahs Draught, Forage and Carriage Bullocks to Drink Water – Grazing Depot near Bellary in Ceded Districts 21.st May 1808. –

	Pagoda	Fanams	Cash
To 5000 Hewn Stones at 350 Stones Per Pagoda	14	"	"
To 4800 Sears of Chunnam at 480 Sears per Pagoda	10	"	"
To Jaggery &c.a for Cement	4	"	"
To 3 Bricklayers at 4 Pagoda each	12	"	"
To 10 Women Coolys for 40 Days	10	"	"
Total	50	"	"

(Signed) G. Rouse
Conductor

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Account of Money expended for Making the Utensils for Drawing Water with a Coppelly for the Use of the Karcanahs Grazing Depot near Bellary June 1808.

	Rupees	Fanams	Cash
To Iron	10	6	"
To 3 Buffalow Hides	9	"	"
To 1 Large and 1 Small Leather Ropes	3	6	"
To 1 Black Smith	1	6	"
To 1 Carpenter	1	"	"
To 2 Bricklayers for Making a Stone Water Course from the Well to the Cistern	7	"	"
To 5 Womens for Beating Chinam	2	6	"
Total	35	"	"

(Signed) Geo. Rouse
Conductor

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To the Honorable

Sir George Hilaro Barlow Bart. & K.B.

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

From the Military Auditor General reports upon a claim of Major Welsh - inadmissible; advance to Lieutenant Rafels unobjectionable

Honble Sir,

1 In obedience to your Commands conveyed in the letter from the Chief Secretary under date the 23d Instant, I have the honor to state my opinion on the Application of Major Welsh of the 3d. Regiment of Infantry —

2 As your Honorable Board are sensible that it forms no part of my duty to enter into a discussion of the private situation or distress of Individuals, from whatever cause they may originate, my sentiments therefore relating to any Occasion of this Kind being unrequired, would of course be deemed obtrusive - I have accordingly concisely to report that there does not appear upon the Records of this Department, a Precedent Similar to the present application of Major Welsh having been complied with - and it may be proper in me to observe, that your Honorable

Board will probably not deem it adviseable to establish a Precedent —

3 I have the honor to state that there appears no objection to the Advance of One months Pay and allowances, being paid to the Detachment of the 2d. Battalion 7th. Regiment of Native Infantry under the Command of Lieutenant Russel upon the production of a regular Abstract, and the prescribed Certificate of the last Payment —

Military Auditor Genls. Office
Fort St. George 27th. January 1809

I have the honor to be &c. &c.
(Signed) P. Bruce
Milty. Audr. Genl.

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

From the Military Auditor General. Retrenchment of Charges for Lascars entertained by Order of the Qr. Master General. reasons assigned —

Honble Sir,

1 I have the honor to lay before you a Statement shewing a Number of Syrangs Tindals and Tent Lascars who have been entertained at the different Stations of the Army on Account of the

Camp Equipage Department, the charges for whose Pay have been unavoidably objected to on Audit of the Military Accounts, It is proper for me to explain to your Honorable Board that the ground of objection is not the calling in Question, the authority for entertaining the above description of people, as the 5th and 31st Paragraphs of the Regulations for Camp Equipage, Vest the Department of the Quarter Master General with full powers for that purpose, but because these Syrangs Tindals and Tent Lascars do not appear to be attached to Stations, Corps or Departments and their Pay is drawn on Abstracts, without being under any descriptive head, but merely as "lately entertained" by Orders from the Quarter Master Generals' Department, generally, without those Orders being forthcoming, which as there is no general Table of Establishments for Stations, or are the numbers of Tent Lascars attached to Corps or Departments sufficiently exhibited to enable the Office of Audit to examine the Charges with precision I therefore did not consider myself warranted to pass the charges for pay to those newly entertained Syrangs, Tindals and Lascars —

2 It is therefore incumbent upon me to state that it is extremely desirable for keeping up that Systematick regularity in the public Accounts, and to prevent inconvenience to Individuals that a Table or Statement exhibiting the regulated number of Tent Lascars &ca who are to be attached either to Stations or to Corps and Departments, should be published in General Orders, or should be furnished under the sanction of your Honor in Council, for my future rule and Guidance in Auditing those Charges —

Military Auditor Genl's Office
Fort St. George 30th January 1809

I have the honor to be &ca &ca
(Signed) P. Bruce
Mily. Audr. Genl.

Statement

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Statement of Tent Lascars Entertained on Account of Camp Equipage at different Stations of the Army since the 1st July 1808, which have been objected to on Audit of the Military Accounts as they did not appear to be attached to Stations, Corps or Departments

	Syrang	Lascars			
		1st Tindal	2d Tindal	Lascars	Total
Masulipatam	"	"	1	16	17
Samulcottah	"	"	1	9	10
Ellore	"	"	1	19	20
Vizagapatam	"	"	1	13	14
Chicacole	"	"	1	9	10
Trichinopoly	"	"	4	65	69
Sankerrydroog	"	"	1	9	10
Vellore	"	"	"	32	32
Wallajabad	"	"	4	66	70
Seringapatam	"	"	"	32	32
Bangalore	"	2	2	129	133
Bednore	"	"	1	9	10
Bellary	1	"	3	52	56
Cannanore	"	"	2	26	28
Total	1	2	22	486	511

(Signed) P. Bruce
Mily. Audr. Genl.

Military Auditor Genl. Office
Fort St. George 30th January 1809

Ordered

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Ordered that the following Reply be dispatched—

To the Military Auditor General

To the Military Auditor General. Desiring that Credit may be given to the Agent for Public Cattle for the Money gained on exchange in the disbursements of his Department. Stating that the inconvenience in auditing disburse=ments in the Camp Equipage Department will be removed and directing Authority to be given to the Charges alluded to by him. Stating that Authority will be given for iſsuing pay and Batta in advance for two Months to Major Welsh if agreeable. Desiring that the payment of the advance requested by Lieutenant Ruſsell be authorized.

Sir,

1 I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letters of the 23d 27. and 30th Ultimo.—

2 From the Statements which you have submitted, the late Agent for public Cattle does not appear to have accounted for the full amount of the money gained on exchange in the disbursements of his Department. The Governor in Council however approves the mode in which he appears to have expended a large proportion of the Amount, and I am directed to desire that he may receive credit in his Accounts to that extent—

3 The Commander in Chief will be requested to instruct the Quarter Master General of the Army to submit an Arrangement for the purpose of obviating the inconvenience which you have stated

to be experienced in auditing certain disbursements in the Camp equipage Department - In the mean time I am directed to desire that you will authorise the Admiſsion of the Charges to which you have particularly alluded—

4 The Governor in Council has concurred in your opinion that it will not be expedient to comply with the Application of Major Welch for an Advance of 1,800 Star Pagodas, but Authority will be given for iſsuing to that Officer his pay and Batta in advance for Two months, to be recovered by Stoppages within the year, if it shall be convenient to him to avail himself of this indulgence—

5 I am directed to desire that you will authorise the payment of the Advance requested by Lt. Ruſsel of the 2d Battalion of the 7th Regiment of Native Infantry, if it should be still required for the Detachment under the Command of that Officer—

I have

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Fort St. George
4th. February 1809

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

Read the following letter from the Military Paymaster General.—

To the Chief Secretary of Government
Fort St. George

From the Military Pay Master General. enclosing application from Mr. Paymaster Wetherell to retain Charge of Certain Departments attached to the Force proceeding to Travancore—

Sir,

I request you will be pleased to lay before the Honorable the Governor in Council the accompanying Copy of a Letter from Mr. Paymaster Wetherell of the 20th. Instant and obtain his Commands thereon.—

I am &c. &c.
(Signed) Bm. Roebuck
Mily. Payr. Genl.

Military Paymaster
General's Office
Fort St. George
26th. January 1809

To the Military Paymaster General
Fort St. George

Sir,

Having made Considerable Advances

of Cash and effectually provided for the permanent equipment of the force proceeding to the Southward from Trichinopoly, I request you will do me the favor to solicit the Honorable the Governor in Council that in the event of their being employed on actual Service in Travancore I may be permitted to retain Charge of the Bullock Provision and Pay Departments attached to the different Regiments that have marched from Stations within my range of Payment untill their return into Cantonments to enable me to secure myself against Losses which would inevitably be occasioned by transfering it to another.

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

Trichinopoly
20th January 1809

(Signed) C. Wetherell
Paymaster

True Copy

(Signed) B.n Roebuck
Mil.y Pay.r Gen.l

ord on thereon

Ordered that the subject of the foregoing letter be referred to the Military Auditor Gen.l

General for Consideration and report.—

Read the following letters from Lieutenant Colonel Capper.—

To the Chief Secretary of Government
Fort St. George

From Lieutenant Colonel Capper. application for leave to proceed to England.—

Sir,

The Honorable the Governor in Council having judged proper to remove me from my situation of Adjutant General of the Army and suspend me from the Service for having obeyed the Order of my Commander in Chief - a non-compliance with which order would have subjected me to the severest punishment that Military Law could inflict, I have to request the permiſsion of the Honorable the Governor in Council to proceed by the earliest opportunity to Europe that I may be enabled to lay before a higher Tribunal the peculiarly delicate situation in which I have been placed, and that I may apply for that redreſs which the Honorable Court of Directors have ever granted to those of their

servants

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Servants who have been injured.—

Fort St. George
1st February 1809

I have the honor to be &c. &c.
(Signed) F. Capper
Lieut. Col.

To the Chief Secretary of Government
Fort St. George

From Lieut. Col. Capper, requesting an immediate answer to the preceeding letter—

Sir,

I trust I shall not be deemed disrespectful in requesting an immediate reply to my letter of the 1st Instant, soliciting leave to proceed to Europe.—

I feel impatient to be relieved as early as possible from my present painful state of suspense, I consider it a duty I owe not only to myself but to those connexions and friends whose opinions I most value, to lose not a moment in endeavouring to remove the public stigma that has been attached to my conduct, or to see my degradation confirmed by that Authority that has alone the power of doing so.—

I have

Fort St. George
3rd February 1809

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

(Signed) F. Capper
Lieut. Col. 4th Regt.

Ordered that the following Reply be dispatched —

To Lieutenant Colonel Capper, allowing him to proceed to England

To Lieutenant Colonel Capper

Sir,

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to Acknowledge the receipt of your Letters of the 1st and 3rd Instant, and to acquaint you that he has no objection to your proceeding to England —

Fort St. George
3rd February 1809

I am &c. &c.

(Signed) G. Buchan
Chief Secy. to Govt.

Read the following letters from Lieutenant Colonel Martin —

From Lieutenant Colonel Martin. application for reimbursement on account of forfeit money — requests instructions as to his destination —

To George Buchan Esqr.
Chief Secretary to Government

Sir,

Having been detained in India by order

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order of the Honorable the Governor in Council, I have the honor to request you will inform me in what manner I am to be reimbursed the sum of Nine hundred Pagodas which I paid to Captain John Eckford Commanding the Lady Jane Dundass as forfeit money inconsequence of having failed to proceed to Europe, according to the leave before granted me by Government.—

As it will be necessary for my guidance to ascertain whether I am to remain at the Presidency till further Orders or am to proceed to join my Corps I have the honor to request you will furnish me with information upon the same.—

Madras
30th January 1809

I have the honor to be &c. &c.
(Signed) Geo: Martin
Lieut. Col. 2d Battn.
3d Regt.

To George Buchan Esqr.
Secretary to Government

From Lieut. Colt. Martin. on the same subject, requesting an early reply

Sir,

I did myself the honor to address you

on

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on the 30th. Ultimo soliciting your attention and information upon two distinct points, which I take the liberty to repeat to you, apprehensive that my Letter either was not delivered, not having yet obtained any reply, or that a multiplicity of important public transactions prevented your ~~them~~ honouring me with an answer, which I now earnestly hope you have leisure to execute —

1st. In what manner I am to be reimbursed the Sum of Nine hundred Pagodas which I was under the neceſsity of forfeiting to Captain John Eckford Commanding the Lady Jane Dundaſs inconsequence of the leave to proceed to Europe on Furlough being withdrawn from me after I had paid my paſsage money? —

2d. Whether I am to remain at the Presidency till further orders, or am to proceed to join the Corps to which I have been recently removed and appointed? —

Should a reply to the latter subject

of reference be considered inconvenient at present, I trust the same objection will not be considered to exist with regard to the former.

Madras
2d. February 1809

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) Geo: Martin

Ordered that the following Reply be despatched

To Lieutenant Colonel Martin

To Lieutenant Colonel Martin stating that his Letters will be taken into consideration

Sir,

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your Letters of the 30th. Ultimo and 2d. Instant, and to acquaint you that the Governor in Council expects to be enabled to take the subject of those Letters into early consideration

Fort St. George
3d. February 1809

I am
&c. &c.
(Signed) G. Buchan
Chief Secy. to Govt.

Read

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Read the following letters fro
the Commissioner at Tranquebar—

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

From the Commissioner at Tranquebar—on the subject of certain animadversions—lopping of trees.—

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the
receipt of Mr. Secretary Strachey's letter, dated the
11th. Instant, in reply to a reference made by me
on the Subject of the Authority of the Officer Comman
=ing the troops here over public property whethe
situated in or out of the fort of Tranquebar.—

2 The Second Paragraph of that lette
insinuates, that the subject of this reference was of too
trifling a nature to be laid before the Government
Accustomed to approbation only from my Superiors
I trust the Honorable the Governor in Council wil
see cause for deciding that I do not on the present
occasion, merit animadversion when I affirm,
that it is with the utmost unwillingness I bring
such topics to the notice of the Government. The

unlimit

voluminous correspondence on the records of this Office is sufficiently convincing that similar points cannot be otherwise settled unleſs I were to compound the Authority, dignity and respectability of the important situation I have the honor to fill for a degrading gratification of personal ease; I might indeed enter into explanations, but this would only lead to most unpleasant altercation, as has been already experienced and there would be no end to it till the removal of one of the parties. It never I am convinced can be wished that I should adopt either of these Alternatives I therefore must be neceſsitated to refer all matters of disputed authority to the decision of the Honorable the Governor in Council——

3 In reply to the fourth Paragraph of Mr. Strachey's letter, I have the honor to state, for the information of the Honorable the Governor in Council, that the amount sale of the lopping of the trees here was appropriated towards the repairs of the roads and it was my intention to continue to

do so, but it is of so trifling a nature that it is a matter of indifference how it is disposed and might, with probably more utility, be given to the poor.

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

(Signed) Alexr. H. Kelso
Commissioner

Commissioner's Office
Tranquebar
21st. January 1809

From the Commissioner at Tranquebar – application for provision for Mrs. Chauvin.

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

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose a Petition for a subsistence from a poor Widow Woman named Mrs. Chauvin, who has suffered materially by the War with Denmark as her usual source of livelihood was making Stockings, which formed an Article of trade to the Isle of France.

2 Mrs. Serge, the daughter of Mrs. Chauvin, is already a participator in the generosity of the Government, through the recommendation of

my predeceſsor. This circumstance induced me to be more particular than was otherwise absolutely neceſsary in my information relative to Mrs. Chauvin's neceſsity and the result of my enquiries is that she is certainly in distreſs. I was however particularly struck with the notoriety of her son in law M. Savary's comfortable situation but not content with general report I was principally guided by what has been stated to me by persons of the greatest respectability here and who had seemingly the means of being as accurate as poſsible on such subjects, that M. Savary is perfectly able to provide for his connections, although very unwilling to allow even to himself the neceſsaries of life —

3 That I might know M. Savary's intentions, I addreſsed a letter to him, in which I stated that from his respectable circumstances it appeared to be his duty to provide for his connections and therefore called upon him to inform me if he would settle allowances upon

Mrs.

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Mrs. Chauvin and Mr. Serge - I concluded by informing him that should he refuse, his unnatural conduct would be brought to the knowledge of the Government - I take the liberty of enclosing M Savary's Answer to my letter, upon which it were superfluous to remark, after what has been already detailed —

4 Divested of these Circumstances Mrs. Chauvin is really an object deserving of the charity of the Honorable the Governor in Council, I therefore would recommend that she be granted an equal Monthly allowance to her daughter or P. N. Ps. 5 from the 1st. Instant. —

Commissioners Office
Tranquebar
23d. January 1809

I have the honor to be &c. &c.
(Signed) Alexr. H. Kelso
Commissioner

To the Right Honorable
Sir George Hilaro Barlow
Governor &c. &c. &c. of
Fort St. George

The humble Petition of
Angelicka Chauvin

Humbly Sheweth

That your Petitioner being a poor
widow

Widow, above Sixty years of age encumbered with the four female Children destitute at present in a most distressful situation.— Therefore your handmaid supplicates to your Honor not to forsake us to bestow an Alms per Month on the name of Him who hath promised that He will abundantly reward even a Cup of Water given to the necessitous for His Sake as in duty bound

Tranquebar
the 30th December 1808

Shall ever Pray
(Signed) Angelicka Chauvin

A. H. Kelso Esqr.
Commissioner at
Tranquebar

Sir,

This is to acknowledge the receipt of the letter of yesterdays' date (6th Instant) with which you honored me and the contents of which have surprised me extremely.—

It would appear that persons, whose views are not favorable towards the unfortunate family

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family of my Mother-in law, have endeavored to lead you into an error in regard to the feeble means which the divine providence has granted to me by making them appear much more considerable than they really are. be well assured Sir, that if my resources allowed of my going to the Assistance of the unfortunate parents of my wife in a more efficacious manner than I have done, they would not have been under the hard necessity of imploring your generosity. Previous to the unhappy rupture which has lately taken place between the Courts of England and Denmark, I worked and assisted them so as to sustain them in their works, they knit and caused others to knit Stockings which they afterwards sold to the Mariners and Merchants who traded with this City, a resource which was lost to them by the capture of the place; and on my side, if I had not experienced a very considerable loss by the Capture of the Ship Sophy,

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Captain Meinhardt, I should have been able to have aſsisted them and they would not have been reduced to the most distreſsing indigence. Do not pay any attention to the false reports which they give you respecting me. be persuaded that the declaration which I have made to you is the sincere truth. If I lead you into error, I shall meet the punishment of my crime in the trouble of my conscience, but let not these unfortunates who have the greatest need of your protection, demand it in vain, you could not better bestow your Charity. If I did not fear to commit an indiscretion I could name to you persons in this place who have obtained pensions who were not in so much want of them as the persons in question and who had relations much more easy in their circumstances than I am. those persons had protectors to recommend them, and in consequence they obtained aſsistance without any objections.—

I have

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Tranquebar
7th January 1809

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

(Signed) J. (en) Savary

P.S. If you do not disdain to bestow your favors on the Petitioner be assured, that she and her unhappy Daughters will never forget your kindness - and that as far as regards myself, I shall ever retain the sincerest gratitude towards you -

(A true Translation)

(Signed) G. G. Keble
French Translator
to Govt.

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

From the Commissioner at Tranquebar respecting application of a Captain Holmberg for an Allowance —

Sir,

Captn. Holmberg to whom an Allowance was granted on the 12th October last as late Commanding a large Vessel, obtained employ about the end of October but has again returned here, the voyage for which he was required being finished. This person has spoken to me not only on the subject of his receiving the subsistence formerly sanctioned from his capture till he was employed but of the continuance now of an equal allowance from his arrival here about the middle of this month conceiving that he is entitled to it during the former period I shall pay the arrears due to him but I cannot consider myself authorized to continue the allowance to him till directions for so doing be received and I therefore submit the matter for the determination of the Honorable the Governor in Council —

Commissioners Office
Tranquebar
25th. January 1809

I have the honor to be &c. &c.
(Signed) Alexr. H. Kelso
Commissioner

Ordered that the following Reply be dispatched —

To the Commissioner
at Tranquebar

To the Commissioner at Tranquebar. Desiring him to appropriate the money realized by the lopping of Trees either

Sir,

I am directed by the Honorable the Govr.

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either to the repair of the roads or the relief of the poor – Granting Mr. Chauvin a Monthly allowance – permitting Captain Holmberg to receive the allowance formerly granted from the time of his return to Tranquebar.

Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letters of the 21st, 23d and 25th Ultimo.

2 The Governor in Council is perfectly satisfied with the explanation of your reasons for having referred for His determination the question submitted in your letter of the 2d Ultimo, and I am directed to desire that you will appropriate the money which may be realized by the sale of the loppings of the trees at Tranquebar either to the repair of the roads or to the relief of the Poor according as you may consider it to be expedient.

3 In consideration of the circumstances which you have stated the Governor in Council is pleased to grant to Mr. Chauvin a Monthly Allowance of Five Porto Nova Pagodas from the 1st Instant.

4 The Governor in Council is of opinion that Captain Holmberg is entitled to continue to receive the Allowance which

was granted to him in October last from the date of his return to Tranquebar.—

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

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

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

From the Secry at Fort William respecting the adjustment of certain Allowances drawn by Captain Colebrooke while employed in Persia—

Sir,

In continuation of the subject of my letter dated the 15th. of February last, I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council, to transmit to you the enclosed Copy of a further Report, received from the Military Auditor General under date the 10th. Ultimo, relative to the Audit of the Abstracts drawn by Captain John Colebrooke for the Pay and Allowances of a Detachment from the

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Madras Cavalry employed as an Escort with the Mission which proceeded to Persia in the year 1799/1800—

The explanation afforded by the Military Auditor General, of the principle on which it is proposed, that the Pay and allowances drawn for the Escort and the rate of Exchange at which they are charged, should be admitted, is considered by His Lordship in Council to be satisfactory, and he accordingly requests that the report of that Officer may be submitted to the Honorable the Governor in Council, as appearing to this Government under all the circumstances of the Case, to furnish a Sufficient ground for the Adjustment, and Ultimate disposal of the Accounts to which it relates—

In conformity to this opinion, you will be pleased to bring under the particular notice of the Honorable the Governor in Council the suggestions contained in the concluding

Paragraphs of the Report, respecting the credit to be given to this Presidency for the Amount which may be retrenched from the Abstracts in question, as well as in regard to the responsibility to which Captain Colebrooke should be held, on account of the family money, stated to have been paid at Fort St. George without being deducted, as it ought, from the Amount of his Abstracts.

I am &ca. &ca.

(Signed) J. Thornhill
Secretary

Fort William
26th December 1808

To the Right Honble Lord Minto
Governor General in Council

My Lord,

1 With reference to the Report which I had the honour to submit to your Lordship in Council dated the 26th of January last, respecting Sundry Abstracts drawn by Captain John Colebrooke, for the Pay and Allowances of a Detachment of Native

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Cavalry belonging to the Establishment of Fort St. George, which proceeded as an Escort with Captain, now Brigadier General Malcolm to Persia in the year 1799/1800 - I beg leave to state, that at the particular request of the Brigadier General, I promised to lay before your Lordship in Council the following documents, with such observations thereon as I am hopeful, will under the authority of your Lordship in Council, enable the Military Auditor General at Fort St. George to Adjust the Accounts in question —

No. 1 Copy of a Letter from the Secretary to the Government at Fort St. George dated 30th April 1808, to Brigadier General Malcolm —

No. 2 Enclosure of the above Letter, being Copy of a Letter from the Military Auditor General at Fort St. George dated the 26th of April 1808, to the Governor in Council at that Presidency —

No. 3 Extracts of a Report furnished by Captain Pasley (who was employed in the capacity of Assistant to the Envoy) relative to these Pay abstracts, and explanatory of the Extra Charges borne on them —

2 The Extra Establishments and Allowances as per Margin Correspond, as stated by Captain Pasley, with the Allowances granted for similar purposes to the Commanding Officer of the Escort at Hyderabad, and the Scale of them appearing to be applicable to his Escort, Brigadier General Malcolm informed me the same had been adopted by him, and received his Sanction accordingly It would appear from the Extract of Captain Pasley's report, that these Allowances had been afterwards sanctioned by the Governor General

in Council - The same rate of Exchange Vizt. 365 Rups. per 100 Star Pagodas, which is allowed to the Escort at Hydrabad (he informed me) was likewise authorized by Brigadier General Malcolm for his Escort - and according to Captain Pasley's Statement this rate appears to have been more favourable to the Public, than the Ordinary rate of Exchange in Persia, during the Envoy's residence in that Country —

3d It appears by the letter from the Military Auditor General at Fort St. George, that the usual Review Rolls of this Escort cannot be obtained; but as the Number of the Detachment was inconsiderable, and Brigadier General Malcolm having stated to me, that the Establishment was always maintained as Complete as Circumstances admitted I beg leave to submit that Pay and Allowances according to the rates at Fort St. George, may be allowed for the number of Commissioned and non Commissioned Officers and Privates stated on the Abstracts also the allowance for feeding horses and repairing saddles, and Pay &c. for 1 Vakeel, 1 Trumpeter, 2 Bildars, 2 Lascars and 2 Puckalies, and that the sums admitted on account of these Allowances, be passed at the Exchange of Rs. 365 pr. 100 Star Pagodas.—

4 The other Extra allowances which were fixed in Sonat Rupees Viz.: allowance for Guides and Hurkarrahs— For repairs of Arms &c. For the Carriage of Ammunition &c. For Tent allowance to Lieutenant Colebrooke, and for the Carriage of Sepoy Tents I recommend may be passed, according to the rates allowed for similar purposes to the Commanding Officer of the Escort at Hydrabad, as before stated.—

5 Should the foregoing suggestions

be approved by your Lordship in Council, the Military Auditor General at Fort St. George, may be instructed to pass the Abstracts in question conformable thereto, and to return them through the proper Channel to this Presidency, in order to their being charged to the Civil Department. Credit however should be given to this Presidency for the amount of all Retrenchments from these Abstracts - and Captain Colebrooke who has received the full amount of each abstract, should be held responsible for the family money which appears by the Military Auditor General's Letter, to have been paid at Fort St. George on account of this Escort, and which ought to have been deducted by him, from the amount of each Abstract.—

Military Auditor Genl.s Office
10th November 1808

I have &c.
(Signed) W. S. Greene
Mil.y Audr. Genl.

(A true Copy)
(Signed) J. Thornhill
Secretary

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order thereon

Ordered that a Copy of the foregoing letter be furnished to the Military Auditor General for his information and guidance—

Resolved that the following letter be despatched—

To the Right Honorable Lord Minto
Governor General in Council
Fort William

To Bengal Transmitting 2 letters addressed to the Court of Directors containing an account of the proceedings regarding Lieut. Genl. MacDowall with several other letters and papers connected with this subject—

My Lord,

We think it proper to take the earliest opportunity of bringing under the notice of your Lordship in Council the Copies of two Letters which We have addressed to the Honorable Court of Directors by the fleet proceeding to England, containing an account of our proceedings regarding Lieutenant General Macdowall, late Commander in Chief at this Presidency - We lament to add that those proceedings terminated in the unavoidable measure of publicly removing that Officer from the Station of Commander in Chief.—

Together with the Letters which We addressed to the Honorable Court of Directors, We transmit to your Lordship in Council Copies of the papers to which they refer in order that your Lordship may have distinct information regarding the most material of the recent events.—

We take the liberty of drawing the attention of your Lordship in Council to the Circumstances connected with the measure adopted by the late Commander in Chief of placing the Quarter Master General of the Army under arrest for an act done in the strict fulfilment of his public duty. We anticipate your Lordship's concurrence in the determination which We adopted of ordering the release of Lieutenant Colonel Munro from Arrest, as an earnest recommendation which We addressed to the Commander in Chief on that subject, had failed to produce any other effect than an aggravation of the injury - The General Order published by the Commander in Chief subsequently to the removal of the arrest, was of a nature to strike at the foundation of the authority of the Government, and we are willing to hope that your Lordship will approve our Determination to vindicate that authority in the most signal manner—

We have no doubt that the Memorial which accompanies this Letter from a considerable portion of the Officer of the Companys Army, on the subject of their Allowances, will attract the particular attention of your Lordship in Council—

Your Lordship was informed in our Letter of the 17th. June last of the means which we had used to compensate for the reductions lately made in the Military Allowances and advantages formerly enjoyed by the Officers of the Army of Fort St. George and We understood at that time that the Compensation was considered by the Commander in Chief to be liberal — Lieutenant General Macdowall has however given strong support to the Memorial now submitted to your Lordship —

We shall not anticipate the determination of your Lordship in Council on this paper We shall only observe that the proposed measure of equalizing the Military Allowances of this Presidency is in opposition to orders which have been repeatedly Communicated by the Honorable Court of Directors to this Government —

Your Lordship will observe that in our reply to Lieutenant General Macdowall, We informed that Officer of our strong disapprobation of the tenor of the Memorial which We declined to transmit in an unauthenticated form to the Honorable

Court of Directors until we should obtain the sentiments and directions of your Lordship in Council regarding it.—

Our Letter to the Honorable Court of Directors dated the 29th Ultimo, adverts to particular parts of our Correspondence with the late Commander in Chief, of which the tenor was highly exceptionable; but as this is now matter of Subordinate Consideration we think it unneceſsary to preſs the subject on your Lordships notice—

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

(Signed) G. H. Barlow &
Council

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2	Copy of a General letter to the Honorable Court of Directors	29th January 1809
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30	G. O. Published by the late Commander in Chief --	28th Do. Do.
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The following Drafts of General Orders are approved and Ordered to be published—

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G. O. By Government

G.O. by Governmt. approving the conduct of the Officers and men in the battle at Quilon and conveying public thanks on the occasion—

The Honorable the Governor in Council has recently received a particular Account of the Action which took place at Quilon on the 15th ult.

Ultimo between the British Troops and the Troops of Travancore, in which after a severe and long contest the Travancore troops were defeated with heavy loss. From the extent of the Combined force which was opposed to the British Troops, this signal victory reflects the highest honor on their discipline and valor, and the Governor in Council has great satisfaction in expressing his strongest approbation of their meritorious conduct.

The Governor in Council accordingly conveys to Lieutenant Colonel Chalmers, who Commanded the British Detachment at Quilon in this distinguished Action his public thanks; and Lieutenant Colonel Chalmers is requested to convey the thanks of the Governor in Council to Lieutenant Colonel Picton of His Majesty's 12th Regiment, Major Muirhead Major Hamilton, Captain Newall, Captain Pepper, Captain Macintosh, Lieutenant Lindsay Lieutenant Arthur of the Engineers and the

Officers

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Officers of his Staff - Captain Cranston and Captain Ahmuty with the other Officers and Troops of the Detachment, who bravely signalized themselves on the occasion —

The Honorable the Governor in Council also takes this opportunity of expressing his Warm approbation of the conduct of a detachment of Troops stationed at Cochin under the Command of Major Hewitt, who with great skill and bravery repulsed a numerous and united force of the Troops of Travancore and Cochin, in an attack which they made on the British Detachment on the 19th Ultimo. The Governor in Council has particular satisfaction in expressing to Major Hewitt and to the Officers and troops under his Command his Public thanks for their highly deserving conduct —

By Order of the Honorable the Governor in Council —

(Signed) G. Buchan
Chief Secy. to Govt.

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G. O. by Government Explaining the circumstances connected with the Measure for ordering the release of the Quarter Mr. Genl. of the Army from his Arrest.—

G. O. By Government

The Honorable the Governor in Council having lately adopted the measure of ordering the release of the Quarter Master General of the Army from Arrest; and it being desireable that the Circumstances connected with that measure, should be distinctly and publicly understood, there being reason to believe, that a great degree of misapprehension has hitherto existed; the Governor in Council thinks it proper to state that the Quarter Master General was placed under Arrest by the late Commander in Chief, on charges founded on a Report which was submitted by the Quarter Master General, in conformity to express orders; which report having been approved and adopted by the Commander in Chief, Lieutenant General Sir John Cradock, was by him communicated to the late Right Honorable the Governor in Council of Fort St. George, and finally laid before the Supreme Government under whose approbation and Orders, it became the foundation of measures already known to the Army —

In these Circumstances the Quarter Master General could be considered no longer responsible for Proceedings so sanctioned, and it would have been inconsistent with the evident principles of Justice that a public Officer should have been liable to the obloquy of a trial, for an act not his but that of his superiors. the question which in such case would have been submitted to the Cognizance of a Military tribunal, would not have involved only a discussion of the Conduct of the Quarter Master General, but would have extended to the measures of the principal Civil and Military Authorities in this Country; measures which had undergone the maturest Consideration, and which had been Carried into effect under the most formal sanction. It must be apparent that a discussion involving consequences of this nature, would have been Contrary to Law; Contrary to reason, ruinous of public Confidence, and Subversive of the foundations of Military discipline and of public Authority.—

Impressed with these sentiments, it became the Solemn, the bounden duty of the Governor in Council, on the facts being made known, by a Communication from the Quarter Master General, (which from the nature of the Question, it became the right and duty of that Officer, to submit by direct reference on the Communication having been refused by the late Commander in Chief) to interpose the Authority of the Government for the prevention of the most fatal evils. It was the wish, it was the earnest endeavour of the Governor in

Council to effect this object by every means of Conciliation and explanation; but such means having been used in vain and having been even repelled under Circumstances highly Offensive no alternative remained but that of conveying a specific Order for the removal of the Arrest.—

The Governor in Council desires, that the Officers of this Army will be aſsured, that this Government would not be leſs solicitous to vindicate their honor and reputation by rejecting all injurious imputations if such could have been supposed than the Officers of the Army could have been solicitous in their own Vindication. The Governor in Council has Accordingly under this impreſsion been led to an Attentive Consideration of the expreſsions which are understood to have been deemed objectionable, and he has no hesitation in declaring that it appears in his judgement impoſsible under any Correct Construction to attach an offensive meaning to words where injury was not meant and where the intention of offense aſsuredly did not exist—

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Having stated this explanation the Honora the Governor in Council deems it his farther duty to obser that the question which has been under deliberation mu be now considered as concluded. The farther agitation of a Subject of this nature could be availing for no purpo but that of disturbing the established course of public Affairs, and for the excitement of feelings injurious to order and Authority, and it will be Accordingly of im:portance to the public Welfare, that the Circumstanc Connected with it should be consigned to oblivion —

By Order of the Honorable the Gove in Council —

(Signed) G. Buchan
Chief Secy. to Govt.

Minute thereon

The President recommends, that Lieu:nant D. C. Smith be Appointed Adjutant of the 1st Battalion of the 19th Regiment of Native Infantry, Vice Delamain permitted to proceed to Europe —

Approved and Ordered —

E. H. Strange

" G H Barlow

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" W. Petrie

" Oakes

Jas. H. Casamayor

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Diary

Received the following letter

D° 4.

The Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

Sir;

From the Officer in charge of the Adjutant Generals Office. Appearance of an epidemical disease amongst the horses of the 7th Regt. Cavalry. Permission requested to encamp the Regiment —

I request you will lay before the Honorable the Governor in Council the accompanying letter from the Officer Commanding Arcot with its enclosures reporting the appearance among the horses of the 7th Regiment of Cavalry of the Violent Epedemical disease which has raged for some time among those of the 22d Dragoons and conveying Lieutenant Colonel Ware's most earnest recommendation that Authority may be given for moving the 7th Regiment out of the Cantonment of Arcot in the same Manner as the 22d Regiment Dragoons has been moved.—

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) R. Barclay
In charge of the Adjt. Genl. Office

Adjutant Genl. Office
Fort St. George
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The Adjutant General of the Army
&c. &c. &c.

Sir,

I have the honor to request you will have the goodness to take the most early opportunity of submitting the enclosed letter from Captain Collet Commanding the 7th Cavalry to His Excellency the Commander in Chief with my most powerful recommendation that the immediate order be given me to incamp the said Regiment or at least to move it out of Arcot. — I had the honor to report to you my having availed myself of the permission of Government to incamp His Majesty's 22d. Regiment Dragoons which I did on the 19th. January last and I have the most real satisfaction in being able to state that the moving of the Corps Seems to have been attended with the desired effect in checking the ravages of this terrible Epedimical complaint as I do not know any one instance of a fresh case Since the Regiment has been on this ground;

but I am most truly sorry to add that I do not believe any Horse which has been attached will recover, at least hitherto there has not been one recover in the 22d Dragoons or indeed in the 7th Cavalry. There are as per enclosed return Many Horses which have been attacked and are supposed recovered, but as they have invariably — relapsed, I give it as my decided openion that they will every one die.—

Under such Circumstances the most prompt removal of the 7th Cavalry appears to me indispensable, I shall therefore this day Indent on the Stores at Vellore on Emergency for the Camp Equipage &ca. &ca. requisite for that Regiment, so that if Government deems it expedient to move it I shall, I hope be able to encamp it the moment I receive the orders.—

I cannot Sir, too strongly impress upon your mind my Conviction that the immediate Moving of this Regiment is indispensable.—

I am &c. &c.
(Signed) I. Hare
Lieut. Col. 22d. Dragoons
Commg. Arcot —

Camp near Laulpetta
2d. February 1809.

To Lieutenant Colonel Hare

Sir,

I have to report to you that ten Regimental Horses of the 7th Regiment are now ill of the fever a very un-usual number, and as most of them have been taken within the last few Days I am much alarmed — you will of course adopt such measures as you judge expedient. —

(Signed) I. W. Collett
Captn. Comg. 7th Regt.

Arcot
2d. February 1809.

Return of Horses which have been ill of the Epidemical disease and apparently recovered, and those that at present have it in the lines. —

Troops	Horses
A	2
B	4

C

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Troops	Horses
C	7
D	6
E	5
F	4
G	4
H	6
Total	38.

(Signed) J. Hare

Lieut. Col. Comg. 22d.

Dragoons —

28th. January 1809

Received and Sent the following Letters entered in M.B. No. 13-14-15-16-17-18-19-20-21 —

From the Officer Comg. at Vizagapatam —

From Captain Hooper - Israel Lee a Seaman sent on board the Belliqueux —

To the Acting Chief Secy. to the Government at Fort William

To Mr. Edmonstone - Enclosing Copy of a letter addressed to the Honorable the Court of Directors —

To the Secy. to the Govt. at Fort William —

To Mr. Thornhill - Enclosing Copy of a letter from this Government to the Honorable the Court of Directors dispatched by the Jane Duchess of Gordon. —

To the Chief Secy. to the Government at Columbo

To the Honorable John Rodney — Enclosing dispatches to be forwarded by the Honorable Company's Ship Jane Duchess of Gordon. —

To the Officer Comg. the Army in Chief

To Major General Gowdie — Transmitting Extract from the Minutes of Consultation. —

To the Town Major of Fort St. George —

The Same to the Town Major

To the Officer Comg. the Army in Chief

To Major General Gowdie — Transmitting Copies of two letters from the Commissioner at Tranquebar and desiring that the Officer Commanding at that Station be ordered to conform to the Commissioners directions —

To the Mily. Audr. Genl. —

To the Military Auditor General — Referring Copy of a letter from the Paymaster at Trichinopoly on the subject of certain establishments with the Troops — Enclosing extracts of the proceedings of the Government, and desiring that the Bills and Advance of money recommended by the Mily. Board be authorized. Encloses extracts of Correspondence with the Commissioner at Tranquebar respecting Pensions — Desiring that the accounts of the Escort which formerly attended Brigadier General Malcolm may be adjusted in the manner directed by the Bengal Government —

To Do. Do.

To — Do. — Do. — Transmitting extract from

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from the Minutes of Consultation. —

To Brigadier Genl. Malcolm. —

To Brigadier General Malcolm —

Furnishing him with Copy of a letter from the Secy. at Fort William regarding the accounts of his former Escort and stating that instructions had been given to the Mily. Audr. Genl. on the Subject. —

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Sent the following letter. —

To the Acting Adjt. Genl. of the Army Approving the Suggestion of Col. Hare regarding the temporary movements of the 7th Regt. of Cavalry from the Cantonment at Arcot —

To the Acting Adjutant General of the
Army

Sir,

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 4th Instant and to acquaint you that the suggestion of Lieutenant Colonel Hare regarding the temporary movement of the 7th Regiment of Cavalry from the Cantonment of Arcot, appears entirely proper. —

I am
&c. &c.

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(Signed) G. Buchan
Chief Secy. to Govt.

Sent the following letters entered in

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M. B. Nos. 22.23.24.25.—

To the Officer Comg. the Army in Chief—

To Major General Gowdie — Tran
Copies of two letters from the Military Auditor General an
of the reply.—

To the Officer Comg. at Poonamallee —

To the Officer Commanding at Poonamallee Enclosing Copies of letters to and from the Commissioner at Tranquebar—

To the Military Board—

To the Military Board Enclosing extract of the Proceedings of Government in the Judicial Department—

To Do.—

To Ditto — Enclosing Copies of letters to and from the Mint Committee—

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At a Consultation

Present

The Honorable
Sir George Hilaro Barlow Bart. and K.B.
Governor and President

William Petrie
Thomas Oakes
and
J. H. Casamayor } Esqrs.

Minutes of last Consultation read and Approved.—

The following letters having been approved in Circulation, and dispatched are ordered to be Recorded—

To Lieutenant Colonel Martin

Sir,

The Honorable the Governor in Council having taken into consideration the subject of your letters of the 30th Ultimo & 2nd Instant, I am directed to acquaint you that the explanation which has been published in

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to England in the late Fleet.—

in a General Order of this date will render the further orders of the Governor in Council unnecessary—you have accordingly the permission of the Governor in Council to proceed to England when an opportunity occurs for that purpose, or to resume the Command of your Corps.—

I am directed to observe that the Governor in Council has not been insensible of the inconvenience with which the delay in your embarkation will probably have been attended, and so far as individual considerations were concerned, the Governor in Council particularly regret the circumstances which rendered such delay unavoidable—The question however having been now disposed of, I am directed to acquaint you that the Governor in Council has decided that you shall be reimbursed in the pecuniary loss which you sustained by not proceeding to England in the late fleet, and that orders have been given for the payment of the amount on your application at the Treasury.—

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I am &ca. &ca.
(Signed) G. Buchan
Chief Secy. to Govt.

To

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To the Sub Treasurer

Sir,

To the Sub Treasurer Directing that the sum of nine hundred Pagodas may be paid to Lieut. Colo. Martin.

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to desire that the sum of nine hundred Pagodas may be paid to Lieutenant Colonel Martin in conformity to an application stated in the enclosed extract of a letter from that Officer.—

I am &ca. &ca.

Fort St. George
7th February 1809.

(Signed) G. Buchan
Chief Secy. to Govt.

The following Paper received from the late Commander in Chief is ordered to be Recorded—

Lady Jane Dundas Indiaman
Negapatam Roads

From the late Commr. in Chief resignation of his situation—

In Compliance with the Act of Parliament passed in 1793 for the better management of the Affairs of the United East India Company, I do hereby Resign my Office of Commander in Chief of the Company's Troops serving under the Presidency of Fort St. George given under my hand and Seal this first day of February

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February 1809.—

(Signed) Hay. Macdowall
Lieut. General.

Read the following letter from Major General Gowdie.—

To George Buchan Esqr.
Chief Secy. to Government

From Major General Gowdie. intimates his intention of proceeding to the Presidency.—

Sir,

I have the Honor to Acknowledge the Receipt of your letter of the 19th Instant, which Although It was sent Express did not reach me till this Day—I have to Request you will Acquaint the Honorable the Governor in Council that I shall Proceed to Madras In the Course of a few Days—It is my Intention to wait till the first of February, In hopes that His Majesty's Frigate the Modeste will touch here, and that the Honble Captain Elliot will give me Set down to Madras— If She does not Arrive In that time I shall proceed post by Land, I cou'd wish that Lieutenant Colonel Commandant Taylor was Ordered up here to take Charge

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Charge of the Division In my Absence, as I do not Flatter Myself that my stay at Madras will be long.—

I am &ca. &ca.

(Signed) Frs. Gowdie
Major General

Vezagapatam
27th January 1809.

To lie on the table

Ordered to lie on the Table—

Read the following Report from the Deputy Quarter Master General—

Report from the Deputy Quarter Master General — removal of the 1st of Battalion 20th Regiment from Madras recommended—

Report from the Dy. Mr. General

His Excellency the Commander in Chief has taken into Consideration the situation of the 1st Battalion 20th Regiment as described in the enclosed letter from the Officer in Charge of that Corps to the Adjutant General of the Army, and strongly recommends that it should be removed to Wallajahbad, and that the 1st Battalion 18th Regiment native Infantry should replace it at Madras.—

Should His Excellency's suggestion be Approved by Government, orders will be issued from the Dy. Mr. General's Office for the immediate march of the

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of the 1st Battalion 18th Regiment, and on its arrival at Fort St. George the 1st Battalion 20th Regiment will commence its route to Wallajahbad.—

Qr. Mr. Genl's Office
Fort St. George
24th January 1809.

(Signed) V. Blacker
Depy. Qr. Mr. Genl.

To the Adjutant General of the Army

Sir,

I have the honor to state to you for the information of His Excellency the Commander in Chief the disadvantages the 1st Battalion 20th Regiment N.I. labour under from being kept so long at the Presidency— A view of their pecuniary circumstances will clearly appear by the enclosed List of their Debts to Bazar people, and the Statement annexed thereto will shew that the House rent paid by them during the two and half years they have been Stationed at Madras is nearly equal to their Bazar Debts, consequently the advanced price of almost every Article of life entirely deprived them of the little Comforts enjoyed by the Troops.

at

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at Out Stations and reduced them to great distreſs – To my knowledge in the year 1807 the best men in the Corps were under the neceſsity of pawning or selling the little Property they were poſseſsed of for the Support of their Families – The Battalion has also from the time of its formation been on much Severer duty than any of the new Levies, it was the only Corps at Trichinopoly for above twelve Months when the Guards were so numerous we were never able to relieve them all at one time — The only period the Battalion has had for drill since January 1805 was from the time three Battalions arrived there in February 1806 to July the Same year.

I have further to inform His Excellency that the Battalion has been very unhealthy for some time past, and still continues so much so that I could not attempt to drill them for these three Months past.

without

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without the risk of Considerably increasing the number of Sick, for the Station we are at has been from the Commencement of the Monsoon Surrounded with deep water all these circumstan being considered will I trust induce His Excellen to recommend that the Corps may be relieved for on a fair Calculation the Sepoys Stationed at Madras has expences to the amount of at least 30 fanams Monthly more than those at out Stations: the Article of Firewood at 40 Ca a day for each Sepoy added to their House re make nearly that Amount.–

Madras
15th January 1809.

(Signed) Chas. Bruce
Major in Charge of
1st Battn. 20th Regt.

List

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List of Debts due to Bazar People by the Natives of the 1st. Battalion 20th. Regiment.

Companies	Serjeants	Drummers	Privates	Puckalies	Recruits	Total No. of Men	Total of S.. Pagodas		
Grenadier Company	5	2	81	"	2	90	550	36	60
1st Battalion Company	5	2	65	1	4	77.	310	25	40
2d. ... Ditto ... Ditto	4	2	73	1	3	83	410	8	"
3d. ... Ditto ... Ditto	5	2	71	1	3	82	321	22	40
4th. ... Ditto ... Ditto	4	1	79	1	7	98	384	"	"
5th. ... Ditto ... Ditto	2	2	72	1	7	84	400	25	40
6th. ... Ditto ... Ditto	4	2	67.	1	5	79.	321	17	50
7th. ... Ditto ... Ditto	4	2	64	1	7	78	333	19	40
8th. ... Ditto ... Ditto	3	2	69	1	4	79	267	22	40
Light Infantry	5	2	62	1	1	71	341	41	40
Total	41	19	703	9	43	815	3641	39	-

Statement.

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Statement of House Rent paid by the Natives of 1st. Battalion 20th. Regiment.

Rank.	No. of each Rank	Amount paid Monthly	Average paid by	Total amount paid by each	Total amount paid
Subidars	10	9 1 70	- 41 55	262 9 30	.. .. ..
Jemidars	10	4 22 25	.. 70 19	138 17 5.	.. .. ..
Havildars	49.	10 42 60	1 10 4	317 24 60	.. .. ..
Naigues	48	9 35 5	1 9 13	235 26 65	.. .. ..
Sepoys	488	79 44 30	7 30 -	249 26 70	- .. ..
Ditto	200	8 60 -	- 2 -	287 35 -	3573 4 70.

(Signed) Chas. Bruce

in Charge of 1st. Batn. 20th. R

Resolution thereon

Resolved that the foregoing arrangem be authorized.

Read the following letter from the late Commander in Chief's Military Secretary.

George Strachey Esqr.

Military Secretary to Government

Fort St. George

Sir,

From the late Com=mander in Chief's Military Secretary. &c.

1. I am directed by His Excellency the Commander in Chief to request you will submit

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Command of Corps
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Batta.—

enclosed Letter to the Honorable the Governor in Council, it being a new case not provided for by the Regulations. His Excellency directs me to state his opinion that when Officers Commanding Corps are called away on public duty the difference of batta to the Officers in temporary Charge should be allowed by Government without subjecting the Officer employed on public duty to any expence—

2 I have also the honor to submit a Letter from Captain Fitzjan Commanding at Chinglepet representing that his arrears of batta have not been admitted by the Military Auditor General in consequence as he states of not having received the authority of Government

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

(Signed) W. Macpherson
Mily. Secy.

Fort St. George
Commander in Chiefs Office
23d. January 1809.

To Captain McPherson
Secy. to His Excellency the Commr. in Chief
Madras

Sir,

We beg leave to submit for the

consideration

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consideration of His Excellency the Commander in Chi
and Government the Accompanying letters as it appears
reference through the Military Auditor General is infor

Conceiving that the Order of the
6 December last granting to Officers in Command of Co
on leave drawing their full Batta as fully applying
Commanding Officers away from their Corps on public
of any nature, our reference had no allusion to it, but
-ther we were not as absent on duty exempt from paying
difference to those in charge, and whether ourselves and
Officers in Charge are not entitled to draw the full B
of our respective ranks—

We presume it can never be in
that Officers employed on duty, are to suffer a diminut
of those Allowances they would otherwise receive, and
hope that the Officers holding immediate charge of a
will be allowed to derive every advantage attached
such Trust as provided for by the G. O. regarding Com
-manding Officers on leave—

The Corps Commanded by M
Vernon

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Vernon and De Morgan being ordered on Field Service during the Absence of those Officers on duty, we beg leave to ascertain whether under such circumstances; the Officers so deprived of marching with their Corps are not entitled to draw the Superior batta of their ranks for the time the Corps may be receiving full batta agreeable to established regulations, as the expences incident to our Individual moving, is as great as when collective.—

It may be necessary to explain that the duty requiring us away from our Corps was at Bangalore on which we were Specially called as Members of a Court Martial, and that we are further induced to make this reference, as by the letter from the Military Auditor General the Paymaster does not consider himself authorized to discharge our Abstracts, drawing the full batta of our rank—

Seringapatam
17th January 1809.

(Signed)

J. M. Vernon Major 2d B. 12th Regt.-
J. Whitlie Major of 2d B 19th Regt.-
W. Freeze Major in Charge 1st Batn. Arty
F. De Morgan Major 2d Bn. 22d Regt.

To

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We make this reference as havi
been expressly ordered from Seringapatam to Bangalore
Members of a Court Martial tho' we might presume f
the late order allowing officers at the Heads of Corps, a
on leave their full batta paying the difference to thos
in charge as fully permitting both drawing the full bat
of their respective rank when public duty of whatever
nature calls the former description away from their Co

As the Corps Commanded by Maj
Vernon and De Morgan have proceeded from Seringa
-patam on Field Allowances we beg leave to request in
-formation whether under such circumstances the Com
-manding Officers debarred from proceeding with their
from Special duty are not entitled to draw the Superi
batta of their rank, as allowed while marching for th
time granted for the distance such Corps may be ord
to.—

Seringapatam
3d January 1809 — (Signed)

J. Frazer Major Comg. 1 Bn. Arty.
J. Whittle Major Comg. 2d Bn. 19th
J. M. Vernon Major Comg. 2d Bn. 12th
J. De Morgan Major Comg. Bn. 22

To

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To the Military Secretary
to His Excellency the Commander in Chief

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose you my Abstracts for Arrears of difference of Pay and half Batta with Copy of a letter received from Colonel Agnew concerning it, and also Copies of letters received from the Military Auditor General thro' the Military Paymaster of Fort St. George, I request you will be pleased to lay them before His Excellency for Sanction —

(Signed) T. Fitzjean
Captn. Comg. C. N.
Invalids and Pensioners

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January 1809

To Captain Fitzjean
Comg. the Corps of N. Invalids
Chingleput

Sir,

Having submitted your Abstracts for the difference of Pay and Batta, to the Military Auditor General, I have now the honor to enclose
You

the medical Board.—

Resolved that Mr. Assistant Surgeon Rich be appointed Medical Officer at Pondicherry vice Serjeant.

Resolved that the arrangement proposed by the Medical Board respecting the Office of Medical Register be approved, and that they be desired to submit the Draft of a Genl. Order for carrying them into effect—

By Order of the Honble the Govr. in Council
(Signed) G. Strachey
Secy. to Govt.

Rich Assistant Surgeon to the 2d. Battalion 14th. Native Regiment to Pondicherry, and Mr. McAndrew Assistant Surgeon at present unattached, to the 2d. Battalion 14th. Native Regiment vice Rich—

2 The Medical Board further recommend that the duty of Medical Register be for the present transferred to the Secretary of the Medical Board which now becomes necessary from the Secretary of the Medical Board being alone Sanctioned to frank Letters by Tappal— the principal object in view by this appointment having failed in a great measure, by the long illness of Mr. Balmain, and the forms of Returns that were printed for distribution to the Service

being nearly expended – the Medical Board recommend that these printed forms be abolished from the 1st. of April next, and that the former Medical Register and Table as specified in the Code of Military Regulations take place from that date by which the expense thus incurred for Paper will be saved.—

(Signed) Jas. Anderson
Physician General
T. Gahagan
M.D. & 2d. Member
Andw. Berry
3d. Member
Medical Board

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To George Buchan Esqr.

Chief Secy. to Government

Sir,

Having been long in a very unfavourable State of health. I have to beg that you would obtain the permission of the Honorable the Governor in Council for my proceeding on a tour up the Country in hopes of its reestablishment. I have at the same time to solicit permission to resign the Superintendance of the Dispensary which I have held for the last four years. I am induced to make this request from wishing on my return to the Presidency to devote my undivided attention to my other duties —

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22d January 1809.

I am &c. &c.

(Signed) J. Balmain

Supt. of Dispensary.

Read the following letters from the Military Board.

To

Fort St. George 8th. February 1809.

To the Honorable

Sir George Hilaro Barlow Bart. K.B.

Governor in Council

&c. &c. &c.

Honorable Sir,

From the Military Board Repairs of Guard Sheds at Trichinopoly Construction of a Bridge at Seringapatam Encreased Estimate of Artillery Barracks at Masulipatam Shed at that place for Europeans flagstaff at Seringapatam report of the alterations at the new [illegible] repairs to be proposed.—

1 We have the honor to forward an Estimate of the Expenses of repairing 14 Guard Sheds No. 1 on the Works of Trichinopoly the Estimate Amounts to Pagodas 80-30-39.—

2 We enclose Copy of the Report No. 2 of the Chief Engineer on the Papers transmitted with Mr. Strachey's Letter of the 24th. December; and we have called for a Plan and Estimate of the repair of the Bridge in the first line of Works at the Mysore Gateway of Seringapatam which shall hereafter be forwarded for the information of Government—

3 The Engineer at Masulipatam having reported that the former Estimate for an

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Artillery Barrack at that place, was not correctly calculated according to the present price of labor and Materials

No. 3.4 We have prepared a corrected Estimate, which together with the Report of the Chief Engineer we enclose for the information of Government. — The enclosed Estimate Amounts to Pagodas 4794-32-58. whereas the former one authorized by Government on the 16th. April last Amounts to Pagodas 4023-14-56. making a difference increase of expence Amounting to Pagodas 771-18-2. The large Estimate is found to be correct, and the Authority of Government is required to pass it, as the Work has already commenced —

4 With reference to the Papers enclosed in Mr. Strachey's letter of the 18th. Instant, We have to report that the Engineer in the Northern Division has been called upon for a Plan and Estimate of a Shed calculated to afford the accommodation that may be indispensably necessary for the part of the Madras European Regiment who are practising the Great Gun Exercise

at Masulipatam; — The Estimate for repairing the Flag Staff at Seringapatam is founde to be made on a just calculation of the prices of labor and Materials and is recommended to be authorized. —

5 We forward Copy of the report of a Committee of our Board, which was appointed to inspect the recent Alterations and Additions at the new Mint — also the repairs to the Bombproofs allotted as a — Prison for Convicts —

We have the honor to be

&c. &c. &c.

Fort St. George
31st January 1809.

(Signed) E. Trapaud
Robt. Bell
J. Munro
P. Bruce

Estimate

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Report of the Chief Engineer on letter from the Officer Commanding in Mysore with an Estimate for constructing a new Wooden Bridge in the Second line of Works at the South or Mysore Gateway referred for report on the 2d. January 1809.—

The Bridge at the South Gate in the Second line of Works at Seringapatam having given way from the Timbers being entirely rotten, the Chief Engineer recommends that it be replaced immediately by a new one agreeably to the accompanying Plan and Estimate, the latter of which has been examined and is found to be prepared on a just Calculation of prices of Labor and Materials; and as the Bridge in the first line is also represented to be in a dangerous State, the Chief Engineer Conceives that Captain De Havilland should be called upon to Submit a Plan and Estimate for its repair with all practicable expedition.—

(Signed) C. Trapaud
C.E.

Engineers Office
Fort St. George
26th. January 1809.

A true Copy

(Signed) A. Stock

Depy. Secy. Mily. Board

Probable Estimate of the Expence of Constructing a Barrack at Masulipatam for the accommodation of a Company of European Artillery consisting of 102 Men agreeably to the Accompanying Plan Elevation and Section A at the Current rates of the Station.—

Measurement							Prices								
Length	Breadth	Thickness	Superf.t	Cub. feet	Cub. Yards		Pag.	fan.	Cash	Pagodas	Fanams	Cash	Pagodas	Fanams	Cash
						Barrack									
						Brick in Chunam									
						Excavating the Foundation				9	22	25			
988	3.3	2.6	„	8027½	„	Foundation of the side cross walls and Verandah.									
988	2.6	1.„	„	2470	„	Base above Do.									
52	3.3	2.6	„	422½	„	Foundation of 16 Center Piers.									
40	2.6	1.„	„	100	„	Base above Do.									
440	11	1.3	„	6050	„	Wall between the piers and on the End									
28	3.6	1.3	„	122½	„	Wall for the Gable Ends.									
20	7	1.3	„	175	„										
18	2	2	„	1152	„	16 Center Piers each.									
11	2	2	„	1408	„	32 Side Piers each									
7	2	2	„	1400	„	50 Verandah Piers each									
608	2	2	„	2432	„	Wall between and above the Arch.									
		Total		23759½	„	Brick work in Chunam ------ at	2	72	P. C. ft.	1640	22	44			
						Carried Over				1650	2	69			

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Measurement							Prices								
Length	Breadth	Thickness	Sup. feet	Cub. feet	Cub. Yard		Pagodas	Fanams	Cash		Pagodas	Fanams	Cash	Pagodas	Fanams	Cash.
						Brought Over					1650	2	69.			
743	2	1.6	,	2229	.											
184	1.6	1.6	.	414	.											
		Total		2643	.	Arch work in Chunam at		4	46	P. C. ft.	287	37	58			
500	1	.	500	.	.											
568	22	.	12496	.	.											
20	14	.	280	.	.											
28	7	.	196	.	.											
400	8	.	3200	.	.											
288	8	.	2304	.	.											
608	4	.	2432	.	.											

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74^{3}	2	,,	1486	,,	,,										
	Total		22894	,,	,,		Plastering on Cast Chunam	at		42	52	⅌ Sq.ft	232	20	23
164	42	,	6888	,,	,,		Flooring with Brick on Edge Chunam	at	2	18	54	D°	168	16	20
210	52	,,	10920	,	,		Roofing with palmira Rafters Reepers Nails flat and pan tiles with Chunam Borders		12	30	62	D°	1390	17	34
164	36	1	,,		,,	218 2/3	Filling in with Earth		,	3	,,	⅌ C.Yds	15	26	,,
7.6	4	,	24	,,	,,		8 Pairs Doors and frames each								
4.3	3	,,	497¼	,,	,,		39 Pairs Batten Window Shutters								
	Total		737¼	,,	,,			at	,	14	59	⅌ S.ft	258	29	17
3	3	,	36	,,	,,		4 Attic Windows	at	,,	11	20	D°	9	27	,,
													4013	8	61
							Carried Over						4013	8	61

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Measurement							Prices								
Length	Breadth	Thickness	Sup. feet	Cub. feet	Cub. Yard		Pagodas	Fanams	Cash	Pagodas	Fanams	Cash	Pagodas	Fanams	Cash
						Brought Over				1650	2	69			
743	2	1.6	,	2229	.										
184	1.6	1.6	.	414	.										
		Total		2643	.	Arch work in Chunam at	4	46	7 C. ft	287	37	58			
500	1	.	500	.	.										
568	22	.	12496	.	.										
20	14	.	280	.	.										
28	7	.	196	.	.										
400	8	.	3200	.	.										
288	8	.	2304	.	.										
608	4	.	2432	.	.										

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74⁸	2	"	1486	"	"											
	Total		22894	"	"		Plastering on Cut Chunam	at		42	52	ꝑ Sqft.	232	20	23	
164	42	"	6888	"	"		Flooring with Brick on Edge Chunam	at	2	18	54	Do.	168	16	20	
210	52	"	10920	"	"		Roofing with palmira Rafters Reepers Nail flat and pan tiles with Chunam Borders		12	30	62	Do.	1390	17	34	
164	36	1	"	"	218 2/3		Filling in with Earth		"	3	"	ꝑ Cb Yds	15	26	"	
7.6	4	"	24	"	"		8 Pairs Doors and frames each									
4.3	3	"	497¼	"	"		39 Pairs Batten Window Shutters									
	Total		737¼	"	"			at	"	14	59	ꝑ Sqft.	258	29	17	
3	3	"	36	"	"		4 Attic Windows	at	"	11	20	Do.	9	27	"	
																4013 8 61
							Carried Over									4013 8 61

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Measurement							Prices								
Length	Breadth	Thickness	Sup. feet	Cub. feet	Cub. Yard		Pagodas	Fanams	Cash	Pagodas	Fanams	Cash	Pagodas	Fanams	Cash
						Brought Over				1650	2	69.			
743	2	1.6	.	2229	.										
184	1.6	1.6	.	414	.										
Total				2643	.	Arch work in Chunam .... at		4	46 P. C. ft.	287	37	58			
500	1	.	500	.	.										
568	22	.	12496	.	.										
20	14	.	280	.	.										
28	7	.	196	.	.										
400	8	.	3200	.	.										
288	8	.	2304	.	.										
608	4	.	2432	.	.										

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74⁹	2	,	1486	,	,									
	Total		22894	,	,		Plastering on Cast Chunam at		42	52	℘ Sqr.	232	20	23
164	42	,	6888	,	,		Flooring with Brick on Edge Chunam at	2	18	54	Do.	168	16	20
210	52	,	10920	,	,		Roofing with palmira Rafters Reapers Mail flat and pan tiles with Chunam Borders	12	30	62	Do.	1390	17	34
164	36	1	,	,		218⅔	Filling in with Earth	,	3	,	℘ Cb. Yd.	15	26	,
7.6	4	,	24	,	,		8 Pairs Doors and frames each							
4.3	3	,	497¼	,	,		39 Pairs Batten Window Shutters							
	Total		737¼	,	,		at	,	14	59	℘ S. ft.	258	29	17
3	3	,	36	,	,		4 Attic Windows at	,	11	20	Do.	9	27	,
												4013	8	61
							Carried Over					4013	8	61

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Measurement							Prices								
Length	Breadth	Thickness	Sup. feet	Cub. feet	Cub. Yards		Pagodas	Fanams	Cash		Pagodas	Fanams	Cash	Pagodas	Fanams	Cash
						Brought Over								4013	8	61
						Guard Room & Conjee house.										
100	2.6	2.6	,	625	"	Foundation										
100	9.6	1.6	,	1425	,	Wall above Do.										
		Total		2050		Brick work in Chunam at ,		2	72	ꝑ C.ft.	141	23	,			
36	1.6	1.6	,	8	,	Arch work in Chunam at ,		4	46	Do.	8	34	46			
100	19	,	1900	,	,	Plastering one coat Chunam at ,		42	52	ꝑ C.Sft.	19	12	28			
34	12	,	408	,	,	Roofing with Palmira Rafters rafters Nails and Pan Tiles	11	30	62	Do.	47	36	41			
29	11	,	319	,	,	Flooring with Jelly and Clay at ,		21	68	Do.	1	27	56			

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6.6	3.3	,	42¼	,	,	2 Doors and frames										
3.6	3	,	42	,	,	4 Window Shutters and frames										
	Total —		84¼	,	,	.... at	,	14	59	p S. f.	29	23	50	248	31	61
						Store Room										
89	2.6	2.6	,	556¼	,	Foundation										
89	9.6	1.6	,	1268¼	,	Wall above Do.										
		Total —		1824½	,	Brick work in Chunam ...... at	,	2	72	p C. f.	125	41	04			
42	1.6	1.6	,	94½	,	Arch work in Chunam ...... at	,	4	46	Do.	10	12	27			
89	19	,	1691	,	,	Plastering one Coat Chunam .... at	,	42	52	p % S. f.	17	7	16			
34	12	,	408	,	,	Roofing with Palmira Rafters Reepers Nails and Pan tiles	11	30	62	Do.	47	36	41			
30	11	,	330	,	,	Flooring with Jelly and Clay — at	,	21	68	Do.	1	30	08			
6.6	3.3	,	63⅜	,	,	3 Doors and frames each										
3.6	3	,	42	,	,	Window Shutters each										
	Total —		105⅜	,	,	....	,	14	59	p S. f.	36	40	77	240	,	13
						Carried Over								4500	40	55

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Measurement							Price									
Length	Breadth	Thickness	Sup. feet	Cub. feet	Cub. Yards		Pagodas	Fanams	Cash		Pagodas	Fanams	Cash	Pagodas	Fanams	Cash
						Brought Over								4500	40	55
						Cook room and Necessary										
123	2.6	2.6	,	768¾	,	Foundation										
123	9.6	1.6	,	1752¾	,	Wall above										
	Total			2521½	,	Brick work in Chunam ——— at	,	2	72	℘ C. ft.	174	4	28			
30	1.6	1.6	,	67½	,	Arch work in Chunam ——— at	,	4	46	Do.	7	14	65			
123	19	,	2337	,	,	Plastering one Coat Chunam ——— at	,	42	52	℘ 100 ft.	23	30	68			
50	12	,	600	,	,	Roofing with Palmera Rafters Reepers Nails and pan tiles	11	30	62	Do.	70	16	52			

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47	10	.	470	.	.	Flooring with Jelley and Clay — at	.	21	68	℘ Sqf.	2	17 55
66	3.3	.	21⅛	.	.	1 Door and frame						
36	3	.	21	.	.	2 Window Shutters and frames each						
Total —			42⅛	.	.	.... at	.	14	59	℘ Sqf.	14	32 65
												292 34 13
						Pagodas						4794 32 58

/Signed/ Richd. John Cotgrave
Captn. Supg. Engr. N. D.

Masulipatam
12th December 1808.

A true Copy
/Signed/ A. Stock
Depy. Secy. Mily. Board.

Report

Fort St. George 8th February 1809

Report of the Chief Engineer on Letter and Estimate from Captain Lieutenant Colgrave for Constructing a Barrack for a Company of Artillery in the Cantonment of Masulipatam referred for report on the 29th November and 19th December 1808.—

The Chief Engineer having Carefully examined the Estimate prepared by Captain Lieutenant Colgrave for Constructing a Barrack at the Cantonment near Masulipatam for the Accommodation of a Company of Artillery finds that the Charges for a given extent of Work is Calculated on the present rates of Workmen and Materials transmitted from that place; the data for Brick Work being the same on which that Officer's Estimate for the Barrack for the European Regiment were formed.—

In order to account for the difference between the present Estimate prepared by Captain Lieutenant Colgrave, and the one Submitted by the Chief Engineer for the same Work, he begs to observe that it has arisen principally in the Article of roofing with Palmeira Rafters Reepers, Flat and Pan Tiles and Chunam Borders which it appears will Cost nearly double the Sum allowed in the Chief Engineer's Estimate.—

The present prices of Palmeras &ca at Masalipatam, the Chief Engineer of Course could not be acquainted with at the time the Estimate was formed, and conceiving that no great mistake Could occur thereby inserted the Madras prices for Roofing of that description.— but as it is probable that the Building in question can be covered in with a Roof of Country Wood which is certainly preferable, for less than the Estimated Cost of a Palmeira one, the Chief Engineer recommends that, that mode be adopted in preference; and in order that no time be lost Captain Cotgrave should be directed to Commence upon the Foundations without delay — Submitting an Estimate for a Country Wood roof as soon as Convenient for the purpose of Contrasting it with the Estimate now

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now before the Board.—

Engineers Office
Fort St. George
27th January 1809.

(Signed) E. Trapaud
Chief Engineer

A true Copy
(Signed) A. Stock
Depy. Secy. Mily. Bd.

Report of a Committee of the Military Board consisting of the Chief Engineer the Adjutant General and Military Auditor General. appointed the 24th January 1809 to Survey and report on the Works detailed in the undermentioned Estimates reported completed by the Superintending Engineer.—

Probable Estimate of the expence of making the additions at the New Mint required by the Assay Master—

Do. of the expense of making the additions to the New Mint pointed out by the Mint Master—

Do. of the expence of Building a Verandah in front of the Apartment allotted as an Office to the Mint Committee, and Constructing a small room for Writers &c.—

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The Committee having met and attended by the Superintending Engineer, proceeded to the New Mint to Survey and Examine the several additions detailed in the abovementioned Estimates and have to report that the Work is well executed, of good materials and agreeably to the authorized Plans and Estimates —

The Committee next proceeded to the Bombproofs allotted as a place of Confinement for Convicts ordered to be repaired by Government and find that the leaks have been stopped, the Drains enlarged, and New Window Shutters and Steps furnished — these repairs are also executed in a proper manner —

Fort St. George
27th. January 1809.

(Signed) E. Trapaud
J. Capper
P. Bruce

A true Copy

(Signed) A. Stock
Depy. Secy. Mily. Bd.

To

Fort St. George 8th February 1809.

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

From the Military Board – Bills for payment, remarks on a bill of Captain Bagshaw's. –

Honorable Sir,

Para. 1 We forward and recommend payment of the following Bills Vizt.

No. 1... Bill of Mr. J. Balfour Navy Contractor for 128 Barrels of Salt Beef delivered on board the Lovely Hannah Transport amounting to Pagodas 5376 – – –

No 2... Three Bills of the Officer Commanding the 2d. Battalion 3d. Regiment Native Infantry for the Rent of Quarters for Serjeants and Covering for the Stores &c. attached to the Corps at Trichinopoly during the Months of September October, and November last, Amounting to Pagoda 26 – We are of opinion that the above Compensation for hiring and repairing the Buildings as called for in the Chief Secretary's Letter of the 9th November is moderate being

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being calculated at the rate of 10 Pagodas per Month —

No. 3 .... Bill of the Officer Commanding at Onore for erecting a Temporary Barrack and Hospital for the Troops at that Station amounting to Rupees 80-.-9 Cash — This work was executed on emergency under the order of the Commanding Officer, in consequence of the detail being encreased, and no Shelter of any description.

No. 4 .. . Bill of the Superintending Engineer in the Southern division for repair and Works executed as described in the Bill at Trichinopoly and Dindigul amounting to Pagodas 3029-5-44 —

No. 5 .... Bill of the Engineer at Vellore for repairs executed to a well in the European Barrack Yard by order of the Officer Commanding, amounting to Pagodas 27-4-16, whereof a Balance is due of Pagodas 9-36-36 —

No. 6 ...: Bill of the Engineer at Seringapatam for Additional Servants and Artificers employed in his department at the recommendation of the Committee of Health appointed by Government on the

7th

General

7th April 1807 amounting to Pagodas 66-165- . The expence for this Establishment has ceased on the 10th. Septr last.—

No. 7... Bill of the Superintending Engineer Presidency Amounting to Pagodas 93-1-28 for fixing moveable railings to the side of the Wallajah and St. Georges Gate Draw Bridges—

No. 8... Bill of the Superintending Engineer for expences incurred in repairing the Convicts Goal amounting to Pagodas 119-40-71– to be carried to the debit of Civil charges—

No. 9... Bill of the Superintending Engineer Presidency for repairs to the Fortifications of Fort St. George for the Month of December 1808 amounting to Pagodas 222-26-17.—

No. 10... Bill of the Superintending Engineer for repairing the Roofs of the Barracks &ca in the Fort of Ponamalee amounting to Pagodas 149-28-53.—

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2 We enclose also Copy of a Letter from Captain Bagshaw, accompanied by sundry enclosures; these Papers refer to the Expence of constructing a Building at Arcott, the bill for which had been formerly rejected by us as inadmissible upon Principles which are fully detailed in our Letter of the 13th June last, the Government in reply to that Letter called for an Explanation of the circumstances connected with that subject and we accordingly on the 30th of June transmitted to the Quarter Master General, an application to that effect Copy of which we enclose for the information of Government, however as that Officer has not replied to our Letter, or furnished us with any further information; and as the approach of the Commander in Chiefs departure was likely to remove the chance of our obtaining from any other Quarter, the explanation called for by Government, we addressed a letter to his Secretary Copies of which and of the reply to it, we submit as affording the only information we have been

able to procure on this subject.—

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

Fort St. George
1st. February 1809.

(Signed) E. Trapaud
Robt. Bell
P. Bruce

To the Secretary of the Military Board
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose Abstracts of disbursement for the Barracks erected at Arcot as also a general Account of Cash disbursed under my direction.—

Madras
23d. January 1809.

(Signed) E. Bagshaw
Captn. Comg. 1st. Bn. P.

True Copy
(Signed) A. Stock
Depy. Secy. Mily. Bd.

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Daily report of Extra people employed in erecting the Depot Barracks at Arcot in Collecting earth for the purpose of Making Bricks and Carpenters for General duties.—

Month and Day				No. of Carpenters	No. of Thatchers	Daily Total paid	
1808 Feby.	1st	Employed	Morning	4	1	21	40
"	2d	Do.	Do.	4	2	25	.
"	3d	Do.	Do.	4	2	25	.
"	4th	Do.	Do.	4	4	25	.
"	5th	Do.	Do.	4	1	21	40
"	6th	Do.	Do.	4	1	21	40
"	7th	Do.	Do.	2	.	9	.
"	8th	Do.	Do.	4	1	21	40
"	9th	Do.	Do.	4	1	21	40
"	10th	Do.	Do.	4	1	21	40
"	11th	Do.	Do.	4	1	21	40
"	12th	Do.	Do.	4	1	21	40
"	13th	Do.	Do.	4	1	21	40
"	14th	Do.	Do.	2	,	9	.
"	15th	Do.	Do.	4	1	21	40
"	16th	Do.	Do.	4	1	21	40
"	17th	Do.	Do.	4	1	21	40
"	18th	Do.	Do.	4	1	21	40
"	19th	Do.	Do.	4	1	21	40
"	20th	Do.	Do.	4	1	21	40
"	21st	Do.	Do.	2	.	9	.
"	22d	Do.	Do.	4	1	21	40
"	23d	Do.	Do.	4	.	18	.
"	24th	Do.	Do.	4	.	18	.
"	25th	Do.	Do.	1	.	4	40
"	26th	Do.	Do.	1	.	4	40
"	27th	Do.	Do.	1	.	4	40
"	28th	Do.	Do.	1	.	4	40
"	29th	Do.	Do.	1	.	4	40
			Total	95	22	504	40

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(Signed) C. P. Bagshaw
Captn. Comg. 1st Bn. R.

Daily

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Daily report of Bandies employed in bringing the Materials for the use of the depot Barracks at Arcot as will Appear from the Undermentioned ___

Month & Day		From what place	No. of Bandies
1808 February	2d	Near the Arcot	1
〃	3d	Do. Do. Do.	1
〃	4th	From Chittore	25
〃	5th	Near the Arcot	1
〃	8th	Do. Do. Do.	3
〃	9th	Do. Do. Do.	3
〃	10th	Do. Do. Do.	3
〃	11th	Do. Do. Do.	5
〃	〃	From Chittore	22
〃	12th	Near the Arcot	8
〃	13th	Do. Do. Do.	1
〃	14th	Do. Do. Do.	4
〃	15th	Do. Do. Do.	3
〃	17th	Do. Do. Do.	1
〃	18th	Do. Do. Do.	1
〃	〃	From Chittore	22
		Carried Over	104

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Month and Day.	From what place	No. of Bandies
	Brought Over	104
Feb. 7.	Near the Arcot	1
19th	Do. Do. Do.	1
20th	Do. Do. Do.	3
21st	Do. Do. Do.	4
23d	From Chittore	8
25th	Do. Do.	14
26th	33600 Bandle of Grass at 240 Do. pr. a Bandy	140
	Total	275.

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1st March 1808.

(Signed) E. P. Bagshaw
Captn. Comg. 1st Bn. P.

General Abstract of Disbursements on account of the Depot Barracks at Arcot as relate to daily report 1 and 2 for the Month of February 1808.—

		Total of each Rank	Total of Abstract
91	Bandies employed to bringing Palmar Trees from Chittore the distance of 36 Mile at ½ Pagodas pr. 8 miles to each Bandy	102 16 70	
	Carried Over	102 16 70	

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		Total of Rank	Total of Abstract
	Brought Over —	102 16 70	
184	Bandies to bring Grass from the Hills at 1/4 Pags. hire daily to each Bandy	46 . .	
95 22	Carpenters Thatchers } Employed as Pr. Accompanying Daily report	. 504 40	
	at 45 fans. Pr. a Star Pags.		148 521 30 11 25 .
	Total Star Pags. one hundred fifty nine fanams twenty six and Cash thirty		159 26 30

(Signed) E. P. Bagshaw
Captn. Comg. 1st Btn. P.

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1st March 1808.

(Signed) E. P. Bagshaw
Captn. Comg. 1st Btn. P.

To C. B. Dent Esqr.
Paymaster

Received payment
(Signed) E. P. Bagshaw
Captain Commg.
1st Battn. P.

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Daily report of Extra people employed in erecting the Depot Barracks at Arcot in Collecting earth for the purposes of making Bricks and Carpenters for General duty—

Month and Day		No. of Bandies	Do of Carpenters	Do of Bricks	Do of Men	Do of Women	Daily Total Paid	
1808	Employed Morning	"	1	14	6	50	122	40
March 1st	Do ... Do	"	1	"	"	"	4	40
" 2d	Do ... Do	1	1	14	6	50	130	40
" 3d	Do ... Do	"	1	"	"	"	4	40
" 4th	Do ... Do	"	1	"	"	"	4	40
" 5th	Do ... Do	"	1	"	"	"	4	40
" 6th	Do ... Do	"	1	"	"	"	4	40
" 7th	Do ... Do	"	1	"	"	"	4	40
" 8th	Do ... Do	"	1	"	"	"	4	40
" 9th	Do ... Do	1	1	6	6	20	68	40
" 10th	Do ... Do	1	1	9	6	43	103	40
" 11th	Do ... Do	1	1	17	8	44	140	40
" 12th	Do ... Do	1	1	20	6	45	149	40
" 13th	Do ... Do	2	1	20	1	53	155	40
" 14th	Do ... Do	2	1	20	"	56	156	40
" 15th	Do ... Do	2	1	19	"	59	155	40
" 16th	Do ... Do	2	1	20	"	52	152	40
" 17th	Do ... Do	2	1	18	"	30	122	40
" 18th	Do ... Do	2	1	"	"	"	20	40
" 19th	Do ... Do	2	"	"	"	"	16	"
" 20th	Do ... Do	2	"	"	"	"	16	"
" 21st	Do ... Do	2	"	"	"	"	16	"
" 22d	Do ... Do	2	"	"	"	"	16	"
" 23d	Do ... Do	2	"	"	"	"	16	"
" 24th	Do ... Do	"	"	18	6	30	114	"
" 28th	Do ... Do	"	"	18	6	39	123	"
" 29	Employed one Clock	1	"	"	"	"	4	"
" 30	Do Morning	"	"	16	6	40	116	"
	Total	28	19	229	57	611	1946	40

Signed / E. P. Bagshaw
Captn. Comg 1st Bn. P.

Arcot
1st April 1808.

General

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General Abstract of Disbursements on Account of the Depôt Barracks at Arcot as relate to daily report for the Month of March 1808.—

		Total one of each Rank			Total of Abstract
27	Bandies employed to bring sand at 8 fanams hire per each	"	216	-	
1	D.o ..... D.o Half ... D.o	"	4	.	
19	Carpenters at 4½ fanams each ℘.r day	,	85	40	
229	Bricklers at 4 fanams .. D.o D.o D.o	,	916	.	
57	Men at 2 fanams ...... D.o D.o D.o	,	114	,	
611	Women at 1 D.o .... D.o D.o D.o	,	611	.	
2595	Mercalls of Chunam at 90 Mercall ℘.r a Pagoda	28	37	40	

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20	Maund of Jagery at 1 Rupie per a Maund Rupies 20	5	32	10			
	Potts &ca.	,	16	"			
120	Bamboo Matts purchased for Making Doors and Windows	7	25	56			
					40	2057	66
	At 45 fanams Pr. a Star Pagodas				45	32	,
	Total Star Pagodas				85	32	66

Arcot
1st April 1808.

/Signed/ E. P. Bagshaw
Captn. Comg. 1st Bn. P.

To C. B. Dent Esqr.
Paymaster

/Signed/ E. P. Bagshaw
Captn. Comg. 1st Bn. P.

Received payment –
/Signed/ E. P. Bagshaw
Captn. Comg. 1st Bn. P. General

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General Account of Cash disbursed for the Works executed at Bagshaw Commanding 1st Battalion of Pioneers.—

1807 Jany	To C. B. Dent Esqr. Received on Order —	2000	.	.			
July	Do. .... Do. .... Do.	3500	.	.			
Augt.	Do. .... Do. .... Do.	6000	.	.			
	Do. — Do. the Balance as pr. Abstract of July —	241	27	75			
Septr.	Do. .... Do. on Order	3000	.	.			
Octr.	Do. .... Do. .... Do.	2000	.	.			
1808 Feby.	Do. .... Do. .... Do.	2000	.	.			
March	Do. .... Do. .... Do.	4000	.	.			
April	Do. .... Do. .... Do.	5000	.	.			
May	Do. .... Do. .... Do.	6000	.	.			
June	Do. .... Do. .... Do.	6000	.	.			
	To Amount Sale of Spare Palmer Trees by Public Auction	19	38	44			
					39761	21	39
	Total Star Pagodas ...				39761	21	39

Vellore 1st July 1808

E. E.

(Signed) E. P. Bagshaw

Captn. Comg. 1. B. P.

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Vellore and Arcott under the Superintendance of Captain E. B.

By Ditch work at Vellore						
Paid Coolies as pr. Abstract in the Month of June 1807	1905	42	35			
Do. .... Do. as pr. Do. in July	3,835	3	40			
Do. .... Do. as pr. Do. in August	5429	6	.			
Do. .... Do. as pr. Do. in September	3216	37	40			
Do. .... Do. as pr. Do. in October	1579	9	.			
Do. .... Do. as pr. Do. in November	26	20	74			
Do. .... Do. as pr. Do. in January 1808	55	1	20			
Do. .... Do. as pr. Do. in February	1931	2	62			
Do. .... Do. as pr. Do. in March	3301	10	10			
Do. .... Do. as pr. Do. in April	4472	10	60			
Do. .... Do. as pr. Do. in May	5685	33	44			
Do. .... Do. as pr. Do. in June	6044	34	16.	37,423	14	1
By Depot Barracks at Arcot.						
Paid as pr. Abstract in December 1807	266	28	.			
Do. .... Do. in January 1808	197	38	70			
Do. .... Do. in February	159	26	30			
Do. .... Do. in March	85	32	66			
				709	36	6
				38133	5	7
By Balance remaining 1st July 1808				1628	16	32
Total Star Pagodas				39761	21	39

To

Fort St. George 8th February 1809.

To the Quarter Master General of the Army.

Sir,

In obedience to the orders of the Military Board I have the honor to forward herewith Copy of their Report to Government dated 13th instant, and of a Paragraph of a letter of the Military Secretary in reply thereto, together with such of the papers referred to in the former, as may be necessary to enable you to afford the explanation required by the latter, and I am directed to request that you will accordingly submit that explanation to the Military Board, in order that they may forward it for the information of the Honorable the Governor in Council —

(Signed) A. Stock
Depy. Secy. Mily. Board —

Fort St. George
30th June 1808.

True Copy
(Signed) A. Stock
Depy. Secy. Mily. Board.

To

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To the Secretary of His Excellency
the Commander in Chief

Sir,

I am directed by the Military Board to acquaint you for the information of His Excellency the Commander in Chief that Captain Bagshaw of Pioneers has sent in a Bill for expences stated to be incurred in the construction of a Building called the Depôt or Barrack at Arcot.—

The authority for this work not having passed thro' the Channel of the Military Board, they request to be informed whether it was sanctioned by the previous authority or order of the Commander in Chief—

I have the honor to be
Yours &ca.
(Signed) J. Marshall
Secy. Mily. Board—

Fort St. George
27th January 1809.

To the Secretary to the Military Board
Fort St. George

Sir,

I had the honor (in the absence of

the Military Secretary) to submit your Letter to the Commander in Chief - His Excellency has directed me to request you will state to the Military Board that he did authorize the construction of a building at Arcot by the Pioneers.—

The order for the construction of this building will have been issued from the Office of the Quarter Master General and the Commander in Chief recommends the Board to call upon that Officer for the particulars of the explanation they may require.—

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

(Signed) J. M. Combs

A. D. C.

Fort St. George
Commander in Chief's Office
29th January 1809.

True Copies

(Signed) A. Stock

Depy. Secy. Mily. Board

Order thereon

Ordered that authority be given for the payment of the Bills recommended by the Military Board and that the following Reply be dispatched.—

To

Fort St. George 8th February 1809.

To Pn reply -

To the President and Members of the
Military Board.

Gentlemen,

Parad 1 I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letters of the 31st Ultimo and of the 1st Instant. –

2d The Governor in Council has approved the Estimates which you have submitted for the repair of the Guardsheds on the works at Trichinopoly, for the construction of a Barrack for the Artillery at Masulipatam, and for repairing the Flag Staff at Seringapatam, you will accordingly authorise the execution of those several works. –

3 Authority has been given for the payment of the Bills recommended in your letter of the 1st Instant. With respect to the Barrack constructed at Arcot by the 1st Battalion of Pioneers, the Governor in Council is not aware of any particular objection to the immediate admission of that charge – As you appear however to consider it necessary

that the Quarter Master General of the Army should furnish you with further information on the subject, it will be proper for you to renew your former application to him. —

Fort St. George
9th February 1809.

I have the honor to be &ca. &ca.
(Signed) G. Strachey
Secy. to Government.

Read the following letter from the Accountant General. —

From the Accountant General — Respecting the issue of Copper Coins by the Collector at Tanjore —

To the Chief Secretary
to Government

Sir,

Para 1st. In my Letter of the 30th. January I had the Honor to acknowledge the Receipt of Mr. Secretary Strachey's Letter of the 24th. of that month, — stating in reply, that I had referred to the Collector of Tanjore for the information necessary to Enable me to afford the Explanation required by Government —

2d. I have now the Honor to send a Letter from that Officer in reply, by which it appears that the Magnitude of the Evil has not been such as to render a reference to Government necessary, provided the same proportion only of Copper has been issued to the Troops as was advanced by the Collector. Viz^t. 4 P^r. Cent upon their pay.—

3^d. A reference to the Resident might perhaps occasion an interference on the part of the Rajah, tending to check the Combinations of the Shroffs from which it appears the principal Evil arises.—

I have the honor to be &c^a. &c^a.
(Signed) C. Smith
Account^t. Gen^l.

Fort S^t. George
Account^t. Gen^ls. Office
6^th. February 1809.

To the Accountant General
Fort S^t. George

Sir,

In reply to your Letter of the 30^th. Ultimo, enclosing a reference made to Government on the subject of the issue of Copper Coins to the Garrison of Tanjore I have the honor to state as follows.—

The Copper coins transmitted to

me early in last year from the Mint Master for Circulation in Tanjore, have been issued from my Treasury monthly to the Paymaster's Office in the proportion of (4) four Per Cent of the Amount of the Government Bills drawn on me in favor of that Officer — The same proportion has been observed in paying the Monthly Indent of the Judicial Department, and in issuing the Pay to the Revenue Servants of the Province. The rate at which the Copper Coin has been issued to these several Departments is that prescribed by the Proclamation of Government Announcing the new Copper Coinage in October or November 1807 —

I beg farther to observe that the Shroffs in both the forts of Tanjore are not within the controul of the Company's Civil Officers. The Shroffs in other parts of the Province made attempts to lower the value of the new Copper coinage similar to those complained of by the Officer Commanding Tanjore, but having exerted all the Authority vested in me to repress those Attempts, I have not lately heard any Complaints on the Subject.

Fort St. George 8th February 1809.

Subject.—

Tanjore
2d February 1809.

I have the honor to be &ca &ca

/Signed/ J. Wallace

Colltr of Tanjore

A true Copy

/Signed/ C. Smith

Accountt General

Ordered in consequence that the following letter be dispatched to the Officer Commanding the Army in Chief—

To Major General Gowdie

Commanding the Army in Chief

Sir,

To the Officer Com-manding the Army in Chief — Transmitting Copy of a Communi-cation from the Accountt General, and desiring him to ascertain whether the Coins therein referred to were issued in detailed Payments in a greater proportion than they have been issued from the Collector's treasury.—

Parao 1st I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to transmit to you the en-closed copy of a communication received from the Ac-countant General on the subject of the letter from the Military Secretary of the late Commander in Chief under date the 9th Ultimo.—

Adverting

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2d. Adverting to the conjecture of the Accountant General respecting the cause of the loss stated to have been recently sustained by the Troops at Tanjore on the exchange of copper coins, the Honorable the Governor in Council directs me to desire that you will ascertain by reference to the Commanding Officer whether the coins in question were issued in detailed payments to the troops in a greater proportion than that in which they are stated to have been issued from the Treasury of the Collector.—

Fort St. George
9th February 1809.

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

Read the following letters from the Military Auditor General.—

From the Military Auditor General. Retrenchments against Lieutenant Loftie on account of Tents.—

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

Honorable Sir,

1 I have the honor to submit at the request

Fort St. George 8th February 1809.

request of Lieutenant and Adjutant Loftie of the 2d. Battn. 19th Regiment Native Infantry a letter addressed by that Officer to your honor in Council which has been forwarded to me thro' the prescribed channel.—

2 Lieutenant Lofties letter contains an Appeal to Government from a Retrenchment of Charges for the Tent Contract Allowance of the above Corps which he drew as the Agent of Lieutenant Colonel Grant during the absence of that Officer from his Corps for the Months of January and February 1808.—

3 This Retrenchment was made against Lieutenant Loftie, upon the general established principle, that the Officer who signs an Abstract or voucher is held responsible for the correctness of the charges contained in it—I beg leave to state for the information of your Honorable Board that the Tent Contract Allowance of the Corps, for three Months, Vizt. December 1807 and January and February 1808 amounting to Pagodas 816 was retrenched in consequence

of the unserviceable state in which the Camp Equipage was reported, but on the Certificate forwarded which stated the damage they had sustained on the March of the Corps from Goa, I admitted the full Allowance drawn for Decr agreeably to the 17th Paragraph Page 17th of the New Code of Regulations.—

4 With respect to the charge for the Month of January drawn on the 1st February it is proper to state that the Corps arrived at Seringapatam on the 20th December 1807, and as I considered from that date until the 1st February following there was sufficient time to repair the Tents and to supply all deficiencies, I did not admit the Certificate regarding the damage sustained on the March to have authorized my passing the Allowances on that account beyond the 31st of Jany, the Retrenchment on account of the unserviceable part of the Camp Equipage was therefore confirmed on Reaudit Vizt—

For the Month of January	Pags. 120.37.27
For the Month of February	Pags. 105.32.54

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5 The 3d. Paragraph of Lieutenant Lofties letter admits the principle on which I Confirmed the Retrenchments as *inadmiſsible*, but objects to his being held responsible for them as he conceives that Lieutenant Colonel Grant for whom he acted as Agent should be answerable - From that circumstance it becomes a question, not whether the Charges shall be admitted but whether Lieutenant Colonel Grant or Lieut. Loftie shall be accountable for the Retrenchments.—

6 By the 8th. Paragraph of the 3d. Section of the Camp Equipage Regulations Page 14th. in the Code of Regulations an Officer entitled to draw the Tent Contract Allowance is empowered in case of absence to appoint an Agent to act for him and to draw the Allowance, but it does not specify who is particularly held responsible for fulfilling the Contract - it was certainly blameable in Lieut. Loftie drawing for that part of the Camp Equipage which was in an unservicable state.—

7 Lieutenant Loftie states that I did

not admit his charges for Bullocks and Lascars for the unserviciable Tents — this is acknowledged, having acted on the Consideration that Bullocks and Lascars were an unneceſsary expense to the public unleſs the Tents were in good repair — Lieutenant Loftie also states that he was desired by Colonel Grant not to replace the unserviciable Tents which of itself Ought to establish the Retrenchments as totally inadmiſsible —

8 And it now remains with your Honorable Board to determine whether the Retrenchment should be recovered from Lieutenant Loftie or be transferred and recovered from Lieutenant Colonel Grant who had employed him as his Agent —

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
(Signed) P. Bruce
Mily. Audr. Genl.

Military Auditor Genl. Office
Fort St. George 2d. February
1809.

To

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

Honorable Sir,

I trust that on a fair representation of the hardships to which I have for some time past been exposed, in consequence of Retrenchments made against me chiefly on account of other Officers to a very considerable amount for which I have been placed under very heavy stoppages, I shall be justified in making an appeal to the Superior Board.—

The first with which I have occasion to trouble you, Honorable Sir is a retrenchment of the Camp Equipage Allowance of the Battalion for January 1808, which I drew as the Agent of Lieutenant Colonel Grant, and which has been retrenched, because a part of the Tents were returned unserviceable.— In my reply, I stated to the Auditor General that the Tents were damaged on the march of the Corps from Goa to Seringapatam, in November and December 1807 / a certificate to which effect was transmitted in June last / further that I had reported to Lieut. Colonel Grant, the state of the Tents, (I also offered to procure or make up others) but that I was not authorized to replace them, that [illegible] previous to his return to Europe received from me, the whole of the money which I had drawn on his account; that Lieutenant Colonel Grant must previous to his quitting India have produced Certificates from the Office of Audit, that there were no retrenchments against him, and that I should consequently, if not altogether prevented from recovering the amount, be put to the greatest Inconvenience, in laying so long out of the money.—

In the Auditor General's answer he is pleased to state, "Lieutenant Loftie has admitted the "objection to be just by stating that want of authority "from the Commanding Officer / not want of time "was the cause of their not being repaired".— Such an admission, Honorable Sir, I must beg leave to Disclaim, at least in so far as relates to the retrenchment being made against me Being merely the Agent of the

Lieutenant

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Lieutenant Colonel I could not consider myself at liberty to replace the tents without his authority; indeed I was desired not to do so, a copy of my letter with the Lieut. Colonel's answer shall if requisite be laid before the Honorable Board.—

4th. The other Retrenchment which I beg permission to submit to the consideration of the Board is of the Tent Allowance for February.— In reply to this I stated to the Auditor General that I drew the full Allowance for the Express purpose of replacing the unserviceable Tents, and that I accordingly Did so, having at that time actually contracted with Mr. Boxley, a merchant, to supply them; which I could not have done had I not received the allowance, the whole of which it was necessary to pay immediately, for the new Tents.— A certificate from the Contractor that the requisite number of new Tents were making was attached to the abstract for Tents Allowance drawn in the month following.—

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5th. Previous to concluding this addreſs Honorable Sir may I be permitted to observe that in admitting of a part of the Charges (which was done for those tents which were returned Serviceable) on re-audit, the allowance was not made which I humbly conceive I might have expected for the full complement of Bullocks Lascars and Drivers, but only for those required for the serviceable Tents, whereas that part of the Establishment was complete and was so returned

6th. Copies of the various Letters which have paſsed between the Auditor General and myſelf I have forborn to transmit, also from making any observations which might be considered unneceſsary being unwilling to treſpaſs on the time and attention of the Honorable Board, for whose support, from their known Impartiality and Justice I am induced to hope, and I trust I shall be Speedily relieved from the burthen of these

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Retrenchment.—

(Signed) W. Loftie

Lieut. and Adjutant

2d. Bn. 19th. Regt. N.I.

Tellicherry

28th. December 1808.

From the Military
uditor General.
Retrenchment against
Major Brice on
ccount of batta.—

To the Honorable

Sir George Hilaro Barlow Bart. & K.B.

Governor in Council

&ca. &ca. &ca.

Honorable Sir,

1 At the request of Major Brice commanding the 2d. Battalion 24th. Regiment of Native Infantry, I have to submit herewith a Copy of a letter from that officer on the subject of a claim to Superior half Batta for Commanding his Corps and for Court Martial allowance.—

2 Major Brice was ordered from Tanjore to attend as Prosecutor at a General Court Martial held at Trichinopoly.—

3 Agreeably to the Regulations of the Service the Command of the Corps devolved on the

next senior officer and Major Brice became entitled to travelling Batta according to the distance proceeding to and returning from Trichinopoly and to Court Martial Allowance during the time of his attendance on the Court these Allowances have accordingly been admitted and the Batta drawn by him in the superior rank for Commanding the Corps during a part of the same period — was retrenched on the supposition that Major Brice's Attendance on the Court Martial at Trichinopoly must necessarily have kept him at that Station and — Consequently precludes his right to Batta for Commanding the Corps. On explanation it now appears that, during an interval of adjournment of the Court Martial, Major Brice returned to Tanjore and reassumed the Command of his Corps which tho' unusual, and liable to objection on the part of the Officer next in Command to Major Brice, yet as it was not opposed by the former and as Major Brice appears to have exercised the Command —

his

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his claim to Batta for that period was admitted. but the charge for Court Martial Allowance is Objectionable for the same period, and is contrary to the Regulations—Should Government be pleased to approve the above opinion of admitting of the Batta to Major Brice whilst Commanding his Corps it may be proper to state that as he deviated from the Custom of the Service in returning to take the Command of his Corps (without a special Order to that effect) and as he from that step derived advantage. I am of Opinion he should only be allowed to draw Batta for going to and returning from Trichinopoly for one time only.—

4 Major Brice also objects to the number of days Batta which has been stated as his right for travelling on the grounds of a former regulation but as Major Brice is totally mistaken in what he states I consider it unnecessary to trouble your honor in Council with the particulars, as the present existing Regulation to which Major Brice Objects

lose his Allowance when in the discharge of his Public duty; It was no fault of mine that the Court Martial adjourned, my time could not have been better employed than with my Corps, and it is solely on this ground that I claim Court Martial Allowance for the Period of the adjournment, as well as Superior Batta while exercising Regimental Command. —

(Signed) R. Bruce
Major Comg. 2d. Battn.
24th. Regiment

Tanjore
16th. January 1809.

A true Copy
(Signed) C. Wetherell
Paymaster

A true Copy
(Signed) P. Bruce
Mily. Audr. Genl.

To the Military Paymaster
Trichinopoly

Sir,

Para 1 I have received your letter dated the 26th. Ultimo, with its enclosure —

You

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2 You will be pleased to acquaint Major Brice, that if any error has occurred in the batta for 26 days retrenched from him in the Accounts of April 1808, it arises from his own irregularity as he drew Court Martial allowance from 9th. March to 13th. April on account of a Court martial assembled at Trichinopoly, and it is clear that if he was correct in drawing this latter Allowance he could not be entitled to the Batta he drew for march as Commanding the Corps.—

3 As Major Brice desires that his letter may be submitted to Government you will be so pleased to inform him, that I do not see any necessity for troubling Government on the occasion—If he establishes his right to batta for the period retrenched, the existing regulations sufficiently provide for the case to enable me to authorize it, but in that event he cannot be entitled to the Court Martial Allowance which he drew for the same time,—

4 The proper Vouchers to support his claim for batta as Commanding the Corps is an

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Extract from Garrison Orders of Tanjore or a Certificate from the Commanding Officer stating the particular period of his absence on Court Martial duty to Trichinopoly.—

Regarding his Charge for Court Martial Allowance which has been also retrenched, he should forward a Certificate from the Deputy Judge Advocate, stating the particular periods during which his attendance was required — Vide Pay Tables Para 6th Page 303.—

With respect to travelling batta proceeding to and returning from Trichinopoly it must be regulated by the Quarter Master General's Table of distances, which allows 4 days for travelling that distance to and from,—

Major Brice adverts to a period during which no Officer has drawn batta for Commanding the Corps — If such appears to be the fact you are authorized to pay the arrear taking the new Code of Regulations Page 36 under the Head Batta for your guide, regulating also Major Brices Claim to Batta by the same authority —

Mily. Audr. Genls. Office
Fort St. George 9th Jany. 1809

(Signed) P. Bruce
Mily. Audr. Genl.

A true Copy
(Signed) P. Bruce
Mily. Audr. Genl.

Ordered that the following Reply be dispatched. —

To the Military Auditor General

To Do. in reply

Sir,

Para. 1 I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 2d. and 3d. Instant —

2 The Governor in Council concurs in your opinion that the retrenchment of the stated proportion of the Tent allowance drawn by the Agent for the Commanding Officer of the 2d. Battn. of the 19th Regiment of Native Infantry should be confirmed, and I am directed to desire that the

amount may be recovered from the Commanding Officer.—

3 I am further directed to take this occasion of observing to you that whenever it may be necessary for you to submit any point for the determination of the Governor in Council it will be proper for you at the same time to state your opinion on the case.—

4 The Governor in Council is pleased to confirm your Proceedings with respect to the Superior Half-Batta and Court Martial Allowance drawn by the Commanding Officer of the 2d. Battalion of the 24th. Regiment of Native Infantry while under orders to attend a General Court Martial at Trichinopoly.—

Fort St. George
9th. February 1809

I have the honor to be
&ca. &ca.
(Signed) G. Strachey
Secy. to Government.—

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

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From the Town Major
of Fort St. George
application of Mons.
Lefebvre relative to his
Return to the Isle of
France.—

The Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

Sir,

Mons. Lefebvre the french Prisoner of war who lately obtained permission to proceed to the Isle of France on his parole – has presented to me the enclosed application for leave to engage a vessel to carry him thither, I request you will lay it before the Honorable the Governor in Council —

Fort St. George
26th. January 1809

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) R. Barclay.
Town Major.

To His Excellency
Sir George Barlow Bart. & K. B.
Governor in Council
Fort St. George

Honorable Sir,

Having been deprived of the Honor of presenting myself to your Excellency for the

purpose -

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purpose of thanking you for the favor which you have granted me in allowing me to return to the Isle of France, I entreat that you will now accept my humble acknowledgements for it.

All Communication being broken off with that Colony I am forced again to importune your Excellency, by entreating that you will be pleased to permit me to purchase a small Vessel to enable me to return to my Family.

Your Excellency will no doubt deem my new request a bold one, but it is the only mean in my power for leaving this Country, and as it cannot in any way be prejudical to your Government, I venture to hope for this favor from your Goodness in granting which, you will entirely fulfil the wish of the most Subordinate and respectful Servant of your Excellency,

(Signed) Lefebure

Fort St. George
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A true Translation

(Signed) G. G. Keble
French Translator to Govt.

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Order thereon.

Ordered that the Town Major be desired to inform Mr. Lefebure that it is understood to be in the contemplation of the Supreme Government to despatch a Cartel to the Isle of France at an early period when an opportunity will probably be afforded to him of proceeding to that Island.—

With respect to the request of Mr. Lefebure for permission to engage a vessel to convey him to the Isle of France, the Board observe that it is obviously inadmissible.—

From the Town Major of Fort St. George Charges for flannel Shirts & death of the Royals & Removal of their Arms and other baggage—

To the Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

Sir,

In obedience to a Resolution of Government dated 30th November 1808 I procured all the coarse flannel which was in the Company's Warehouse and as much fine flannel as was necessary to make up 2034 Shirts for His Majesty's 2d. or Battalion of the Royals being at the rate of 2 Shirts to each Non-Commissioned Officer, Drummer, Fifer and Rank and File, and had them made of three sizes, of a pattern approved by the Commander in Chief and sent them up to the Corps in such numbers as could be finished daily, until the whole were completed.—

I have now the Honor to forward the Warehouse-keepers Bill for the flannel, amounting to Pagodas 1527.8.40 which I understand the Rules for his department require that I should pay to him in Money, and for that purpose I request authority to draw the amount from the Treasury.—

I also enclose a Bill for the expence of making up and forwarding the Clothing to Wallajahbad amounting to Pagodas 140-18-..

I also request that agreeably to the Resolution of Government dated 9th June 1807 You will submit for the sanction of the Honorable the Governor in Council the following Bills Vizt.

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1st For Clothing supplied to four European Soldiers who had been long detained in the Main Guard under sentences of transportation which could not be carried into execution, and who were ordered to be sent to serve on board H. M. Navy and were accordingly sent to the Belliqueux . . .	39-27-36
2d For ten Articles furnished to His Majesty's 30th Regiment on their embarkation for Service	1110-4-36
3d For the usual articles furnished to the Charter Party Passengers embarked on the late fleet for England	717-..-18
4th For ten Articles furnished to the Coast Artillery on their embarkation for service	47-17-33

I have also to report to you for the information of the Honorable the Governor in Council that Moodoo Ramah Singah Setoopetty the Rajah of Ramnad — A State Prisoner in this fort — under the orders of Government, having become sickly — and expressed a wish to have Medical Assistance I directed the Surgeon and Assistant Surgeon of the Garrison to attend him which they did regularly — The Rajah however grew daily worse and the Surgeon having represented that, he might benefit by change of air — I consented to his request, to be allowed to remove into the Black Town — attended by a Guard which he accordingly did on the 22d Instant — but on the 24th Mr. White reported his death to me; —

I then authorized a respectable Native Inhabitant of Madras Shankaraporam Vencatachellum Chitty, to superintend his funeral rites — and to conduct them in every respect conformable to the particular customs of the Rajah's Cast and suitable to his rank as far as the expenditure of 1000 Rupees (the amount of one Months pension to the Rajah during his confinement would admit — from the reports which I have received — I have reason to believe that the Ceremonies were performed agreeably to these instructions, and in a manner that gave satisfaction to the people attached to the Rajah as well as to a very great number of Spectators —

I trust that these measures will be approved by Government and that the payment of 1000 Rupees which I authorized to be expended — will be sanctioned — The account is submitted herewith, and exceeds the above by 144½ Rupees which I understand could not be avoided — as the quantity of some Articles used in the Ceremonies could not be exactly calculated — and was only to be ascertained by the experiment — The Honorable the Governor in Council may therefore be induced to allow the whole amount of the Expence —

Some Women lived with the Rajah during his confinement who were not noticed in the orders of Government respecting him and whom he never mentioned to me — when I visited him occasionally — They expressed a desire to see me when the Rajah was about to remove to the Black

Town — but I could not attend them at the moment — and they accompanied him. It was only then that I ascertained to a certainty that there were three Women — They had also two Children — with them (two Boys) I have not heard from them since the Rajah's death — but I presume they may come forward with some representation as soon as the time prescribed by their Customs — will allow them to attend to business —

The Rajah left several trunks and boxes in his apartments in the fort — which I caused to be locked up and have placed a guard over — until further orders —

Town Major's Office
Fort St. George
1st February 1809.

I have the honor to be
Yrs. &c.
(Signed) R. Barclay
Town Major

Orders thereon.

Ordered that an Extract from the foregoing letter regarding the funeral and property of the late Rajah of Ramnad be furnished to the Revenue Department —

Ordered

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Ordered that authority be given for the payment of the Bills submitted with the foregoing letter —

From the Town Major of Fort St George application for Tubs, Table and Benches for the use of the Royal Regiment —

To the Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

Sir,

I request you will submit to the consideration of the Honorable the Governor in Council the accompanying letter from Lieutenant Colonel Cowan Commanding the 2d. Battalion Royals, in Garrison —

I have observed the great inconvenience arising from the want of the Tubs in the Barrack Yard which Colonel Cowan applies for, and if they are allowed by Government, I beg leave to suggest that four Toties may also be allowed for them, as I believe the Duty now to be required was not entered upon, when the proportion of Attendants of that description for European Troops, was originally fixed by Government —

A Table and Benches are usual in Regimental Orderly Rooms, and were formerly allowed in this Garrison, altho none have been so for some years past.—

I believe the allowed Gunnies are compleat; some of them had only been removed on account of White Washing the Barracks at the time that Coll. Conran inspected them.—

Town Major's Office
Fort St. George
4th February 1809.

I have the honor to be &c. &c.
(Signed) R. Barclay
Town Major

To the Town Major of
Fort St. George

Sir,

On inspection of the Barracks (occupied by the Royal) this morning, I found all the places immediately adjoining extremely filthy, and an intolerable Stench of urine; the men as they always will piss when they turn out in the night in the nearest place they can find: to remedy this nuisance, I request that we may be furnished with ten large Urine Tubs which are to be emptied three times

daily

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daily Morning noon and night time, unless this request is complied with I see that it will be impossible to keep the Barracks wholesome and clean.— I have also to request that Gunnies may be furnished when wanted, and that they may be properly rigged pullies, cords, &ca.— I have one more request that is to be furnished with a Table for our orderly room, and a few forms or benches.—

I am particularly anxious to get the barracks into nice order, and to preserve them so, and if you will be so good as to furnish me with the means I will be answerable for setting an example of neatness, and order which will be of use hereafter.—

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

Fort St. George
3d. February 1809

(Signed) H. Conran
Lieut. Col.
Royal

Ordered

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Order thereon.

Ordered that authority be given for carrying into effect the suggestions of the Commanding Officer of H. M. Royal Regiment for improving the state of the King's Barrack in Fort St. George.—

Read the following Letter.——

From the Advocate General.—

From the Advocate General. Report upon the undertaker's claim for funeral charges of two officers.—

To the Secretary to Government in the
Military Department

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter to him under the 27th January 1808 enclosing the Copy of a Letter from Mr. Daniel Johnston the Undertaker of Madras, claiming the payment of the funeral charges of two Officers out of the amount of their Effects deposited in the General Treasury, and I beg to acquaint you that I see no objection to the payment of the Bills of the Undertaker out of the funds of each Estate now in the Treasury.—

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4th February 1809.

I have the honor to be &c. &c.
(Signed) A. Anstruther
Advocate Genl.

Ordered

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Order thereon

Ordered that the Accountant General and Civil Auditor be desired to authorise the payment of the Bills for the expences of the funerals of the two Officers mentioned in the foregoing letter.

From the Secretary at Bombay.

From the Secretary at Bombay Lieutenant Savary permitted to proceed to England

To George Strachey Esqr.
Secretary Milty. Dept. to the Govt.
of Fort St. George

Sir,

In communicating to you the accompanying Copies of two Letters from Lieutenant Savary of the 2d Regiment Madras Native Cavalry dated the 25th of December last and 9th Instant, I am directed to request you will acquaint the Honorable the Governor in Council of Fort St. George that in view to the urgency of the circumstances set forth by Lieutenant Savary the Honorable the Governor in Council in anticipation of the concurrence of the Government of Fort St. George has granted permission to that Officer to proceed to Europe by the Ships under Dispatch for the recovery of his health.—

I have the honor to be
&ca &ca
(Signed) Wm Newnham
Secy to Govt.—

Bombay Castle
16th January 1809

To the Honorable
Jonathan Duncan Esqre
President Governor &ca &ca &ca in Council

Honorable Sir,

In consequence of an Intimation made to me through the Adjutant General, that in the late application I made to Government for the sale of my Horses and Furlough to Europe I neglected to state at what Period I wished to leave this Country, it becomes necessary for me once more to address your Honorable Board requesting you will allow me to proceed to Europe by the ensuing Fleet in one of the Ships of which, I have engaged with the Captain for a Passage.— The State of my Eyesight is such that the medical Men assure

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me, a longer stay in this Country will greatly lessen the Hope there now is of a Recovery on my arrival in Europe, There is also another Reason which I trust will induce your Honorable Board to acquiesce with my Request which is, that as I have made the final agreement for my Passage the Captain will naturally call upon me for the Amount whether I go with him or not, which would so distress me as to put it out of my Power ever to return to Europe should I obtain leave hereafter. — The above Explanation I trust will be sufficient Inducement with your Honorable Board to grant the request I made in my letter of 30th. ultimo, both for furlough to Europe and for sale of my Horses, which if the Ships sail as soon as I am given to expect there will not be sufficient Time for me to Apply to Madras —

The reason I did not apply at first to my own Government was that I was informed by many Military Men who had a great Deal more experience than Myself that as the Regi-

-ment

Regiment to which I belonged to, is serving with the Subsidiary Force under the orders of the Bombay Government, that I was to consider myself as an Officer belonging to this Establishment in Respect to any application for furlough to Europe.—

Bombay
9th. January 1809

I have the honor to be &c. &c.
(Signed) J. Savery
Lieut. & Adjt.
2d. Madras Cavalry

True Copy
(Signed) Wm. Newnham
Secy. to Govt.

To the Honorable
the Governor in Council Bombay

Honorable Sir,

Having had the misfortune to be rendered totally incapable of doing my Duty by an entire loss of my sight which disappeared in the month of May last, I am advised to apply to you for permission to proceed to Europe as the only means by which a hope may be entertained of my recovery I cannot yet forward the sick Certificates as I am waiting for some necessary Documents to accompany them which I wrote for yesterday to the Office of Audit Gen. Gen. at Madras.—

The object of now addressing you, is to state that I have two regimental Chargers which I purchased on my first arrival in the Country four years ago, from the Honorable the Company's Government at Madras, for the regulated price of two hundred Pagodas each; as no person here will give me the value of the Horses, I request, that you will accept of them again on the part of Honorable Company - and authorize my receiving their amount Rupees fourteen hundred from the Paymaster at this Presidency.—

Captain Moncriff of the 2d Regiment Native Cavalry is now here to receive some Horses, which are expected to land and with your sanction I will deliver over my Horses into

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into his Hands.—

Bombay
25.th December 1808

I have the honor to be &c. &c.
(Signed) S. Savary
Lieut.t & Act.g Q.r Master
Cavalry—

True Copy
(Signed) W.m Newnham
Secy. to Govt.

Resolution thereon

Resolved that the permission granted by the Government of Bombay to Lieutenant Savary of this Establishment to proceed to Europe be confirmed in Gene Orders.—

From the Secry. at Bombay advance of Cash to Capt.n Moncrieff—

To George Strachey Esq.re
Secretary in the Mil.y Depart.t to the Gov.t of Fort S.t George

Sir,

Captain Moncrieff of the Madras Esta-blishment, in Charge of the remount horses for the Ca Regiments with the Poona and Jaulna Forces having ma an application for a further Advance, I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to acquaint you, for the information of the Honorable the Governor

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in Council at Fort St. George, that Orders have been issued to the Pay Department to advance to that Officer the sum of Rupees (8000) eight thousand, Carrying the amount to the debit of the Madras Presidency.—

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

(Signed) Wm. Newnham
Secy. to Govt.

Bombay
24th January 1809.

From the Commissioner at Tranquebar

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

om the Com-
ssioner at
nquebar
commends a
nthly allowance
of P. 8 for Mr. Morel

Sir

I have the honor to transmit as a Petition for a subsistence from a Mr. Morel of the place and as the contents of his Petition, from what I have been able to learn of him appear to be correct I recommend that he be granted a Monthly Allowance of Star Pagodas 8 —

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

(Signed) A. H. Kelso
Commissioner

Commissioner's Office
Tranquebar
23d. January 1809

To

Fort St. George 8th. February 1809.

To H. A. Kelso Esqre.

British Commissioner

&c. &c. &c.

Tranquebar

Sir,

I take hereby the liberty to incommode you, my indigent Circumstance. as I am now for 20 Years ago Arrived here in India from Regusa in Italia where I am Born, and have in the first 5 Years navigated from Bombay by the English Ships, and now in this 15 Years have I always been employed by several Danish Ships here from Tranquebar as Officer and have acquired in this time, I am here in India a little fortune. which I coulde Support myself and my Family. but by this unhappy War with Danemark. and England have I lost all my Fortune. by several danish Ships Capturing. but mostly by the danish Brig Marcus on

Condamnation at Bengal, wherein I had my whole fortune, which have brought me in this indegent Circumstance and Distress for leaving as I have my Wife four Childrens and my Mother in law to Support, which is the Case that I take the liberty to represent you this my Petition and that you will have the humanity for me and my poor Family to recommend my Petition to the Honorable Government at Madras by your Kind recommendation & that I could obtain an allowance to Support myself and poor family, as an Inhabitant and seafaring of this Place till I could be so happy of being employed by the English or Danish Ships which I have seen in this ten Months Waited for and therefore Beg you Sir to have this my Petition in your kind Consideration and you will be convicted by all the Seafarings of this Place, that

I am

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I am in this indegent Circumstance as I inform you

Tranquebar
the 31st December 1808

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) J. Morel

Order thereon

Ordered that copies of the two foregoing letters be furnished for the information of the Military Auditor General, and that he be desired to authorise the payment of an allowance of Star Pags. 8 pr. Month to M. Morel as recommended by the Commiſsioner at Tranquebar.—

From Colonel Torrens

From Colonel Torrens. application for Command.—

To George Buchan Esqr.
Chief Secy. to Government

Sir,

Having been in regard to my interest and Welfare much neglected by our three last Commanders in Chief since my promotion to

Colonel

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Colonel, removed me from the immediate Command of a Sepoy Battalion, in the Common participation of the honor and remunerations of the Service, I was induced to have a Communication with our late Commander in Chief on the Subject. He said he knew of no reason why I was not in a situation of Command Appropriate to my rank, but of my never Making any Application either to Governor Barlow or himself on that head. I then expressed a hope that as he was about to leave Madras in a Day or two he would honor me with a few lines on the subject of my Claims under long and faithful Services in this Country to be laid before the Governor in Council at a convenient season. To this the General expressed a pleasure in readily aſsenting to. I have therefore the honor Sir to forward his letter herewith to be laid before the Honorable the President in Council with my Duty and respects Accompanied by this letter, and to expreſs my hope of Succeeding to the Command of One of the Division Commands now Vacant by the removal of Major General Gowdie to Command the Army and General Fuller to Bengall.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your Most Obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) Fras. Torrens
Col. & Major Genl.
in India

Madras
5th February 1809.

George Buchan Esqre.
Chief Secy.

Sir,

In Justice to an old and respectable Officer

Fort St. George 8th. February 1809

Officer who has served the East India Company for near forty years, without revisiting his native land. and who has during that long period been employed in the active and arduous services to which the East Army has been exposed, with credit to himself and advantage to his Country. I submit with Confidence the claims of Colonel Francis Torrens to the consideration of the Honorable the President in Council —

By an omission in the Offices at home, his Commission of Major General has not been sent out, or there cannot be a doubt that his pretentions to the staff are as strong as any officer in the Army —

From my personal knowledge of his Services under my own Command in the Island of Ceylon, I can confidently recommend him to the Honorable the Governor —

I am &c. &c.

Madras
23d. January 1809

(Signed) Hay Macdowall

Ordered

1300

Fort St. George 8th February 1809

To lie on the table.

Ordered to lie on the Table.—

The President informs the Board that He has appointed Captain R. Bayer Otto to the charge of the Body Guard during the absence of the Commandant and of the Adjutant of that Corps.—

Ordered that the appointment be published in General Orders.—

G H Barlow

Ca H Strange

W Petrie

Oakes

Jas H Casamayor

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Fort S.t George — February 1809

Diary

9.th Received the following Letters

To George Strachey Esq.r

Secretary to Government

Fort S.t George

From the Secretary to His Excellency Admiral Pellew relative to Buildings of the Naval Hospital

Sir

I received the honor of your letter yesterday dated the 21.st of last November inclosing the Report of the Military Board on the new Buildings of the naval Hospital at Madras.

I have laid them before the Commander in Chief by whom I am directed to request you will express to the Honorable the Governor in Council His Excellency's acknowledgements for this Communication and also for the attention which has been so fully paid to his request that the new buildings might undergo that official Inspection -

H. M. Ship Culloden at Sea

26.th January 1809 -

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

(Signed) Edward Hawke Locker

Extract

Fort St. George — February 1809

Extract of a letter from St. Helena Dated 10th August 1808

Extract of a letter from St. Helena application for Lascars to Serve on the Island.—

In consequence of the great inconvenience which has been experienced here from the deficiency of Labouring population, we have been instructed by the Honorable Court of Directors "to make it an object of an early and particular attention to engage a number of Lascars and Chinese as Laborers or Workmen"— In compliance therefore with these Instructions (of the expediency of which we feel the strongest conviction) We have determined to apply to your Government to engage about One hundred, to serve at St. Helena upon an Establishment something similar to that adopted for the Corps of Pioneers of your Establishment with the usual Complement of Native non Commissioned Officers.

Of the above number it would be advisable that about half a Dozen should — consist of Carpenters, the same number of Blacksmiths

a few

9th a few husbandmen, Fishermen, Potters or Brickmakers and 16 or 18 Seamen for the master attendants Department, the Serangs and a proportionate number of Tindals should be nominated at the time they are engaged by your Government.

In respect to the terms upon which they should be engaged, We have to observe that a Party of Lascars had recently been employed here under the Master attendant upon the following Pay and allowances with which they were satisfied 1^{lb} Rice 1/4^{lb} Doll with one Shilling p^{r}. day one Jacket, two Shirts two p^{r}. Trousers, two Waistcoats one Turban and one pair of Shoes p^{r}. annum for each man.

We believe that these allowances are higher than are general at madras and We have no objection to adopt them in respect to the People for whom we now apply and to admit of a proportionate encrease of Pay to the Serangs and Tindals, according to the rate followed upon the

Coast

9th Coast. - When they arrive here a place will be appropriated for their Hutts. We think they should be enlisted for the term of Five years and they might be distributed in the homeward bound Ships from Madras, so as to work their passage, by which no expence to the Company would be incurred, in conveying them to St. Helena - We have also to suggest the propriety of sending Two years supply of Cloathing with them, except woolen articles which we believe can be procured here at a cheaper rate than in India -

In the expectation that these Persons will be sent by the first Conveyance to St. Helena We have indented to Bengal for a supply of Doll and Ghee and an additional quantity of Rice and having made this application to your Government, and although We have Communicated to you our ideas upon the subject we must however leave to you the final arrangement of the

9th this Plan convinced that you will adopt that mode which you may conceive most advantageous to the Interests of the Company.

A true Extract

(Signed) G. G. Keble
Secy to Govt

Sent the following Letter

To the Town Major
of Fort St. George

Sir,

e Town Major of Fort
eorge acquainting him
he information of Mr
bure that an opportunity
be afforded him of
ceeding to the Isle of
nce in a Cartel but
no Vessel can be enga-
on his own account.

Para 1 I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 26th Ultimo and to acquaint you for the information of M Lefebure that it is understood to be in the contemplation of the Supreme Government to dispatch a Cartel to the Isle of France at an early period which will probably afford to him an opportunity of proceeding to that Island.

2 The request of M Lefebure for permission to engage a Vessel on his own account for his conveyance to the Isle of France is evidently

in

9th

inadmissible —

Fort St. George
9th February 1809.

I am &ca &ca
(Signed) G. Strachey
Secy to Govt

Received and Sent the following letters entered in M.B. No. 26.27.28.29.30.31.32.33.34.35. -

From the Military Auditor General — From Major Bruce. Reports on the Estimate of Cash by the Paymaster at Trichinopoly

To the Officer commanding the army in Chief. — To Major General Gowdie. Transmitting Extracts from the Proceedings of the Governor in Council and requesting that they may be Communicated to the Medical Board.

To Ditto. — To Ditto on the above.

To Ditto. — To Ditto. Transmitting extracts of letters to and from the Accountant General.

To Ditto. — To Ditto. Transmitting extract from the minutes of Consultation.

To the Military Board — To the Military Board. Transmitting extracts of letters to and from the Board of Trade.

To

1307

Fort St. George — February 1809

9th

To the Military Board.

To the Military Board - Enclosing Copy of a letter from the Town Major of Fort St. George and acquainting him that the recommendations will be carried into effect -

To the Military Auditor General.

To the Military Auditor General - Refering Copy of a letter from the Military Secretary of the late Commander in Chief relative to the allowances of Batta. Desiring that the Bills recommended by the Military Board and the Town Major of Fort St. George may be authorized and that the same authority be given for the Charges stated in the letters from the Town Major and Commissioner at Tranquebar - Enclosing Copy of a letter from the Secretary at Bombay stating that money had been advanced on account of the Horse agency -

To the Accountant General and Civil Auditor

To the Accountant General and Civil Auditor - Enclosing Copy of a letter from the undertaker of Madras and desiring him to authorize the payment of the expence of the funerals therein mentioned -

To the Town Major of Fort St. George

To the Town Major of Fort St. George - stating that proper directions have been given to admit the Charges for articles supplied to the Royal Regiment and to the Charter party Passengers who proceeded to Europe Instructions to be given from the Revenue Department for the disposal of the Family &ca of the late Rajah at Ramnad Ordering that the European Barrack may be improved.

10th

From the Military Paymaster General

Received a letter from the Honorable Mr Murray entered in MB No 36. Poonah Paymasters List of Bills drawn on the Military Paymaster General.

11th

Received and Sent the following letters entered in MB No 37 - 38.

From the Military Auditor General.

From Major Bruce. Honorable Mr Murray assumed charge of the Office of the Paymaster Genl.

To the Secretary to the Govt at Fort William

To Mr Thornhill Transmitting the General return for the month of January

12th

To the Military Paymaster General

Sent a letter to the Military Paymaster General entered in MB No 39 Transmitting Copies of the Military Auditor Generals report on the additional estimate of Cash required by the Paymaster at Trichinopoly.

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To the Military Board.

Sent a letter to the Military Board entered in MB No 40 Transmitting Copies of the Invoices of Military Stores for the Presidencies of Bengal and Bombay

At

1809 Fort St. George 14th February 1809

At a Consultation.

Present

The Honorable
Sir George Hilaro Barlow Bt. & K.B.

Governor and President

William Petrie
Thomas Oakes
and
J H Casamaijor
} Esqrs.

uesday the
14th February
1809

Minutes of last Consultation read and approved.

Read the following letters from the Military Board

om the Military
Board. Register of
traordinary Charges
dances of Com
recommended

To the Honorable Sir G H Barlow Bart. K.B.
Governor in Council
&ca. &ca. &ca.

Honble Sir

Para. We have the honor to forward for the decision of Government Register of Charges Extraordinary for the month of December 1808 with our opinion annexed on the several charges.-

2 We recommend payment of the following advances of money for works authorized by Government for execution on Estimate Vizt.

To the Superintending Engineer at Bangalore.

1 An advance of Pagodas 108 being half the Estimated Cost of constructing 16 Sentry Boxes in Masonry at that station.

2 - Pagodas 261 being one third of the estimated expence of building a Gram House at Bangalore.

3 - Pagodas 771 being one third of the estimated expence of constructing Guard-rooms in the Fort, and in the Cantonment at Bangalore.

To the Superintending Engineer at Cannanore

4 - The Sum of Pagodas 98 being one third of the estimated expence for completing the repairs required to the main Guard in that Fortress.

5 Pagodas 780. being one third of the Estimate for building a place of Arms and Hospital for a Battalion of Native Infantry at Cannanore.

To the Superintending Engineer in the Ceded Districts

6 The Sum of Pagodas 1493. being one third of the Estimated Cost of Constructing a new European Hospital at Bellary according to Plan No. 2 / Tiled / on the Scite of the old Artillery Barrack using the materials of the Building.

7 .... Pagodas 1514 being one third of the estimated expence of constructing an arched Barrack for one Company of Artillery with out Offices, Sheds &ca. Complete in the lower fort of Bellary.

8 Pagodas 312 being one third of the Estimate for constructing Guard Rooms in the lower fort of Gooty.

9 Pagodas 1004 being one third of the Estimated Cost of constructing Guard rooms

and Congee House in the upper fort of Gooty, and a Guard room for the State Prisoners Guard.

10 . . . An advance of Pagodas 1127 to the Engineer at Vellore, being one third of the estimated cost of the repairs required to the Cavalry Barracks at Connatore. –

11 . . . An advance of Pagodas 416 to the Superintending Engineer at Vellore being one third of the Estimated Cost of converting the Roi mahal into an European Hospital, at that Station. –

Fort St. George
1st February 1809

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

(Signed) E. Trapaud
Robt. Bell
P. Bruce

From the Military Board. embarkation Fuzes and Carbine balls. Compensation to the inhabitants of Alandoo. Bulls

To the Honorable Sir G. H. Barlow Bart. K.B.
Governor in Council &ca. &ca. &ca.

Hon'ble Sir

Parā 1st. We have the honor to acknowledge

Butts for the Bd of Trade - arrack for Quilon - remarks on the subject of these supplies dismission - supply of military Stores for Hyderabad. -

the receipt of Mr. Buchans Letters of 23d and 26th January, and to report that we directed the embarkation of Fuzes and Carcass balls for the Shells recently despatched from the Arsenal, and they have been accordingly sent. -

2 We enclose Copies of a letter and enclosure from the Commandant of Artillery, relative to the payment of the Compensation which Government allowed to the Inhabitants of Allandoor. -

3 We forward Copy of a letter from the Garrison Storekeeper reporting the delivery of 42 butts by order of the Board of Trade, and stating that 12,000 Gallons of Arrack which we had directed him to send to Quilon, had been supplied and forwarded by Messrs. Balfour and Baker.

4 As the Regulations of the Service do not authorize the Garrison Storekeeper to issue any part of the Stores Committed to his charge, under an order from the Board of Trade, or to question our authority to direct the disposal of them,

we

Fort St. George 14th February 1809

we should be inclined to disapprove of his having iſsued the butts as reported, and his having omitted to comply with our order for the despatch of the arrack, did we not suppose that he had acted according to the best of his Judgement, and under the knowledge of circumstances, respecting which we have no information. the butts appear to have been required for the use of the Troops, any objection to the supply might therefore have been attended with inconvenience to the public Service; It is also probable that the arrack which we directed the Garrison Storekeeper to supply as reported in our letter of the 18th Ultimo was not required, and that in omitting the supply which we had ordered he may have acted properly, under these circumstances we submit the subject to the consideration of Government, not intending to attach blame to the Garrison Storekeeper, but merely noticing the practical operation of a system which has suspended the Controul that we were supposed to have over certain departments and has rendered the orders that we iſsue perfectly nugatory.

5 With reference to the orders conveyed in the Chief Secretarys letter of the 7th January we beg to report that the Commiſsary has been directed to prepare Stores to be forwarded to Hydrabad, but we have not been able from the papers forwarded to ascertain the extent to which it is intended by Government that Stores should be supplied. The Statements which accompanied Mr. Buchan's letter are formed on principles altogether diſsimilar, and as we do not poſseſs — information regarding the intentions of Government whether there shall be a fixed depot of ammunition and military Stores at Jalna or whether only a light Field Magazine shall be provided, we feel it difficult to determine which of the Statements is best adapted to the purposes — intended. Captain Noble's Statements forwarded

by Lieutenant Colonel Doveton are founded on a presumption of certain Service, and consequent expenditure of military Stores. if that be assumed as the Principle, the Estimates appear just. If Colonel Montresors observations and suggestions respecting the supply of Stores occasionally from Secunderabad be considered to embrace the object of Government, the Statement of ammunition and Stores forwarded with his letter to the Resident, with some additional Stores will be sufficient for a light Field magazine. –

Fort St. George
1st February 1809.

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

(Signed) { E. Trapaud
Robt. Bell
P. Bruce

To

1317 Fort St. George 14th. February 1809

To the Secretary to the
Military Board

Sir

I have the honor to transmit acquittance Roll for the Compensation paid to the Inhabitants of Allandoor for Houses and Hutts removed by order of Government amount Pagodas 279 - as per Letter from the Secretary to Government in Military Department to Military Board 29th. December 1808 -

St. Thomass Mount
19th. January 1809 -

(Signed) Robt. Bell
Lieut. Col. Commandt.

List

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Fort St. George 11th February 1809

List of Proprietors and valuation of their Houses recommended to be removed

No.		P	F	C	(Signed)
1	Mootoosawmy Tindall house & well	40	"	"	[illegible]
2	Vencatachellum small house & well	7	"	"	[illegible]
16	Tanachella Naig General Smith's Butler house and well	20	"	"	[illegible]
99	Coomarasawmy Moodely house & well	45	"	"	[illegible]
104	Purasooramah Tindal house	2	"	"	[illegible]
105	Cheravanah Pillay Do.	5	"	"	[illegible]
106	General Smiths Mootackerry house and well	10	"	"	[illegible]
107	Cenah Vencatachellum house & well	25	"	"	[illegible]
115	Ayapah house and well	1	22	40	[illegible]
116	Cenaverpilly Rungapah naig house and well	20	"	"	[illegible]
117	Tanapen Bricklayer do. do.	15	"	"	[illegible]
	40 Huts averaged at 2½ Rupees but 51 Claimants appearing they have been paid. R F C 1 . 12 . 20	28	22	40	paid as p. separate acquittance Roll Rob Bell
	Pag.	279	"	"	

Witness

(Signed) [illegible]

+ [illegible]

(Signed) Robt. Bell

Lt. Colt. Comt.

True Copies

(Signed) A. Stock

D. S. M. B.

1319 Fort St. George 14th February 1809

To the Secretary

Military Board

Sir

I have the honor to transmit you the Returns of Sundry Articles sent on Board the Honorable Company's Ships William Pitt, Lady Jane Dundas, and Jane Dutcheſs of Gordon for the use of 165 men under orders of Embarkation to Europe as per Indent paſsed by the Military Board, and also I have delivered to the Aſsistant Mr. Attendant 42 Empty Leaguer Butts holding 6750 Gallons to be sent on board the Ship Lovely Hannah by order of the Board of Trade.

The Arrack for 4 months for 2,000 men amount to 12,000 Gallons sent to Quilon have been supplied by Meſsrs. Balfour and Baker agents for Spirituous Liquors.

Fort St. George
25th January 1809

I am &ca. &ca.
(Signed) I. Greenhill
Garrison Storekr.

Return

Fort St. George 4th February 1809

Return of Sundry articles sent on Board the Honorable Company's Ship William Pitt for the use of 55 men under order of Embarkation as follows

			Gallons Drams
Arrack	4 Casks	Containing	431. 30
Sago	1 Bag	Weighing neat	110. Pounds
Sugar	2 Bags	Do.	321 3/4 Do.
Vinegar	2 Casks	Containing	110. Gallons
Lime Juice	1 Cask	Do.	18 Do.
Portwine	1/2 Chest	Do.	Dozen 6 of Bottles

(Signed) J. Greenhill
Garrison Storekr.

Fort St. George
24th January 1809

Return of Sundry articles sent on board the Honorable Company's Ship Lady Jane Dundas for the use of 55 men under order of Embarkation as follows.

			Gallons Drams
Arrack	4 Casks	Containing	431. 30
Sago	1 Bag	weighing neat	110 Pounds
Sugar	2 Bags	Do.	321 3/4 Do.
Vinegar	2 Casks	Containing	110 Gallons
Lime Juice	1 Cask	Do.	18 Do.

Port

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			Dozen	Bottles
Port wine	½ Chest	Containing	6	7

(Signed) J. Greenhill
Garrison Storekr.

Fort St. George
24th January 1809 -

Return of Sundry articles sent on Board the Honorable Company's Ship Jane Dutchess of Gordon for the use of 55 men under order of Embarkation as follows -

			Gallons	Drams
Arrack	4 Casks	containing	431	30
Sago	1 Bag	weighing neat	110 Pounds	
Sugar	2 Bags	Do.	321¼ Do.	
Vinegar	2 Casks	containing	110 Gallons	
Lime Juice	1 Cask	Do.	18 Do.	
			Dozen	Bottles
Port wine	½ Chest	Do.	6	7

(Signed) J. Greenhill
Garrison Storekr.

Fort St. George
24th January 1809 -

True Copies

(Signed) A. Stock
D.S.M.B.

To

1322

From the Military Board advances of Cash recommended –

Fort St. George 4th. February 1809

To the Honorable Sir G. H. Barlow Bart. K.B.
Governor in Council
&ca. &ca. &ca.

Honble Sir

We beg to recommend payment of the following advances of money – Vizt.

An advance of Pagodas 3312. – to Lieutenant Fraser the acting agent for the Supply of military Stores, on account of articles required for the Service of the arsenal of Fort St. George –

An advance of Pagodas 446. – to the Superintending Engineer at Arcot, being one – third of the Estimate for repairs to the Stabling of His Majesty's 22d. Regiment Light Dragoons and 7th. Regiment Native Cavalry at that Station –

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

Fort St. George
7th. February 1809

(Signed) E. Trapaud
Robt. Bell
P. Bruce
M. A. Genl.

Ordered

1323

Fort St. George 14th February 1809

Order thereon

Ordered that authority be given for the payment of the advances of money recommended in the foregoing letters.

Ordered that the Register of Extraordinaries for December last be returned to the Military Board, with the decisions of the Governor in Council annexed in the usual form.

Ordered that the following letters be dispatched to the Military Board and to the Resident at Hydrabad.

To the President & Members of the
Military Board

Gentlemen,

To the Military Board approving the mode of distribution made by the Commandant of Artillery to the Subalterns of Artillery. An extract of their letter will be submitted to the Board of Trade in order that an explanation may be afforded. Directions respecting the supply of ammunition &c to the Detachment at [illegible] to be hereafter furnished. Stating that the payment of the advances of money have been authorized.

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

2 The Governor in Council approves the mode in which the Commandant of Artillery has distributed the amount of the Compensation which was authorized to be

granted to the Inhabitants of Allandoor

3 An Extract from your letter regarding the stated interference of the Board of Trade in the duties of the Department of the Garrison Storekeeper at Fort St. George, will be furnished to that Board, in order that they may submit the necessary explanation.

4 You will be furnished with further directions respecting the supply of military Stores and ammunition for the use of the Detachment in Berar, so soon as the requisite information on that subject shall have been received from the Resident at Hydrabad.

5 Authority has been given for the payment of the advances of money recommended in your letter of the 7th Instant.

Fort St. George
15th February 1809

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

To

Fort St. George 14th. February 1809

To Captain Sydenham

Resident at Hydrabad

To the Resident at Hydrabad Transmitting an extract of a letter from the Military Board on the subject of the supply of Arms &c. to the detachments at Berar Stating that orders will be postponed until the required information is received from him.

Sir

Para 1st. You were furnished on the 7th. Ultimo by order of the Honorable the Governor in Council with a Copy of the letter which had been dispatched under that date to the Military Board respecting the supply of military Stores and ammunition for the use of the Detachment serving in Berar.

2 I am now directed to transmit to you the enclosed extract of a letter from the Military Board containing their reply to those instructions, and to acquaint you that the Governor in Council will postpone the issue of further orders on the subject until you shall have been enabled to furnish the information required in the Chief Secretary's letter of the 7th. Ultimo.

3 It will also be proper for you

in replying to that letter to advert to the observations stated in the enclosed communication from the Military Board. -

Fort St. George
15th February 1809 -

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

(Signed) G. Strachey
Secy to Govt.

Read the following letter from the Accountant General -

To the Chief Secretary to Government

From the Accountant General issue of Coilly fanams by the Collector at Tinnevelly -

Sir

Para 1st I have the honor to send accompanying to be laid before the Honorable the Governor in Council Copy of a letter from Mr. Hepburn Collector of Tinnevelly upon the subject of advancing Coilly fanams to the Troops, to which it appears difficult to suggest any positive reply for if he should pay to the Troops only as large a proportion of Coilly Fanams as his Collections will afford and the remainder in Rupees and

Pagodas

1327 Fort St. George 14th February 1809

Pagodas the orders of Government which are positive will not be complied with, and if Coilly Fanams are purchased for the occasion the Loss to Government as stated by Mr. Hepburn is likely to be heavy.

2 The order alluded to by Mr. Hepburn is copied Verbatim in his Letter.

3 It would appear by Mr. Hepburn's letter that even the Sacrifice on the part of Government would not effectually provide for the Evil, for that there is scarcely sufficient Currency in the District in Coilly-fanams to answer the demand if the principle be adhered to.

4 Under every view of the subject it only occurs to me to recommend that from the necessity of immediate determination, — Mr. Hepburn be directed to issue the Coilly fanams as far as his Collections will admit of and the remainder in Rupees and Pagodas

from which should any serious Loss arise to the Troops, the reimbursement of it may be matter of future consideration.

5 This business of advances in Coilly fanams appears to be a local arrangement, the reason for which does not appear and being evidently an inconvenience I would beg to suggest its reference to the Mint Committee as connected with the General subject of the reform of the Coinage. -

Fort St. George
Accountt. Genl. Office
14th February 1809. -

I have the honor to be
&ca. &ca.
(Signed) Cecil Smith
Accountt. Genl.

To the Accountant General
& Civil Auditor

Sir

Para 1st. I have had the honor to receive your letter of the 28th Ultimo, informing me that it is the intention of Government to make my Treasury the dépot for the reception of — money to pay the Troops while employed to the Southward —

2 There is one point connected with this subject on which it is necessary that I should address you. In the IX. Section Clause 5. of the general Military Regulations published by Government on the 11th march 1806 it is ordered that advances made from Collectors or Commercial Residents to the Paymaster of Madura, Palamcottah and Dindigull shall be made wholly in Cully Fanams at the — exchange of 16½ Pr Star Pagoda, which exchange shall regulate all payments made to the Troops although no communication of these orders was made from your Office to the — Collector here yet upon the Paymaster furnishing me with a Copy of the above Extract and as it appears from it to have been the intention of Government that the pay of the

Troops

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Troops here should be issued in that Coin I have always made it a point to furnish my advances for the Pay of the Troops in Tinnevelly in Coily fanams.

3 The Cully fanam is the principal and almost the only small Coin in general Circulation in the Province and as the number of them is so insufficient for the demand, the price in the Bazar is generally a little higher than that determined by the General Order of Government, which makes the Troops insist on being paid in them, while on the other hand the people are unwilling to deliver them into the Treasury in discharge of their Revenues to Government. From these causes, there is sometimes a difficulty of procuring the number required to pay the Single Battalion usually in Palamcottah. If therefore the principle laid down in the General Order is to be acted upon to its full extent, with the large Body of Troops now to be paid from this Treasury. I fear that all the Coily fanams in Circulation in the Province would hardly be sufficient for the purpose and if they are to be purchased up by

use by the Officers of Government for the payment of the Troops their Price will rise to a height that will make the loss arising from it to become a serious consideration to Government.

4 As this is a matter of considerable consequence I request that I may be furnished with orders for my guidance in time to obviate the chance of any disappointment to the Troops at the mode in which their pay is issued to them.

Tinnevelly
6th February 1809

I have the honor to be
&ca &ca
(Signed) J. Hepburn
Collector

A true Copy
(Signed) Cecil Smith
Accountt. Genl.

Ordered thereon

Ordered that the following Letters be dispatched to the Accountant General and to the Officer Commanding the Southern Division of the Army.

To

1332

Fort St. George 14th February 1809

To the Accountant General & Civil Auditor stating in which Coins payment should be made to the Troops in Tinnevelly

To the Accountant General
& Civil Auditor

Sir,

Para. 1

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th Instant, and to acquaint you that the order regarding the issue of Cally fanam in Tinnevelly must have been founded on the circumstance of that Coin having been the principal Currency in the Province, but there can be no objection to the issue of other Coins, and if Pagodas and Rupees pass for their full value in Tinnevelly which is understood to be the case there will be the means of doing ample justice in the payment of the Troops and no deviation will take place from the spirit and intention of the General Order regarding the issue of Cally fanam

2

A Copy of your letter and of this reply will be furnished for the informat of the Officer Commanding the Southern Di

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of the army

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

(Signed) G. Buchan
Chief Secy. to Govt.

Fort St. George
th February 1809

To Colonel Wilkinson
Commanding the Southern Division
of the army

Officer [illegible]
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Sir

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to enclose for your information and guidance the Copy of a letter from the accountant General and of the Reply with which he has been furnished, regarding the payment of the troops serving in the province of Tinnevelly

I am &ca. &ca.
Signed G. Buchan
Chief Secy. to Govt.

Fort St. George
th February 1809

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

To

Fort St. George 14th February 1809

To the Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

From the Town Major of Fort St. George. Register of Prisoners of War.

Sir

I have the honor to report to you for the information of the Honorable the Governor in Council, that the Register of all Prisoners of war under this Presidency directed in Mr. Strachey's letter of the 28th September last, to be kept in this Office has been prepared as far as the Returns transmitted to me from the several Stations where Prisoners of War reside enable me to do so, Vizt. from Poonamallee, Pondicherry and Palamcottah; but there are many Prisoners of War at Tranquebar, and as I am informed at various other Foreign Settlements on the Coast, of whom I have no particular account - I therefore beg leave to suggest that all magistrates be directed to transmit monthly to this Office a Return or Roll of the Prisoners of war residing within their respective Jurisdictions noting alterations and Casualties. I enclose a form of such Return as I conceive comprehends all possible cases.

I have further to report to you that 34 of the Danish Prisoners of War at Poonamallee have marched for Tranquebar, agreeably to the Resolution of Government of the 28th Ultimo.

Town Majors Office
Fort St. George
7th January 1809

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your Obedient Servant
(Signed) R. Barclay
Town Major

Monthly

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Monthly Return (Form) of Prisoners of War Residing at (here enter the Station) for the month of ( ) 180

No.	Names	Rank	Country	General Remarks
	A. B		France	Became Prisoner of War under the Capitulation of Pondichery in August 1793
	C. D.		Holland	Became Prisoner of War on the Surrender of the Dutch Settlements in the years 1795, 6
	E. F		France	Became Prisoner of War under the Capitulation of Pondichery in September 1803
	F. G G. H.		France or Holland	Surrendered to the Resident, Collector or Magistrate, (as the case may be) on the - of - 179-
	H. I		Do.	Deceased on the - of - 180
	J. K		France	Received from - on the - of - Do.
	K. L		Holland	Removed to - on the - of - Do.
	L. A	Captn or 1st Lieutt	France or Holland	Captured on the - Privateer by - Ship arrived here - on the - of - 180 -

Ordered

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Order Given.

Ordered that the Town Major be desired to apply to the Police Office for the detailed information which he has stated to be requisite to enable him to complete the Register of Prisoners of War residing under this Presidency.

From the Town Major of Fort St. George. Claim to the effects of the late Sadoopetty Rajah.

To the Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

Sir

I request you will lay before the Honorable the Governor in Council the accompanying letter dated the 8th. Instant from Mr. Ricketts as Attorney for Mootapillay and Singery Venkatachilla Moodelliar. Stating a claim of his clients upon the late Sadoopetty Rajah and requiring me not to pay or deliver to any person the money and effects belonging to the deceased, supposed to be in my possession until their demand be first fully satisfied.

The effects which the Sateeputty Rajah

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Rajah left in his apartments in the fort, when he removed to the Black Town as reported in my letter of the 2d. Instant still remain in those apartments - and under a guard - unexa=mined; no person having hitherto appeared to enquire after them

I enclose copy of the answer which I have written to Mr. Ricketts - and I request to be honored with the orders of Government on this subject.

I have the honor to be
&ca. &ca.
(Signed) R. Barclay
Town Major

Town Majors Office
Fort St. George
9th. February 1809.

To Major Robert Barclay
Town Major Fort St. George

Sir . . .

I am instructed by Moolapillay and Singery Vencatachella Moodeliar to represent to you that they hold a Bond in the malabar Language bearing

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bearing date the 26th November 1805 granted by Moodooraumalinga Vejiaragoonauda Satupaty (lately deceased) to Appausawmy moodelliar for the principal Sum of Star Pagodas 1182 and 13 fanams payable on the 30th January 1806 with Interest at 12 per Cent per annum and that the same Bond has been aſsigned to them by Appausawmy moodelliar for a valuable consideration on which there now remains due for balance of principal and Interest Pagodas 1421. 9 fanams and 53 Cash.

It having come to the knowledge of my Clients that you are in poſseſsion of money and effects belonging to the deceased to a considerable Amount. I have, on their behalf to request that you will not pay or deliver over the same, or any part thereof to any person whomsoever unleſs their demand be first fully satisfied.

Accompanying I have the pleasure

to

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to send a Copy of the original Bond and of a Translation made by the Interpreter of the Supreme Court. -

Madras
8th February 1809 -

I am &ca &ca
Signed/ Gilbt. Ricketts
atty for Mila Mootapilly
& Singery Vencatachella
Moodelly

Translation of a mortgage Bond. Dated 26th Novr 1805

I Mooddurawmalinga Vijiaragoonaida Satupaty do give this mortgage Bond to Appaw=sawmy Moodaliar of Madras that is to say. -

In consequence of my urgent occasion I have mortgaged to you the Receipt given by Mooneapilly under date the 25th Auny of Sittautry year or 5th July 1799 to my Gomastah Sankariar and the List given for the Jewels / Small Chitts 2/ and borrowed and received of you the Sum of /1182-13/ One thousand one hundred and Eighty two Star Pagodas and thirteen fanams Current money of Madras which sum I do hereby engage to repay you or your Assigneeson or before the 30th January 1806 with all such Interest as shall or may become due thereon at the rate of 12 pr. Cent pr. Annum. Thus I have given this mortgage Bond with my free will and — Consent Witnesses Canacoo Naugalinga Pilly and Sidaupooram Patchiappa moodaliar by their — knowledge this mortgage Bond was drawn by Iyausawmy. —

(Signed) Mooduraumalinga
Salupalty

A true Translation as near as can be from the Malabar Language
(Signed) Rangasaudam
Interpreter

Witnesses
(Signed) Naugalinga
" Si: Patchiappan

To Gilbert Ricketts Esqr.
Madras

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 8th Instant.

The late Saloopulty Rajah had been a state Prisoner for some years in this Fort —

and was permitted to remove into the Black Town, for change of air, last month where he died.

On that occasion he left some effects in his apartments in the Fort which were protected by a part of the Guard which had been kept over him until his death when I ordered the doors of those apartments to be locked up, still continuing a guard over them and the effects remain unexamined as no person had hither to come to enquire after them.

I have laid your letter before the Honorable the Governor in Council and must be guided in the disposal of those effects, by such orders as I may receive from Government.

I will apprize you what those orders may be.

Town Majors Office
Fort St. George
9th February 1809.

I have the honor to be &ca &ca
(Signed) R. Barclay
Town Major

A true Copy
(Signed) R. Barclay
Town Major

Ordered

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Order thereon

Ordered that a Copy of the foregoing letter be referred through the channel of the Company's Solicitor for the opinion of the advocate General.

Read the following letters from the acting Chief Secretary at Fort William and from the Secretary and Chief Secretary at Bombay

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

From the acting Chief Secy at Fort William. Orders iſsued respecting the embarkation of the Troops for the Gulph of Persia approved.

Sir

1 I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your dispatch under date the 17th. Ultimo enclosing the Copy of a Report relative to the formation and equipment of the Detachment of Native Cavalry and Horse artillery of the Establishment of Fort St. George destined for the Persian Gulph, and a Copy of the General Orders iſsued under the authority of the Honorable the Governor in Council

expressing his approbation of the alacrity manifested by the Troops in volunteering for the intended Service. -

2 The Right Honorable the Governor General in Council has received the intelligence of the zeal displayed by the Troops on the establishment of Fort St. George with high approbation and directs me to intimate to you for the information of the Governor in Council that His Lordship in Council entirely approves the Tenor of the General Orders issued on the 18th. Ultimo. -

Fort William
the 9th. January 1809 -

I have the honor to be
&ca. &ca.
(Signed) N B Edmonstone
Actg Chief Secy to Govt.

Order thereon.

Ordered that a Copy of the foregoing letter be furnished to the Officer Commanding the Army in Chief. -

To

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From the Secretary to the Govt at Bombay purchase of a horse for Lieutenant Savary. -

To George Strachey Esqr.
Secretary in the Military Department
at Fort St. George

Sir,

I am directed by the Honble. the Governor in Council to transmit to you the accompanying Copies of a letter from Brigadier General Malcolm, dated the 18th and of the Proceedings of a Committee held by order of that Officer for the purpose of examining and reporting on the Horses, tendered to Government by Lieutenant Savary in his letters of the 25th December and 9th Instant, Copies of which accompanied my Communication of the 16th Instant.

I am further directed to acquaint you for the information of the Honorable the Governor in Council of Fort St. George that, on the ground of the documents now forwarded the Honorable the Governor in Council has been pleased to purchase Lieutenant Savary's Horses, on account of the Madras Government at the prices fixed by the Regulations of that Presidency, and to direct them to be delivered over to Captain Moncrief, the Officer in Charge of the remount Horses for the Corps of Cavalry serving with the Poona and Jalna Forces.

I take this opportunity to transmit to you Copy of the Pay Certificate furnished by Lieutenant Savary on the occasion of his departure for Europe, which is expected to take place in the course of a month from the present date, by the Extra Ship Carmarthen.

Bombay Castle
24th January 1809.

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

Francis Warden Esqr
&ca &ca

Sir,

I have the honor to forward for the information of the Honorable the Governor in Council

Council

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Council the report of the Committee upon Lieutenant Savary's Horses. -

Tent 18th January 1809 I am &ca &ca

(Signed) John Malcolm
B. Genl.

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Bombay 18th January 1809.

Proceedings of a Committee held by Order of Brigadier General John Malcolm Commanding the Force under Orders for Foreign Service (under instructions from the Government) to examine and report on two Regimental Horses offered by Lieutenant Savary of the 2d Regiment Native Cavalry for the Service. the same having been formerly selected from Remount Lots.

Captain E L Smythe 5th Regt. Cavalry President

Lieut. A Scott 6th Regt. } Members { Lieut. T. Leonard 3d Regt.
Lieut. R Parker 3d Regt. } { Lieut. R. Jeffries 6th Regt. &ca

The Committee proceeds to examine the Horses which they find to be as follows Viz.

Colour

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Colour	Age	Height Hds.	Ins.	Particular marks	From what Lot selected	Remarks
Dark Dun	8	14	3/4	Star Black Points	1808	The Committee finds these Horses perfectly fit for the Service.
Dun	8	15	..	Star and Snip under Lip and near fore Pastern white.	.	

(Signed)
E. L. Smythe Captn. Lt. & Captn. 5th. Regt. Native Cavalry & President
A. Scott Lieut.
J. Leonard Lieut.
R. Parker Lieut.
R. Jefferis Lieut.

True Copies

(Signed) W. Newham
Secy. to Govt.

Military Pay Office General
Bombay 19th. January 1809

I hereby Certify that the Honorable Company have no demands in the Military Department, as far as has come to my knowledge against Lieutenant

J Savery of the Madras Establishment, and that he has delivered to me the obligation required by the Government order of the 24th February 1804.

(Signed) Wm Broughton
Mily Payr Genl

(True Copy)
(Signed) W. Newnham
Secy to Govt

Order thereon

Ordered that Copies of the foregoing letter be furnished to the Officer Commanding the army in Chief and to the Military Auditor General

From the Chief Secy to the Govt at Bombay Parole of Mr Kuſsuron forwarded

To G Buchan Esqr
Chief Secretary at Madras

Sir

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to transmit to you for the information of the Honorable the Governor in Council at Fort St George the accompanying Parole from Mr Kuſsuron a French Prisoner of

War proceeding to Madras on board the General Wellesley in view to his effecting an Exchange on his return to the Mauritius.

Bombay Castle
25th. January 1809.

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

(Signed) F. Warden
Chief Secy to Govt.

I the undersigned French Prisoner of War having received permission from the Honorable Jonathan Duncan President and Governor of Bombay, to proceed conditionally to the Isle of France, conjointly with Mr. Vigoureux, in exchange for Captain Marston of His Majesty's 86th. Regiment who is a Prisoner of war to the French Government I therefore do declare before God and on my honor that in the event of the Governor and Captain General of the Isle of France, declining to accept of my enlargement and return to the Mauritius together with Mr. Vigoureux as valid substitutes for Captain

Marston, that I will return and surrender myself Prisoner of war to this Government.—

Given under my hand in Bombay this 8th day of December 1808.

Witnesses Present
(Signed) R. A. Welles
Lt. 2/9 Regt. N.I.
" Lieut. Tallon
Town Adjt.

(Signed) J. Kſsuron

True Copy
(Signed) F. Warden
Chief Secy. to Govt.

Order thereon

Ordered that a Copy of the foregoing letter be furnished for the information and guidance of the Town Major of Fort St. George.

Read the following letter from the Company's Solicitor

From the Company's Solicitor, Bond of Shashu Pillay [illegible] to the Military Auditor General.

To the Chief Secretary to Government

Sir

In pursuance of the authority contained in the Letter from Mr. Secretary Strachey of the 7th of January last, I have drawn and now enclose duly executed the Bond — from Chinga Sasha Pillay and his sureties — Messieurs Joseph Geslin and George Arbuthnot to indemnify the Honorable Company from the payment of the Sum of Pagodas 9,809.. 18.. 20.. I also enclose the original Power of Attorney under which Chingee Sasha Pillay acts which should remain with the enclosed Bond and I have to request that the Military Auditor General be now instructed to authorize the payment of the above Sum to Messieurs Joseph Geslin and George Arbuthnot.-

Fort St. George
9th February 1809

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) Rt. Orme
Sol. for the Hon'ble Company

Orders thereon

Ordered that the Military Auditor General be desired to authorise the payment of the Sum of Pagodas 9,809.. 18.. 20 to Messrs. J. Geslin and G. Arbuthnot on account of Chingee Sasha Pillay and the Bullock Owners his constituents.

The Secretary lays before the Board the following Papers received from the Companys Solicitor.

From the Companys Solicitor. Peculation of Grain, report upon the Case..

To the Secretary to Government
in the Military Department

Sir

I have submitted to the Advocate General the accompanying original letter from the Chief Secretary at Bombay, respecting two Natives accused of peculation in the Grain Department under that Presidency, and I now send a Copy of the opinion of the Advocate General thereon.

Fort St. George
8th. February 1809

I have the honor to be
&c. &ca.
(Signed) Rt. Orme
Sol. to the Hon'ble Compy

If the two natives referred to in the letter from the Secretary to Government to the

Solicitor are in Madras, I do not think they can be sent to Poona for any purpose; as not being Soldiers, they are not liable to be tried by Court martial, and of course could not be removed from madras for the purpose of such Trial. It is true, that an irregular Summary sort of authority is exercised over all Camp followers, while *defacto* within the power of the Commanding Officer of the force; but I do not consider that authority to be sufficiently regular to authorize a seizure of these persons for the purpose of being sent to take their Trial.

If these two Persons are resident Inhabitants of Madras, they may be proceeded against by Suit in Equity in the Supreme Court for an Account of the property embezzled, in which suit, Commissions directed to Officers at Poonah may procure the requisite Evidence to found a Decree.

7th February 1809

(Signed) A. Anstruther
A. Genl.

True Copy
(Signed) R. Orme Sol.

To

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From the Chief Secty to the Governmt at Bombay. Rama-swamy and Kistnapah required to be sent for trial to Poonah. –

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

Sir

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council, to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 31st of August, forwarding Copy of a Report from the Company's Solicitor at Fort Saint George respecting Rama Swamy and Kistnapa. –

In elucidation of the motives which induced the Honorable the Governor in Council to make the application for those two persons – being sent to Bombay, I am directed to transmit to you the accompanying Extract of a Report from the Committee appointed to investigate the – imputed irregularities in the Poona Grain and Cattle Departments, under date the 7th March last, on the charge against Kistnapa and his half Brother Rama Swamy, the former the Kanicopla the latter the English Writer to Lieutenant –

Savary

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Savory, Quarter Master to the Madras Cavalry Regiment for embezzlement of the Company's Grain from the Poona Depôt, the more especially as it would appear by the Report of our Advocate General under date the 20th of October (Extract of which also accompanys this) that the grounds of these persons not having been sent back to this side of India, as was requested, may rest chiefly on the idea entertained perhaps at Fort St. George, of their having been required, rather as Witnesses than as being themselves accused Principals, who, although there may be less utility in enforcing their attendance from the Offence imputed to them being charged to have been Committed within the Dominions of a Native Prince and therefore, according to the same legal advice not cognizable in the Court of the Recorder, may still if sent, be tried by Military Law —

Bombay Castle the 17th December 1808.

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

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Extract of a Report from the Committee appointed to investigate the imputed irregularities in the Poona Grain and Cattle Department, under date the 7th March 1808.

Para. 6th. We shall now submit for your information the Charges distinctly in the order they have occurred followed by a Summary of the Evidence which hath been adduced both in the support and in Contradiction of the truth thereof; in the expectation that we shall thereby enable your Honorable Board to decide as to what extent each case may in your judgement be substantiated or refuted or whether any may seem to you capable of further elucidation by the Testimonies of Persons who may be still forthcoming, at the same time we beg to assure your Honorable Board that as we have bestowed our utmost patience and attention to execute these long and tedious Enquiries with that minuteness of discrimination as we trust will generally exhibit the merits of each case we are not aware of any material omission on our part, having called upon every person who has a knowledge of the several subjects that have come under our Scrutiny, and such persons whose Evidences were required that we could not trace their Residences or procure their attendance, are mentioned in the Paper referred to in the 2d. Paragraph of this Report - The first Charge is an accusation against Rama Swamy and Kistnapa employed under Lieutenant Savary Quarter master to the 2d. Regiment of Madras Native Cavalry, of having received, or procured by whatsoever means and at various times, large Quantities of Grain from the Honorable Company's Depôt at Poona and selling the same to Subaram Merchant of that City and to others whose names are not ascertained. -

5th. This charge is grounded on the information given to the Committee by Subryloo, who may be considered as the Prosecutor in this and in most of the cases that follow, and who of course has not been put on his Oath by the Committee. -

6th In his Deposition, recorded under the 29th of December, he states, that Lieutenant Savary's Konicopla and Ram Swamy (his half-Brother) hired 600 Bullocks from Kutbaba to take away Grain from the Poona Depôt under the pretence of carrying it to Seroor, but which quantity of Gram after having been conveyed as far as the Village of wagoly, returned from thence and was delivered to Subaram Merwaddee at Poona - this Circumstances was brought to light by reason of Kutbaba's not obtaining payment of the hire of his Bullocks from Kistnapa, and he complained thereon to Colonel Taylor. That Officer referred it to the Deputy Adjutant General, Lieutenant Mayne where Lieutenant Savary came on the following morning

1st Charge Contd.

morning and then said that Kistnapa knew nothing of the transaction but which related to his Brother Ramswamy, this latter information the Prosecutor derived from Kistnapa.

1st Evidence in support of the Charge

7th Ryloo the first witneſs in support of the accusation strengthens Subryloo's Testimony by stating that Kutbaba, made a Complaint to Colonel Taylor to recover the money due to him by Kistnapa for the hire of his Bullocks, when he presented a Certificate from Subaram Merwaddee of Poona, acknowledging to have received a quantity of Gram from the Petitioner Kutbaba, Ten or Twelve days after which, Colonel Taylor ordered a Committee to aſsemble to enquire into the fact brought forward by Kutbaba, but in consequence of the said Complaint Ramswamy had absconded, when his

Brother

1st Charge Contd.

Brother Kistnapah desired Kutbaba, not to mention his name before the Committee but only that of Ramswamy which request, Kutbaba complied with. - That after the Committee broke up his account was settled in Lieutenant Mayne's Office for 1,200 Rupees by that Officer executing a note to Kutbaba, promising to discharge that amount at the end of the month, on Lieutenant Savary's Account. -

8 This settlement appears for money due by the Company for the hire of his Bullocks, for the witness immediately proceeds to say that Kutbaba made a demand against Kistnapa for the hire of his Bullocks for the "cheating Grain" which he delivered to Subaram Mirwaddee and which account was afterwards privately adjusted by the mediation of the witness, and several other

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1st Charge Cont'd

other people for 600 Rupees.

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2 Evidence 9th

The next Evidence Mulleck Rowat, declares that about eight Hindoo-months ago 230 Bullocks loads of Gram were taken from the Depôt at Poonah to the Village of Cruaddee where they were unloaded, 100 of those Bullocks belonged to Wursa Rowat and the remainder to the Evidence, abdool Kawder, meera-Hoossein Rowat, and Barrameah, after the Bullocks were unloaded these men were discharged and hastened away Poonea Cooly, Travengadum's Assistant delivered the Gram from the Depôt about Gun fire in the morning to wursa Rowat who on his arrival at the Village of Crwaddee, gave it in charge to Ramswamy.

3 Evidence 10

Taz Mahomed, the next Evidence on this charge, informed the Committee that previous to the date of Colonel Taylor's

departure

1st Charge Contd departure from Ahmednuggur: he had, from the Reports in Circulation of the Sale of Company's Gram seized one of the Purchasers, Soobaram Merwaddee, whom he delivered over to Colonel Taylor with a written acknowledgement by the former of having purchased seven hundred Rupees worth of Gram from Ramswamy who had sold further quantities of that article to other Merchants whose names he did not remember or know. - The Paper adverted to by the Kutwal is the Voucher No. 3 recorded in our Proceedings of the 20th of January.

14th Evidence 11 Veneutty Chittum a Bullock Owner deposed that he had been fifteen months in Kistnapa's Employ, and that he always carried the Gram which he received from the Poona Depôt to the Depôt at Seroor. That he never heard of

Ramswamy

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1st. Charge Contd. Ramswamy and Kistnapa trading in Grain they lived together in a house near the Cavalry Depôt and never sold the Company's Grain to the knowledge of that witness

5th & 6th. Evidence 12th.

Swamy naigues Testimony as well as that of mundaram Pellay which will be found recorded on the 11th. January are exactly on a par with that of the preceding Evidence and all of whom were then allowed to return to their respective Homes since nothing material could be gleaned from their information to render their detention at the Presidency necessary until the completion of our extensive investigation.

7th. Evidence 13th.

We next called before us Subaram Merwaddee, he has deposed that on the 10th. of Vud magsiny 1863 or 10th. January 1807, he and his Brother bought

of

1st Charge Contd.- of Ramswamy fifty eight Pullahs of Jaaree for 395 Rupees on the 14th of Vud of the same year; he purchased one hundred and fifty eight Pullahs of Gram from Ramswamy through the medium of Subryloo the Informant, at whose house the agreement was made at the rate of 8¼ Rupees per pullah the amount of which purchase the witness says he paid the day after the Gram was measured.-

14 In two or three days after when Ramswamy was returning to Camp he desired the witness to pay to Subryloo the Sum of One thousand Rupees on an intimation from him and Subryloo that they would return in ten or fifteen days with Gram or Jaaree which should be given to the witness in payment of the money he was asked to advance to which he verbally consented but shortly after retracted

in

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1st Charge Contd. in consequence of some objections that had been started by his Duccandar Shopman

15 When Subrylao's expectations of receiving from Subaram his promised advance of 1000 Rupees were disappointed by the interference of Subaram's Shopman he remonstrated with him and offered to pay him Interest at the rate of One and a half per Cent per month; and that he would be responsible for the principle borrowed, if Ramswamy did not return with Gram to the amount of 1000 Rupees, which was refused by Subaram; however it appears that Ramswamy adhered to his engagement of returning within 15 Days with the Gram, when he delivered to Subaram 29¾ Pullahs at 9½ Rupees each.

Subaram further stated that five months subsequent to the last delivery

delivery

1st Charge Contd.- delivery of Gram Ramswamy brought to the nauna Pettah so large a quantity that he could only sell it at 6¼ and 6½ Rupees per pullah and when these sales were publickly talked of in the Camp, the evidence was summoned there-on returning from thence he met at the Village of wagoly 300 Bullocks load of Gram and when he arrived at Poonah Ramswamy then informed him, that

7th Evidence Contd. in support of the 1st Charge- the aforementioned 300 Bullock loads of Gram was the quantity remaining unsold, and which the former had sent to Camp to be returned to the Cavalry Depôt in charge of Kistnapa.

16 By Subarams examination you will please to observe that Bengal Gram is not imported at Poonah for Sale. That his purchases from Ramswamy were delivered in Gram the produce

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1st Charge Contd. produce of that Country and appeared to have been taken from the Depôt, and where Sales of that Grain have been General to all the Shopkeepers, not less than 800 Gunnies of Gram having been delivered to them. He has also heard that Subrya Ramswamy and Kistnapa had before made Sales of Gram and Cultee, and who may as it was added have mentioned to the evidence the Country of Galna where those Sales took place.

8th Evidence 17 The Evidence of Kutbaba was as follows he was employed in Conveying 240 Bullock loads of Gram from the Poona Depôt which he delivered afterwards to Subaram Merwaddee by the directions of Kistnapa the Brother of Ramswamy, both of whom were the principal agents or Servants in the employ of the Cavalry Quarter master Lieutenant

Jerry

1st Charge Contd. Savory the former was the English Writer and the latter the head Konicoplia.

18 On Kutbaba communicating this information to Colonel Taylor, a Committee was appointed on the 26th of September at Seroor to enquire into the facts stated by him; Ramswamy had then absconded and Kistna who had hired Kutbaba's Bullocks to carry the Gram from the Poonah Depôt and had directed him to return with them to that City and deliver the same to Subaram merewaddee was neither cited before that Committee nor by the one which met on the 21st of October.

19 This is some-what remarkable as Kutbaba was the first witness then, when he again pointed out the necessity of Kistnapa's Examination, as his Deposition so clearly establishes the

Cause

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1st. Charge Contd.

Cause that should have been adopted we shall give it at length and it is with some surprize that we have observed a person so seriously implicated in the Clandestine sales of the Companys Grain, should have escaped the notice of both the Committees which sat at Seroor by the directions of Colonel Taylor or that he should have neglected to cause the said person to be brought before them after the information which had been delivered to him upwards of a month before by Kutbaba, as will fully appear by the letters of Lieutenant Savary to Colonel Taylor which we shall more particularly notice in Lieutenant Maynes Evidence on the 14th. Charge.

20th. We shall now proceed to state Kutbabas Evidence before the Seroor Committee: That he was requested by Kistnapa several months ago to furnish on hire a

number

1 Charge cont.

number of Carriage Bullocks - The Deponent accordingly supplied him with one hundred and twenty - These Bullocks the Deponent himself attended and with them accompanied Ramswamy and the Bullocks attached to the Cavalry to the Depot at Poona - when they arrived there, the whole of the Bullocks were loaded with Gram - having completed the lading Ram Swamy proceeded to Seroor and halted the first day at a Nulla near wagoly - at night he desired the Deponent to reload his Bullocks and return with him to Poona - The Deponent, who had been only ingaged to go to Poona and return to Seroor immediately inquired who would pay him the extra hire for this additional trip, — Ramswamy aſsured him, that he would pay him - The Deponent being satisfied

"loaded his Bullocks with Gram and returned
"to Poonah, where he arrived about Gun fire
"next morning and delivered the Gram to
"a Merwaddee named Subaram; after which
"instead of returning to Seroor he went to
"Crode a Village near Poonah where he
"remained during several days of January
"and February and sent his Bullocks to
"Erraze — In the beginning of February as
"the Cavalry Bullocks were again proceeding to Poonah, Ramswamy desired him
"to Collect his (the Deponent) Bullocks
"and accompany him to the Depot at Poona,
"Deponent accordingly joined Ramswamy
"with one hundred and twenty Bullocks
"which, were a second time loaded with
"Gram at the Depôt. Ramswamy as before
"proceeded as far as wagoly on his return
"to Seroor and then came back to Poona with
"the Deponent and his Bullocks who
again

1st. Charge Contd. again delivered 120 loads of Gram to Subaram Merwarddee, on this examination before us he deposed:—

21st. That after the close of the Proceedings of the two Committees which sat at Seroor (Colonel Casts and Captain Locks) Kulbaba Complained to Colonel Taylor against Ramswamy for the Recovery of 332 Rupees which he was indebted to the Complainant for the hire of his Bullocks, Ramswamy was at that time not to be found when Subryloo was accused by the witness of having concealed him in his house at Poona at the time when the Cutwals Peons were endeavouring to apprehend him.

22d. The Evidence further declares that Subryloo the informant was concerned with Ramswamy in the sale of

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1st. Charge Contd. of the 240 Bullock loads of Gram; that he settled the price of it with Subaram Merwaddy, he was present when it was delivered to that merchant, by Subryloo and Ramaswamy and that he believes Subaram paid the amount of his purchase to Subryloo, because he was Ramswamy's agent.

10th. Evidence 23d. Abdool Cawder was summoned before the Committee on this charge on the 30th. of January and then denied having any knowledge whatever of the alledged transactions of the Sale of Company's Gram.

11th. Evidence 24. Senda Naique, says he was attending at Subaram Merwaddee's Shop when Kutbaba was delivering about 100 Bullocks loads of Gram to that merchant and that Subryloo was then taking the account of the measuring of it.

25. Having completed our Summary of

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1st Charge Contd. of the Evidence on the first Charge it appears throughout that Ramswamy and Kistnapa have disposed of a considerable quantity of the Honorable Company's Grain but the extent of their Sales cannot be accurately determined -

True Extract
(Signed) F. Warden
Chief Secy to Govt.

Extract of a letter from the Advocate General dated the 30th October 1808 -

30th With respect to Lieutenant Savery who has I understand become an object of some compassion from the severe visitation with which he is afflicted, it does not seem to me that in the absence of Kistnapa = Ramswamy any of the accusations affecting him can be substantiated and there seems little probability of those persons ever again appearing voluntarily on this side of India, whilst the opinion of the Company's Law Officers at Madras is averse (as it could not be otherwise) to Compulsive measures if they are to be considered in the light of witnesses alone.

True Extract

(Signed) F. Warden
Chief Secy to Govt.

Ordered that the following letter be dispatched to the Chief Secretary at Bombay -

To the Chief Secry to the Govt at Bombay. Transmitting a Copy of the Judge Advocate General's opinion relative to the fraudulent conduct of two Natives in the Grain Department. Confirming the permission granted to Lieutenant Savory to proceed to England and approving the purchase of his Charger -

To F. Warden Esqr
Chief Secretary to the Government
at Bombay

Sir

Para 1 I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 12th of December last, relative to two Natives charged with fraudulent Conduct, in the Grain Department under the Presidency of Bombay.

2 The request stated in that letter

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having been referred to the Advocate General at this Presidency for consideration I am directed to transmit to you for the purpose of being laid before the Honorable the Governor in Council at Bombay the enclosed Copy of the Advocate Generals opinion on the subject –

3 I am directed to take this opportunity of requesting you to inform the Honorable the Governor in Council at Bombay that the Governor in Council has confirmed the permission granted to Lieutenant Savery of the 2d Regiment of Native Cavalry on this Establishment to proceed to Europe on Sick Certificate and has approved the measure of purchasing the Chargers belonging to that Officer –

I have the honor to be
&ca &ca

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(Signed) G Strachey
Secy to Govt

Read the following letter from Mr English

To

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To George Buchan Esqr.
Chief Secretary to Government

From Mrs. English – payment of Prize money deferred. –

Sir,

Agreeably to the General Orders of the 12th of August 1808 respecting Seringapatam Prize money, I forwarded the abstract for the Dividend due to my late Husband Mr. Surgeon Samuel Barber duly assigned by the Secretary to the Committee of Officers assembled in Fort St. George to the Paymaster at Trichinopoly. Upwards of three months has now elapsed and I am not yet paid, owing as I understand from Mr. Wetherell his not having received Authority from the Military Auditor General to draw money from the Treasury here agreeable to his estimate. I should feel obliged by your letting me know in what other way I am to apply, or laying the matter before the Hon'ble the Governor. –

I have the honor to be &ca. &ca.
(Signed) A. E. English

Negapatam
1st January 1809

Ordered

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Order thereon

Ordered that the Military Auditor General be desired to authorize the payment of the Prize money Certified to be due to Mrs. English on account of the estate of her late Husband.

From his Excellency Rear Admiral Drury respecting Mr. Sinclair

Read the following letter from His Excellency Rear Admiral Drury received on the 10th. Instant.

To the Honorable Sir G. H. Barlow Bt. K.B.
Governor in Council
Fort St. George

Sir

Mr. Sinclair having applied to me for permission to return to Madras, being led to believe that he is appointed a Cadet on that Establishment, and observing that his absence might occasion him some inconveniences with respect to the date of his Commission, as also the censure of his Superiors, I have to inform you that I could not conveniently comply with his request he being at present of assistance to

my

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my Secretary in the arrangement and execution of particular Dispatches connected with the Interests of the Honorable Company together with the difficulty of readily procuring an aſsis here. I therefore hope you will be pleased to consider him as employed with me in the expedition or make any other arrangement so that he may not be deprived of those advantages which in other circumstances he would be entitled

I further beg leave to recommend him as a young man of strict moral Character and whose rectitude of conduct has obtained him a Claim to my countenance, his attention to the busineſs of my Office has been such as to afford the most pleasing satisfaction and I cannot in justice omit saying that I consider him worthy of confidence in any Official situation.

His Majestys Ship Russel
in Canton River 12th Decr. 1808.

I have the honor to be &c. &c.
(Signed) Wm. O'B. Drury

Ordered

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Ordered that a Copy of the foregoing letter be furnished to the Officer Commanding the Army in Chief and that the following Reply be Dispatched

To His Excellency William O'Bryen Drury Esqr
Rear Admiral of the Red and
Commander in Chief of H. M. Squadron
in the East Indies

r Admiral
Commanding
to detain
on board
ble Ship Ruſsell

Sir

We have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 12th of December last, and are happy to expreſs our Concurrence in the wish stated by your Excellency relative to the further detention of Mr Sinclair on Board of His Majesty's Ship Ruſsell

We have the honor to be
&ca &ca

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(Signed) G H Barlow
&ca Council

Major General Gowdie having arrived at

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Major Barclay be relieved from the Charge of the Office of Adjutant General the duties of which will be conducted for the present by the Assistant Adjutant General. -

approved & ordered

at Fort St. George the President recommends that Major Barclay be relieved from the charge of the Office of Adjutant General of the army, the duties of which will be conducted for the present by the assistant Adjutant General. -

Approved and Ordered

Ordered that the following Letters be dispatched.

To the Accountant General and Civil Auditor

To the Accountant General - and Civil Auditor - transmitting Extract of a letter from the Honorable the Court of Directors relative to a demand preferred by Mr. A Hume for a sum of Money advanced to Mr. Vaughan when Paymaster at Madura - desiring him to ascertain whether the sum in question was disbursed on the public Service -

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On

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2 On reference to the accompanying Papers and particularly to the reports received from the Office of the Military Auditor General, you will observe that the Honorable the Governor in Council has not been enabled to obtain the distinct information on which alone it will be practicable to pass a correct decision on the Case. I am therefore directed to desire that you will take the subject into your early consideration, and that you will ascertain from the Books of the Revenue and of the Military Department whether the Sum in question was actually disbursed on the Public Service.

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

(Signed) G. Strachey

Secy. to Govt.

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To John Thornhill Esqr.

Secretary to the Government

at Fort William

To the Secretary at Fort William Enclosing Extract of a letter from the Honble Court of Directors regarding the Supply of Boots from England for the Native Cavalry — also Correspondence respecting it with the late

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On

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

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Secy to Govt.

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late Commander in Chief and Military Auditor General

the Governor in Council to request that you will submit to the Honorable the Governor General in Council the enclosed extract of a letter from the Honorable the Court of Directors on the subject of supplying Boots from England for the use of the Native Cavalry serving under the Presidency of Fort Saint George.

2 I am also directed to request that you will submit to His Lordship in Council the enclosed Copy of the Correspondence which has passed with the late Commander in Chief and with the Military Auditor General at Fort St. George in regard to the mode of providing for the expence of the proposed Supply The different opinions of those Officers on the subject are stated in their respective letters

3 As the Honorable Court of

Directo

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Directors will probably have adopted a similar measure for equipping the native Cavalry in Bengal and as the determination of the question respecting the payment of the expence may eventually involve the interests of the Armies of the three Presidencies by affecting the Proceeds of the Offreckoning fund, the Honorable the Governor in Council has deemed it to be proper to submit it for the decision of the Supreme Government.

I have the honor to be

&ca. &ca.

(Signed) G. Strachey

Secy. to Govert.

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To John Thornhill Esqr.

Secretary to the Government

at Fort William

To the Secretary at Fort William transmitting Copy of a further letter from Bombay relative to a claim for participation in the Prize Money arising from the Capture of Seringapatam and an Extract of a letter from the Secretary at Bombay relative

Sir

Para: 1st. In Continuation of the subject stated relative to Captain Kemp's claims with the reports of the Prize Committee at Fort St George stating there is little probability of receiving from the Prize agents the amount claimed on their account with the army

stated in my letter of the 7th Ultimo –

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to transmit to you the enclosed Copy of a further letter from the Chief Secretary of the Government at Bombay relative to a Claim preferred on behalf of certain Troops of that Establishment to participate in the Prize money arising from the Capture of Seringapatam.

2 I am also directed to transmit to you the enclosed Extract of a letter from the Secretary at Bombay regarding the claims of Captain Kemp of that Establishment together with extracts from the Reports received from the Prize Committee at Fort Saint George on the subject of these Communications

3 In Submitting the claims

in

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in question for the determination of the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council the Governor in Council directs me to request that you will point out to His Lordship's particular notice the observation of the Prize Committee contained in their Report of the 12th Ultimo respecting the actual stat of the Prize Funds

4 I am further directed to observe that there is little probability of receiving from the Prize Agents the amount for which in the opinion of the Committee they have unduly Claimed Credit in their account with the army It is intended however that a seperate Communication on this subject shall

hereafter

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hereafter be submitted to the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council.

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

" G H Barlow.

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Ed Strange

" W Petrie
T Oakes
" Ja. H. Casamajor

Off Sec Cons. 14th Feby 1809
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