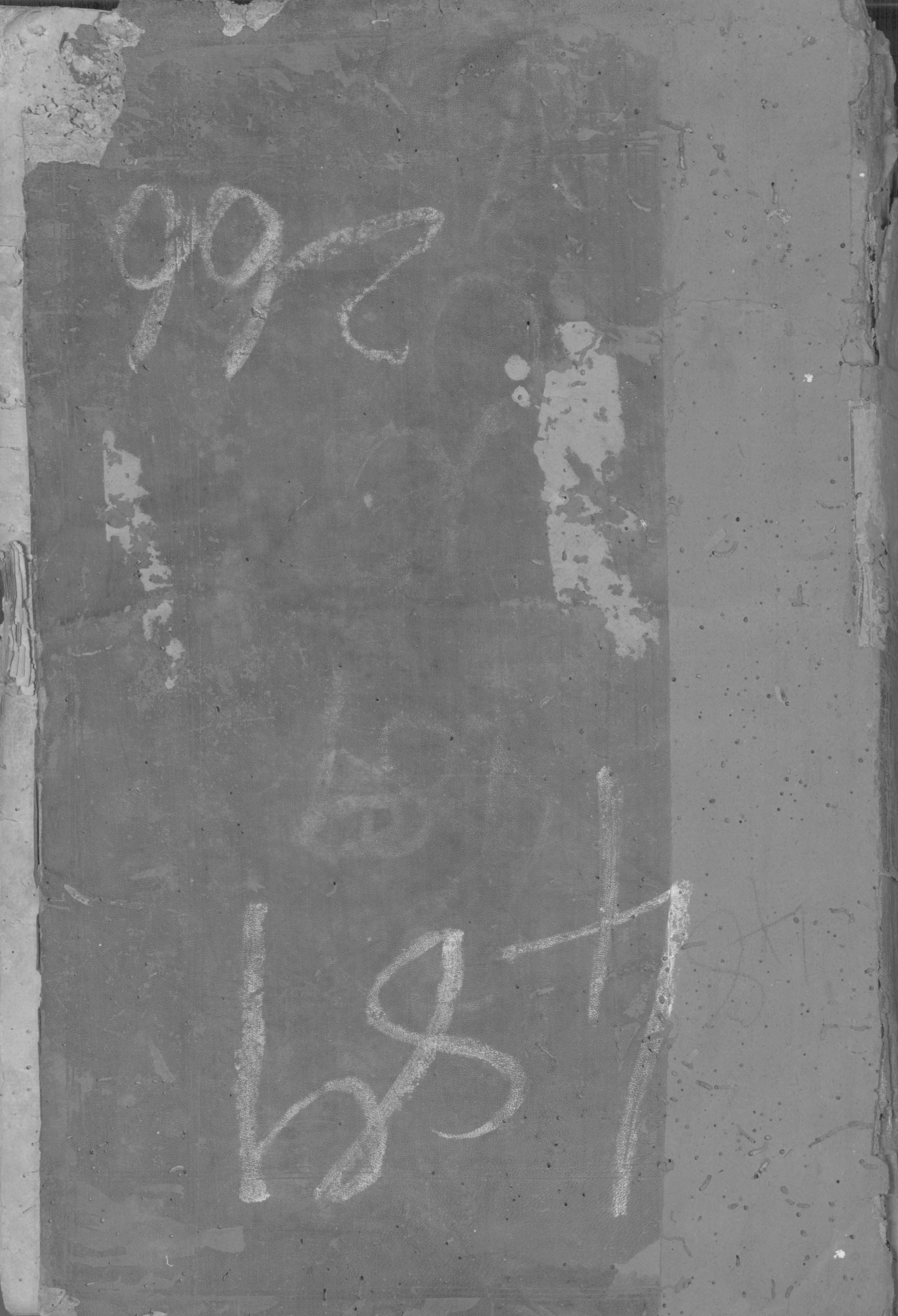


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13584 Fort St. George September 1812.

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Letters

To George Strachey Esq.r

Secretary to Government in the

Military Department

No. 1. Sir,

From the Commissary General Reports the Shipment of Provisions and Water for the use of the troops proceeding on the transport Venus to Java and Amboyna, and Submitting Documents connected with the Shipment of provisions on board that Ship.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Chief Secretarys letter of the 24th Instant:

and to report for the information of the Honorable the Governor in Council, that agreeably to the Orders of Government forwarded to me with that letter, Provisions and Water for 1141 Persons have been Shipped on board the Transport Venus, for the use of the Troops and families proceeding on that Vessel, to Java and Amboyna:

The

13585

Fort St. George September 1812.—

The Marine Board having Communicated to me the Opinion of the Master attendant, that provisions for Seven Weeks should be Supplied for the troops proceeding to Java, that those proceeding to Amboyna should be Supplied for ten Weeks, and that as the Commander proposes going to Batavia thro' the Straits of Malacca, five weeks water only should be sent on board, the quantities furnished have been regulated for those periods accordingly.—

Hammocks and Utensils have been issued to the Troops in the usual proportions; and, I now beg leave to transmit for the purpose of it being laid before the

Honble

13586 Fort St George, September 1812.

Honorable the Governor in Council a Return in duplicate, of the whole of the Provisions and Utensils, Shipped on board the Venus, the receipt of the Commander for the same, a Copy of my instructions for the issue of the Provisions, and a copy of my letter to the Senior Officer of the Troops on board. I also beg leave to enclose an invoice in duplicate of the Stores, prepared for the adjustment of the accounts, agreeably to the arrangement which in my letter of the 24th of July last, I had the honor of proposing might be always adopted, and which was approved of by the Honorable the Governor in Council, as communicated to me in your Letter of the 15th of August.

I have

13589 Fort St George September 1812.—

accounts and Vouchers should therefore be kept with every degree of correct-ness in order that you may be relieved from the responsibility which will attach to you for whatever may not be satisfactorily accounted for.—

11. I have only to add that the European Women are to receive the same Rations as the Men with the exception of Arrack which is not allowed to them, and that the Children are to receive half of the Rations allowed to Men and Women. The Rations to be supplied to the Native Women will correspond with the enclosed printed table for Native Troops, and the Children of these Women will be entitled to half of that allowance on the same principle on which Allowances to the

European

13590 Fort St George September 1812

European Children have been order-
-ed to be regulated.

Fort St George Jam V.C. V.C.
25th Septem. 1812. (Signed) W. Morison
Com. Gen.

(A True Copy)
(Signed) Henry A. Purchas
Deputy Comm. Y. General

To the Senior Officer of the Troops
On board of the Transport
Venus

Sir,

I have the honor to Com-
-municate for your information a
No. 1. Return of the Provisions Wood and
Water embarked for the use of the
Troops and families proceeding to
Java and Amboyna on board of
the Venus Transport.

The issues of these Pro-
-visions

13591 Fort St George September 1812.

Provisions will be conducted by the Commander of the Transport and a letter has been addressed to him to that effect of which I beg leave to
No 2. transmit to You the enclosed Copy,
No 3. accompanied with the printed forms therein referred to, I am also to for-
No 4. -ward to You 40 of the blank Indents which it will be necessary that you should fill up, Sign, and present to the Commander in order to receive the daily issues of Provisions to the whole of the Troops &c under your charge.

I am &c &c

Fort St George (Signed) W. Morison
25th September 1812. Com Gen

(A true Copy)
(Signed) Henry H. Purchas
Deputy Comm Generals

13592 Fort St George September 1812

To W. Thackeray Esq.re
Chief Sec.y to Government
Fort St George

No. 2.

Sir,

From the Chief Sec.y to the Gov.r at Fort William approving the decision passed on the discussions between the Envoy at Goa and the Officer Commanding the auxiliary

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of Mr. Secretary Stracheys dispatch of the 22.d Ultimo enclosing an extract from the proceedings of the Government of Fort St George relative to the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council by the Envoy at Goa and the Officer Commanding the Auxiliary Force and requesting the opinion of the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council on the decision passed by the Honorable the Governor in Council on the discussions which have lately taken place between these Officers.—

You will be pleased to

2. Signify

Fort St George 3 September 1812.—

Signify to the Honorable the Governor in Council the entire concurrence of His Lordship in Council in the propriety of the Instructions addressed to Lieutenant Colonel Ogg as described in the document now received defining the Nature of his relative authority while in Command of the British Detachment stationed at Goa.—

Fort William
28th Augt 1812.— (Signed) N. B. Edmonstone
Chief Secy to Govt

The following Copy of Paper received from the Public Department is ordered to be recorded in this Department.—

To David Hill Esq
Secy to Govt Fort St George

No 3.

Extract from the

Sir

I am directed by the Justices in

the Minutes of Council in the Public Department Regarding the question of cleansing out the Esplanade drain, and other improvements to the Black Town, submitted by the Justices in Session.

in Session assembled to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 1st Instant, and, to acquaint you that Orders have been given to cover in the Drain mentioned therein without delay.

I am also instructed to bring to the Notice of the Honorable the Governor in Council the State of the Ditch forming the Esplanade, as also of the Ditch which conveys the Water from the Black Town, and, of the communication to the Beach and Custom House by the new Street leading at the back of the new Buildings in which the Justices office is Situated.

It appears that about Seven Years ago it was the intention of Government to erect a Number of Buildings on the Beach in Continuation

Continuation of those already built, and that besides the confined Street ~~~
Planned in the Rear of them for ~~~
Common Dandys and Carts to, and from
the Custom House, a broad Street in
front was to have been made for ~~~
general Communication, the Justices also
Understood that the Amount intended
to defray the Expences of making ~~~
and embankeng those Streets was levied
by an additional Value placed on the
Ground Sold to Individuals, and that
altho the buildings were not erected,
Government found it necessary to have
the Street completed behind, as that
became the principal Communication
to the Custom House; It appears fur-
ther that Government found it re-
-quisite to make the Street in front
of the Buildings as far as the Justices
Office

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Office from the Custom House, but
there it was stopped and consequently
every Carriage and loaded Cart now
moving to and from the Beach have
been necessarily drawn thro' the back
Street and the cause of much confu-
=sion and inconvenience, and this
difficulty has been lately greatly in-
=creased since the building of the new
Granary adjoining, there being occasio-
=nally three to four Hundred Bandys
ranged in the Street and rendering
it almost impassable. This inconve-
=nience will further be much increas-
=ed when the Marine Yard is re-
=moved which induces the Justices in
Session to bring the Subject to the
Notice of the Honorable the Governor
in Council, and they beg to recommend
that the Front Street be finished

(the

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/ the greater part being already made according to the original intention / and which will effectually open the communication to the Beach and Custom House and render it safe and convenient.—

The finishing of this Street is necessarily connected with that of the Drain running across, and which the Justices have directed me to say will be immediately completed.

The Roads crossing the Esplanade were made by Government about Seven Years ago, since that period excepting that running west in Front of the China Bazar and bounding the Town from the Esplanade which was to be kept in repair by the Justices the others have of late grown into decay and require partial repairs which—

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the Justices in Sessions beg may be ordered by Government and if neces-sary Convicts will be ordered to do the Work when the materials are Collected.

I am further Commanded by the Justices in Sessions to bring to the Notice of the Honorable the Governor in Council the State of the Grand Ditch running thro' the Espla-nade which Conducts the whole of the dirty water from the Black Town. It was cleaned out by Government at a great expense about Five Years ago, but since that time it has again got so full as almost to choak up the covered Drains which conduct the Water out from the Town and may be the cause of Serious injury to the health of the Inhabitants.

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Inhabitants if not cleaned out before the Monsoon, But the Justeices Consi=dering the different Subjects of this Letter have desired me to say that they propose to clean out the Ditch from the afsefsment funds in future, and request me to obtain the sanc=tion of the Honorable the Governor in Council to authorize the Engineer permitting them to Clean it out immediately.—

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) A. Flower
Clerk of the Peace

Madras
31st July 1812.—

To the Secretary to Government
in the Public Department

Sir,

Para. 1st I have the honor to ack=nowledge the receipt of your letter under

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under date the 7th Instant together with the annexed Copy of a Communication from the Clerk to the Justices in Sessions bringing to the notice of the Honorable the Governor in Council the State of the Roads crossing the Esplanade, the inconvenience sustained from the condition of the Ditch which discharges the Waters &c. from the principal Drain, of the Black Town to the Esplanade and also from the incomplete State of the Communication formerly projected from the Esplanade to the Custom House and Beach in front of the Eastern Face of the Town and at the same time calling for my Opinion upon these several Subjects.

2d With regard to the State of the Roads which intersects the

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the Esplanade I have the honor to remark for the information of the Honorable the Governor in Council that in many parts they are in much need of repair as represented in Mr. Flowers Letter and the mode Suggested for putting them in good Condition by taking advantage of the Convicts for Applying and Working up the materials will no doubt materially contribute towards lowering the expence.

3. The Second Subject Submitted in Mr. Flowers's Letter Viz. the improvement of the Ditch or Drain that intersects the Esplanade and which the Justices propose under the Sanction of the Honorable the Governor to clear out from the assessment funds is I am of opinion

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Opinion a very desirable object but at the same time beg leave to remark that as this excavation is in a direction altogether unfavorable with respect to the Defences of the Fortress none of the Guns Mounted on the Works being capable of infilading its course it will be necessary that particular directions shall be given that the whole of the Soil excavated be deposited on the North and West sides of the Ditch and there be equally Spread over the Esplanade and that the East and South East Sides of the channel shall be formed upon a very moderate slope so as to afford no cover for an Enemy upon this front of the Fortress.

II. The representation of the incomplete State of the Communication formerly

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formerly projected by Government from
the Esplanade to the Custom House
and Beach and the general inconve=
=nience sustained by the Public under
the prevailing Necessity for passing
thro' the back Street only, / as stated
by the Justices, / is no doubt well
founded and the completion of the
grand terraced Road in front of the
Granary and other public and private
Buildings Situated on the Beach, a
measure which there is every reason
to conclude will establish the means
towards great public convenience as
well with respect to the Commercial
and Military branches under the
Government as the Mercantile Interests
and pursuits of the Settlement in
general, at the same time I must beg
leave to remark for the information
of

of the Honorable the President in Council that the adoption of this project must involve the construction of a Stone Bulwark of moderate Solidity upon the whole Sea front from the Justices Office to the present temporary fish Market on the Bounds of the Esplanade a work which must be attended with considerable expense.

The proposed terraced Road or Street above alluded to, is situated beyond what is considered the Military Bounds of the Fortress and Esplanade being in all respects a part of the Black Town, it remains therefore for the Honorable the President in Council to determine how far it may be advisable or consistent with established principles to take measures for allotting annually a portion of the

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the Surplus Assessment Funds towards pursuing progressively an undertaking in the completion and perfection of which, the Interest & convenience and gratification of the European and Native Inhabitants of the Town are so generally concerned.—

I have the honor to be,

Fort St George
17th August 1812

D.C. & D.C.

(Signed) J. Le. Caldwell
Superintending Engineer

D.D.

Extract of a Letter from the Clerk of the Peace Dated 16th September 1812.

"I am also directed by the Justices to State, that it did not occur to them (when they ordered my Letter) that Government would have called upon them to contribute to the charge of Constructing the new Street

to

to the Beach, and Custom House, from the Assessment Funds, they therefore, voluntarily offered to Cleanse out the Esplanade Drain, — but as it is their intention Conformably with your Suggestion to apply to the full extent of which the fund will admit, a Sum towards the expense of Constructing the new Street, They — beg to Recommend that the Drain from the Assessment Money.

At the same time the necessity of cleansing out the Drain cannot be too strongly pressed, as it is or rather should be the great outlet for all the filth from the Black Town, but from the Remarks of the Superintending Engineer it appearing a work of a Military Nature the Magistrates

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acquainting that the Venus is fully equal to accommodate the additional persons mentioned therein.—

From the Accountant General.— From Mr Garrow with Copy of a letter from Captn Macdowall requesting permission to visit the Presidency, and that Captain Franke act as Paymaster during his absence.—

From Do.— From Ditto Recommending Pay may be advertised to be issued to the Troops on the 6th of October.—

From the Secy to the Govt of Bombay. From Mr Farish with a Statement of Payments made on account of the Madras Government, in August last.—

From the Officer Comg in Travancore. From Lieutenant Colonel Hall— acknowledging receipt of circular letter with regard to the honors to be paid to the Naval Commander in Chief and stating necessary instructions to

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to be given.—

From Capt.n Patishall of the 15.th Reg.t N. I.—

From Captain Patishall—
Requesting to be furnished with the
Certificate of the 16.th Para.: of Section
6.th of the new Pay Regulations to the
effect of having obtained permission
to proceed to Europe on Furlough.—

To the Comm.r in Chief.—

To His Excellency Lieutenant
General Sir Samuel Auchmuty— With
Extract from the Proceedings in Council

To the Military Board.—

To the Military Board—
With Extract from the Proceedings in—
Council of the 25.th September.—

To Ditto—

To Ditto with extract
from the Minutes of Council in the—
Public Department dated 22.d Instant,
together with Copies of papers referred
to therein on the Subject of cleansing
out the drain on the Esplanade of—
Fort St George.—

To

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To the Marine Board. — To the Marine Board with extract from the Proceedings of Council of the 25th Instant.—

To Ditto — To Ditto transmits copy of a letter from the Quarter Master General of the Army under date the 25th September.—

To the Military Audr General. — To the Military Auditor General returning the extract from Retrenchments from the Accounts of Mr Paymaster Douglas with the decision of Government thereon.—

To Ditto — To Ditto Transmitting for his report a copy of a letter from the Town Major of Fort St George dated 19th Instant, together with original enclosures.—

To the Accot Genl — To the Accountant General desiring the Statement required in enclosed Copy of a letter from the Solici-

-tor

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Solicitor for the Honorable Company—
may be furnished.—

To the Comy General.— To the Commissary General
With Extract from the Proceedings
of Council.—

To Ditto— To Ditto with Copies of
letters dispatched to the Officers Command-
-ing at Vellore, Wallajahbad, Triche-
-nopoly, Madura, Palamcotah and
Chittoor.—

To the Officer Commanding
Command.t at Vellore.— at Vellore Rescinding the order 14th
April restricting the issue of price
to the Troops, and Indents for Grain
on the Commissariat will be complied
with.—

To the Officer Commanding
Command.t at Chittoor.— at Chittoor Informing that Indents
for Grain presented to the Commissariat
will be complied with.—

Received

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28th Received the following

Letters.—

To the Honorable

Sir G. H. Barlow Bart. K.B.

Governor in Council

&c &c &c

No. 1. Honorable Sir,

From the Military Board Recommending payment of Bills.— We have the honor to forward and to recommend payment of the following Bills Viz.—

No. 1. Bill of the Superintending Engineer in Mysore for Repairing the Dragoon Barracks in the Cantonment of Bangalore, and altering the Window Shutters of the Dragoon Guard Room, authorized on the 13th June, — amounting to Pagodas 146.—13.—63, a balance whereof is due to him of Pagodas 96.—13.—63.—

No. 2 Bill of the Superintending Engineer

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Engineer in Mysore for repairing the
places of Arms and Gram House
occupied by the 3rd Regiment Native
Cavalry in the Cantonment of Bangalore,
and for repairing the Mess House
occupied by the Officers of His Majesty's
8th Regiment amounting to Pagodas
115 15 34 a balance whereof is due of
Pagodas 78 15 34.

We have the honor to be
Fort St George &c &c &c
17th September 1812 (Signed) E Trapaud
" Robt Bell
" P. F. Bruce
" V. Blacker
" W. Morison

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

No 5 Honorable Sir,

From the Mil.y

I have the honor to report
that

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Military Auditor Genl.— With Statement from Paymaster in Ceded Districts of allowances due to Troops ordered to hold themselves in readiness for the field.—

that in consequence of Verbal Orders from the Officer Commanding in the Ceded Districts it appears that several Corps Stationed at Bellary were held in readiness for Field Service since the 20th May 1812, which, conformable to the 13th Paragraph of the 6th Section of the Code of Regulations Page 105, entitles them to Field allowances, and I have the honor to enclose for the information of Your Honor in Council, Copy of a Statement of those Allowances to the different Corps from the 20th May to the 31st July 1812, transmitted to me by the acting Paymaster in the Ceded Districts, amounting to Pagodas 8,095..19..51, together with Copies of the Certificates of the Officers Commanding those Corps, Countersigned by the Officer Commanding the Station conformably to the Regulations

Regulations abovementioned the abstracts for Field Allowances to His Majesty's 56th Regiment for the same period. That Corps having received similar Orders will probably amount to Pagodas 4,000.

There are other Corps also under Orders for Field Service in the other Divisions of the Army, who are of course equally entitled to Field allowances on the production of the proper Documents.

I have the honor to be,

Milit. Aud. Gen.ls Office
Fort St George
26th August 1812.

with the greatest Respect,
Honorable Sir,
Your most Obedient
Humble Servant
(Signed) D. Bruce
M. A. G.

Statement

Statement, Shewing the Amount of Field Allowances due to the following Corps as per accompanying Abstracts presented to the Paymaster in the Ceded Districts by the Officers Commanding the respective Corps.

Corps and Companies	For May 1812.	For June 1812.	For July 1812.	Grand Total
1st Battalion 12th Regiment N. I.				
Grenadier Company	18.	1,252. 40.	116. 3,149. 20.	48. 3,234. 50
2nd Do Do	12.	1,129. 20.	86. 3,247. 60.	24. 3,154. 80.
3rd Do Do	5.	1,103. 20.	14. 2,981. 45.	14. 2,799. 10.
4th Do Do	9.	1,258. 70.	54. 3,243. 17.	29. 3,142. 35.
5th Do Do	7.	1,182. „	33. 3,068. 25.	32. 2,949. 50.
6th Do Do	16.	1,209. 60.	43. 3,065. 15.	42. 2,940. 30.
7th Do Do	5.	1,247. 20.	33. 3,223. 25.	22. 3,094. 30.
8th Do Do	11.	1,219. 40.	43. 3,135. 15.	42. 3,030. 30.
Light Infantry Do	5.	1094. 20.	19. 3,163. 40.	3. 2994. „
Adjutants Establishment	11.	1,195. 40.	118. 3,135. 50.	34. 3020. 20.
Medical Department	16.	364. 64.	27. 713. „	27. 690. „
	19.	36. 60.	49. 614. 22.	48. 60. 68.

Fort St. George 1st April 1813.

Total — 134. 12456. 54. 447. 32,130. 14. 365. 31,066. 43. 946,753,31.

1st Batt.n 22nd Reg.t Nat. Inf.y

Grenadier Company	16.	1257.	60.	42.	3090.	30.	43.	3227.	15.
1st Battalion Company	37.	37.	40.	95.	28.	60.	29.	3196.	70.
2nd " D.o " D.o	23.	1192.	40.	60.	2973.	15.	80.	3268.	47.
3rd " D.o " D.o	"	1119.	"	"	2902.	10.	2.	999.	20.
4th " D.o " D.o	"	1245.	"	"	3097.	10.	3.	216.	20.
5th " D.o " D.o	5.	1212.	20.	14.	3071.	10.	11.	3229.	45.
6th " D.o " D.o	7.	1185.	"	18.	3111.	20.	19.	3224.	"
7th " D.o " D.o	5.	1203.	20.	14.	3046.	10.	11.	3238.	40.
8th " D.o " D.o	33.	36.	"	95.	33.	10.	22.	3170.	40.
Light Infantry D.o	18.	1276.	40.	46.	3149.	20.	48.	3234.	50.
Adjutant's Establishment	9.	351.	18.	27.	690.	"	27.	713.	"
Surgeon's Establishment	11.	10.	40.	28.	5.	20.	29.	2.	50.
Total	164.	10,157.	18.	439.	25,198.	35.	330.	27,716.	77.

933,630,72.50.

1st Batt.n Artillery

4th Company	23.	3516.	24.	60.	6464.	60.	62.	8980.	52.
Captain Taylor's Tent allowance	7.	6.	"	18.	"	"	18.	"	"
Total	30.	3522.	24.	78.	6464.	60.	80.	8980.	52.

188,189,67.56.

Carried forward 2067,157,693,57.

Corps and Companies	For May 1812.	For June 1812.	For July 1812.	Grand Total 1812.
Brought forward				2067 15 7 693 57
1st Batt.n 24th Reg.t Nat. Inf.y				
Grenadier Company	18. 1180 10.	116 3127 20.	48. 3234 50.	
1st Battalion Company	5. 1139 20.	14. 2875 10.	14. 2990 45.	
2nd D.o D.o	7. 1217 "	18. 3084 "	19. 3170 "	
3 " D.o D.o	30. 1302 60.	78. 3126 30.	81. 3210 55.	
4th " D.o D.o	16. 1233 60.	42. 2880 30.	43. 2993 15.	
5th " D.o D.o	12. 1278 30.	32. 3051 75.	33. 3046 37½	
6th " D.o D.o	7. 1254 "	18. 3113 "	19. 3170 "	
7th " D.o D.o	5. 1181 20.	14. 2963 10.	14. 3083 45.	
8th " D.o D.o	7. 1188 "	18. 2994 "	19. 3077 "	
Light Infantry D.o	18. 1168 10.	116. 2999 20.	118. 3018 50.	
Adjutants Establishment	10. 326 32.	28. 690 "	28. 713 "	

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Total	135.12,469 62. 354. 30,904. 35. 366. 31,786. 57½	855. 75,110. 74½
		2922. 232,804. 57½
		at 4s. Tar. per Pag.
		5173. 19. "

Grand Total Star Pagodas 8095. 19. 5½

Bellary Pay Office
8th August 1812.—

Errors Excepted per
(Signed) Edwd. Malton Lt
A. P. M.
C. O.

(True Copy)
(Signed) D. Bruce
M. M. G.

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Bellary 31st July 1812

In Compliance with the 13th Para. of the 6th Section, Code of Pay Regulations, I do hereby Certify that on the 20th day of May 1812 the 1st Company of the 1st Battalion of Artillery was Verbally ordered by the Commanding Officer of the Division to prepare for immediate Field Service.—

(Signed) Robt Taylor Capt.n 1st Batt.n Artillery

(Sig.d) J.V.F. Barclay Lt Col Comm.g Bellary.—

Bellary 31st July 1812.

In compliance with the 13th Paragraph 6th Section Code of Pay Regulations I do hereby Certify that on the 20th day of May 1812 the 1st Battalion 12th Regiment Native Infantry

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Infantry was verbally ordered by the
Commanding Officer of the Division to
prepare for immediate field Service.—

(Signed) Edward Snow Major
Comm.d 1.st Batt.n 12.th Reg.t

(Sig.d) I.V.F. Barclay Lieut.t Col.o
Commanding Bellary.—

Bellary 31.st July 1812.—

In compliance with the 13.th
Paragraph of the 6.th Section, Code of
Pay Regulations, I do hereby certify that
on the 20.th day of May 1812 the 1.st
Battalion 22.d Regiment N.I was Verbal-
=ly Ordered by the Commanding Offi-
=cer of the Division to prepare for
immediate Field Service.—

(Sig.d) D. Mc.Donall Lt.t Col.o
Comm.g 1.st B.n 22.d Reg.t N.I.

(Sig.d) I.V.F. Barclay Lt.t Col.o
Comm.g Bellary.—

Bellary

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Bellevue 31st July 18

In compliance with the 1
Paragraph of the 6th Section Code
Pay Regulations I do hereby Cer
that on the 20th day of May 181
the 1st Battalion 24th Regiment
was verbally Ordered by the Com
=ing Officer of the Division to p
=pare for immediate Field Service

(Sigd) R. McDonald
Comm. 1st Batt. 24th

(Signed) J. V. T. Barclay Lieut. & Adt.
Commanding Bellev

(True Copies)
(Signed) L. Bruce
M. A. Genl

Sent the following Letter
entered in M. B. No. 117, 118, 119, 1
121, 122.

To the Military
Aud. Genl.

To the Military Auditor
Genl

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General Transmitting Copy of a letter and Statement from the Secretary at Bombay respecting advances on account of this Government, for the usual adjustment.

To the Military Auditor General authorizing payment of Bills recommended in Military Board's letter of 17th Instant.

To the Military Aud.r Gen.l

To the Superintendant of the Gov.t Gazette.

To the Superintendant of the Government Gazette desiring the Notice of the 28th April last in the Government Gazette regarding the transmission of Claims of expences incurred on account of Troops at Sea or in Harbour on board the Company's or Country Ships to be published regularly as a permanent advertisement.

To the Comm.r of the Ship Venus.

To Mr. Hay directing him to receive on board his Ship the Troops

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Troops Specified in the accompanying Return for Java.—

To the Secretary to the Government at Batavia.— Enclosing Copy of a Letter and other Papers from the Commissary General at Fort St. George, respecting Stores and Provisions Shipped on the Transport Venus for the use of the Troops and Follow=ers proceeding on her to Java.—

To the Secret.y to the Gov.t at Batavia.—

To Ditto.— To Ditto.— With return of Troops Proceeding from this Presi=dency on board the Venus for Java.—

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At a Consultation

Present

The Honorable

Sir George Hilaro Barlow B.t & K.B.

Governor and President

His Excellency Lieut.t General

Sir Samuel Auchmuty K.B.

Commander in Chief.

Tuesday the 29th Sept.r 1812.—

Thomas Oakes—

and

Ja.s Henry Casamajor Esq.rs

Minutes of last Consul-

tation read and approved.—

No. 6.

Fort St George 29th Sept.r 1812.

President's Minute Capt.n Powell appointed aid de Camp to General Taylor.

The President proposes the following appointments.—

Captain Charles Harvey Powell of the 21st Regiment Native Infantry, to be Aid de Camp to Major General Taylor from the

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22nd Instant.—

(Signed) G. H. Barlow—

President

No 7.

Fort St George 29th September 1812.—

Presid.ts Minute appointing Ensign Syms of the Corps of Engineers to do duty under the Special Surveyor of the Defences of Vellore, Rayacottah, Bangalore and Seringapatam, on the allowances of the Officers of the Military Institution when on Survey.—

The President proposes the following appointment.—

Ensign Syms of the Corps of Engineers to do duty under Lieutenant Colonel Caldwell as Special Surveyor of the Defences of Vellore, Rayacottah Bangalore and Seringapatam.—

Ensign Syms will receive the same allowances as are drawn by the Officers of the Military Institution when employed on Survey.—

(Sig.d) G. H. Barlow—

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Resolut.n & order thereon.

Resolved and Ordered accordingly.—

The Commander in Chief records the following Minute.—

Minute

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No. 9. Minute of the Commander in Chief.—

Minute of the Commander in Chief on the result of the Court Martial convened for the trial of Capt.n Kent Recommending that the Proceedings be laid before the Honorable Court of Directors, and that in the meantime, Captain Kent be allowed his Pay, but that he be not permitted to reside at any Military Station.—

I have the honor to lay before the Board, a Copy of the Proceedings of a General Court Martial, on the trial of Captain Kent, of the 2.d Battalion of the 15.th Regiment of Native Infantry.—

This Document will bring to the notice of the Honorable the President in Council, a novel case in Military Law. the Court, by the Sickness of one of its Members, consisted of fourteen Officers, Seven of whom voted for the dismission of Captain Kent, and Seven for his Suspension. after many unsuccessful attempts to obtain a Majority of Votes, the trial was forwarded to me, in its present unfinished State.—

It must be considered an unfortunate

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of that Superior Authority, by whom he is employed, and, I have the honor to recommend, that it be Submitted to the Honorable the Court of Directors.—

I would also propose, that Captain Kent be allowed to reside at any place, not a Military Station, that he may think proper, on his present allowances, until the pleasure of the Honorable Court, respecting him, shall be known.—

Fort St George
September 25th 1812.—

(Signed) S. Auchmuty
Lieut. General.

Copy of the
Proceedings of a
General Court Martial
held at Trichinopoly
On the 13th May 1812 for the Trial of
Capt. H. Y. Kent of the
15th Regiment N. I.—

At

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At a General Court Martial,—
held in the Garrison of Trichinopoly,
on the 13th day of May, in the Year
of our Lord 1812, by order of Major
General Wilkinson Commanding the
Southern Division of the Army, in—
virtue of the Power and Authority
in him vested by His Excellency
Lieutenant General Sir Samuel Auchmuty,
Commander in Chief of the Forces
Serving under the Presidency of—
Fort St George.——

President

Lieutenant Colonel Floyer, 8th Regt N.C.

Members

Lieutenant Colonel ... M.Kellar, H.M. Royal
Major ... Kelly ... 19th Regt N.I.
——— ... Smith ... 14th Regt N.I.
——— ... Bagshaw, 25th Regt N.I.
Captain ... O'Donnell, 8th Regt N.C.

Capt.—

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Captain ..... Gordon, H. M. Royal Rt.
——— Haire, ... 19th Reg.t N.J.
——— Stoddart. H. M. Royal Rt.
——— Campbell, H. M. Royal Rt.
——— Stewart, 14th Reg.t N.J.
——— Harrington, 19th Regem.t N.J.
——— Loftie ..... 19th Reg.t N.J.
——— Harvey 19th Reg.t N.J.
Lieutenant Cooke ..... 19th Reg.t N.J.
Lieutenant R. Young, acting Judge Advocate.

The Division orders by Major General Wilkinson of the 11th of May, directing the General Court Martial to assemble on the 13th of the same Month, are Read.—

The Court being assembled agreeable to the Division orders of the 11th of May, the Warrants constituting their authority are Read.—

Captain Henry Young Rent

of—

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J. J. of the 15th Regement Native Infantry
a Prisoner; being brought into Court,
the Names of the President and Members
are first Read over to him and he is
asked the following Questions.—

Question, J. A.— Do you object to any
of the Members Composing
the Court, by which you
are about to be tried?—

Answer.— No.—

The President, Members,
and Deputy Judge Advocate, are duly
Sworn, agreable to the Rules and
Articles of War, for the better Govern-
ment of the Honorable Company's
Forces.—

The Judge Advocate, States
to the Court, that he is unprepaired
to proceed with the examination.—

The Court is cleared, and
in

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in consequence of the Representation of the Judge Advocate, have Ordered an adjournment till 10 o'Clock, on Friday Morning the 15th Instant.—

The Court is opened, and the above determination is Read.—

The Court accordingly adjourns till Friday next the 15th Instant, at 10 o'Clock.—

Friday, the 15th day of May 1812.—

The Court met pursuant to adjournment.—

Members all present as before—

The Charge is Read.—

Charge—Captain Henry Young Kent, of the Second Battalion of the Fifteenth Regiment Native Infantry; ordered in arrest by me, on the evidence of three Men—Namely—George Wakefield.—James

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James Flaharty, and
William Matthews, of the Second
Battalion of His Majesty's First or
Royal Regiment of Foot, for a Scandal-
ous and infamous Conduct, highly
disgraceful to a British Officer, in
having, when he belonged to the First
Battalion of the Fifteenth Regiment
Native Infantry at Masulipatam, on
or about the Month of January 1811
attempted or proposed to commit an
unnatural Crime on the Body of one
or all of the said Individuals of His
Majesty's Royal Regiment.—

(Signed) William Macleod
Lieut. Colonel Com.
2d Batt. 15th Regt N.I.

By Order,
(Signed) T. H. S. Conway
Adjutant Genl of the Army
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Additional Charge, Captain Kent, of the 15th Regiment of Native Infantry, charged by Order of the Commander in Chief, with conduct infamous and Scandalous, such as is unbecoming the Character of an Officer or Gentleman, in the following instance.—

In having Submitted to be told that he was accused of unnatural Crimes, when Stationed at Masulipatam, about the Month of January 1811 without taking proper measures to rescue his Character from the imputation.—

Adjt Gen.ls Office
Fort St George
2d of May 1812.—

(Signed) J. H. S. Conway
Adjt Genl of the Army

Quest.n—J. A. How say you, Captain H. Y. Kent are you Guilty or not Guilty?—

Answer—

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Answer— Not Guilty.—

The acting Judge Advocate opens the prosecution.—

Mr President and Gentlemen of the Court Martial.—

To the Crime which has been exhibited against the Prisoner, he has pleaded not Guilty. It is a Crime of that enormity, the non-perpetration, or non-suggestion of which to his accusers, we must all sincerely hope— that the Prisoner will be able to convince Us.—

It is, however, my painful duty to exhibit in evidence, such a line of Conduct on the part of the Prisoner, Captain Kent, as was strongly indicative of the wish, if not of the actual commission of the Crime: The first witness I shall call is Captain J.P. Gordon

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Gordon, of His Majesty's Royal Regi-
-ment, from this Witness you will
learn, that Drummer Wakefield (one
of the Evidences specified in the Charge
preferred by Lieutenant Colonel Mac-
-leod) came to Captain Gordon's Quar-
-ters, at Masulipatam, about the
Month of January 1811, Stating to
him, that he had a Complaint against
Captain Kent, of the 2d Battalion
15th Regiment, which complaint convey-
-ed an Accusation of a wish on the part
of Captain Kent, to commit an Unna-
-tural Crime on the Body of the in-
-formant. To this Representation,
Captain Gordon gave his most earn-
-est advice, that the Complainant
should Remember, of how Serious a
Nature the Allegation was, and, that
he should retire and consider what

he

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he was about, soon after the Drummer Wakefield, left Captain Gordon, Lieuten=ant Macgregor, and Assistant Surgeon Bellingall, of His Majesty's Royal Regiment, came to Captain Gordon's Quarters, to whom Captain Gordon rela=ted the Drummer's Complaint, and re=quested them to accompany him to Captain Kent's Quarters. At this inter=view you will learn, that Captain Kent appeared considerably agitated, Confessing that he was the more distressed at the mention of such an Accusation having gone forth against him, as one of a Similar Nature had been insinuated of him at Wallajahbad, when formerly Stationed there. Captain Gordon then pointed out to Captain Kent, that his duty required him to report what

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what he had heard to Captain Chisholm, who Commanded the Royal Detach-ment, but who was then absent on leave, and, as he had reason to con-clude, that no direct unnatural act had taken place, he would recom-mend Captain Kent to conciliate the parties; and that he, Captain Kent, should then take the earliest opportunity of leaving the Service, and the Country to which proposal, Captain Kent assented. In further-ance of this object, Captain Gordon directed Drummer Wakefield (who by this time had returned with two of his Comrades, having a Similar Charge to prefer against Captain Kent) to Captain Kent's Quarters.

From these Men you will learn, that Captain Kent manifested

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Manifested every contrition for what had passed, and that he assured them, that he would quit Masulipatam, and India altogether, if they would suppress the business; with this information they returned to Captain Gordon, who made his Report of what had occurred to Captain Chisholm, on that Officers Return to the Garrison.—

This Gentlemen, is the Substance of what you will hear in the evidence of Captain Gordon; whose Statement has been of course confined to the Relation of the Evidence, who are to be called to speak to the matter of fact, as set forth in the first charge— with regard to the additional Charge, I have no hesitation in giving it as my

Opinion

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Opinion, that the circumstances of the interview between Captain Gordon and Captain Kent, do completely substantiate that allegation on this point, we shall have the declaration of Captain Gordon, on Oath, that Captain Kent, so far from manifesting any sentiments of indignation at these attempts to wound his Character, was alarmed lest they should get to Bobbs ears, should give credit to a Suspicion of Crimes of a Similar Nature, which, he Stated to have been circulated, against him at Wallajahbad, adding to this apprehension, by his acceptance of Captain Gordons proposal, that pusillanimity which invariably accompanies the Consciousness of guilt yet the Prisoner now braves inquiry; but Gentlemen, if there ever

was

was a period when he might have felt proudly determined to Court. investigation, and the confronting of his accusers at a public trial, it was surely at the first mention of the accusation at Masulipatam, that his bosom might have been expected to have throbbed with such a sense of outrage and gross Calumny, so far from exhibiting any such feelings, you will find, that he implored Secrecy whilst he was to convey himself Silently from the Country. For this conduct he becomes justly answerable to the Severe rules of his profession.—

The other Witnesses, on the first charge, are, it is true of the Common Soldiery, and, therefore, might seem disadvantageously opposed, in

Credit

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Credit, to the Rank of the Prisoner,
This may be an Advantage on his
part in Your Minds, of which, I am
by no means desirous of depriving
him; but, in justice to the prosecution,
I have made all necessary enquiries
into the Character of his accusers, and
I can inform You that, although they
are of the humbler classes of the Com-
-munity, Their conduct has been Repre-
-sented as of that correct description,
which should render us incapable
of supposing that they would Mali-
-ciously devise and charge even Persons
of their Condition in Life, with so detes-
-table a Crime, much less one of the
Prisoner's Rank.—

I will not, Gentlemen, —
detain You any longer with explana-
tory Matter, but proceed with the
examinat.

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examination of the Evidence, Lamenting with you, that the progress of the investigation must unavoidably call forth Narratives of the grossest obscenity.—

Captain J. L. Gordon, of His Majesty's Royal Regiment, a Witness in Support of the Prosecution, duly Sworn.—

The Charges are Read.—

Quest.n by J. A. Were you at Masulipatam with a Detachment of the Royal Regiment, about the end of December 1810, or the beginning of January 1811.—

Answer. I was.—

Quest.n by J. A. Who Commanded that Detachment?—

Answer. Captain Chisholm.—

Quest.n

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Quest.n by J. A. About the end of Decem-
ber 1810 did Drummer George
Wakefield, call upon you
at your Quarters?—

Answer. He did.—

Quest.n by J. A. Did he state to you that
he had a Complaint against
Captain Kent of the 15th Regi-
ment Native Infantry?—

Answer. He did.—

Quest.n by J. A. Will you State what
was the Nature of that Com-
plaint?—

Answer. He called on me in the
Morning about Seven o'
Clock, and said he had come
to make a Complaint against
Captain Kent, for having
offered to treat him in a
very shocking Manner. On
my

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my ascertaining the Nature of the Complaint, which is entirely to the purport of the first Charge, I cautioned him how very serious the Matter was that he alledged, and told him that I would give him some time to consider this Matter, desiring him to return to me when he had made his Mind up on the business. During the period of his absence, Lieutenant Macgregor, and Mr. Billingall, of the Royal Regiment, were at my Quarters, and the business being so very unpleasant

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unpleasant, I was glad to
Consult with them upon
it, and while they were
with me, Drummer Wake=
=field Returned, accompa=
=nied by two other Drum=
=mers, Mathews, and
Flaharty, — after hearing
what they had to say, —
I requested of Lieutenant
MacGregor, to go with
me to Captain Kents House.
On my breaking the Subs=
=ject to Captain Kent, he
was under very great
confusion, and much agi=
=tated, the more so, he
said, as he had been
accused of a Similar Crim
before — I told him I knew
Nothing

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Nothing of that, From the
perswasion that, I had in my
own mind, that nothing
actually Criminal had taken
Place, at Captain Kents
Request, I allowed him to
have an interview with the
Drummers, and, I told Capt.n
Kent, that, I should let the
them to drop the busineſs,
so far only, however, as it
was my bounden duty to
Report the busineſs to Capt.n
Chisholm, who was absent
a few days on leave. after
the interview that Captain
Kent had with the Drummers,
they came to Me, and told
me, that Captain Kent had
expreſsed

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expressed himself with great Sorrow, and had even Wept, and Promised them, if they would give up the busi-ness, that he would quit Masulipatam, and this Country altogether. I told the Drummers, if they could make up their minds to pass it over, on these Conditions, that they were at liberty to do so, but, that they must Recollect, they were to receive no present, after this. I saw Captain Kent, and Repeat-ed to him what I have already said, that the Matter should rest, but, that I would certainly

Report

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Report to Captain Chisholm, who Returned the next day to the Garrison, and I did so accordingly; telling him the Steps I had taken, and how the Matter Stood.—

Quest.n J. A. Did you advise Captain Kent to quit the Country?—

Answer. The Proposal originated with himself.—

Quest.n J. A. What did he say to you?—

Answer. He told me he would quit Masulipatam immediately, and Ultimately by the Country, and that he never could hold his face up again, at the same

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Same time that he never would acknowledge his guilt.—

Quest.n J. A. Will you State what Drummer Wakefield said to You when he first came to You.—

Answer When, I endeavoured to ascertain the Nature of his Complaint, and in what instance he had felt himself injured by Captain Kent, he told me that he had been on the Main Guard, at Masulipatam the Night before, / Captain Kents House immediately overlooked the Guard House /, and that Captain Kent had been very troublesome to him in calling

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calling him up to his house,
from four o'Clock in the
Evening 'till three or four
o'Clock the next Morning,
and had made proposals
to him that he should
Sleep there, In fact, the
Drummer told me, that
he was convinced that
his intentions were bad.
This was the Substance
of what he told me.—

Quest^n by J. A. Did Drummer Flu-
harly tell you that he
went the Rounds one
night with Captain Kent?
He did.—

Answer—

Quest^n by J. A. Did he say that
any thing had taken
place then?—

Answer—

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Answer— He told me that he carried the Lanthorn / as was customary for the Drummer to do when going the Guard Rounds / and that Captain Kent took an opportunity of falling to the Rear, he was with him as he carried the Lanthorn, and that Captain Kent endeavoured to unbuckle the Drummer's breeches, and to get his hand in the Drummer resisted, and I think that the Drummer told me — that, he, Captain Kent, had told him that such things were common in — his, the Prisoners Battalion.

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Quest.n by J. A. Did Drummer Mathews make a Similar Complaint to you against Captain Kent?—

Answer— He did, but in the particular instance he felt himself injured, I cannot Recollect.—

Quest.n by J. A. Where was it that Captain Kent said a similar Complaint had been insinuated of him?

Answer— At Wallajahbad.—

The Witness Retires—

The Court adjourns till 10 o'Clock tomorrow morning.—

Saturday 16th of May 1812.

The Court met pursuant to—

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to adjournment.—

Members all present, with the exception of Major Smith — Reported Sick.—

The Court is cleared.—

In consequence of Medical Certification of the Prisoner's inability from Sickness to attend the Court, the — Court adjourns till further official information of the Prisoners ability to attend.—

The Court is opened and the above Read.—

The Court adjourns — accordingly.—

Monday the 18th of May 1812.—

The Court met pursuant to adjournment.—

Members all present as before.—

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The Judge Advocate informs the Court, that he has received the prescribed Medical Certificate from Major Smith, stating his inability to attend, which is Read accordingly.—

Lieutenant MacGregor of His Majesty's Royal Regiment, a Witness in Support of the prosecution, duly Sworn.—

The Charges are Read.—

Quest^n by J.A. Did you accompany Captain Gordon to Captain Kents Quarters at Masulipatam, in the Month of December 1810, relatively to an investigation of a Complaint against that Officer by Drummer George Wakefield, of the Royal Regiment

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Answer. I did.

J. A. Relate what you know regarding that interview?

Answer. In the Month of December 1810, I was one Morning at Captain Gordon's Quarters, who informed me that Drummer Wakefield, had made a Shocking Complaint against Captain Kent. He told me the Substance of the Complaint. I had only been, a few minutes with Captain Gordon, when Drummer Wakefield, and one or two more, wished to Speak to Captain Gordon, who called them into his room, and desired

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desired them to relate how Captain Kent had behaved to them, each of them told his Story; Drummer Wakefield said, he was on Guard the night before, and that Captain Kent had sent for him Repeatedly to his Quarters, from 4 O'Clock in the afternoon 'till late at night — he prest him to drink Spirits, which he did, and was a good deal intoxicated — he asked the Drummer to Sleep with him — which he refused to do — he then got up off his chair, and began handling about the Drummers breeches — the Drummer

then

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then perceived his intentions,
and wished to leave the
Room Captain Kent then
opened the Door, and
desired him not to talk
of what had passed - Drum-
-mer Mathews also rela-
-ted in my presence, that
he was going the Rounds
with Captain Kent, and
that Captain Kent re-
-mained a long way in
the rear, the Drummer
was carrying the Lanthorn
and Captain Kent began
to handle his breeches -
The Drummer told him,
that what he was doing
was improper. When they
came close to the Main
Guard

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Guard, Captain Kent stop-
-ped and asked the Drum-
-mer if he was a Married
Man, but, I do not recol-
-lect what replay the Drum-
-mer made to him— he
then asked him if he—
ever had any connection
with a Woman— he again
asked the Drummer, if
he did not think that
two of their Sex might
not equally enjoy them-
-selves as if they had a
female— The Drummer
answered, that he could
over a Bottle— he then
requested the Drummer
to go up to his Room,
and take a drink after

so—

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so long a walk — he got a Bottle of Brandy, and helped the Drummer to half a tumbler full — after this he began unbuttoning the Band of the Drummer's Breeches, who retreated towards the Door, and was so much intoxicated as to be unable to stand without leaning against the wall. Captain Kent still persisted in opening the flap of his breches, but he pushed him off, and requested that he would allow him to go to his Guard which he

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he did. Drummer Flukar-
ty's Story runs much in
the same Strain.—
The Witness Retires.—
Mr Assistant Surgeon
Bellingall, of the Royal Regiment,
a Witness in Support of the prose-
-cution, duly Sworn.—
The Charges are Read.—
Quest.n J. A. Was you at Capt.n
Gordon's Quarters about
the end of December 1810,
or the begining of January
-ry 1811, when Drummer
Wakefield made a Com-
-plaint to him against
Captain Kent of the
15th Regiment.—
Answer. I was.—
J. A. Relate what you—
know

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know of that Complaint?

Answer. Captain Gordon had previously Stated to me, that Drummer Wakefield had been to him that Morning to make a Complaint against Captain Kent, for having used him with extraordinary familiarity, sending for him the preceding day, while he was on Guard, and having attempted to put his hand in to his breeches while we were talking of this, Drummer Wakefield, came up a second time to renew the Complaint

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Complaint, accompanied by two other Drummers.— Captain Gordon and My-self cautioned them of— the Seriousness of the— Charge, and desired them to be very sure of it's being well founded, before they persevered in it. Captain Gordon then— dismissed them, Saying, that he would Speak to Captain Kent upon it, and desired them to let the matter Rest 'till— they should hear further from him. In the course of that day, or following, Captain Gordon shewed me a Letter from Captain Kent

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Short, but expressive of great obligations to him, and Lieutenant Macgregor, for the delicacy they had shewn him, in not making the business public, and, declaring his intention of immediately quitting Masulipatam, and eventually this Country.—

The Witness Retires—

Drummer George Wakefield, of His Majesty's Royal Regiment, Witness in Support of the prosecution, duly Sworn.—

The Charges are Read.—

Quest^n J. A. State what you know of the Crimes against the Prisoner, which have just been read

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read to you.—

Answer: I was Drummer of the Main Guard, when Captain Kent sent his Dubash to me, to ask if I was Drummer of the Guard, on which, I told him I was his— Dubash returned to his Master, and told him I was Drummer of the Guard— In the course of ten Minutes the— Dubash returned to me again, and said, that his Master wanted to know my Name.— I— accordingly told him,— and he returned to his Master with my Name—

his

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His Dubash afterwards came and said, that his Master wanted to Speak to me, so I went, and asked Captain Kent if he wanted to Speak to me, he said he did, and detained me for some time. I now left him about Six O'Clock the same Evening, he sent for me again, and detained me for about half an hour, I again left him. Betwixt the hours of Nine and ten the same Evening, he sent for me again, I accordingly went He asked me to set down, and asked me if I

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I was Married — I told him I was not — He ask-ed me to go to bed with him, and proposed doing so and so, but, I told him, I would not, he — asked me to put out the light, on which I left him —

The next Morn-ing after being relieved from Guard, William — Mathews and me went to Complain to Captain Gordon, who went to — Captain Hunts quarters, and returned in about an hour, and told us, that Captain Hunt — wished to Speak to us when

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when we went to Captain
Kent, he began to cry,
and acknowledged that
what he had done was
wrong - Again we return
=ed to Captain Gordon's
quarters, and he told us
that he would report
what had happened to
the Commanding Officer
on which we left him.

Quest.n Court. What was the par.
=cular act Captain Kent
proposed to you, when
he asked you to go to be

Answer. He asked me to tak
down my trowsers, and
remain till he had do
what he wished wi
me.

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The Witness Retires.—

Private William Mathews of

His Majestys Royal Regiment, a Wit-

-ness in Support of the prosecution,—

duly Sworn.—

The Charges are Read.—

Quest.n by J.A. State what you know—

Regarding the Crimes you have

heard Read.—

Answer About the latter end of

December 1810, or the begining

of January 1811, I was Drum-

-mer of the Main Guard—

I went the Rounds at Night

with Captain Kent, Carrying

the Lanthorn— On our return-

-ing home he asked me if

I was Married— I told him

I was not— he next asked

me, if I had had any Con-

-nection

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Connection with the Native Women, I answered, him— I had not; shortly after he asked me, whether or not a Man might enjoy himself with his own Sex as well as with the other— I answered him that a Man might enjoy himself with his— friend over a Bottle. I do not Remember well what farther he said to me before we came to the Guard House. I was preparing to go to my Cot; when a Dubash came for me, and told me Captain Kent wanted me, I went to him, and he was walking about his Room— he told me to—

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to come in, but I wished to excuse Myself as I was sleepy — when I went into the Room he gave me half a tumbler full of Brandy, and drank about a similar quantity himself — he then asked me some questions — Concerning my Regiment — after which he took the Door, but I wanted to go out, as I found Myself much the worse for the liqeur he had given me — he now began to take many liberties with me, putting his hand about my Privates, but I did what I could to tell him that I was by this time perfectly awaire of his designs — he —

then

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then caught hold of me by
the Arm, and Strove to draw
me back into the Middle of
the Room — he then told me
that if I would Sleep with
him he would give me as
much Money as I wished
at any time, which would
buy me Clothes, and make
me Richer than my Compa-
-nions. I was by this time
so far gone with Liquor that
I could Scarcely stand alone.
I however
getting
the Door; so he opened
for, and hoped that
I would not mention it to
any Person whatever, a-
few days after, George Wake-
=field came to me and told

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me that Captain Kent had used him in a similar way that he had done to me we both went to Captain P. Gordon; and when we were there one of us went for Drummer Fluharty, and we reported the circumstance to Captain Gordon. Captain Kent, and when he returned, he told us to go to Captain Kent; we went to him, and he seemed to be very Sorry for what he had done; and talked about resigning his Commission, but I cannot recollect what he said. He said he would go to

America

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America.—

Quest.n J. A. Did you return to
Captain Gordon's Quarters?—

Answer. Yes.—

J. A. What did Captain
Gordon say to you?—

Answer. I do not Remember.—

Quest.n by Court. At what place was
you Drummer on the
Main Guard when
Captain Kent sent for
you?—

Answer. At Masulipatam.—

The Witness Retires—

Drummer James Flukar-
-ty, of His Majesty's Royal Regi-
-ment, a Witness in Support of the
prosecution, duly Sworn.—

The Charges are Read.—

Quest.n J. A. State what you know
regarding

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Regarding the Charges against the Prisoner you have just heard read.—

Answer— I was on the Main Guard one day when Captain Kent was Captain of the Day about 7 o'Clock in the Evening he sent his Dubash to call me— when I went to him he was engaged Speaking with a Corporal; seeing this, I came away again— I returned to him a Short time after, and he asked me if I had any Candles, I told him I had one for him, and one for the Officer of the Guard— he asked of me, as I did not think the allowance the Drummer's per-
quisite

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Serjeant [illegible]
was his [illegible] you return to
Officers [illegible]don's Quarters?—
so he told h[illegible]
a Candle and Captain
pray m[illegible]e to you?—
upo[illegible] do not Remember—
h[illegible] At what place was
you Drummer on the
Main Guard when
his [illegible]ptain Kent sent for
har[illegible]
ne.—
Met Masulipatam.—
I Witness Retires—
wa[illegible]ummer James Flukar—
wh[illegible]ty's Royal Regi—
sha[illegible] in Support of the
and [illegible]worn.—
Charges are Read.—
[illegible]
know
garding

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to the Guard House, in the
rear of Captain Gordon's
Quarters, he was catching
me by the Privates — I
went to the other side
of the Road from him —
he asked me if I did not
ing like that, and I told him
to cadid not — he asked me
to try — I told him that
-i no Officer of the Regiment
ts I belong to, would take
these liberties with one
of my Rank, — he told me,
if I did not like it, —
never to make mention
of it: some time after
— Drummer Mathews came to
me, and told me to come
along with him to Captain
P.

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P. Gordons — I went, and made a Report of what had — happened to Captain P. Gordon, and then returned to my Quarters. —

The Witness Retires —

Drummer Mathews is again called into Court. —

Qr. from the Court — How did George — Wakefield come to know that Captain Kent had used You, as Stated in the Charge? —

Answer — He learned it from me in the course of conver- -sation. —

Court — On going to Captain P. Gordons quarters in Compa- -ny with George Wakefield, what induced me of You to

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to go and call Drummer Flaharty.—

Answer Previous knowledge of Flahartys having been treated in the same way by Captain Kent.—

Court. Was it generally known Amongst the Drummers what Captain Kents Conduct had been to Yourself, Wakefield, and Flaharty.—

Answer I am Confident it was.

The Witness Retires.

Drummer George Wakefield is again called into Court.—

Dr. from the Court. At what period did Drummer Mathews inform You that Captain Kent had used him as

Stated

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Stated in the Charge?—

Answer Mathews told me that Morning I came off Guard.—

Court:— On going to Captain P. Gordons quarters in Company with Mathews what induced one of you to go and call Flaharty?—

Answer:— Mathews had been speaking to Captain P. Gordon about Flaharty before, and it was him who Ordered Mathews to call Flaharty.—

Court:— Was it not generally known amongst the Drummers what Captain Kents Conduct had been to yourself, Mathews, and Flaharty?

Answer—

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Answer.... I generally heard them speaking amongst themselves, but I never heard that it was Reported to any Officer.—

Court.... The Morning you came off Guard did you Report alone to Captain Gordon, or did you first go and call Mathews?

Answer.. I went to Mathews before I went to Captain Gordon.—

Court.. Did you know that a Similar attempt had been made upon Mathews before, or did you mention what had happened to yourself in the course of conversation?

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Answer— I told him first what had happened to me, and he afterwards told me what had taken place to him.—

The Witness Returns—

Lieutenant Macgregor is again called into Court.—

Qr from the Court— Relate what you know of the conversation that took place between Captain Gordon and Captn Kent, when you waited upon him.—

Answer— On the morning of the Complaint, I went with Captain Gordon to Captain Kent's quarters. Captain Gordon told Captain Kent the Substance

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Substance of the Complaint,
and he appeared very
much confused for some
time – he mentioned that
he was the more Vexed
at this Accusation, as a
Similar one had been
made against him at
Wallajahbad. Captain
Gordon then told him
that if he would make
up the matter with
the Drummers he would
let the business rest
as it now stood. Captain
Gordon then very candid-
-ly told him, that it
was his duty to Report
the circumstance to
Captain Chisholm, when
he

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he should arrive, and if he was unable to satisfy the Drummers of that head, he would be under the disa-greable necessity of Report-ing what had occurred, to Colonel Ogg. Captain Kent then Requested Capt.n Gordon, to send the Drummers to his Quarters. Captain Gordon told Captain Kent that no bribe was to be given in making up the business with them. Captain Kent said that he had not the means, and he mention-ed his determination of quit-ting Masulipatam, and eventually the Country.—

Court— Can you State the—

Substance

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Substance of the letter that Captain Kent wrote to Captain Gordon?—

Answer— Captain Kent, in the first part of the letter, expressed his thanks to me and Captain Gordon for the delicate manner in which we had behaved on the occasion— he also expressed in that letter.— his intention of leaving Masulipatam immediately.—

Court— When Captain Gordon mentioned the Complaint of the Drummers to Capt.n Kent, did he deny the charge, or use any expression of indignation or astonishment

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astonishment?—

Answer— He neither expressed indignation, nor did he deny the Charge.—

The Judge Advocate now closes the prosecution, and the Prisoner being called upon for his defence, Requests an indulgence of four days to prepare it. The Court accordingly adjourns till 10 O'Clock on Saturday Morning the 23rd Instant.—

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The Court met pursuant to adjournment.—

Members all present as before.—

The Prisoner being called upon for his defence, requests the Judge Advocate to read it for him, which being complied with is

Read

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Read as follows.—

Defence

Gentlemen—

The well written address of the Judge Advocate has been so admirably adapted and well calculated to impress on your Minds a conviction, that the Charges against me are founded, that, I fear my poor abilities will furnish me with little more than the plainest truth, to offer you in extenuation of the imputed Crime— on that truth I must Rely; and altho', I acknowledge the folly and the indiscretion of my Conduct in many instances, yet, wishes, proposals or attempts, at criminality, I will firmly with my last breath deny, yet what can a firm denial of guilt, what

can

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can the most Solemn protestations
of innocence avail, where a Recorded
Oath is exhibited against them, —
The recollection of my present —
Situation makes me hourly Regret,
that I did not in the first instance —
bring the Men themselves to a Public
Court of enquiry and while the Offence
was fresh in their minds, have saved
them from the imputation of forgetful-
=ness, and have given them no time to
add to, and alter their original Complaints.
At first, indeed, I was not
aware of the exact nature or extent
of the Complaint, Captain Gordon told
me, that 2 or 3 of the Drummers of
His Majesty's Royal, had Reported
to him that I had used improper free-
=doms with them, and (after what had
passed as Stated in his evidence) the
men

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Men were sent to me, they did not
mention one single instance wherein
I had done any thing offensive.—
Mathews who was the only one—
who spoke, said, that I had been
too free with him and that he thought
I wished to go further, but when
I pointed out to him the horrid
consequences of the propagation of
such Reports, the Enevitable destruc-
tion and disgrace that must follow
them, whether well or ill founded,
when I told them such Reports would
oblige me to quit the Service and
the Country for ever; when I assured
them that if I had talked too free-
ly to them, that my intentions and
meanings were very different from
the construction they put upon them,
and, that I detested the Crime as
much

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much as himself, they left me, and, I had every Reason to believe, that they were Satisfied they had been wrong.—

But, they have Stated, that I cried to them. I will not deny but that tears came uncalled for into my eyes, but good God, I hope, I can not be considered so mean as to attempt to move the Compassions of a Drummer by weeping.—

Is an effusion of tears proceeding from Sudden Recollection, and from anguish of heart, to be construed into a Sin? is an involuntary emotion of the mind to be invested into a crime? if it is, then Gentlemen of that, I am guilty; even now (when alone) and memory retraces those Scenes of former times, when I have enjoyed the blessings of Society and Friendship, when Severe

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Anticipation lays before me my future prospects, if dreadful conviction of the consequences of the assertions of these Men shew me my present ruin, can it be wondered at, that an excess of feeling should over-flow and frequently betray me into a venial weakness.—

The cool malignity of Wakefield, in swearing that I attempted to pull down his breeches, and ask him to do "so and so", as he calls it, is, astonishing, because, I can prove by the evidence of Sergeant Blythe, and some others,— that when taxed by them with what he had said, in his drunken moments, the night before, and previous to his making his Report to Captain Gordon, he declared it was

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was a lie, that I had done no such
thing, and that he was sorry he
said so; yet an hour or two after-
-wards he and two others go to make
the Complaint against me. I can
prove also, that he has said that
if Mathews had not instigated him
to do so, he should never have gone
to Captain Gordon, and the evidence
he has given here is so different
to his Statement before that Gentle-
-man, as might induce great doubts
of his Veracity.—

The Memory of Mr Mathews
too, I cannot help thinking some what
Singular, at first he says that he
was so drunk after the brandy I gave
him, as to be unable to recollect what
passed; he believes, he says, he thinks
but cannot positively swear, however

being

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being ordered by the Court to give direct
answers to the questions put to him,
he is suddenly enabled to recollect
every circumstance, and to give on
Oath, a minute detail of particulars
which a moment before he had de-
clared he had forgotten— His malici-
ous attempt to bring additional —
charges against me, by saying, that
at Wallajahbad, I had asked James
Lawson to sleep with me, I shall
call the Man himself to answer —
to, and if he, Mathews, can be —
proved to have Sworn false, in one
instance, I hope his truth on others,
may not have implicit reliance —
placed on it.—

James Lawson is a —
Man very expert at copying Music,
and as such, a valuable acquisition
to —

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to me. The Officer Commanding the Detachment had the kindness to permit him (when he had no other business) to write for hours, almost whole days, in my house as he new would put a price on his labour, I frequently gave him presents, perhaps to a greater amount than his charge could have been, these presents gave Lawson an opportunity of enjoying some Comforts, which Mathews was deprived of, and raise his envy to the diabolical height it has arisen to. The whole affair has I believe, originated with him, and it is shocking to think, how much mischief a Man may do, if he is determined to do all he can — I think I can prove, that the three persons were urged by him to come forward

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in hopes of procuring Money or Arrack,
but Captain Gordon's proper caution
to them to receive no Money or
presents of any kind, immediately
changed their hopes of gain, into
a wilful spirit of determined per=
secution, and what they had once
asserted, they now think themselves
bound to support on Oath.—

As far as concerns Flahar=
ty, I have little to say, I know him
less than I do the others. I do not
believe he was ever in my house,—
and he has Stated that he did not
come with Mathews and Wakefield,
as he has mentioned nothing in his
Evidence of my having told him—
that such practices were common
in my Battalion, the madness of
such a confession or assertion from
me

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me, fact or not, must be too glaring
to be believed, but as it concerns the
Battalion as much as Myself, I would
wish to have it cleared away—
Captain Gordon has Stated in his
Evidence, that I appeared much confu-
-fused, and Lieutenant McGregor
Says, that for some time I was unable
to Speak when the Substance of the
present charge was made known to
me— Our Passions, Gentlemen, affect
Us outwardly in various forms, while
our internal feelings are the same, and
tho' not conscious of the slightest
degree of guilt, yet, I was at once
confused, agitated, and thunder-Struck,
and if I shew'd no Marks of indigna-
tion, the impetuous current of my
thoughts rushed from one Scene to
another, and I strove to recollect
where

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nature, and how, any part of my Conduct
could have given Rise to a Suspicion
of such a Nature.— Wallajahbad —
was the only place that occurred to
my Memory, and it struck me direct-
ly, that the intimacy which had —
then Subsisted between the Men of
His Majesty's Royal and the Sepoys
of the 2d Battalion 15th Regiment,
might have brought to the Know-
ledge of the former, a Nefarious —
transaction that had taken place —
there; and had led them, on that —
ground, to endeavour to extort liquor
or Money from me, as they / who ever
they were, / I did not know / seemed
determined to put a base construction,
on my / some times unwary / behaviour.—

The circumstances of
that transaction are these, an Orderly
boy

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boy of mine at Wadbagahbad, contract-
=ed a Venereal disorder, and fearing
his father (as he told me) would half
kill him if he knew it, he asked
me to send for the Native Dresser
to give him Medicines, and to keep
him (the boy) in the Hospital, I did
so for a few days, but soon after found
that the little wretch (for what Reason
no one could discover) had gone to
Major McDowall and Complained
that I had infected him, the busi-
=ness was fully investigated before all
the Officers of the Battalion, the Sur-
=geon declared that it was impossible
to communicate infection in that Manner
and refused to examine me tho' I
requested him to do so, and the Native
Dresser, whom I have summoned here
was, and is, ready to prove that I had

not

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no disorder on me whatever then, or
some time before. Major McDonall
wrote to me, that he, as well as the
Officers were convinced of the infamy
of the Complaint that the boy had
made, that he would do his utmost
to find out, who had been sufficiently
my Enemy as to instigate the boy to
such wickedness, but recommended
me to allow the business to be kept
Secret, and even to permit the boy to
remain in the Battalion in preference
to flogging and turning him out.

Such, Gentlemen, was
what occurred to me at the moment
and I at once mentioned to Captain
Gordon what he would never have
known from any other Officer of
the 15th Regiment.

Having gone thus far
Gentlemen

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accustomed to cohabit with Women would Shudder at the idea of connec=tion with his own Sex, yet it may favor my cause to prove, that, I have Suffered very severely from disorders no Man could have infected me with: and many are in Trichino=poly, and even in this Room, that can Vouch for my illnesses, both at Bellary and Seringapatam.—

But, I am taking up too much of your time, Gentlemen,— and will refrain from remarking upon the Evidence I have to call,— except that and will now conclude in as concise and explicit a Manner as, I possibly can.—

As, I have ever since the Court Martial has been assem=bled, suffered severe illness, and— unable

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unable to take Notes of the evidences
against me, there perhaps may be
many points on which I have made
no remarks, but the great indulgences
I have had allowed me (and for
which I am sincerely thankful) in-
duce me to hope, that the Judge
Advocate may be allowed to assist
me in putting those questions to
any witnesses which he may think
will be any way conducive to my
acquittal— but suppose, I am —
acquitted, Suspicion has been excit-
ed, and Suspicion once awakened
will throw a false Light on the
most innocent acts of Man, Sus-
picion will hence forth baffle all
circumstances of Conduct on my part
to regain the esteem I once was
so proud to enjoy.—

But

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But, I who can boast that no one action of my Life, has been wilfully or intentionally bad, or maliciously injurious to any of my fellow Creatures, can attribute the Complaint these Men have made— against me to no other cause, than the one I have mentioned. I have been able to set up to write but a few lines at a time, Gentlemen, I have therefore perhaps been incoherent, and have wandered Some times from the Subject, let my excuse be, that I have been totally unassisted, that I am little skilld in the composition of such addresses as that my weakness and ill health has been— daily increasing for some time, and that the agitation of my Mind is extreme.—

Again

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Again and again Gentlemen I protest my innocence as far as concerns unnatural propensities or wishes, attempts, or proposals, to commit the Crimes I am charged with.—

With regard to the second Charge, I have only to say, that the cause it has proceeded from, (on my part,) is more from an error of Judgement, and an earnest desire and wish to keep the affair from being known, espiciallly as from the subsequent kindly conduct of all, I had been acquainted with previously, and from a perfect conviction in my own mind that I had convinced the men that my intentions were guiltless, and that every one else thought so,

than

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than from any intention to behave in a Scandalous or infamous Manner.—

I have now done, Gentle=men, and shall wait with eager Solicitude for that Sentence, which is to Send me home, either in dis=grace, or to retire from the Service.—

(Signed) H. Y. Kent

Serjeant Gillespie of His Majesty's Royal Regiment a Witness in Sup=port of the Defence, duly Sworn.—

The Charges are Read.—

Quest.n by Pris.r— Was you on Guard at Masulipatam some time alluded to in the Charge?—

Answer— Yes.—

Pris.r— Will you State what Wakefield said to You?—

Answer— He told me that he was very Sorry for having run away

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away Captain Kents Charac-
ter in the manner he had
done; he believed that it
proceeded from his being in
Liquor, and what induced
him to say so was, what
Mathews and Flaharty
had told him — on my
speaking to Flaharty a few
days after that, I told him
that it was a very serious
affair to meddle with a
Gentlemans Character; he
told me he was sorry for
what he had done, and
that it all proceeded from
Mathews Drunkenness.—

Pres.r — Did you ever hear
him deny that I had
attempted to Commit any
indecencies

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indecencies with him?—

Answer— Both Wakefield and Flaharty denied it.—

Quest.n Court— What gave occasion to the Conversation that took place between you, and Wakefield and Flaharty?—

Answer— Captain Rents Conduct was in general good among the Europeans, and I generally heard them Speaking about him, which induced me to Speak to them on the Subject. They were very Sorry to hear that his Conduct should be talked of in such a manner.—

Court— In the course of your Conversation with the two Drummers, did they mention to—

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to you that Captain Kent ever took any liberties with them?—

Answer I put that question to them, and they denied it.—

Court Did you speak to Captain Kent, on the Subject of these Reports previous to your Speaking to the Drummers?—

Answer Never on that Subject 'till I came hear.—

Court If you never said any thing to Captain Kent on that Subject, how did Captain Kent come to know that you had any conversation with the Drummers?—

Ans.r

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Answer.— Campbell told me that he had reported my Conversation to Captain Kent, and all the Evidences will corroborate what, I have said concerning Wakefield.—

Court.— Were any Men present at the time you spoke to the Drummers respecting the report about Captain Kent.—

Answer.— No.—

Court.— Were both the Drummers together when the subject was discussed?.—

Answer.— Some days intervened.—

Quest.n J. K.— You have said that Campbell and others will be called as Evidences,— when did you know that they

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they would be called upon?

Answer Since the commence-
-ment of the trial.—

Court Have you not heard
it mentioned among the
Men of the Detachment,
that Captain Kent had
taken liberties with some
of the Drummers previous
to the Day you Spoke to
Wakefield and Flaharty
on the matter?—

Answer It was Spoken of
among them.—

Court Do you Recollect
how long before that—
period?—

Answer I cannot Say.—

Court Is it possible that
Captain Kent could have
taken

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taken any unbecoming liber-
-ties with Drummer Mathews
whilst going the Rounds
with the Lanthorn, with-
-out some of the Escort
perceiving it.—

Answer I cannot possibly say,
in that instance, I have gone
the rounds with Captain
Kent and he never then
took any such liberties.—
The Witness Retires—
The Court adjourns till
Monday at 10 O'Clock the 25th
Instant.—

Monday the 25th May 1812.
The Court met pursuant
to adjournment.—
All Members present as
before

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before.

Private Campbell of His Majesty's Royal Regiment a Witness in support of the Defence, duly Sworn.

The Charges are Read.

Qn. from the Pris.r How did I know that Serjeant Gillespie was able to give evidence in my favor.

Answer. It was me that told Captain Kent of it.

Qn. J. A. You Reported the Conversation which took place between Serjeant Gillespie and the Drummers Wakefield, and Flaharty, to Captain Kent, State what you know of that Conversation.

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Answer I know nothing about Flaharty about five days after the report was raised, I was on the Main Guard, and asked George Wakefield if what was reported was fact, he answered that if he had reported the thing, it was not true.—

Q. A.— How did you know that any conversation had passed on that head between Gillespie and Wakefield?—

Answer— One of the Men L. Dowlin reported it to me, who is since Dead.—

Q. A.— Did you hear any of the Men speaking of Captain Kents Conduct to the Drummers?—

Ans.— [illegible]

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Answer I only heard it from the Report of Wakefield, being informed by Dowlin.

Court You say that you asked Wakefield, if so, you must have heard it before?

Answer I was told by L. Dowlin.

Court Did you ever hear any thing of this transaction before Dowlin told you?

Answer No.

Court How did Captain Kent come by the knowledge of your being able to give Evidence in his favor?

Answer I met Captain Kent at the Court and told him that Serjeant Gillespie was able to tell him some

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which passed between Lieu.
and the Drummers. Captai
Kent then asked me, if
I knew any thing of the
business, and I told, I kno
nothing more that what
I have Stated.—

Question— Were any Persons pr
-sent when you heard
from Lt. Donlen what
had passed, or when you
asked Wakefield about
the report?—

Answer— There was no perso
present.—

Court— Was you advised
by any Person to commun
-cate your knowledge tha
Serjeant Gillespie could
give

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give Evidence in Captain Kent's favor, or was it a Voluntary act of your own?—

Answer— It was my own act.—

Court— What induced you to that act?—

Answer— Because, I had heard that Serjeant Gillespie had report-ed that Wakefield had said it was not true.—

Court— When you Reported your knowledge to Captain Kent, on the Step of their Room, was you on Guard.—

Answer— Yes.—

Court— Had you any conversation on this head with Captain Kent, before that day you saw him on Guard?—

Answer— No.—

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Quest. Pris. Have I offered, or given you any present of any kind, to come forward at this time, (i.e. on my trial,) or have I offered, or promised, directly or indirectly to do so, at any after period, or in any way held out a prospect of future reward or recompence?

Answer No.

Court Did you ever mention to any of your Comrades the conversation that took place between and Wakefield.

Answer No.

Court Why did you not mention it to your Comrades?

Answer Because I believed it unfounded.

Court

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Court— Did you ever experience any acts of kindness from Captain Kent before the report of Dowlin to you?—

Answer— No.—

Court— How did you come to know Captain Kent?—

Answer— By being on Duty with him.—

Court— When were you first on Duty with him?—

Answer— At Masulipatam.—

Court— Had you ever any conversation with Captain Kent before?—

Answer— Never till on the Steps of this Room.—

Court— When you understood that Serjeant Gillespie could give Evidence on the same

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Same Side, had you any con-
=versation with him on the
Subject?—

Answer— None only what I have
before expressed.—

The Witness Retires.—

Drummer James Lawson
of His Majesty's Royals, a Witness
in Support of the Defence, duly Sworn.

The Charges are Read.—

Dr Pris.r— Did you not hear of the
Complaint on which the
Charges are founded at
Head Quarters?—

Answer— Yes.—

Pris.r— I believe I mentioned
the circumstance myself
to you, did I not?—

Answer— Yes.—

Pris.r— Do you recollect what
I

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I said?—

Answer— He, Captain Kent, asked me, if I had heard of the Complaint that had been made by the Drummer to Captain Gordon, I told Captn Kent that they had since entirely denied it, and said it was a falsehood— he had never done them any harm, more than having given them a Glass of Brandy when on duty.— Wakefield told me that he was advised to come forward and make this Complaint to Captain Gordon, or he would never even thought of any thing of this kind.—

Prisoner— Did you not question

these

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these Men at Evening Parade
or afternoon Practice, before
all the Drummers of the
Detachment, concerning the
Complaint they had made?—

Answer— Yes, I did.—

Pris.r— What did they say?—

Answer— They denied it.—

Pris.r— Where you not much
in my House at Masulipatam
-tam, sometimes almost a
whole day at a time?—

Answer— Yes.—

Pris.r— State what my conduct
was to you there, and what
your Employment was?—

Answer— I was very well used,
I always was well paid for
my work, after he, Captain
Kent, had finished his Tiffin
he

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he generally left the Room and
desired me to take mine,
I was usually employed
writing Music.

Pris.r Did you ever hear any
of the Men say that I ever
kept them in my House drink-
-ing or Keping Company
with them?

Answer No.

Pris.r It was very easy to get
Arrack, Rum, or Brandy,
at Masulipatam; was it
not?

Answer Yes, it was.

Pris.r When I have offered you,
or any other Man liquor,
did I give you the Bottle,
or point it out, and tell you
to help Yourselves.

Ans.r

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or afternoon Practice, before
all the Drummers of the
Detachment, concern[illegible]e
made?

Pris[illegible] Had it
probable, if
looked at they say?
helping thd it.—
they might be not much
take too at Masulepa:
Answer— I mig[illegible]mes almost a
much as at a time?—
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said [illegible]ployment was.—
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Oath what Wakefield had
said at Masulipatam
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and he told us to say nothing
but what we could Swear
to before the Court, and
to recollect, that he would
not give us any Money
for coming forward as
evidences.

Ans. Pris. " Have you not heard
Mathews deny the truth,
of the accusation against
Answer me?

Pris. " Yes.

" Have I ever
you, any favor
kind to cov. or my trial, or
this time,

of
Co[illegible]

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Answer. He always gave out
the Bottle, and helped me
to help myself.—

Pris.r— Was it not then very
probable that, as I never
looked after those who were
helping themselves, that
they might sometimes—
take too large a quantity?

Answer— I might have taken as
much as I liked, as he
never looked at me.—

Pris.r— Shall recollect, what I—
can to you and Grey the
said. Morning I requested
first attendance at my—
your house.—

Answer— When we came to him
Captain Hunt, he asked
us

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Oath what Wakefield had
said at Masulipatam—
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Mathews deny the truth,
of the accusation against
me?—

Answer— Yes.—

Pris.r— Have I offered or given
you, any present of any
kind to come forward at
this time (i.e. on my trial)
or—

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or have, I offered, or promised directly or indirectly to do so at any after period, or in any way held out a prospect of future reward or recompence.—

Answer— No.—

Court— Who were those that denied the truth of the reports?

Answer— Mathews and Wakefield.

Court— Was any Person present when you heard Wakefield and Mathews deny the truth of the Report.—

Answer— Drummer Grey was present.—

Court— Where was you at this time?—

Answer Either on the Parade or at evening practice at Masulipatam.

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Masulipatam.

Court. At what period had you the Conversation before stated, with Captain Kent, and where?

Answer. Some time after the Complaint had been made to Captain Gordon, at Masulipatam, in his House.

Court. Did either of the Drummers, whose Names are mentioned in the Charge, ever declare to You the views they had in making the Complaint against the Prisoner?

Answer. Only Wakefield said he was induced to make the Complaint by Mathews.

Court. Were the alleged Complaints of Wakefield and Mathews the subject of Conversing

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Masulipatam.

Court. At what period had you the Conversation before stated, with Captain Kent, and where?

Answer. Some time after the Complaint had been made to Captain Gordon, at Masulipatam, in his House.

Court. Did either of the Drummers, whose Names are mentioned in the Charge, ever declare to You the views they had in making the Complaint against the Prisoner?

Answer. Only Wakefield said he was induced to make the Complaint by Mathews.

Court. Were the various Complaints of Wakefield and Mathews the Subject of Conversing

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Conversation at any time—
amongst the Men of the
Detachment, and was you
ever of the Number?—

Answer— I have heard the Men
talking concerning it, but
I was Never of the party.

Court— Did you ever converse
with Campbell, Private in
the Regiment with you, on
the Subject?—

Answer— No.—

J. A.— Were you acquainted—
intimately with Mathews?—

Answer— I only knew him so—
far as to Speak to him—
when on duty with him.—

Court— Did you ever hear a—
report of the nature alluded
to in the Charge, before you

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were at Masulipatam?—

Answer Not before, I came to
Masulipatam.—

Prisoner Have you not frequent=
-ly heard me declare my—
entire ignorance of the Persons
of these Men, and that I—
should not have known—
either of them, even by Name,
if they had not been sent
to me by Captain Gordon,
after they had preferred
the Complaint?—

Answer Yes, I did, I cannot say
how often, but, I am certain
of one time.—

Prisoner Do you not recollect
my sending for You one after=
-noon after Guard Mounting
at Wallajahbad?— stating

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Answer— Yes, I do.—

Prisoner— What did I ask you when you came?—

Answer— He asked me if I play'd the Claranett, I told him no— he said he must have been wrong informed— and this was all that passed.—

Prisoner— Did I ask you to sleep with me?—

Answer— No.—

Prisoner— Did you afterwards at Masulipatam report that I had done so, and say that you would have consented, if I had allowed a drawn knife to lie upon the Bed?—

Answer— If Captain Kent had

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made such a proposal to me, I would have consented on condition that a drawn knife had been allowed to be present between us in Bed.—

Court— To whom did you tell this?—

Answer— I cannot recollect.—

Court— Was you in the habits of frequently going to Capt. Kents Quarters at Wallah-jabad, or was you ever there more than Once?—

Answer— I was never in his quarter at that place— it was opposite Captain J. Gordons that I had the Conversation with Captain Kent.—

Court— When Drummer Wakefield expressed Sorrow

sitting

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he was in Liquor, and that he would make him go the rounds for a Punishment, he told him to lift him home and he would give him a Glass of Brandy and water he was not gone above three quarters of a Minute when he returned to his guard, and tumbled down on the Road. Three of us carried him into the Guard Room, I went and Stood two hours Sentry after that, and when I came to the Guard House, I waked him up, and he told me that he had a glass of Brandy and water from Captain Hunt, and told

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me that he wanted to make use of his Body, I told him of it next Morning, he de-nied it, I told him the consequence of taking away Captain Kent's Character, he told me that he was in liquor and did not know what he said— he was very sorry that Captain Kent— never offered to do any such a thing to him, he said he should not have said so had not the two other Drummers, Mathews, and Flaharty, tutored him to say so, and they wanted to get some Money from Captain Kent.— This is all I heard him say at

Nothing

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the present time.—

Prisoner— Have you not heard Mathews positively deny that he thought I had any intentions to Commit the— Crime with which I am— Charged?—

Answer— I never heard Mathews say any thing about it, and no body but Wakefield.—

Prisoner— "Have I offered or given you any present of any— kind to come forward at this time (i e.— on my trial) or have I offered or promi— =sed directly or indirectly to do so at any after period or in any way held out a prospect of future reward or recompence?—

Ans.—

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Answer— No.—

Court— Who was near you while on the Escort, when Captain Kent made use of the observations respecting Drummer Wakefield?—

Answer— I cannot remember who they were particularly.—

Court— Did you ever mention to any body, the above observations which you over heard, and who was it?—

Answer— I never mentioned it to any one.—

Prisoner— Did you see Wakefield go up to my Quarters with the Lanthorn?—

Answer— Yes, I did.—

Prisoner— Did you see him come away again?—

Answer— Sitting

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Answer— Yes, I did.—

Prisoner— Did you see him come away again?—

Answering

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Answer— I did, and saw him tremble down.—

Prisoner— How long did he stay in my House?—

Answer— Three quarters of a Minute as far as, I could Judge.—

Court— How did it come to Capt.n Kents knowledge that you were in possession of the circumstance above mentioned?—

Answer— I told Lawson and he told Captain Kent, who took me to Captain Kent the day I was on Guard here, when, I got liberty to go there.—

Court— Was it after Drummer Wakefield had seen Capt.n Gordon that he denied what he

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he had said the preceding Evening?—

Answer— On the Morning before he came off Guard.—

Court— Where did you first know Captain Kent?—

Answer— In Wallajahbad.—

Court— Have you ever been in his Quarters before you came here?—

Answer— Never.—

Court— At any time when going the round with Captain Kent, did you ever Notice Conduct on his part to any one of the Escort, that should lead you to suppose his desires to be unnatural?—

Answer— Never in my life.—

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Prisoner. Was not Wakefield much
intoxicated early that Evening

Answer. Yes, very Drunk.—

Prisoner. Did, I not frequently
Speak to him when going
the Rounds for Staggering
against me.—

Answer. Several times.—

The Witness, Retires—

Private, John Furlow of His
Majesty's Royal a Witness in Suppor
of the Defence, duly Sworn.—

The Charges are, Read.—

Prisoner. Was you on Guard the
Night before the Complaint
was Made.—

Answer. I was on Guard the same
Night with Wakefield.—

Pris.r. State what you know
of the charge against me.—

Ans.r

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Answer— Drummer Wakefield came to the Guard, and told us that Captain Kent had attempted to do so and so with him, the next Morning when the Guard questioned him about it, he denied that Captain Kent wanted to do any thing of the kind with him, and said that if he had said so he was very Sorry for it.—

Court— Do you recollect any of the Men that were on that Guard with you?—

Answer— There was Serjeant Blyth, and Thomas Cunningham, and Fifer Mc Carrol—I don't remember any one else particularly.—

Prisoner— When Wakefield denied

Sitting

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intoxicated early that Evening

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Court— Do you recollect any of the Men that were on that Guard with you?—

Answer— There was Serjeant Blyth, and Thomas Cunningham, and Fifer Mc Carrol— I don't remember any one else particularly.—

Prisoner— When Wakefield denies [illegible] thing

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except that he had got a Glass of Brandy and Water from him.—

Court— Did you hear that Wakefield had said that Captain Kent had used him ill before you heard him deny it?—

Answer— No.—

Quest.n— Did you hear any one else say any thing about it?—

Answer— It was talked of in the Guard Room.—

Court— How came Wakefield to inform you that what he had expressed against Capt.n Kent the Evening before, was untrue the next Morning?—

Answer— We asked him and he denied it.—

Pris.r— Do you not know that Wakefield

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Wakefield was so drunk that you was induced to ask him to allow You to carry the lanthorn going the rounds?—

Answer— Because he was so Drunk, I asked him to allow me to go the rounds.—

Court— Did Wakefield deny it— only once, or did he repeat the denial?—

Answer— Yes he frequently denied it.—

Pris.r— Have I offered or given you any present of any kind to come forward at this time, (i.e. on my trial) or have I offered, or promised directly or indirectly to do so at any after period, or in any way, held out a prospect of future reward

nothing

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or Recompence?—

Answer— No.—

Court— How long is it, since you knew that you were to give Evidence before this Court, and how came You by that Knowledge?—

Answer— About eight days ago, Lawson told me that I would be called upon by Captain Kent.—

The Witness Retires.—

Serjeant Blyth of his Majesty's Royal a Witness in behalf of the Defence, duly Sworn.—

The Charges are Read.—

Prisoner— Was You, Serjeant of the Guard at the time alluded to, in the Charge?—

Answer— Yes.—

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Prisoner— Relate what you know re-
garding the Charge.—

Answer— On the Morning, a little
before the Guard was relieved
about 6 or 7 O'Clock I heard
several of the Men checking
Wakefield for speaking so of
Captain Kents Character— he
said that if he had said so,
he was very wrong, and that
no such thing ever happened
between him and Capt.n Kent.—

J. A.— What was the charge the
Drummer made against Capt.n
Kent?—

Answer— It was, that he had attempt-
ted the Crime mentioned in
the Charge.—

Court— Did you ever hear Drummer
Mathews, or Flaharty speak
nothing

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of Captain Kents treatment of them, and if so, to what purport?—

Answer— I never did.—

The Witness Retires.—

James Lawson is again called into Court.—

Prisoner— Have you ever heard either, or all of these Men assert that at any time before, or since the time Mentioned in the charge, that I had ever even Spoken to them or had any kind of Communication with them whatever?—

Answer— I cannot recollect that I ever did hear it.—

The Witness Retires—

It being near 3 o'Clock, the Court adjourns till 10 o'Clock tomorrow Morning

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Tuesday 26th of May 1812.—

The Court met pursuant to adjournment.—

Members all present as before.—

His Majesty's Royal Regiment a Witness in support of the Defence, called into Court and examined on his former Oath.—

Q. Pris.r— Have you not heard Wake-field speak on the Subject of the Charges against me since my trial has commenced?—

Answer— Yes, I have.—

Pris.r— State what you have heard him say.—

Answer— On the road home from this, one day, he said, that if he had not been induced by Mathews at Masulipatam to make this

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false report of Captain Kent,
he never would have done it—
but now that it is brought
forward he must say some-
thing to clear himself.—

Court— When that conversation passed
between You and Wakefield, was
any person present?—

Answer— No Person present on the
road to town.—

Court— You was desired Yesterday
to relate all you knew, why
did you not state this Yester-
day?—

Answer— I recollected nothing of it
till on the road going home.—

Court— What means did you use
to inform Captain Kent of
this conversation?—

Answer— I told Sergeant Gillespie
of

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of it, and he told me he thought it proper that I should inform Captain Kent; and accordingly I acquainted Captain Kent this Morning.—

Court— Where did you tell this to Serjeant Gillespie?—

Answer— I told Gillespie this Morning.

Court— At what hour did you inform him?—

Answer— Upon the road coming here.—

The Witness Retires—

Serjeant Gillespie is called into Court and Examined on his former Oath.—

Court— Did Drummer McCarrol say any thing to you this Morning of a Conversation that he had some days ago

thing

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False report of Captain Hunt,
his never would have done it—
but now that it is brought
forward he must say some.

Court— How did you
hear them deny the report?—

Answer— Wakefield told me when
on Guard, and Flaherty in
the Barrack Square, and
both at Masulepatam.—

Prisoner— Have I offered or given
you any present of any kind
to come forward at this time
(i.e. in my trial) or have
I offered or promised, directly
-ly or indirectly to do so at
any after period, or in any
way held out a prospect
of future reward or

Answer— No.—

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The Witness Retires.—

Drummer James Grey of His Majesty's Royal a Witness in Support of the Defence, duly Sworn.—

The Charges are Read.—

Prisoner Relates all you know of the Charges against Captain Kent?—

Answer At Evening Parade at Masulepadam I was present, when Lawson asked Wakefield why he had Spread such a report on the Gentleman, I heard him deny it to Lawson, and said that he never offered to do any such a thing— Lawson asked Mathews the same, and he likewise denied it.—

Prisoner Have you not heard.—

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Wakefield declare that had not Mathews induced him to do so he never would have made any report of the kind?—

Answer Yes.—

Court Was any person near enough to hear Lawson ask Wakefield and Mathews the question above Stated?—

Answer I cannot say.—

Prisoner Have I offered or given you any present of any kind to come forward at this time for me on my Trial / or have I offered or promised directly or indirectly to do so at any after period or in any way held out a prospect of future reward or recompence?—

Answer No.—

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The Witness Retires.

Corporal Egan of His Majesty's Royal a Witness in support of the Defence duly Sworn.

The Charges are Read.

Prisoner. Relate all you Know of the charges against Me.

Answer On the 12th of this month, I waited upon the Judge Advocate and receiving a Letter from him went to Captn Kent. I heard James Grey and James Lawson ask Mathews and Wakefield the reason why they had denied it at Masulipatam. Mathews said that if he had denied it then it was for shame. Wakefield said that he would have said nothing

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The Witness Retires.

The Prisoner having Submitted a Request in writing to the Court, to be permitted to call on Colonel McKellar and the other Officers present of His Majesty's Royal, to Speak their knowledge of the Character, not only of his accusers but also to that of those he has called on in his Defence, and the Court being cleared, are of Opinion that it may be complied with, which is read accordingly in open Court.

Colonel McKellar of His Majesty's Royal a Witness in Support of the Defence, duly Sworn.

Prisoner. Colonel McKellar, will you Speak what you know of the Character of the Man I have called in my Defence?

Answer. Mathews, Flaherty and Wakefield

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Wakefield, I know nothing particularly against them, but that they are given to drinking. Serjeant Parke is a Sober, attentive good Man, and I have known him for 6 Years, Gillespie also, I consider as a very good Man. Serjeant Blyth is likewise a good Man, Grey I have known from his youth, he bears generally a good character. Somerfield, is a very correct Man in his Conduct. Lawson, I have always considered as a very good lad. Fallow has nothing bad against him. Aiken is also a very good young Man and I know nothing against. Campbell.

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Captain Stoddart of H. M.s
Royal, a Witness in Support of the
Defence, duly Sworn.—
Pris.r— Will you, Speak to the—
Character of any of the Witnesses
you are Acquainted with.—
Answer— Serjeant Parke and Private
Mathews are both in my Company
Serjeant Parke bears a most
excellent character, not a better
in the Regiment— Mathews is
much given to drink, and is very
Quarrelsome— I know Lawson
and Grey to be also very good
Characters, also Serjeant Blyth,
Serjeant Gillespie has a very—
good Character, and has been
some Years in my Company.—
Captain J. Gordon a Witness in
support of the Defence, duly Sworn.—
Pris.r—

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Pris.r Will you relate what you know of the Character of any of the Men brought by me as Witnesses?—

Answer I know nothing either for, or against the three Drummers mentioned in the charge; Lawson was a long time in my Compa=ny, and I consider him a very good Man. Gillespie is a Man of a very good character, but rather Silly; Serjeant Blythe is in my Company, and is a very good Man. I can Speak to none else particularly. Serjeant Luke of His Majesty's Royal a Witness in Support of the Defence duly Sworn.—

The Charges are Read.—

Pris.r What do you know of Waike=
=fields

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Wakefields Character?

Answer I have been in the Company with Wakefield for about two or three Years, and I never knew any thing bad of the Boy, he always behaved himself well in the Company, Sometimes he is apt to get Drunk and is quarrelsome, but only very seldom.

The Witness Retires.

Serjeant Finney of His Majestys Royal a Witness in Support of the Defence, duly Sworn.

The Charges are Read.

Pris^r What do you know of Flahartys Character?

Answer I have known him since he joined the Company about four Years ago, he is much given to drinking for the last two Years, he is very Quarrelsome.

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The Witness Retires—

The Defence is here closed,
and the Judge Advocate having Stated
his desire to reply, the Court adjourns
till Friday Morning at 10 o'Clock,
the 29th Instant.—

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The Court met pursuant to
adjournment.—

Members all present as before.—

The Judge Advocate States
in reply, as follows.—

Mr President and Gentle-
-men of the Court.—

It would be a needless
occupation of your time to dwell longer
upon the circumstances connected with
the subject of this trial, otherwise
than as a few particulars in the Depo-
-ners

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Prisoners Defence render indispensable
— It may therefore be satisfactory
to You to receive a connected view
of the evidence, in those particular
instances wherever it tends to prove
or disprove the Charges, my Remarks
will chiefly relate to the first charge,
for indeed the Second Seems to require
None, as involving no doubt or Sus-
-picion of it's being thoroughly Subs-
tantiated by the evidence of Captain
Gordon and Lieutenant MacGregor.—

The Crime of which the
Prisoner is accused, / so detestable
and repugnant to every proper feeling /
has Secrecy as a natural attendant,
and in proportion to the Enormity of
a Crime, the proof of guilt ought
to be of the clearest and most indu-
-bitable Nature The description of

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Evidence in support of the accusation, is necessarily of the presumptive Order. Three Statements have been made on Oath, detailing the particulars of Criminality as alleged in the Charge, and it can hardly be any exception to their Credibility, that they do not relate one and the same transaction, each has certainly its own peculiar and Separate features, but their general result and ultimate tendency is to shew the depravity of appetite as set forth against the Prisoner.

To the assertions, on oath, of these three Drummers, Namely Wakefield, Mathews, and Flaharty, there is opposed the Solemn denial & protestation of innocence, of Captain Kent, you must therefore take into your consideration the

Character

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Captain Gordon. I will ask you, Gentle-
=men, how this could possibly have
been the case, as one of the very first
expressions that escaped the Prisoner,
in consequence of this information,—
was an allusion to a transaction of
a Some=what similar nature to—
that on which the complaint was—
founded, which occurred at Wallajah=
=bad. This is truly an inaccounta=
=ble sort of ignorance! But on re=
=ference to the evidence of Captain
Gordon, and Lieutenant McGregor,
it appears that, the former directly
charged the Prisoner with the Crime,
and Lieutenant MacGregor says,
that he did not deny it.—

Was it the conduct of a
person conscious of rectitude, and
uprightness of behaviour, tacitly

to—

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to listen to such an attempt to wound his Character.—

Why did he not take the proper measures to rescue his good Name from so vile an imputation. The answer will be found in the latter part of his Defence a desire, as he informs the Court, to keep the affair from being known. Thus it would appear that Captain Kent was not so much affected at having these Crimes imputed to him, as at having them made public; and was only anxious about conveying himself from a Society where he said he could no longer appear.

There is also another circumstance of this interview to which I would invite your attention, I alluded to the most decisive confession of guilt by the Prisoner when he made an offer

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offer to Captain Gordon to retire from the Country. This proposal was made so instantaneously on the receiving of the accusation from that Officer, that it should seem to speak volumes of conviction. It was an exhibition of a Sensibility any thing but the Sensibility of innocence, and would never have been so readily Sugges= =ted by one, who was Satisfied that such an Accusation was an unwarran= =table and cruel Slander. The argu= =ments he used with the Drummers, whether he wept or not, appear to have satisfied them, and in repeat= =ing to them his cautions regarding the propagation of such reports, he certainly made an appeal to their feelings, and he Succeeded, for they no longer persisted in forwarding it

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Their Complaint, but went away appa-
rently satisfied: would an innocent
Man have condescended to act thus
with people, who had attempted to
blast his reputation? Can we for a
moment imagine, that such a person
would have endeavoured to have com-
promised the business with them? I
think not, and the behaviour of Capt.
Kent in this instance, appears so
unusually abject as to argue a very
strong presumption of guilt, at least
a total dereliction of every Manly
and proper Sentiment. The Prisoner
has endeavoured to convince the
Court, that the evidence of G. Wakefield
admits of considerable doubt and
suspicion; he pretends to say, that
his evidence given before the Court,
is different from the Statement he
made

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made to Captain Gordon at Masuli=
=patam, so far from this, I knew by
his deposition compared with that of
Captain Gordons, that he has conti=
=nued to relate the same facts with=
=out making any addition or altera=
=tion whatever. The Evidence of Captn.
Gordon, Lieutenant MacGregor, and
Assistant Surgeon Bellingall, speaks
sufficiently to this point. The objec=
=tion of the Prisoner, in this instance,
does therefore appear invalid.—

A circumstance which
occurred when Mathews was giving
his evidence, has not escaped the
Prisoners observation; you may
remember Gentlemen; that he, Mathews,
hesitated a little where he came to
that part of his Evidence relating
to the indecencies said to have taken
place

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place in Captain Kents' Room. The Prisonir, attributing such conduct to ignorence and forgetfulness, endeavours to deduce from it an inpeachment of this Witness's veracity. But was there any thing in that circumstance which inclined any Member of this Court to put the construction upon it, the Prisoner has done. I rather think no such Suspicion was excited and that the idea was, that he delayed for a moment to recite the latter part of his evidence, as being disgusting and unpleasant to the Court. For, how is it possible, that he could have forgotten those incidents, which, but a few days before, he was able to state minutely on Oath in his deposition to me, and without the slightest variation from his recorded

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Evidence on Your Proceedings.—

Captain Kent proceeds to accuse Drummer Wakefield of a cold blooded malignity in making his Complaint to Captain Gordon, after he had denied it to his Comrades, and takes an exception to his Evidence as being contradictory. But all, I have to say is, that the deposition which I received from him corresponds exactly with the deposition which, I received from Captain Gordon. There is a circumstance of a peculiarly favorable Nature to the Prisoner, on the Evidence he has brought forward to speak to the contrition of Wakefield for having, when drunk, uttered these reflections on Captain Kent's character. Let me ask you Gentlemen, if it is not more than possible as being extremely

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extremely probable, that he made such a confession thro' fear of the Stigma that would be cast upon him by his Companions." as to the Confession of Wakefield to Fifer McCarrol, the other day on the Road, it wears so palpable a feature of absurdity; and has been moreover introduced Neck and Shoulders, as it were, into the Defence, and so Unaccountably neglected in the regular progress of the Witnesses Statement, that it appears of a very Suspicious Nature to say the least of it. The Prisoner insists upon the Diabolical wish which he conceives Mathews to be influenced by against him, and laments to reflect, how much Mischief a Man can do when determined to do all he can. There is no denying the truth

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truth of this position, but we can con-
-sole ourselves by reflecting that, it
is equally possible for a Man to
operate considerable good to his fellow
Creatures, when determined to do all
he can. It would have been well for
the Prisoner, had these Sentiments
came across his mind when he was
so erroneously conducting himself at
Masulipatam, where, if he had reflect-
-ed at all, he never could have consi-
-dered even his acknowledged familiari-
-ties with these Men, as at all
tending to their good or his own.—

It must appear to You,
Gentlemen, that the whole of Captain
Kents Defence is an effort to prove
a conspiracy on the part of the three
accusing Drummers, by which they
were to extract Money and liquor
from

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from him at their pleasure.— But the outset of their conduct, Gentlemen, bore little resemblance to the mode of proceeding, which it must be obvious would have been resorted to, had such been their intention.— To accomplish such views, their plan was evidently in the first instance to go to Captain Kent, and tell him that from certain Statement from him they would denounce him as one who had attempted with them a Series of unnatural Crimes, unless he submitted to their terms of concealment.— But Gentlemen, directly the reverse of this, was their Conduct.— They go to their Commanding Officer in the first instance and Captain Kent learns from that Officer the supposed matter

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Matter of Conspiracy. Going first to their Commanding Officer was certainly the most assured way to prevent their obtaining Money or liquor from Captain Kent, and in fact we find that it was one of the cautions and prohibitions of Captain Gordon that they should not receive any the Slightest present, even tho' Captain Kent should succeed in pacifying them. This reasoning, Gentlemen, I submit to you as decisive against the existence of any Conspiracy in this business, and as such an insinuation forms the ground Work of the Defence, I am anxious to press it upon your notice, particularly as it might seem to lessen the force of what has been urged on the Prosecution, but

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but at the same time without any—
view of diminishing whatever of
benefit the Prisoner may derive—
from his Arguments, on the Sentence
you are now called upon to pronounce.

The Prisoner requests as
a Special favor from the Court, to
be allowed the liberty of rejoining
to the Judge Advocates reply. The—
Court is cleared, and being opened
the Prisoner is informed, that the
indulgence he solicits, is granted.—

The Court adjourns—
till 10 o'Clock Tomorrow Morning.

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The Court met pursuant
to adjournment.—

All Members present as before.

The Court is cleared,—

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and the Judge Advocate informs the Court, that when they came to a Reso=lution yesterday to comply with Capt.n Kent's request, to be permitted to rejoin to his reply, he was unprepared to give an Opinion on that point, which, subsequent reading and enquiry enable him now to offer to their consi=deration as it is his Opinion, that, as no new Matter has been introdu=ced into the reply, the Prisoner can have nothing to controvert, and con==ceiving a Rejoinder to be only grantable in such cases, he respectfully begs leave to call the attention of the Court to this point, and it is his Opinion that they cannot in the pre=sent case grant the indulgence with=out deviating from general and estab=lished practice. The Court having considered

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considered the objection of the Judge Advocate, still adhere to their decision of Yesterday, and the Court being again opened, The Prisoner is called upon for his rejoinder, which is read as follows.——

Mr President and Gentlemen. The permission you have granted me to intrude again on Your time and attention, I sincerely offer my thanks for; in proportion as I look upon the greatness of the indulgence; and, I shall take especial care that, I do not abuse that goodness, by expatiating at large upon Subjects that merely require a plain recital, and an unembellished detail.—

It is perhaps well known, that after the Charges against me

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me had been forwarded to Madras, a letter was sent to me by the Adjutant General of the army giving me information that His Excellency the Commander in Chief would grant me permission to resign the Service of the Honorable Company, to prevent giving publicity to the accusation,— I looked upon that permission as tantamount to an order, and, I sent in, my Resignation accordingly. Yet every Moment after did my heart reproach Me for having given way to a weakness that to Myself almost appeared contemptible, the earnest— solicitations and Remonstrances of my friends made Me regret the— Measure, I had adopted more keenly, and, I eagerly Seized the Moment, when, I found my Resignation was informal

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informal and not received, to request,
the indulgence of His Excellency the
Commander in Chief to grant me —
trial by Court Martial, but by
no means to brave one. —

How to account for not
having at first done so. I hardly —
know, I had had charges sent to me,
in which, I was accused of Crimes as
foreign to my wishes, as they are —
disgusting to the feeling and Nature
of Man —, I had no idea, but that
the sole, ipsedixit of my accusers
would be the only evidence to be
heard, I had not the Slightest —
notion, that those Men had ever
denied the truth of their accusation,
and, till a few days previous to
the commencement of my trial, I
was not aware that I could call
on

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on a single evidence in my favor, but, "that silent working heaven which surprised oft the lonely mind with unexpected good" touched the hearts of some Men, and instigated them voluntarily to come forward, and by assisting me with information, as far as their own knowledge, or what they could collect extended to shew their gratitude for past kindness, and to prove to me, that a good turn is sel-dom lost.—

A few moments more—Gentlemen, I pray for, to remark on some of the evidences in my behalf, The last evidence of Peter McCarrol includes a Confession of Wakefield so wicked as almost to exceed belief. He States, that that Man told him, that altho' he had formerly denied the

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the truth of the whole Complaint
against me, Yet as it was now pub-
-licly brought forward; it was neces-
sary to say Some thing to save
himself, he has also said, that his
conscience has troubled him ever-
since he told the first lie, he has
confessed so much in an unguard-
-ed Moment, but may it not be
inferred from thence that, altho'
the two others have been more close
and cautious, the motives by
which they have been actuated
have Sprung from the same in-
-iquitous Source and principle, &
the point is too important to be
overlooked.—

The earnest manner in
which Serjeant Gillespie was
willing to Speak to my Character
might

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might have induced you Gentlemen, to suppose, I had called on him for that purpose, but I believe the poor Man Spoke with the best intentions and as much from the general re=ports of the Men of the Regiment as from his own knowledge. As I am well known and have been for many Years honored with the inti=macy, Acquaintance and friendship of many of the most respectable Officers in the Army, for their Sake Gentlemen, I hope you will be con=vinced, that, had any Symptoms of atrocious Vice been visible in any part of my past life or Conduct, that I should at the moment have been shunned, discarded, and cautious=ly avoided. The whole affair, I cannot help considering, as a conspir=cy

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Conspiracy, but to gain what end is beyond my penetration, if to procure Money, the evidence of Mathews proves him to have mistaken his end, for he says I offer'd him abundance, that cant be believed, for I fear 'tis too certain a fact, that I have never had much Money to Spare, at all events 'tis a combination of the blackest dye, for no cause, nor have the Men themselves exhibited any grounds to support their accusations either by my prior or Subsequent Conduct, and permit me here to observe, what must be obvious, that a Man at my age between 30 and 40 does not suddenly change or alter his propensities, and as these Men have not attempted to insinuate,

that

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that, I had by previous Conversation or inticements endeavoured to Seduce them, I hope it may not be imagined that, I could at once plunge into a Sea of guilt that, I had never before approached. That I have been permitted to recall my Resignation, and allowed the indulgence of a Court Martial, I offer to His Excellency the Commander in Chief, my heart, felt gratitude; that, I have had so fair a trial to You Gentlemen, I offer my most gratefull acknowledgements, and to the Sentence, whatever it may be I shall receive it with resignation and bow with Submission to it, and will to the end of my life acknowledge the Justice of it.—

But

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But as clemency is the love-
liest attribute of an hero, as it is—
the brightest and most glowing
leaf of his laurel, I have additional
satisfaction in the certainty that,
that Sentence will be submitted
to the consideration of His Excellency
Sir Samuel Auchmuty.—

The Proceedings are read
over, and it being near 3 O'Clock—
the Court adjourns till 10 O'Clock
on Monday Morning the 1st of June—

Monday 1st of June 1812.

The Court met pursuant
to adjournment.—

Members all present as before.

The Court is Cleared.—

In the discussions of the
Court previous to their passing
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Members all present as before.—

The Court is Cleared.—

In the discussions of the Court previous to their passing

final

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final Sentence, a point of law having occurred, attended with a contrariety of Opinion, by the Members, the Court, have come to a Resolution to Submit the question to the Judge Advocate General for his Opinion thereon, — The Deputy Judge Advocate is desired by the Court to draw up and forward a letter on the Subject to their Offices. —

The Court adjourns till an Answer is Received. —

Friday the 5th of June 1812.

The Court met pursuant to adjournment. —

Members all present as before.

The Court is cleared. —

Sentence — The Court after the most mature deliberation on the first

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First Charge preferred against
Captain H. Y. Kent, 1st Vizt for
Scandalous and infamous Conduct,
highly disgraceful to a British
Officer, in having when he belong-
ed to the 1st Battalion of the 15th
Regiment N.I. at Masulipatam, on
or about the Month of January
1811, attempted, or proposed to com-
mit an Unnatural Crime, on the
Body of one or all of the undermen-
tioned individuals, of His Majes-
ty's first or Royal Regiment of
Foot, Vizt George Wakefield, James
O'Flaharty, and William Mathews,
are of Opinion that he is not
Guilty, and acquit him accordingly.

The Court are further
of Opinion that the Prisoner is not
Guilty, to the full extent, of the
second

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Second Charge, preferred by order of the Commander in Chief Viz.t for Conduct infamous and Scandalous, in having Submitted to be told, that he was accused of Unnatural Crimes, when Stationed at Masulipatam, about the Month of January 1811, without taking the proper measures to rescue his Character from the imputation, but find him Guilty of Unbecoming and Unofficer like Conduct in not having taken proper Measures to rescue his character from such im=putation; But the Court are of Opinion that they cannot come to a decision, as the Votes for Cashier=ing and Suspension are equalized, and therefore have come to a resolu=tion to Submit the Proceedings in their present form, to His Excel=lency.

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Excellency the Commander in Chief.

(Signed) A. Floyer

Lieut. Colonel & Presidt.

(Signed) R. Young Lieut.

Act. Dep. Judge Advocate

The following is the Copy of a Letter submitted to the Acting Judge Advocate General Fort St. George, for his Opinion on certain points of Law, which occurred on the trial of Captain H. Y. Kent.

To the Acting Judge Advocate Gen.

Fort St George

Sir,

I have the honor to submit to you, for your Opinion, the following questions, which have arisen in consequence of a contrariety of Opinion amongst the members of the General Court Martial now sitting

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Sitting at this Station. In taking—
the Votes of the Members previous
to passing Sentence, I found, after
calculation, that the Opinion of the
Court was equally divided, Seven
being for Cashiering, and the like
Number for Suspension—, In the latter
Number, One voted for Suspension
for twelve Months, and the remain=
=ing Six for Six Months.— The
question, therefore, on which your
Opinion is requested, is, whether or
not, Sentence of dismission was—
passed on my Summing up the
Votes to the President. This circums=
=tance has occurred in consequence
of One of the Members of the Court,
reporting Sick in the commencement
of the trial, leaving an equal Num=
=ber including the President. I beg
further—

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further to be informed, whether or not, in cases similar to the above, a President is entitled to a casting vote.—

I have the honor to be—

Trichinopoly
1st June 1812.—

V.C. V.C.
(Signed) R. Young Lieut.
Acting Judge Advocate.

The Officiating Judge Advocate
Generals answer to the above Letter.

To Lieutenant Young
Acting Deputy Judge Advocate.

Sir,

On the case submitted in your Letter of the 1st June, I have the honor to State as follows.—

There is no casting Vote in an English Court of Justice, for altho' there is such in the House of Commons, yet they cannot be considered

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considered as a Court of Justice such as the House of Lords certainly is, and there no casting vote prevails. In the Superior Courts, if the Judges are equally divided, there is no decision, and the cause is continued in Court till a Majority concur.— In the present case, the severest punishment, Cashier-ing, has not been awarded by a Majority of Votes, and it cannot be considered as the Sentence of the Court, nor can the other award of Suspension, I am therefore of Opinion that the Court must continue its Sittings until a Majority of Votes is obtained on the extent of punish-ment to be awarded.—

Fort St George, I have the hon. to be &c. &c. &c.
8th June 1812.— (Signed) W. Ormsby
Act. Judge Adv. Gen.
NB.—

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N.B. The above Letters ought to have formed Numbers in the trial, but were omitted by mistake in the Copy transmitted for the Officer Commanding the Army.-

Trichinopoly (Signd) R. Young
7th August 1812.- Acting Dep. Judge Advc.

To Lieutenant Ormsby
Acting Judge Advocate General
Fort St George

Sir,

On the receipt of your communication of the 8th Instant, the Court Martial of which Lieutenant Colonel Floyer is President, reassembled and procceded to discuss the matter at issue, for the purpose of obtaining a Majority of Votes, but as each Member still adheres to his former Opinion no

Majority

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Trichinopoly (Signed) H. Torriano
29th August 1812.- Acting Dep. Judge adv.e

To Lieutenant Ormsby
Acting Judge Advocate General
Fort St George

Sir,

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majority

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Majority could be obtained and in consequence of the Equality of Votes, the Court have deemed it proper, conceiving their Conduct to be in Strict conformity to the Laws of the Realm, and the usage of the Courts of Judicature, that the question should remain Undecided; acting upon the Opinion of Doctor Paul, referred to in Mr Arthur on Courts Martial Vol. 1 Page 172, and have therefore resolved to Submit the Proceedings in their present form to His Excellency the Commander in Chief, and, which I have the honor to forward accordingly.—

In cases Similar to the present, would it be proper to call into Court again, a Member who had

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had reported Sick) originally making
the Number of a Court Martial
unequal, or any other person, that
the Majority which would there-
by be obtained might decide on
the extent of punishment to be
awarded.—

I have the Honor to be—
&c. &c.

Trichinopoly
13th June 1812.—

(Signed) R. Young Lieut.
Act. Dep. Judge advocate

To Lieutenant Colonel Leith
Judge Advocate General
Fort St George

Sir,

I have the honor to ack-
nowledge the receipt of your Letter
of the 20th Instant, together with the
Sentence of Captain H. Y. Kent.—
The Revision, ordered by
His

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His Excellency the Commander in Chief cannot be brought on for the next two Months at least, for the following reasons, In the first place, General Wilkinson has ordered one of the Members, Captain Stewart of the 11th Regiment Native Infantry, to proceed to Quilon, to Officiate as Deputy Judge Advocate to a Native General Court Martial ordered to assemble at that place, the proceedings of this Court Martial will occupy at the least calculation, a Month — Seven other Members are also in Travancore, and one has gone to the Sea Coast for the recovery of his health — These circumstances considered, it appears doubtful, the reassembling of the Members who passed the Original Sentence, being practicable

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practicable, on which account, I have thought it my duty to mention them to You.—

Should it be thought proper to allow the Sentence to re-main in its present State, the difficulty of reassembling the Members of the Court, may determine His Excellency, to form his ultimate decision on this extraordinary case, without its going through the form of a Revision—I would further humbly observe, it is my firm persuasion, that, should it be found proper to reassemble a full Court, no alteration whatsoever on Revision would be made in the Sentence.—

The unconfirmed State of my own health requires my immediate return to Europe for its recovery.

For

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For this purpose, I have been provided, by my Medical advisers, with the prescribed Medical Certificate, which I have forwarded to the proper authorities with an application for permission to go home by the earliest dispatched Ships— and as I have been under the necessity of applying for leave to proceed to the Sea Coast immediately, I have the honor to request that another Person may be appointed to Officiate in my room, and that I be exonerated from the Situation as early as it can possibly be done.—

I have the honor to be,

Trichinopoly —— &c. &c.

24th July 1812.— (Signed) R. Young— Lieut.

Acting Judge Advocate

P. S.— The Letter of the officiating Judge Advocate General, with my Letter

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Letter on the Subject, will be returned
with the Numbers of the trial, which with
all other documents connected with
this trial will be delivered over to
the President of the Court, on the
receipt of an answer to this Letter.

(Signed) R. Young

True Copies of the Originals

(Signed) T. H. S. Conway

Adjt. Genl of the Army.

No. 10.

Resolved that the Subject
Resolutn thereon of the foregoing Minute be brought
to the particular notice of the Honble
the Court of Directors, and
that until their decision shall be
received on the case of Capt. Kent
of the 15th Regiment of Native Infan-
try the Commander in Chief be autho-
-rised and requested to relieve that
Officer from all Military duty, &
to

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to cause him to be apprized that he will be permitted to draw his present allowances wheresoever he may reside except at a Military Station.

Read the following Letters from the Commander in Chief's Military Secretary.

To George Strachey Esq.
Secretary to Government
&c. &c. &c.

Fort St George

No. 11.

Sir,

From the Military Secretary to the Commander in Chief enclosing certain proceedings of the Medical Board relative to the Nomination of its present Members, and forwarding a Memorial from Doctor Berry.

The Commander in Chief has instructed me to transmit herewith, for submission to the Honble the Governor in Council, the Proceedings of the Medical Board dated the 13th Instant, and forwarding a Memorial from their 3rd Member, which that Gentleman requests may be transmitted to the Honble

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Honorable Court of Directors.

I have the honor to be

Fort St George
23rd Sept. 1812.

&c. &c.
(Signed) Hugh Scott
Mily Secretary

Medical Board
18th September 1812.

Para: 1st Read a letter
from their 3rd Member,
dated Allahbad 18th
August 1812 and in
compliance with his
request, therein contain-
ed, the Medical Board
have the honor to sub-
mit, the accompanying
Letters, addressed res-
pectively by him, to
His Excellency the
Commander in Chief, and,
to

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to the Honorable the Court
of Directors.—

2. By these Letters, the
Medical Board are concern-
-ed to find, that Doctor
Berry imagines he has
cause of Complaint, in
the appointments, by —
Government, of their pre-
-sent 1st & 2nd Members,
they would rather have
expected that, their 3rd
Member, would have
found cause to remain
Satisfied, with the good
fortune which, by a —
Mystery yet unfolded
to them, he was, (not
-withstanding the Recom-
-mendation of Doctors
Anderson

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Anderson and Gahagan,
who then constituted
the Medical Board,
so highly Honorable to
Dr Watson, in their
Proceedings bearing date
the 20th February 1807/
elevated to a Seat at
the Medical Board,—
upwards of 5 Years,—
before he could have
had the least reason
to hope, for such pre-
ferment.—

3.d By the records
of the Medical Board,
it distinctly appears,
that Doctor Watson was
upwards of five Years,
a full Surgeon, in the
Service

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Service of the Honorable Company, on this Establishment, before Dr Berry landed in India — and that Dr Harris was, upwards of two Years Senior to him, as an Assistant Surgeon. —

4th The Extracts No 1, and 2, with which the Medical Board, take the liberty of accompanying these Proceedings, and which are already on the Records of the Government, at once convey, a just comparative Statement, of the Services, and Merits of the present 1st 2nd & 3rd Members of

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of the Medical Board,
and as such, the Board
anxiously submit them,
to the unbiassed attention of His Excellency
the Commander in Chief,
and Government by
whom, will readily be
observed, the very striking contrast, between
the Government Order,
bearing date the 13th June
1791. relative to Dr Berry,
and the Extract of Letter,
from the late, the most
Noble Marquis Cornwallis,
bearing date the 4th June
1792, relative to Dr Harris.

5. It seems by some
parts of Doctor Berry's
letter

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Letter to the Honorable Court,
that he would wish to make
it, to be understood, that
his appointment was, to
give to the Medical —
Board, more efficiency
than could otherwise be
rendered to it — and that,
since his appointment,
all the public business
of any importance; of what
however, the Medical Board
are not, by any means
aware. —

6. By these insinua-
tions, and assertions, Doctr
Berry does not, surely —
mean to convey, that by
his consitant residence,
at

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at this Presidency, whereas, his Practice, as a Medical Officer, is hardly known, he should be particularly, or pre-eminently qualified, for the performance of the duties, of a Member of the Medical Board - or that, the two Senior Members, by having Served in the Field, and on all other Situations up the Country, as well as beyond the Seas, are not equally competent to Superintend, and to direct the duties, of the Medical Department at large.

7. As for as the present Members, are enabled

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enabled to judge from ex-
-perience, the duties of the
Medical Board, have not
been carried on, with less
efficiency, or less to the
Satisfaction of their Supe-
-riors, during the absence
of Doctor Berry, than at
any other period — and,
under the circumstance
which, the 3rd Member
has himself, now prefsed
forward on the Public
Attention, the Medical
Board trust, they will
be justified in remarking,
that, the Records of
their Office, do not fur-
-nish one instance in
which, unanimity, and
the

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the utmost harmony, did not prevail, in their Councils, and Proceedings, when Doctor Berry happened to be absent, from the Presidency.—

(Signed) Alex.r Watson M.D.
President Med.l Board
" Henry Harris M.D.
" Member Med.l Board

To His Excellency
Lieut.t Gen.l Sir Sam.l Auchmuty K.B.
Commander in Chief
&c. &c. &c.
Fort St George

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit under cover an Address to the Honorable the Court of Directors, appealing to their Justice in support of

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of myself and of their orders regard-
-ing me.—

From what Your Excellency
was pleased to say in mentioning
to me the Supercession, I had sus-
-tained, I rest assured, in Your lay-
-ing this my address to the Honorable
the Court of Directors before the
Honorable the Governor in Council,
that You will give it your full
Support, and the more especially
as it accords with what is the usage
of His Majesty's Service, as well as
by what I have instanced of Mili-
tary Precedents at Madras which
have made me feel the exception-
-ing my Instance the more galling
from being unmerited, if an Indivi-
-dual may be allowed to say so
much for himself.—

I have

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I have the honor to be with

Respect &c &c

Allahabad (Signed) Andw Berry

August 17th 1812. 3rd Number Mad Bt

Fort St George.

Extract of a Letter from Doctor

A. Watson, then Superintending Sur-

geon of S Division, to the Right

Honble Lord Wm Bentinck Gover-

nor in Council, &c &c &c

Fort St George dated 2d May 1807.

Para 1st I cannot dissemble the

reluctance with which I have been

induced to make this appeal to

Your Lordship in Council. It is a

reluctance, which every man must

feel, who is driven to the painful

necessity of speaking on the language

of Complaint; and of calling the

attention of those, whose the addresses,

to

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to an injury, by which he is personally affected. But I am at some time assured that I may expect from your Lordship's candour, a kinder and more equitable construction of my conduct, upon this occasion, than that, which mistakes a manly, and respectful remonstrance, for a querulous and Captious importunity; If any thing could augment the regret, with which I have adopted this mode of submitting my Complaint, to Your Lordship in Council, it is the unwillingness I feel to contrast my own Services, and the merits of a laborious life, with the slender recompenses that have hitherto been awarded to them, & the unlooked for, and undeserved depriv=ation under which I am now suffer=ing. For it is by no means a pleasing duty

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duty which is imposed upon him, who feels it necessary to enumerate his own deserts, and to urge his own pretensions. Yet, there are occasions, on which the justice which we owe ourselves, must be allowed to supersede the delicacy, which would restrain, and the diffidence, which would silence, a full and faithful Statement of them.—

2. The Subject of this address, is the recent advancement of Doctor Berry, out of the usual rotation, to a Seat at the Medical Board; an advancement, by which, I am Undeservedly superseded, without any allegad, or assignable cause, to the injury both of my professional Character, and private fortune.—

3. I'll as it would become me My Lord, under any other circumstances

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Circumstances, to advert either to my disappointments, on the one hand, or to my Services on the other, I feel it as a duty imposed upon me, shortly to State, to your Lordship in Council, the grounds upon which, I had a right to expect, that the appointment to which, I have suffered myself to look forward, should not have been conferred upon another.

Every departure from the Established Usage of appointment, to places of trust, or of profit, pre-supposes some Moral, or professional disqualification in the person, who is superseded. The world can assign no other reasons for a Measure, so contradictory to the uniform practice of the Service.

It is fitting therefore, that

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that I remind Your Lordship in Council, that the length and Nature of my Services, as well as my moral Character, are such, as will challenge the minutest enquery, and bear the closest comparison, with those of the Gentleman, whom it has been thought expedient to appoint over my head. These are Remarks, which are suggested by no Vanity, or ostentation, and least of all, are they advanced for the Sake of throwing out, any reflections on my competitor; or of erecting my own Character, upon the ruins of his: they are the testimonies, which under peculiar circumstances, a Man is sometimes obliged, however reluctantly, to render to his own fame, and in support of his own pretensions.

Before

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Before my first embarkation for India, I had regularly graduated as a Doctor of Medicine; and before I left Edinburgh, I was the honorary Member of two Medical Societies. In June 1777, I entered into this Service as an Assistant Surgeon.

For two Years, I sustained in that Capacity, the most toilsome, and severe duties at this Presidency, on the Narrow Stipend of 15 Pagodas a Month. At that time, the Genural Hospital was perpetually crowded with the Sick, both of the Kings, and Company's Services. It was my daily duty to attend the Hospital; which generally contained from 1100 to 600 Men; the inadequate Number of

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of Medical Men, then Stationed at Madras, threw upon me other duties, equally as arduous. In 1779. I was appointed to the charge of two Regular Battalions, on Revenue duty, in the Tanjore Country. Of these two Battalions, the Head quarters were Removed from each other, by the distance of 70 Miles. In 1780. I was appointed to a Detachment, which was at that time, assembling under the Command of Sir Hector Cosby at Trichinopoly. Those, who are conversant with the History of our Establishment in India, must well know the extraordinary peril, and difficulties which that Detachment sustained in its effort, to join the grand Army, in the Carnatic. In that march,

I—

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I lost the whole of my Baggage — which constituted, I might add, the whole of my property. —

6. From this period, I remained with the Grand Army, — under Command of Sir Eyre Coote, till the termination of the War in 1784. During this time, I was in every action, I participated in every danger, I shared in every toil. In September of the next year 1781, I was attached to Colonel Owen's — Detachment, when it was attacked, and surrounded by the whole of Hyder's force, and escaped, almost by a Miracle, from total distruc- tion. Of all these Campaigns, into which this memorable War was — lengthened out, I underwent all the privations, the fatigues, and dangers & incident

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incident to the common Soldier. The
low State of the Company's finances,
at that period, denied Us even the
few comforts, which mitigate the
toils of a Military life: the pay
of the Troops being upwards of 18
Months in Arrear. After the War,
I was attached to the large Force,
which was continued at Arcot,
under Command of General Horne,
for two Years and a half; and during
the greater part of this time, in the
absence of Doctor Davis, the prin-
cipal charge of it devolved upon
me. In 1786, I was appointed Sur-
geon to the 2d Battalion of Artil-
lery at Trichinopoly, with which
I remained, till the ensuing Year,
without any other allowance, than
pay and half Batta, when I was
removed

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removed to the Garrison of Palamcottah,
and appointed to the charge of two
Battalions of Revenue Troops till
February 1796, I was then promoted
to the rank of Head Surgeon, and
Superintendent of Northern Division.—
In 1797, I was transferred to the Centre
Division at Vellore, in the place of
Doctor Gahagen, then on Furlough to
Europe.—

7 In this Station, the sole
care and management of the General
Hospital, devolved upon me. During
the Months of January and February
1799, when the Army under General
Harris passed that place, on its route
to the conquest of Mysore, more than
two hundred of the worst cases from
the Various Corps; in the Kings Service
fell under my charge. In this duty,

I

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I had no Assistant, on account of the demand of Medical Officers in the Field added to these duties, the Sick, of the Garrison besides those of fifteen families who, a dread of the incursions of the Enemy had driven thither for protection and two Battalions of Sepoys came also under my charge. These, My Lord, were severe duties, I performed them with fidelity, and Cheerfulness — I attempt not to exaggerate them, nor to claim from the Correct, and Zealous performance of them, a merit which, they do not justify me in assuming. —

8. But to this extent, I may be permitted to enumerate them; that I may shew, that in point of real, and Meritorious Service, I have not been surpassed by any one. It is with

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with a conscious Satisfaction, that, I
am enabled to refer to these testemonies,
which I am well convinced, Your Lord-
ship in Council, will be disposed to
appretiate with justice, and with can-
dour. Of my Services, for the last four
Years, Your Lordship has the means
of judging. I trust they will be found
to be marked, with the same industry,
life, which has been an uninterrupted
course of Arduous, and toilsome duty,
chearfully Sustained, and Conscientious-
ly performed.—

7. Having thus rapidly—
Sketched the various employments
of my life in this Country, in order—
to Shew your Lordship, that in—
respect to the Nature, or length of
my Services, I ought not to yield
to

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to any man, I must be permitted to
advert to those of the Gentleman,
who has been honored with your
Lordship's Choice, as a person more
competent to fill the late Vacant
Seat, at the Medical Board. I do not
mean to derogate from the merits
of Dr Berry. But, I should be
doing manifest injustice to myself
were, I not to disclaim an affected
reserve, and a false delicacy in contrast
=ing the duration of my Services,
and the Severity of my labours with
his. The period of Doctor Berry's
Services may be estimated at twenty
two Years. During the last five
Years of this period, he has been
attached to the Centre Division, as
Superintending Surgeon, but he has
been indulged with permission to
reside

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reside, with the Physician General, at this Presidency.

10. On the other hand, Doctor Gahagan, Doctor Mein, and Myself, were obliged to reside at Vellore, whilst we respectively held that employment. Dr Berry's first arrival in India, was in 1785. In the September of that Year, he was appointed an Assistant Surgeon, on this Establishment. From that period he occasionally attended the General Hospital to April 1786, when he received the appointment of Secretary to the Medical Board, and the charge of the Company's Nopalry, at Marmalong. From that, to the present hour, he has successively enjoyed several Staff appointments, and realized an independent fortune. The whole period of his services

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Services, has flowed along in comfort,
and tranquility. He has experien=
=ced no hardship. He has known no
danger. He has been attached to no
Military Corps; and during an
indolent residence in India, he has
never known the oppressions of the
Climate, as they are aggravated, and
inflictted by inconvenient Stations,
and unwholesome encampments.—

II. In no instance, have I
drawn down upon Myself, by any
omission of my duty, and Various=
=duties, a word of censure, or disappro=
=bation. I have been indulged
through interest, or favor, with=
no relaxation of Service. I have
never evaded that Service, when
at

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it devolved upon me.—

12. Doctor Berry, on the other hand, has not only declined it, but has received on more than one occa=sion, a dispensation from it, which I neither sought, nor expected. On one Memorable occasion, he incurred the displeasure of the Government, for an irregularity, in not joining the Army, under Lord Cornwallis in 1791 after receiving positive orders, to proceed to the Mysore Army, he made no further progress, than Bangalore; from whence, he Suddenly returned to the Carnatic, with=out the permission of the Government, or the Commander in Chief. The dis=approbation of the Government, was expressed in a formal Resolution, in the following words, dated the 13th

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13th June 1791 "It was highly irre-
"gular in Mr Berry to return
"to Amboor, without permission,
"he must be directed to join the
"Army, without loss of time; and
"enjoined, not to quit the Station,
"to which he was appointed, by
"an Order of Government, without
"the leave of the Board, or the
"Commander in
"Chief"

13. In drawing this para-
-llel, between the labours of Dr
Berry, and my own, in the Ser-
-vice of the Honorable Company,
I have been influenced only, by
the painful necessity, which
I felt, of referring to claims which,
must have been overlooked, or
forgotten, in the recent appoint-
-ment

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appointment. Far am I from striving to fix unjust imputations on Doctor Berry, or to withdraw from him, the smallest part of the fame, or the credit, he has acquired - every man is previleged to enjoy the full measure of estem, and of approbation, which is conferred upon him. They are the earnings of his diligence, and integrity, of which it would be, injustice to deprive him. -

14. But when, with equal pretensions in point of moral estimation, and with stronger one in respect of antecedent, service, and professional assiduity, I am postponed to Dr. Berry, in an appointment, to which, I have looked forward, as the just, and ultimate reward of my labours, I should

have

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have abandoned my own cause, and betrayed my own Character, had I not proudly set forth the few, and humble merits, with which I have reason to fear, Your Lordship has been hitherto unacquainted.

15. I need not, I trust, apologize for this address. I am well assured that, an impartial view of my case will induce Your Lordship to revoke, an Arrangement which, has deprived me of the Remuneration, of so many Years faithful, and honorable discharge of my duty. And if my own personal appeal should be ineffectual, I may at least hope, that a regard to the useful, and respectable body to which I belong, will suggest to Your Lordship in Council

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Council, the unexpediency, as well as the injustice of a measure, which tends to destroy their dearest interests, and to violate their most important privileges.

(True Extract)
(Signed) Wm Horsman
Sec.y Med.l Board.

Extract of a Letter from Lord Cornwallis, Commander in Chief &c.a &c.a Dated 4th June 1792.

To the Honble Government of Fort St George.

"I avail myself of this occasion also, to recommend to your attention, and favor, in the warmest manner, Messrs. Alexander Anderson, and Henry Harris, Surgeons on the Coast Establishment, whose professional abilities, and strict, and regular, attentio

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Attention to the constant calls of their duty, especially at a period in the Field, when Medical assistance was particularly wanted, were eminently conspicuous — Mr. Harris having been employed, in Charge of the Stationary Hospital at Hoscottah, when he gave convincing proofs, of his extraordinary Capacity, and Zeal for the Service, had opportunities in consequence, of particularly attracting my attention, and approbation; however, the exertions of both these Gentlemen, have contributed so much to my Satisfaction, that, I would wish to avoid making any distinction in their Merits."

(A true Extract)

(Signed) Daniel, Ince

Dep.y Mil.y Sec.y

(True Copy)

(Signed) H. Harris M.D.

Right

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Right Honorable Lord Hobart

Governor in Council

Fort St George

My Lord,

I have the honor of your Lordships Letter in Council, of the 25th Instant, enclosing for my observation, one from Doctor Harris Surgeon, in the late Expedition, under my Orders, to the Molucca Islands, and in reply, having duly considered the Contents, I think it incumbent on me, to inform Your Lordship, that in the capacity to which, I gave him the Appointment he refers to, as far as ever came within my Notice, he discharged the duty of that Situation, with great propriety, and in every respect to my Satisfaction— His Kind, and tender treatment of the Officers, who came under his charge, and who

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who were generally accommodated in his own House, merits every commendation.

Victorious

Madras Roads

29th May 1797.

I have the honor to be
&c &c

(Signed) Peter Rainier

(True Copy)

(Signed) H. Harris M.D.

Extract of a Letter from His Excellency Lieutenant General John Abercromby, to the Right Honorable Lord Minto Governor General &c &c &c Port Louis 7th December 1810.

"Although I have every reason to be satisfied with the Zeal, of the heads of Departments, I feel it a particular duty, incumbent upon me to express, in the most pointed manner, the Obligations which I owe to Doctor Harris the Superintending Surgeon, and, to the Medical Staff in general, for

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For their Unremitting Attention, in the discharge of the important duty, repos=ed in them.—

(Signed) John Abercromby
Major Genl.

(True Extract)
(Signed) H. Harris M.D.

Extract of a Letter from Col. Barry, Chief Secretary to the Government, of the Isle of France, to Doctor Harris Superintending Surgeon of the Expedi=tion— Dated Port Louis December 21th 1810.—

My Dear Sir,

"I am charged by Mr. Farquhar, to express his sincere regret at your departure, from this Colony, augmented as it is, by the knowledge that you are not in good health at the Moment."—

"The Governor of the Isle of

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of France, has also to express his deep
regret at the loss of a Public Servant,
from whose professional talents, and
indefatigable Zeal, these Colonies have
already so materially benefitted."—

(Signed) A. Barry
Chief Secretary

(True Copy)
(Signed) Henry Harris M.D.

No. 12.

Minutes thereon. The Commander in Chief
is requested to inform the Medical
Board that the Memorial of their
Third Member will be submitted to
the Honorable the Court of Directors
by the present Dispatch.—

His Excellency is further
requested to point out to the Medical
Board the impropriety of the terms
in which they have adverted in the
paragraph of their Proceedings to the
arrangement

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Arrangement of the Government under which Doctor Berry was appointed to be Third Member of that Board.

To George Strachey Esq.re
Secretary to Government
&c. &c. &c.
Fort St George

No. 13.

Sir,

From the Military Secretary to the Commr in Chief Recommends admission of allowances drawn by Lieut. Colonel M. Bean while in temporary Command of Wallajahbad.

I have been directed by the Commander in Chief to request, that the accompanying Letters and enclosures, from the Officer Commanding in the Center Division, may be laid before the Honorable the Governor in Council, with His Excellency's recommendation, that the required authority may be given to the Military Auditor General, for relieving Mr. Paymaster Dent from the Retrenchment, to which the omission of Lieutenant Colonel

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Colonel MacBean has given rise, provided it shall appear, that the Amount drawn by that Officer, as temporary Commandant of Wallajahbad, shall be found, on reference to the accompanying Extracts from Cantonment Orders, to correspond with the period during which he exercised the Command.—

I have the honor to be,

Sir

Your most obedient

Fort St George

23rd Sept. 1812.— (Signed) Hugh Scott

Mil. Sy.

To the Military Secretary

To His Excellency the Comm. in Chief

Fort St George

Sir

Mr. Dent the Military Paymaster in the Division of the Army I have the honor to Command, having addressed the enclosed letter to me on the

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89th Regiment has taken charge of the Command of Wallajahbad in the absence of Lieutenant Colonel Dighton agreable to the Cantonment Order, dated 8th June 1811, and drew the allowances attached to that Command from the said period to 26th July, amounting to Pagodas 259.25.70. which the Military Auditor General has retrenched from my accounts, in consequence of the said Cantonment order not having been confirmed by Government, an Extract of which Retrenchment, together with a Copy of a letter to me from the Paymaster of the 89th Regiment dated 31st July 1812, I have the honor to enclose for your inspection, and request you will do me the favor of obtaining an order to the above effect confirmed by Government to enable me to remove the Retrenchment above cited

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cated from my accounts.—

I have the honor to be

Vellore &c. &c.

26th August 1812. (Signd) C. B. Dent

Mil. Paym.

Extract of Military Aud. Gen.s Retrenchment

on Vellore &c. &c. Paymasters accounts for

the Months of July and August 1811.—

July 1811

Wallajahbad

Cantonment Staff

259 Major and Brevet Lieutenant

Colonel D. McBean draws

difference between Lieut. Colls.

half and Colonels full Batta

for Commanding the Cantonment

of Wallajahbad in the absence

of Lieutenant Colonel Dighton,

as per Cantonment Order from

the

Do—

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89th Regiment has taken charge of the Command of Wallajahbad in the absence of Lieutenant Colonel Dighton agreable to the Cantonment Order, dated 8th June 1811, and drew the allowances attached to that Command from the said period to 26th July, amounting to Pagodas 259.25.70 which the Military Auditor General has retrenched from my accounts, in consequence of the said Cantonment order not having been confirmed by Government, an Extract of which Retrenchment, together with a Copy of a letter to me from the Paymaster of the 89th Regiment dated 31st July 1812, I have the honor to enclose for your inspection, and request of you will do me the favor of obtaining an order to the above effect confirmed by Government to enable me to remove the Retrenchment above cited

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Extracted from my Accounts.—

I have the honor to be

Vellore Sir Your most obedient

26th August 1812. (Signed) C. B. Dent

Mil. Paym.r

Extract of Military Aud.r Gen.l's Retrenchment on Vellore &c. &c. &c. Paymasters Accounts for the Months of July and August 1811.—

July 1811

Wallajahbad

Cantonment Staff

259 Major and Brevet Lieutenant Colonel D. McBean draws difference between Lieut.t Col.ls half and Colonels full Batta for Commanding the Cantonment of Wallajahbad in the absence of Lieutenant Colonel Dighton, as per Cantonment Order from 8th

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8th to 30th June 1811 Pagodas 137.34.10.

Which is retrenched under the
11th Para. of the G O 1st May 1810
until the above Cantonment
Order is Confirmed by Govt
when the difference between
Majors half & Lieut. Col.s full
Batta will be admitted on
Readit ..... 137.34.10.

August 1811

2143 Ditto ... draws D° D° from
1st to 26th July 1811 Pag. 121.36.60
Which is retrenched vide
preceding Remark ... 121.36.60

Pagodas ..... 259.25.70.

(A true Extract)

(Signed) C B Dent Mil. Paym.

To C. B. Dent Esq.re
Military Paymaster Vellore

Sir, The reason of my not answering
your

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Your letter of the 26th February last was in consequence of having received a Retrenchment by the Auditor General of a part of the Sums you mentioned against Lieutenant Colonel McBean, which, I answered, and have to State that Lieutenant Colonel McBean drew from me the allowances agreeable to his rank as Commanding the Regiment to the period of his leaving the Country 27th October 13th 1811.

Whatever Sums Lieutenant Colonel McBean might have drawn elsewhere, 'tis not possible, I can be accountable for.

I have the honor to be &c &c

Madras 31st July 1812.

(Signed) James White
Paymr 89th Regt

(A true Copy)
(Signed) C Dent Mel Paymr
Wallajabad

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Wallajahbad Saturday the 8th June 1811.—

Cantonment Morning Orders, by—

Captain Johnson.—

Lieutenant Colonel MacBean

of His Majestys 89th Regiment having

arrived in the Cantonment all—

Reports &c. &c. to be made to him

accordingly.—

(a true Extract)

(Sig.d) E. Fitzpatrick

act. Capt. & Adjt.—

Wallajahbad Saturday 27th July 1811.—

Cantonment Morning Orders—By

Lieut.t Colonel Mc. Bean.—

Lieut.t Colonel Mc. Bean

having proceeded to the Presidency

on Sick Certificate all Reports &c.

&c. to be made to Major Keates as

next Senior Officer.—

Wallajahbad (A true Extract)

14th Sept.r 1811. (Sig.d) E. Fitzpatrick—act.t

Capt.n & Adjt.t.—Resolved

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No. III.
Resolution thereon.

Resolved that the requisite
authority be given for enabling the
Military Auditor General to admit
in the accounts of the Military Pay-
master at Vellore the allowances
drawn by Lieutenant Colonel Mc
Bean of His Majesty's 89th Regiment
as Officer in charge of the Command
of the Cantonment of Walajahbad
to such an Amount as that Officer
would be entitled to have received,
if his temporary Succession to that
Command had been duly reported
in the first instance.—

To George Strachey Esqre
Secretary to Government
&c &c &c Fort St George

Sir

No. 13.
From Ditto
Lieut. Cunning-
-ham to draw
allowces

I am directed by the Commander in Chief to transmit, for
submission

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allowances as Brigade Major at Goa until relieved by Lieut. Patterson

Submission to the Government, the enclosed Letter from the Officer Commanding the Auxiliary Force at Goa, recommending that Lieutenant Cunningham of the 13th Regiment Native Infantry, be permitted to execute the Duties, and to draw the established allowances, of his late Situation, as Quarter Master of Brigade of the Goa Division, until the arrival of his Successor Lieutenant Paterson.

As this application appears consistent with the existing Rules of the Service, which preclude Lieutenant Paterson from receiving the Salary of Quarter Master, until his actual assumption of the Duties, the Commander in Chief recommends, that Lieutenant Cunningham be recognized in General Orders

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Orders by Government, as acting Quar-
ter Master of Brigade at Goa, and
on the receipt of the allowances, ~
until his relief by Lieutenant Pater-
son. ~ I have the honor to be,

Sir
Your
Most
Obedient
Humble
Servant

Fort St George (Signed) Hugh Scott
25th September 1812. ~ Mil.y Sec.y ~

To the Military Secretary
to His Excellency the Commander in Chief
Fort St George

Sir,

It having been suggested
by the Military Paymaster here that
an authority is requisite for Lieutenant
Cunningham to draw the allowance
of Quarter Master Brigade until he
is relieved and has delivered over the
charge of his public Office to the
Officer Nominated by Government to
succeed

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further assistance of Government, by—
advancing an additional Sum of Money,
to enable him to carry on the Estab-
-lishment with effect, may be laid before
the Honorable the Governor in Council.—

The Commander in Chief,
having previously to the Submission
of the enclosure to Government, caused
the actual State of Mr. Erratt's—
affairs to be examined, has found,—
that large Balances from various—
quarters remains due to him, the—
immediate Collection of which appears
difficult, if not impracticable, and
that, in the interim, his embarrass-
-ments, originating in the causes he
has himself described, if not timely
relieved, must lead to the early
failure of the Establishment under
his Superintendance, which at pre-
-sent

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present holds out a prospect of Consi=
=derable advantage to the Service.—

The Commander in Chief
Understands, that a further advance
of 2000 Pagodas to Mr Erratt will
completely relieve him from his diffi=
=culties, and in consideration of all the
circumstances of the case, I have been
directed to express His Excellency's
Recommendation that the Government
may be pleased to grant the above
Sum in advance, to be repaid by
Monthly instalments of 100 Pagodas,
so soon as the remainder of the
last advance made to him may be
liquidated at the rate of 120 Pagodas
per Mensem.—

I have the honor to be &c &c

Fort St George (Signed) Hugh Scott
26th September 1812.— Mil Secretary

To

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To the Adjutant General
of the Army

Sir,

Fort St George

In consequence of not having received a Reply to the Communications on the Subject of the Bengal Reference which I had the honor to address to the Secretary to Government of the Military Department in Answer to his letter of the 20th January 1812 (a Copy of which I beg to enclose) for the information of the Honorable the Governor in Council, I am led to hope that the Statements I then furnished was deemed Satisfactory and under such impression I am induced again to intrude myself on the Notice of the Honorable the Governor once more and to Solicit from his liberality an advance of Five Thousand Pagodas, to be

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be deducted from my Pay and Allowan-
ces by such Monthly instalments
in addition to the balance due on
account of the last advance amount-
ing to 1100 Pagodas as the Honorable
the Governor in Council may in their
goodness deem most proper to enable
me to carry on my Establishment
with advantage to the Government &
present prevented from doing to the
extent, I could wish from the large
Sums, I have necessarily expended
on the erection of my buildings having
exceeded the Sum lent me for that
express purpose 4,000 Pagodas whilst
the credit, I am necessarily compelled
to give to my constituents which
exceeds at this moment 9,000 Pagodas
added to the very heavy interest, I am
paying

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paying for the same and purchase
Money of my promises — together —
with the great disappointment, I ex=
=perienced at the commencement of my
undertaking in not receiving 5,00
Pagodas promised me by my much
lamented Friend the late Major Eva
has involved me in engagements wh
I shall feel much difficulty and em=
=barrassment in encountering unl
the assistance of Government be time
=ly afforded me —

I therefore most humbly
and earnestly entreat that you will
have the goodness to Solicit His Excel
=lency the Commander in Chief's suppor
and recommendation towards my reque
in Submitting it to the Notice and
liberal consideration of the Honorable
the Governor.

I have

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I have the Honor to be &c &c

Madras Veterinary Establt 3d Sept 1812.

(Signd) J. Erratt
Sup.t Mad. Vet.y Establt

To
G. Strachey Esq.
Military Secretary to Government
&c &c &c

Sir,

I have the Honor to acknow-
=ledge the receipt of your letter of the
21st instant and take the liberty of offer-
=ing in reply the following Statement for
the information of the Honorable the
Governor in Council which I indulge
the hope may prove satisfactory.

From the order of Govern-
=ment directing me to March in charge
of the transferred horses from Chattapore
to Poona and placing the entire care
and responsibility of them upon me,
I conceived and, I trust not unreaso-
=nably

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Unreasonably should I not be fairly entitled to the usual & regulated allowances granted by the Honorable the Governor in Council to Officers on the Establishment of Fort St George in charge of Remount and other Horses during their March, I therefore applied to Major Evans for instructions on that head, when he informed me that he had already obtained the sanction of Government to draw these allowances for reasons, which he added would facilitate the adjustment of accounts between himself and me, I therefore concluded Major Evans had given Government due Credit in his Bill of charges for the 14,000 S. Rupees advanced to me on my march for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the horses under my charge and for which

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which, I had accounted fully to him as I had been directed. I am extreme- ly Sorry to find that the explana- tion I gave in reply to the letter of the 11th August last which I addressed to the Account Genural in the Milit- ary Department was not deemed satisfactory, for certainly nothing could be further from my intention than to keep back any information required by the Honorable the Governor in- Council which was in my power to afford.—

I respectfully beg further to State for the information of the Honorable the Governor in Council— that had I not clearly understood that Major Evans was fully author- ized by Government to adjust my accounts, I should have forwarded the

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the enclosed Statement without delay
which I trust would have been found
strictly conformable to the regulations;
and that Government would have honor=
=ed me with their sanction for the
payment of the balance due to me, From
the arrangements made by Major Evans
and in consequence of his much lament=
=ed death, I take the liberty of stating
that I have been a very considerable
Sufferer and from the difficulties I
shall probably meet with in settling
with the Executors of that Valuable
Officer my reimbursement for a loss
I can ill sustain, becomes doubtful
and at any rate remote, my best hope
is in the liberality of Government
which on this occasion may be ex=
=tended to me by permitting me to
charge for the ... ted allowances
deducting

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Fort St George 29th September 1812.—

deliver you the Account the Sums advanced to me while on that Service—a hope I am encouraged to indulge from the entire Satisfaction expressed by the Authorities under which I acted for the manner in which the Service was performed & by the Member of the Board of Superintendence for improving the Breed of Cattle Capt. Gall & Lieutenant Dickson, Assistant to the Superintendant of the Poosa Stud in Bengal when they observed the very high condition in which I delivered over those entrusted to my care. This highly gratifying approbation was I have reason to believe conveyed to the Governor General by Mr. Moorcroft the Superintendant of the Poosa Stud.—

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

Madras Veterinary Estabt. Jany 28th 1812.— Sig. J. Erratt Vet. Surgeon in charge of Cattle transferred from Chattapore to the Poosa Stud.—

True Copy
Sig. J. Erratt Vet. Surg. &c.

Brought forward ... 1390 " 18 " "

1 Colt Nutmeg Grey feeding &c " for 1 Month and 25 Days died on the Road the 9th March 1809 at 6 Pagodas P" Month ..... } 11 " " "

To 163 Brood Mares feeding &c " &c " on the Road to Poosa from the 16th January to 19th April 1809 inclusive being 3 Months and 5 days @ 6 Star Pagodas P" Month ..... } 509 " " "

1 Ditto Mare feeding &c " for 2 Months & 16 Days died on the Road the 31st March 1809 at 6 Star Pagodas per Month ..... } 15 " 9 " "

To 57 Stud Bred Mares feeding &c " &c " on the Road to Poosa from 16th January to 19th April 10 " " "

Fort St. George 1st August 1812.

1809 inclusive being 3 Months and 5 days
@ 6 Star Pagodas each Pr. Month ..... } 1083.. ..
To 57 Stud Fillies feeding &c. &c. on D°
from D° to D° D° @ 6 S. Pag. D° D° } 1083.. ..

1 Colt Bay feeding &c. for 2 Months and
11 days foaled from the 7th February 1809
to 19th April at 4 Pagodas Pr. Month ... } 9.24

1 Ditto Dun D° for 2 Months and 10 Days
foaled the 8th February D° @ D° D° } 9.13..

1 Colt Dun feeding &c. for 2 Months
and 4 days foaled the 14th February 1809
to 19th April at 4 Pagodas per
Month ..... } 8.24.. ..

Carried over ..... 6707.. .. ..

13 Pags

Bombay 29th September 1812

Brought forward ... 1390 " 18 " "

1 Colt Nutmeg Grey feeding &c" for 1 Month and 25 Days died on the road the 9th March 1809 at 6 Pagodas P" Month ..... 11 " " "

To 163 Broad Mares feeding &c" &c" on the road to Poosa from the 16th January to 19th April 1809 inclusive being 3 Months and 5 days @ 6 Star Pagodas P" Month ..... 2 " " "

1 Ditto Mare feeding &c" for 2 Months & 16 Days died on the road the 31st March 1809 at 6 Star Pagodas per Month ..... 15 " 9 "

To 57 Stud Bred Mares feeding &c" &c" on the Road to Poosa from 16th January to 19th April 10 " " "

Fort St George 19th September 1812.

1809 inclusive being 3 Months and 5 days
@ 6 Star Pagodas each Pr. Month ..... } 1,083 " " "
To 57 Stud Fillies Feeding &c. &c. on D°
from D. to D° D° @ 6 S. Pag. D° D° } 1,083 " " "

1 Colt Bay Feeding &c. for 2 Months and
11 days foaled from the 7th February 1809
to 19th April at 4 Pagodas Pr. Month ... } 9.24

1 Ditto Dun D° for 2 Months and 10 Days
foaled the 8th February D° @ D° D° } 9.15 " "

1 Colt Dun Feeding &c. for 2 Months
and 4 days foaled the 14th February 1809
to 19th April at 4 Pagodas per
Month ..... } 8.24 " "

Carried over ..... 6707 " " "

13 Pag

Star Pagodas 29th September 1812

Brought forward ..... 670 " " "

To 1 Bay Ditto for 2 Months and 11 Days
foaled the 14th February Do ... at Do ... } 8 " 21 " "

1 Ditto Dun Do for 2 Months 11 days foaled
the 14th February Do ... at Do ... } 8 " 21 " "

1 Filly Dun Do for 1 Month and 22 Days
foaled the 26th February Do ... Do ... } 6 " 12 "

1 Colt Bay Do ... for 1 Month 19 Days
foaled the 1st March Do ... at Do ... Do ... } 6 " 24 " "

1 Do Bay Do ... for 1 Month 19 Days
foaled the 1st March Do ... Do ... Do ... } 6 " 24 " "

Errors Excepted Newbridge 1st Sept 1812 ...

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To 1 Colt Bay - feeding &c.a for 1 Month and 16 Days - foaled the 15.th March 1809 @ 4 Pag.a per Month ..... 6.. 6.. ..

1 Filly Dun D.o for 1 M. & 16 days foaled the 5.th March D.o at D.o ..... D.o ..... 6.. 6.. ..

To 1 Colt Dun feeding D.o for 1 Month & 16 days foaled the 3.d March 1809 @ 4 P.s per Month ..... 6.. 6.. ..

1 Ditto Chestnut D.o - for 1 M. 11 days foaled the 10.th March D.o ..... @ D.o ..... D.o ..... 5.. 21.. ..

1 Ditto Dun D.o - for 1 M. 8 days foaled the 13.th March D.o ..... at D.o ..... 5.. 3.. ..

1 D.o Bay D.o - for 1 M. 7 days foaled the 14.th March D.o ..... at D.o ..... 4.. 42.. ..

1 D.o Bay D.o - for 1 M. and 4 days foaled the 16.th March D.o ..... @ D.o ..... D.o ..... 4.. 24.. .. 6782.21. ..

Carried over ..... 6,782.21. ..

Sam.l Pepys Esq.r Navy Office

Brought forward ..... 6782 " " 13215

Extra Charges

To Head and Heel Ropes &c" &c" furnished for 26 Stallions 50 Colts and 278 Mares & Fillies on their Journey from Chatterpoor to the Prosa Stud @ 36 Fanams each ..... 283 " 9 " "

Star Pagodas Seven Thousand and Sixty four and Twenty Seven Fanams 7064 27

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By Cash Received by Mess" Ps Receipt from the Collector of Midnapoore Sicca Rupees 1790 5 11
6000 or Star Pagodas .....

By Cash Ditto ..... Ditto Moorshedabad Sicca Rup" 1401 " 34 " 5 "
5000 or Star Pagodas .....

Fort St George 1st Sept 1812

No 13 of 1812

By Cash D° ... D° Bogglepore Sicca Rupees 895 2 62
3,000 or Star Pagodas ... 4176 42 76

Star Pag° 2888 29 4

Balance due Star Pagodas Two thousand Eight hundred and Eighty Eight, Fanams Twenty Nine and Cash four / 2888 29 4 /

(Signed) J. Erratt Vet° Surgeon in Charge of Cattle transferred from Chatterpoor to the Poosa Stud.—

I declare upon my honor that the above Charges incurred for Sending Stallions Colts Mares, and Fillies to Poosa is according to the Established Rates.—

(Signed) J. Erratt Vet° Surgeon in Charge of Cattle transferred from Chatterpoor to the Poosa Stud.—

(A true Copy)
(Signed) J. Erratt
Vet° Surg° &c &c.—

Resolved.

No 29 Extract dated 1st September 1812.—

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Fort St George 29th September 1812.

No 18
Resolut.n & order thereon.—

Resolved that authority be given for advancing to the Superintendent of the Veterinary Institution the further sum of Two Thousand Pagodas; to be repayed by Monthly Instalments at the rate of One Hundred Pagodas commencing from the period recommended by the Commander in Chief.—

His Excellency is requested to cause Mr. Erratt to be apprized that his Letter to the Secretary under date the 28th of January last is still under consideration.—

Ordered that the Accountant General be desired to Submit his report on the Subject of that address.—

To George Strachey Esq.re
Secretary to Govern.t &c. &c. &c.

No 19.

From the Mil.y Sec.y

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose herewith

13878

Fort St George 29th September 1812.—

Secretary to the Comr in Chief Transmitting a Certificate to enable Mrs Kippen to partake of Lord Clive's Donation.—

I have the honor to transmit, by Order of the Commander in Chief, a Certificate Signed by His Excellency, and enabling the Widow of the late Captain Kippen to share in the benefit of Lord Clive's Donation, if approved by the Honorable the Governor in Council.—

I have the honor to be

Fort St George
26th September 1812.

Sir
Your most obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) Hugh Scott
Mily Secy

1805. Marriage.

Nellore

April

Marian Scaley & George Kippen of the Honble Company's Service were Married by

(Sgd) J. B. Travers
Magistrate Nellore
Tillah.—

6th Kippen

In presence of
J. Goldsworthy
H. Goldsworthy
F. Whittle
E. Whittle

Signed
Alex. Stewart
assistt Surgn
G. Paske
assistt Magistte

Extracted from the Register of Marriages at the Presidency of Fort St George

(a true Extract)
(Sigd) Edward Vaughan
Senior Chaplain.—

(Sigd) Thos Adamson
Register
Sept 29th 1812.—

13879

Fort St George 29th September 1812.—

I Maria Kippen Widow of the late Captain George Kippen of the Carnatic European Veteran Battalion do hereby make oath and declare that the Property left by the Deceased did not amount in Value altogether to the Sum of Five Thousand Star Pags.—

So help me God.

Sworn before me this 15th day of Sept. 1812.

(Signed) M. Kippen

(Sig.d) T. H. Greig Justice of the Peace.

No. 20.
Resolut.n thereon.

Resolved that the Widow of the late Captain Kippen be admitted to the benefit of Lord Clives Bounty Fund.—

To

13880

Fort St George 29th September 1812.

To

George Strachey Esq.

Secretary to Government

&c. &c. &c. Fort St George

Sir

No. 21.

From the Mil. Sec. to the Com. in Chief — Deputy Quarter Master Genl. to the Kings Troops on the Subject of Landing Regimental Stores from the Company's Ships and other Vessels.

I have been directed by the Commander in Chief to request, that the accompanying Letters and enclosures, from the Deputy Quarter Master General Kings Troops, may be laid before the Honorable the Governor in Council.

In that communication, Lieutenant Colonel Sullivan adverts to the various inconveniences, and to the possibility of loss accruing to the Colonels of His Majestys Regiments in India, from the irregular mode in which their Regimental Stores are frequently landed at Madras from England, and from the want of accommodation for their immediate protection. The

Comm.

13881

Fort St George 20th September 1812.—

Commander in Chief sensible of the justness of the Lieutant Colonels Suggestions has accordingly instructed me to express his Recommendation in thier favour, and that they may be carried into effect in such way as the Honorable the Governor in Council may consider the most expedient.—

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

Fort St George
25th September 1812.—

(Signed) Hugh Scott
Mil Secretary

To Captain Scott
Military Secretary to His Excellency
The Commander in Chief.—

Sir.

I beg you will have the goodness to acquaint His Excellency Lieut General Sir Samuel Auchmuty— the inconvenience and loss that will occur to the Public Service and particularly

13882 Fort St George 29th September 1812.—

particularly to Colonels of Corps by the
manner in which the Stores of His
Majesty's Regiments are landed from on
board the Honorable Company's Ships
at this Presidency.—

It appears from a Report
made to me that the Stores for His
Majesty's Regiments have been landed
at intervals and left on the beach, with-
out any previous Notice being given to
my Department. In consequence of
such the Stores have remained on the
Beach without a Guard and unnecessarily
exposed to the Violence of the Surf—such
a mode of discharging the Stores of His
Majesty's Regiments from on board the
Honorable Company's Ships must evident-
ly appear not only inconvenient but
highly detrimental to the Public Service
and is heavy and unnecessary loss to the
Colt.—

13883

Fort St George 20th September 1812.

Colonels of His Majesty's Regiments.

To obviate this Evil, I take the liberty of submitting to You for His Excellency's Consideration the following observations which I trust may meet with his approbation and Sanction.

1st In order that the General Orders 22d of May 1812 may be carried more fully into effect, I beg leave to recommend that an Order should be vested in the hands of the Deputy Quarter Master General Kings Troops to require all Captains of Ships, Men of War excepted to fill up the Return herewith enclosed, for the purpose of ascertaining more particularly, when the Stores would be landed that the Store Serjeants may be in readiness to receive them.

2ndly It would be necessary that a

13884 Fort St George 29th September 1812.—

a convenient Store Room with sufficient accommodation for a Store Serjeant to dwell in, should be appropriated on the Beach for the reception of the Stores, as well as that of the Great Coats brought out by the Recruits— from England, at present there is— nothing of the kind, and the risk and damage Sustained may occasionally be considerable.—

2dly That a Quarter should be appropriated for the Store Serjeants on the Fort, when they March in from Panamalee to receive their Stores, as they are frequently detained for many days, (as is the present Case,) here they can collect the Stores from on board Ship together.—

3dly That an Order should be issued permitting the Deputy Quarter

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Fort St George 29th September 1812.

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4.thly That an Order should be issued permitting the Deputy Quarter

13885

Fort St George 29th September 1812.

Quarter Master General Kings Troops to
Charge Boat hire for Conveying the
Quarter Master Serjeant on board Ship,
agreeable to the General Order of 22nd
May 1812, as a Contingency in his
Monthly Staff allowance, or, that the
Master attendant should defray the
same on the part of Government on
the Order being given by the Deputy
Quarter Master General to the Store
Serjeant to execute the above order.

I have the Honor to be,
Sir
Your most
obedient
humble Servant
Henry Sullivan
Lt Col. Dy Q.M. Genl K.T.

Form

To the Captain or Senior Officer
On board the Ship lately Anchored
in Madras Roads.

Sir,

It having been deemed necessa-
-ry

13876

Fort St George 29th September 1812.—

Necessary that all Captains or Senior
Officers Commanding Vessels on
anchoring in Madras Roads, Men
of War excepted, should fill up
the Returns enclosed of such Stores
as they may have on board for His
Majesty's Regiments in India.—

I request you will
have the goodness to fill up the
same and return it by the bearer
of this letter to the address of the
Deputy Quarter Master General
of the Kings Troops.—

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most Obed.t Serv.t

Fort St George
——— 18.—

Form

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Fort St George 29th September 1812.

Form

Return of Stores on Board the _____ Commanded by
_____ for His Majesty's Regiments in India.

Madras Roads _____ 18__

Number of Bales Casks, or Boxes	For what Regiment	The most probable time the said Stores can be Landed

N.B. Any alteration for landing the Stores from on board the _____ must be notified in writing to the Office of the Deputy Quarter Master General of Kings Troops.

(Captains Signature)

To the Deputy Quarter Master Genl
Of His Majestys Forces.

No 22.

Resolut and order thereon.

The Board approve the Form of

13888 Fort St George 29th September 1812.—

of Application proposed to be addressed
by the Deputy Quarter Master
General of the Kings Troops to the
Commanders of Indiamen and to the
Masters of other Vessels respecting
the delivery of Stores consigned to this
Port for the use of His Majesty's Regi-
ments, and it is accordingly Resolved
that he be authorized to adopt it.—

Reverting to the ground
on which it was recently determined to
remove the Store Serjeants of His Majes-
ty's Regiments from Fort St George to
Poonamalee, the Board are inclined to
think that it will be objectionable to
afford to them temporary accommodation
either in the Outworks or in the Body
of the Place, but that it will be
more advisable that when on duty at
the Presidency they should be lodged
in

13887 Fort St George 29th September 1812.

Form

Return of Stores on Board the _____ Commanded by
_____ for His Majestys Regiments in India.

Madras Roads _____ 18__

Number of Bales, Casks, or Boxes	For what Regmt	The most probable time the said Store can be Landed

N.B. Any alteration for landing the Stores from on board the _____ must be notified in writing to the Office of the Deputy Quarter Master General of Kings Troops.

(Captains Signature)

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Of His Majestys Forces.

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on which it was recently determined to
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of the Place, but that it will be —
more advisable that when on duty at
the Presidency they should be lodged
in

13887 Fort St. George 29th September 1812.

Form

Return of Stores on Board the _____ Commanded &c.
_____ for His Majesty's Regiments in India.—
Madras Roads _____ 18__

Number of Bales Casks, or Boxes	For what Regim.t	The most probable time the said Store can be Landed.

N.B. any alteration for landing the Stores from on board the _____ must be Notified in writing to the Office of the Deputy Quarter Master General of Kings Troops.—

(Captains Signature)

To the Deputy Quarter Master Gen.l—
Of His Majesty's Forces.—

No. 22.—
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Fort St George 29th September 1812.

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13889 Fort St George 29th September 1812.—

in Tents on the Beach or be provided with
Quarters in the Vicinity of the Building
which it will be necessary to appro-
-priate or to erect for the reception
of the Regimental Stores.—

Resolved that the Com-
-mander in Chief be requested to State
the extent of accommodation which
will be required for the Store Serjeants
and the Stores, and the Nature of the
cover which in His Excellency's Opinion
it will be proper to provide.—

Ordered that the Marine
Board be desired to Submit an Arrange-
-ment for furnishing the Boats which
will be required for landing the
Stores of His Majesty's Regiments.—

Read the following letter
from the Adjutant General of the
Army.—

To

13890

Fort St George 29th September 1812.

To the Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St George

Sir

No 23

From the adjutant Genl of the Army Submitting a request from Lieut Williams to be examined in the Hindoostanee Language.

I am directed by His Excellency the Commander in Chief to request you will Submit to the Honorable the Governor the accompanying Application from Ensign E. Williams of the 13th Regiment Native Infantry attached to the Resident of Mysores escort, Soliciting to be examined in the Hindoostanee Language.

I have the honor to be,
&c &c
(Signed) T. H. S. Conway
Adjt Genl of the Army.

Adjt Genls Office
Fort St George
23rd September 1812.

To Lieut Colonel Conway
Adjutant General of the Army

Sir,

As I am Solicitous to undergo an examination in the Hindoostanee

13891

Fort St George 29th September 1812.

Hindostanee Language, in hopes of obtaining the Honorary reward offered by Government to the Junior Officers of the Company's Service. I request to know when I shall repair to the Presidency for that purpose.

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

Bangalore (Signed) L. Williams
15th September 1812. Ensign 1st Batt. 13th R.t N.I. doing duty with the Escort of Res. to Mysoor.

No. 24.

Resolut.n thereon.

Resolved that the Standing Committee appointed for the examination of Officers Assistant Surgeons and Cadets in the Hindostanee Language be furnished with a Copy of the foregoing Letter, and be instructed to proceed to the examination of Ensign L. Williams of the 13th Regiment N.I. in compliance with his Request.

To

13892

Fort St George 29th September 1812.

To the Chief Secretary
to Government
Fort St George

No 25.

Sir,

From the Adjutant Genl of the Army — Reporting certain Casualties and Recommending consequent promotions.—

By desire of the Commander in Chief, I have the honor to report, for the Information of the Honorable the Governor in Council, the occurrence of the under-mentioned Casualties, and to add the Recommendation of His Excellency, that the Promotions consequent thereto, and which are hereto Subjoined, may be ordered.—

Lieut. Fire Worker 1st B. 1st 2d Bn Artly } 17th Augt 1812.
died at Saulnah.

Lieut. Jas Locke 3d Regiment N. C. } 2nd Sept. 1812.
died at the Presidency

Ensign Jno Anson 15th Regt N.I. died } 10th Sept. 1812.
at Courtallum

Ensign J. M. Cosnahan 6th Regt N.I. } 11th Sept. 1812.
died at Bangalore.

Ens.

13893

Fort St. George 29th September 1812.

Ensign Wm. Glover, 13th Regt. N.Y. died near the Grand Chutty Pass } 11th Sept. 1812.

Capt. Tho. Jenkins 16th Regt. N.Y. died at Ellore } 13th Sept. 1812.

Lieut. Jno. Pryce Harrison 24th Regt. N.Y. died at the Presidency } 19th Sept. 1812.

3rd Regiment N.C.

Cornet J. K. Clubley to be Lieut. vice Locke deceased } Date of Commission 3rd Sept. 1812.

16th Regiment N.Y.

Capt. Lt. Chas. Hall to be Capt. of a Compy. } in succession to Jenkins deceased. 14th Sept. 1812.

Lieut. Geo. Jackson to be Capt. Lieutenant

Ensign Sam. Hodder to be Lieut.

24th Regiment N.Y.

Ensign La. W. Watson to be Lieut. vice Harrison deceased } 20th Sept. 1812.

Adj. Gen. Office
Fort St. George
22nd Septr. 1812.

I have the honor to be &c. &c.
(Signed) J. H. L. Conway
Adjt. Gen. of the Army

Ordered

13894

Fort St George 2d September 1812.

No 26.

Order thereon

Ordered that the Promotions Recommended in the foregoing Letter be directed to take place.

To the Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St George

No 27.

From Ditto Enclosing an application for leave of absence from Lieut Hing 21st Regiment

Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency the Commander in Chief to request you will submit to the Honorable the Governor in Council the accompanying Application from Lieutenant Hing of the 21st Regiment Native Infantry Soliciting permission to proceed to Bombay on Sick Certificate.

I have the honor to be &c &c

(Signed) T. H. S. Conway
Adjt Gen of the Army.

Adjt Gen Office
Fort St George
22nd Septem 1812.

To the Honorable
Sir Geo. H. Barlow Bt K.B.
President in Council &c &c &c

Fort St George

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose the prescribed

13893

Fort St George 29th September 1812.

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24th Regiment N.I.

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Adj.t Gen.ls Office
Fort St George
22nd Septem.r 1812.

I have the honor to be &c. &c. &c.
(Signed) J. H. Conway
Adj.t Gen. of the Army

Ordered

13894

Fort St George the 9th September 1812.

No 26.

Ordered that the Promotions Recommended in the foregoing Letter be directed to take place.

Order thereon

To the Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St George

No 27.

From Ditto Enclosing an application for leave of absence from Lieut King 21st Regiment

Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency the Commander in Chief to request you will Submit to the Honorable the Governor in Council the accompanying application from Lieutenant King of the 21st Regiment Native Infantry Soliciting permission to proceed to Bombay on Sick Certificate.

I have the honor to be &c &c

(Signed) T. Hs. S. Conway
Adjt Genl of the Army.

Adjt Genl's Office
Fort St George
22nd Septem 1812.

To the Honorable
Sir Geo. H. Barlow Bt K.B.
President in Council &c &c &c
Fort St George

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose the prescribed

13895

Fort St George 29th September 1812.—

prescribed Medical Certificate for my proceeding to Bombay and trust that in consequence of the debilitated State of health under which I now labour, it will be favored with that consider-ation as will enable me to proceed to the Coast with as little delay as possible.—

I have the honor to be—

Camp at Saulnah
September 1812.—(Signed) John King Lt
1st Batt 21st Regt

This is to Certify that it is absolutely necessary for Lieutenant—John King 1st Batt 21st Regiment N.I. to proceed immediately to the Sea Coast for the benefit of his health, on ac-count of great debility brought on from repeated & severe attacks of Fever.—

Camp at
Saulnah
31st August 1812.

(Sig.) J. Morris
Asst Surg. 1st B. 21st Rt.
(Sig.) M. Cordiner Senior Surgeon
in Camp.—

Resolv:

13896

Fort St George 29th September 1812.—

No 28
Resolut.n thereon.

Resolved that Lieutenant
King of the 21st Regiment of Native
Infantry be permitted to proceed to
Bombay on Sick Certificate.—

To the Chief Secretary
to Government
Fort St George

No 29.

From the adjt
t Genl of the
Army.— Enclo
=sing an applic
=ation from
Lieut.t Blackman
to be permitted
to proceed
to England.—

Sir.

By desire of the Commander
in Chief I have the Honor to forward
to be Submitted to the Honorable the
Governor in Council an application from
Lieutenant Blackman of the 2nd Regimt
N.I. to proceed to Europe on Sick Certi=
=ficate, and to add the recommendation
of His Excellency that the request of
that Officer may be complied with.—

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

Adjt Genl's Office
Fort St George
25th Septemr 1812.—

(Signed) T. H. S. Conway
Adjt Genl of the Army

To

13897

Fort St George 29th September 1812.—

To the Honorable
The Governor in Council
&c &c &c

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose my Sick Certificate and to Solicit your permission to proceed to Europe.—

Madras 25th September 1812. I have the honor to be &c &c
(Signed) J. Blackman Lieut.
1st Batt. 2d Regim.

We the Undersigned do hereby declare on Oath that we are of opinion it is absolutely necessary that Lieutenant Blackman of the 2nd Regiment Native Infantry should leave this Country and go to Europe for the recovery of his health.—

Sworn before me this 24th day of Sept. 1812 (Signed) Will.m Ord Surgeon
J. H. Davies Surg.n
(Signed) A.r Scott.
Justice of the Peace.—

To

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To the Chief Secretary
to Government
Fort St George

Sir,

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From the Adjt Genl of the Army
Enclosing an application from Captain Toriano to be permitted to proceed to England.

I am directed by the Commander in Chief to request you will lay before the Honorable the Governor in Council the accompanying application from Captain Toriano of the Corps of Engineers to proceed to Europe on Sick Certificate with His Excellency's Recommendation that the same may be complied with.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedt Servt
(Signed) T. H. S. Conway
Adjt Genl of the Army.

Adjt Genls Office
Fort St George
25th September 1812.

To the Honble Sir George Barlow Bart
Governor in Council &c &c &c
Fort St George

Honble Sir,

My Health has been so bad

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bad for a long time, that my Doctors have decided that nothing but a — Voyage to England can restore it, I am therefore obliged Honorable Sir to request you will have the goodness to grant me leave to proceed by the Ships under dispatch.—

I have the honor to be

Perambore
24th September 1812.

V.e V.e
(Signed) W.H. Torriano
Capt.n Eng.rs

We John D. White and Richard C. Sherwood Surgeons on the Madras Establishment do hereby declare on Oath that We are of Opinion it is absolutely necessary Captain Torriano of the Corps of Engineers should leave this Country, and go to Europe for the recovery of his health

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health.

Sworn before me
this 11th day of Sept. 1812.
(Signed) Henry Gahagan
Justice of the Peace Madras.

(Signed) P. D. White
Garrison Surgeon
R. C. Sherwood Serg.

To the Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St George

Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency the Commander in Chief to request that you will Submit to the Honorable the Governor in Council the accompanying application from Capt. Lieut. Raynsford, of the 3d Regiment Cavalry Soliciting permission to proceed to Europe on Sick Certificate.

I have the honor to be,
&c. &c.
(Signed) H. S. Conway
Adjt. Genl. of the Army.

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From the Adjutant General of the Army Enclosing an application from Capt. Raineford to be permitted to proceed to England.

Adjt. Genl's Office
Fort St George
26th Septr. 1812.

For

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To the Honorable Sir Geo. Barlow K.B.
Governor in Council &c.
Fort St George

Honorable Sir,

I have the honor to transmit you a Medical Certificate Sworn to by two Surgeons stating the necessity of my proceeding to Europe for the Recovery of my Health, which I request you will accordingly be pleased to permit me to do.

Honorable Sir &c. &c.

(Signed) H. Raynsford
Capt. Lt. 3d Reg. N. Cavalry

Bangalore
10th September 1812.

We P. Paterson Surgeon of His Majestys 25th Regiment of Light Dragoons, and S. Steward Surgeon of the 3rd Regiment of Native Cavalry, do declare on Oath, that we are of Opinion it is absolutely necessary Captain Lieut. Raynsford of

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of the 3rd Regiment of Native Cavalry should leave this Country, and proceed to Europe, for the recovery of his health.—

(Signed) L. Paterson

Sworn before me
at Bangalore
7th September 1812.—

Surg. 23d L. Drag.

S. Heward
Surgeon 3rd Reg. N.C.

(Signed) Geo. P. Adams
Lt. Col. Com. Bangaloor.—

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Resolut. thereon.

Resolved that the several Officers mentioned in the foregoing Letters be permitted to proceed to Europe on Sick Certificate.—

To the Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

No. 33.

From the Adjutant Genl. of the Army—Rewards proposed to the Native Officers who Served in Persia

Sir,

The Native Detail of Horse Artillery lately Employed in Persia, having now returned to this Presidency

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Persia—Lieut. Lindsay to be transferred to the Foot Artillery.—

and their Claims and Accounts been investigated and Settled, I am directed by His Excellency the Commander in Chief, with reference to your letter of the 31st of March last and the several Reports formerly received of the Meritorious, exemplary and faithfull Conduct of this Detachment, to State for the information of the Honorable the Governor in Council the Commander in Chief's opinion respecting the Rewards it will be proper to confer on them, and on the Subadar Khan Bahauder in particular) for their respective Services, conformable to the high Character which that Valuable Officer and his party have established at the Court of Persia, and with reference to the liberal regard which the Government have always shewn to the merits of those Native

Officers

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Officers and Soldiers who have rendered themselves conspicuous for their Zeal and fidelity.—

To Subadar Khan Bahauder who has been so Strongly recommended by the several authorities under whom he has Served, the Commander in Chief in consideration of his Services and the distinguished mark which the King of Persia has graciously bestowed by conferring a Title upon him, deem it proper to recommend, that some honor and peculiar rewards beyond what has been conferred on any former occasion may be bestowed on him.—

The present Pay and Palanquin allowance of Subadar Khan Behauder amounts to 54 Star Pags per Month, and the Commander in

Chief

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Chief is of Opinion, that to enable him to Maintain his Palanqueen, with a Horse an apthtal Gherry and Chowerry Cohdars, to which he seems to attach great importance, the Subadar should be Pensioned on 110 Star Pagodas pur Month including his present Palanqueen allowance and Pay, and that his family may enjoy a pension of 30 Pagodas pur Month after his decease, also to mark in the most public and flattering manner, the high approbation of Government towards this Meritorious Officer, His Excellency recommends, that he may be presented with a Palanqueen and Horse (with appointments complete) and that a Grant of 16 Cawnies of Land may be conferred upon him for the purpose of building a House for the future

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future residence of himself and Family.—

In order also to reward the
Non Commissioned and Privates of the
Detachment of Horse Artillery which
Served in Persia with Subadar Khan
Bahander, the Commander in Chief pro-
poses to advance the Hawaldar to the
Rank of Jemadar and as the rest of
the detail are all old Soldiers to pro-
mote each of the Eight who are fit
for effective duty to the Rank of
Hawaldars and post them to Regiments
of Native Cavalry.—

Private Mahomed Cawn,
Abdurraham and Mudenah Khan
who have been rendered unfit for
further Service, the two former by
accidents met with in the execution of
their duty in Persia, and the latter
by the melancholy loss of his reason
on

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on the same Service, the Commander in Chief recommends to be pensioned each on the full pay of a Naique of Cavalry.

The Commander in Chief has further desired me to express his Opinion, that Lieutenant Lindsay can have no Claim to Remain on the Strength of the Horse Artillery; while Employed in Persia as the whole of the Detachment of that Corps have returned, and the Commander in Chief therefore with the Sanction of the Honorable the Governor in Council proposes to Remove Lieutenant Lindsay to the Foot Artillery.

I have the honor to be,

Adjt Generals Office
Fort St George
22d September 1812

&c &c &c
(Signed) J. H. S. Conway
Adjt Genl of the Army

No 34.
Minute and Resolution thereon.

The Board approve the Manner in which the Commander in Chief

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Chief has recommended that Subidar Khan Bahadar and the Non Commissioned Officer and Privates of the Native Detail of Horse Artillery lately employed in Persia shall be rewarded for their exemplary conduct on that Service.

Resolved accordingly that the following General Order be published, and that His Excellency be requested to submit such further Arrangements as may require the Sanction of the Board for giving complete effect to his recommendations.

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G.O. By Government

G.O. By Government Publishing the remuneration granted to the Native Horse artillery lately employed in Persia

G.O. By Government

The Native Detail of Horse Artillery, lately employed in Persia, having returned to this Presidency

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Presidency and their Accounts having been examined and adjusted, The Honorable the Governor in Council has been pleased to take into consideration their further Claims on the Public Service, as brought most forcibly to His Notice by the British Ministers successively deputed to the Court of Persia, and by His Excellency the Commander in Chief.—

The Governor in Council is pleased to mark His high approbation of the conduct of Subidar Sheikh Motiuddin Khan Bahauder by granting that Officer a Pension of One hundred and Ten Star Pagodas Monthly, inclusive of his present Pay and Palanqueen allowance. The Governor in Council has also resolved that on the decease of the Subidar a Monthly

Pension

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Pension of Fifty Pagodas shall be granted to his nearest heir for the maintenance of his family.—

The Governor in Council has further resolved that a Palanqueen and Horse with appointments complete shall be presented to Subidar Sheikh Mohiriddin Khan Bahauder, and that a grant of Sixten Cawnies of Land shall be conferred on him, as a Site for a Dwelling House for himself and his family for ever.—

The Governor in Council has been also pleased on the Recommendation of the Commander in Chief to resolve that the Non-Commissioned Officer and such of the Privates of the Detail in question as are fit for effective duty shall be promoted to the rank of Jemadar and Havildars of

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of Cavalry respectively and that such of the Privates as are now no longer capable of Field Service shall be pensioned on the Full Pay of Naigues of Cavalry.—

By Order of the Honorable the Governor in Council.—

(Signed) G. Strachey

Sec.y to Govern.t—

No. 36.
Resolut.n thereon.

Resolved that the Commander in Chief be authorized to transfer Lieutenant Lindsay from the Horse Artillery to the Foot Artillery.—

Read the following Letter from the Quarter Master General of the Army.—

To the Chief Secretary to Government

No. 37.
From the Quarter Master Gen.l of the Army with Papers from

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit by order of His Excellency the Commander in

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from the Officer Commanding the Northern Division of the Army regarding distribution of Troops for the protection of Villages in the Masulipatam District against Freebooters.—

in Chief for the information of the Honorable the Governor in Council, Copy of a letter with its several enclosures.— received from Major General Croker Commanding the Northern Division of the Army under date the 14.th September 1812.— I have the honor to be,

2e. M.r Gen.l's office
Fort, St. George
22.d September 1812.—

V.e V.e
(Signed) V. Blacker
2e. M. G.

To the Quarter Master General
Of the Army
Fort, St. George

Sir.

I have the honor to forward for the information of His Excellency the Commander in Chief, Copies of a Letter from the Judge and Magistrate in this Tellah, accompanied by one from the Collector enclosed therein,

Of

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and also a letter on the same subject from Lieutenant Holmes Commanding the light Detachments in the Char Mahal Zemindary —

As the new mode of incursion, and plunder, which the Rebel Venkatrow, has now adopted, will completely frustrate the utmost vigilance, and alertness of the Light Detachments employed against him, and as the Ryots and Inhabitants of that Zemindary are in the greatest consternation, & alarm; and deterred from Cultivating the Ground, by the threats of the Freebooters Peons, and the late cruelties inflicted on some of the Villagers, — I — have, in consideration of these circumstances, acceded to Mr Russells urgent Solicitation of Stationing small Guards at the principal Villages, mentioned in

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in the accompanying lists belonging to that Zemindary, as a check against any future attempts to maim the inhabitants, and to give them confidence to go on with their Cultivation.

For this purpose, I have ordered the Detail from the 1st Battalion 16th Regiment from Ellore, consisting of 1 Subadar 5 Havildars 7 Naigues, and 90 Sepoys, to proceed immediately to reinforce Lieutenant Holmes's Detachment, which, including the Subadars Guard at Goodevadal, will augment it to 10 Non-Commissioned and 182 Rank and file, and from which he has been directed to carry the following Measures into immediate effect.

To distribute to 14 of the principal and most populous Villages

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Villages, in this List, 8 Havildars, 6 Naigues, and 89 Sepoys; which will afford one Non-Commissioned Officer, and from 6 to 7 Sepoys to each — and to the smaller ones, 1 Naigue and 3 Sepoys each, this distribution will leave a complete Jemidars Party in a collected State, and with which Lieuten-ant Holmes has been desired to move occasionally through the Jemindary, — and visit all the detached Guards. —

I trust His Excellency will approve of the above Arrange-ments, for preserving the tranquillity of that Jemindary. —

Head 2nd North. I have the honor to be &c &c
Div. Masulepatam (Signed) R. Croker Major Genl
11th Septembr 1812. Comm. North Divn.

(A true Copy)
(Signed) C. C. Johnston
A. 2. M.G.

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To The Quarter Mr Brigade
Northern Division

Sir,

I have the honor to report my arrival at Coderranelly with the Detachment under my Command, I am sorry to inform you that a small party of Venkatrow's People have again made their appearance in this Neighbourhood, and after Maiming two of the Inhabitants of a small Village adjoining Palandoth made off, to where, or what direction I can get no information it appears that about 12 at Night, Six persons Arrived at the Village, and calling out, that they were going with a letter from the Zemindar to Lieut Holmes, insisted upon having two persons to show the road, two Pares after some short time went with them,

and

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and they had not proceeded more than half a Cos when they Seized and bound these conductors, cutting off the Nose of one and Ear of another, and then told them "to return to Palcondah, and show what reward they had received for ploughing the Govt Party in a they are Vencatrons. D with which Lieuten show the Curnum of en desired to move condition they were the Temindary, of this occurrence unt detached Guards. and it was late, Yes t His Excellency before 9 I was acq e above Arrange- -ved within about ing the tranquilli -condah the same ndary. marched that day honor to be &c &c from Talipoor Ka R. Croker Major Genl thence to Edewarra Comm 2nd North Divis Palcondah) and Col Johnston A. D. M.G. To

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afternoon. Encamping at the latter place just as it was getting dark, so that the Inhabitants of the Surrounding Villages did not know that I was Near them.—

It is my intention to proceed in the course of the day the Rain should abate to Nan- Vinter thiss Aprah, the road by which I and dispersed Detachments people to have- =tants and from the Neighbourhood Palamcotah, I marched on the third directant; I am much afraid how- appear that no Vigilance of mine person be able to frustrate their Night calling os, carried on as they can by a little without arms, and whom should not know from the Inha- =bitants of the Purgannah, should attend them.—

I am

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I am much afraid that this occurrence will prevent the Riots carrying on the Cultivation they had begun, in fact during Yesterday there was not a Plough going in any of the adjacent Villages.

Camp near Coodeeveddy 6th Sept. 7 a.m.

I have the honor to be &c. &c.
(Signed) H. Holmes Lieut.
Detach. 1st Bn. 16th R. N.I.

(True Copy)
(Signed) Robt. Croker M.G.

(A true Copy)
(Signed) C. C. Johnston
A.D.M.G.

To the Officer Commanding
the Northern Division of the Army
Masulipatam

Sir,

I have the honor to lay before you the Copy of a letter which I have received

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received from the Collector of Masulipatam, together with Copy of the List of Villages that accompanied it.—

You will observe that Mr Russell urges me to apply for a further force, to restore Confidence and Security to the Inhabitants of the Charmahal Jemindaree, and suggests, that the only way of preventing farther outrage will be to Station a Naugue's guard in each of the principal Villages.—

Regulation III, 1810. Section X. Clause first and Second.— The Regulation of Government for the guidance of Magistrates applying for Military aid prescribes, that the Magistrate "shall, State in "writing as fully and circumstantially "as may be practicable, the Nature of "the Service required to be performed, "to the Officer Commanding the Division, "leaving it to him, on a consideration of

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"of the circumstances Stated, to judge of the
"Strength of the force which should be
"employed in the execution of the duty
"in question.

Sir, When I first made applica-
tion to you for Military aid to pro-
tect the Chairmen at the annual Jemindarce, the
Service required to be
of repelling a force
400 Armed Freebooters
has been most effectually
by the flying Detachments
so readily furnished on that occa-
sion, but, I am convinced
the peace of the Country will not have
been restored, or can be
been disturbed, after the restoration
of tranquility, by the
the part of Venkatagiry
and most barbarous

From Lt. Col. 1st Bn. 16th Regt. N.I.
Commanding
Masulipatam

Lt. Croker M.G.

Lt. C. Johnston
A.D.M.G.

Commanding
Division of the Army

honor to lay before
letter which I have
received

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more effectual method of annoying and terrifying the Inhabitants.—

It may be proper to give you some account of Camadana Venkatrow, the author of all these Disturbances, He is a first Cousin of the present Zemindar of Charmahal, inasmuch as he holds a Superior title on to the Zemindaree,— His object on this occasion at least, is not plunder,— His depredations have been confined to the Charmental Zemindaree alone— His Gangs appear to pass through several Zemindaries before they reached it, but in consequence of their progress through as far from plundering a Single Rupee, & they appear to have paid regularly for every Article of Provision they received.—

Regulation III, 1810. Section X. Clause first and Second.—

The

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The present Zemindar, to my certain knowledge, used to pay to Camadana Venkatrow an annual allowance, in Order to keep him quiet, but owing to the pecuniary embarrass-ments of the Zemindar, and partly perhaps to the enactment of a Law against assisting Freebooters, the allow-ance has not been paid regularly for some time past, and this I conceive to be the principal cause of the pre-sent Disturbances.—

Camadana Venkatrow — Styles himself the Zemindar of Char-mahal, he levies his Contributions — under the name of Kists; and he has now given out that he will — cause the Nose and ears of every Man who puts a Plough in the ground to be cut off, unless his demands be complied

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complied with,— a threat which he has carried into execution in one instance, by means of a party of only Six Peons.—

The terror of the flying detachments, and the rising of the Waters of Collair, will, I am persuaded, prevent Camadana Venkatrow's Peons from again entering the Chatrimahal Zemindary in any considerable body, but, I do think it most exceedingly probable that he will continue to carry his threats into execution, by means of parties so small as easily to escape detection, unless a force be distributed among the several Villages, to check their attempts, and to give confidence to the People to proceed with their Cultivation.—

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I therefore take the liberty to recommend that the Guard at Goode-waddah, as well as the flying Detach-ments, be recalled, and that the Plan proposed by the Collector of stationing Naigues, Guards, at the several Villages mentioned in the list furnished, be adopted immediately, and continued, un-til the rains are over, and the Crops have made some progress towards per-fection.

I have the honor to be,
&c. &c.
(Signed) J. D. Tod
Magistrate

Masulipatam Tillah
Magistrates Office
12th September 1812.

(A true Copy)
(Signed) Robt Croker
Major Genl

(A true Copy)
(Signed) C. C. Johnston
A. D. M. G.

To

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To the Magistrate in the Tillah
of Masulipatam

Sir,

Having travelled thro' the greater part of the Charmahall within the last Week, I have had an opportunity of observing the State of the Country, and I consider it my duty to inform you that the threats held out by the followers of Venkatrow, and the outrage lately committed in the Village of Palcondah have deterred the inhabitants from Cultivating their Lands, not a plough is at work through out the whole Zemindary and many of the Ryots have already sought employment and subsistence in other Districts.

You must be already aware of the cruelties recently inflicted on some of the Inhabitants of Palcondah

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Palconda in consequence of their having commenced their cultivation, and it therefore only remains for me earnestly to submit to You the necessity of applying for a further force to restore confidence and Security to the people of this Estate.— The System now pursued by the Rebels is as difficult to guard against as it is effectual in intimidating the Inhabitants and I conceive that the only way of preventing the Commission of further outrage will be to Station a Naigues guard in each of the principal Villages.—

So long as the Colaroo Lake continues full, it will be utterly impracticable for them to enter the Country in any considerable Numbers without immediate detection, but unless prompt and effectual measures be adopted to obviate the entrance of small

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Small parties, the season already far advanced, will be entirely lost, and the ruin of the Zemindar must be the consequence. I have the honor to be,

Venkatapooram
11th September 1812

&c. &c. &c.
Signed) G. C. Russell
Collector

P.S. I have the honor to Enclose a List of the principal Villages in the Char-
-mahall.

(Signed) G. C. Russell

(A true Copy)
(Signed) I. O. Todd Magist.

(True Copy)
(Signed) Robt Croker M. Genl

List of principal Villages in the Char-
-mahall Zemindary:-

Goodevadah Purganah

Tamerasa 1.
Voonekuby 1.
Palcondah

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Palcondah	1.	
Roodrapacah	1.	
Singrapoody	1.	
Padawerwadah	1.	
Coodaravelly	1.	
Pellapurroo	1.	
Nundenvadah	1.	
Angalore	1.	
Matoor	1.	
Goodenvadah	1.	
Canaravoloo	1.	
Parelapurroo	1.	14.
Vennacota Purganah		
Vennacota	1.	
Paummurroo	1.	
Paroomurroo	1.	
Goodlavellaroo	1.	
Dohepurroo	1.	
Chennoor	1.	
Payaroo	1.	7.

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Culdindy Purgánah

Mundavilly ——— 1

Roodravarum ——— 1.

Corecolloo ——— 1. 10.

Bitterzally Purganah

Kycaloor ——— 1.

Collatcottah ——— 1. 2.

Total Villages ... 26.

(Signed) G. E. Russell
Collector

(A true Copy)

(Signed) I. D. Tod Magistrate

(True Copy)

(Signed) Robt. Croker M. Genl.

(A true Copy)

(Signed) C. C. Johnston
A. D. M. G.

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The Board approve the
Minute thereon. Measures taken by the Officer Com-
manding the Northern Division of
the Army for the protection of the in-
Villages

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Villages Situated in the Charmahal Zemindary, in compliance with the request of the Collector of Masulipatam. They also approve the Collector's application for that protection.

To the Secretary of Government
in the Military Department

No. 39.

Sir,

From the Quarter Master Genl. of the Army Relative to the erection of Buildings at Bezoarah.—

With reference to a resolution of Government under the 15th Instant relating to the Establishment of a permanent Cantonment for 3 Battalions of Native Infantry at Bezoarah, I am directed by His Excellency the Commander in Chief to request you will lay the enclosed Plan before the Honorable the Governor in Council.— A very full and satisfactory correspondence on this Subject has induced the

Comm.r

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Commander in Chief to prefer the Situation and disposition of Buildings expressed in this Plan; and in order to its adoption, I am directed by His Excellency to State that the following Measures will be Necessary.

That the Superintending Engineer in the Northern Division should be directed to mark out in communication with the Judicial Authority of that District the Boundary which will enclose the Public Buildings, Sepoys Huts, Officers' Quarters, Military Bazar and Manoeivering Ground. That any Gardens or Private Buildings or Wells within those precincts should be purchased as early as possible, from the Owners, and that Leases should be granted by Government to Officers for

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For the Grounds to be in the Charmahal
at liberty to erect pliance with the
Lines of their respective of Masulipt.

As it is the Commanding
intention to order the movements to
Berhampore sanctioned by Government
under date the 15th Instant, the parti-
tion of Ground for Officers Quarters
will be marked out as soon as the
Boundaries of the Cantonment have
been established in communication
with the Judicial Authority, and
the application for leases will then
contain an account of the extent and
Situation of Grounds applied for.

I have the honor to remain

Quarter Mr Genl's Office
Fort St George
24th Sept 1812

Sir
Your most obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) V. Blacker
Dy Adjt Genl

No 445
Order thereon.

Ordered that the Papers which
have

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Command
en recorded Regarding the propo=
tion formation of a Cantonment in=
ex Vicinity of Bezoara be commune=
cated to the Board of Revenue, and
that they be desired to Submit an=
Arrangement for effecting in the most
equit able and economical manner the
appr. priation of the ground required
for that purpose.=

To the Secretary of Government
of Military Department

No 11.

Sir,

I have received the Commands
of His Chief excellency the Commander in
Chief the 1st to acquaint you for the informa=
tion of Government, that under their
Sanct 2d Sept. on His Excellency's Orders for
the immediate March to Seringapa=
of the 2d Battalion 10th Regi=
Native Infantry have been
dispatched

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dispatched to the Officer Commanding may

at Goa. — in the

In consequence however of Corps.

that Corps having been la Recruiting Corps

at the requisition of the pole movements to

=ity at Goa, to be held in by Government

for field Service, His Ex Instant, the parti=

=mends that another Co Officers quarters,

=liary Force be allowed out as soon as the

=pose, and that the the Cantonment have

=ment may be persued in communication

its destination without Authority, and

as early as it can be for Leaves will then

Garrisons of Goa, a limit of the extent and

stands intimately connected applied for.

remaining Extension have the honor to remain

the Forces which have I have &c &c

by the Government. V. Blacker

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September 27th 1812. (Signed) that the Papers which

have

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Ordered that the follow-
-ing Letter be dispatched to the—
Envoy at Goa.—

To the Envoy at
Goa.

Sir,

I am directed by the Honora-
-ble the Governor in Council to transmit
for the enclosed Copy of a letter dated
the 19th Instant from the Quarter Master
General of the Army, and to request that
you will give effect to the Recommenda-
-tion of His Excellency the Commander
in Chief respecting the 2nd Battalion
of the 10th Regiment of Native Infantry
as soon as may be practicable.—

I have the honor to be
Sir
Fort St George
29th September 1812.—

Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) Wm Thackeray
Chief Secy to Govern.

Read

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at Ceylon will receive Credit for the whole Value of the Stores furnished to the Expedition and should any of these Equipments be returned to Ceylon, the Supreme Government will of course receive Credit accordingly.—

We have the honor to be,

Fort St George Honorable Sir,
10th September 1812.— Your most Obedient

humble Servants.—

(Signed) E. Trapaud
" P. Bruce
" T. H. S. Conway
" W. Blacker
" W. Morison

Statement

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Statement of the Value of Ordnance and Military Stores supplied by the Ceylon Government for the Expedition to Java in March 1811 for which His Majesty's Government is credited and the Supreme Government debited on account of the Expedition.—

			Pag.	F.	C.
Ordnance Brass Gun	6 Pounder 8 in Cal.	48. — —	144	5.	24. 48.
D.	D. Howitzer 5½ Inch	4 dt. 19. — —	5	74.	2½ 50.
Travelling Carriages with Limbers Complete	6 Pounder	8 — —	2	25	1. —
D. D. D. D. D.	Howr. 5½ Inch	4 — —	1	114	— —
Ammunition Boxes Light	6 Pounder	16. — —	48.	—	—
D. D. D.	Howitzer 5½ Inch	8. — —			
Spunges with Staves with Rammers & Bags		24. — —	12.	—	—
Ladles with Staves		8. — —	12.	—	—
Wadhooks with D.		8. — —	4.	23.	4d.
Staves Spunge Spare		8. — —	2.	28.	28.
Lintstocks with Corks		6. — —	6.	—	—
Slow Match		Skains 72. — —	4.	39.	4d.

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Jacks Lifting		6		9	" "
Grease Firkins		12		18	" "
Ropes Drag	Pairs	24		90	" "
Muzzle Caps of Leather		12		"	36 "
Heads Sponge	Spare	12		"	28.28
Rammer head		12		"	37.64
Aprons Lead		12		4	16.40
Punches for Vents		24		"	23 8
Hammer Claw		12		3	17.44
Portfires Cutters	Pairs	12		16	9 "
Irons Priming	Sett	12		"	9.36
Leather Straps for Side Arms		48		"	6 "
Tallow	lbs	12		"	31.40
Trench Water Buckets Large		12		1	16.64
Grease Boxes		12		18	" "
Spikes Spring		12		"	5.61
3d Common		24		"	10.64
Merline	Skeins	12		1	3 "
Line Hambrs	Do	12		3	33 "
Linch Pins	Spare	12		4	" "

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Washers		Spare	12	2. " "
Intrenching Tools	Spare	Hulved	24	15. 2. 8.
D° "	Axes	Felling	12	5. 6. 6?.
D° "	D° "	Pick	12	5. 10. 7?.
D° "	Hand	Bill	12	2. 7. 16.
Painted Covers	Gun		12	9. " "
D° "	D° "	Limbers	12	14. 6. "
D° "	D° "	Harness	12	20. 14. 32.
Corn Bags			16	2. " "
Horse Harness	Rope	Traces	Wheel 24	468. 3. "
D° "	D° "	D° "	D° " Leader	24
Whips	Short		24.	value of these articles are included with the above Harness.
Leggins			24.	
Stoppers and	Langards		24 " 48.	
Headstall	Collars		48.	
Chain	Reins		48.	
Sheep	Skins		8.	" 8. "

Laboratory Stores

Round Shot	with wood	Bottom	1867 233. 16. 7?.
Case Shot	fixed	D° " D° "	1397 349. 11. 2?.

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Cartridge flannel Empty	4,300	179.	7.	10.
Tubes Quill	13,200	235.	31.	16.
Portfires Large and Small	864	56.	18.	"
Tin Tube Boxes with Straps	24	4.	12.	48.
Portfires Sticks	24	9.	"	"
Cartouches of Leather Large	24	7.	27.	48.
Thumbstall	24	"	"	60.
Cutting Knives		"	23.	8.
Scissors	Pa	3.	17.	44.
Worsted		16.	9.	"
Needles Large		"	9.	36.
Copper Powder Measure	4 Oz.	"	6.	"
D° D° D°	19 D°	"	31.	40.
Common Empty Shells	936	1.	16.	64.
Carcasses Round	80	18.	"	"
Empty Flannel Bursters	10.0	12	"	5. 61.
Fuzes Drove		4	"	10. 64.
Mallets of Wood		2	1.	3. "
Setters D°		2	3.	33. "
Cork Screws		2	4.	" "

Sent

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Tenant Saws	4		4. " "
Files 3 Squares	8		2. 18. 7d.
Setters for Tenant Saws	2		" 10. 4.
Spoke Shaves	4		" 31. 4d.
Rasps ½ Round	4		" 20. 7d.
Flaxes	lbs. 8		" 5. 6d.
Tow	No " 4		" 6. "
4d D"	4		" 38. 4d.
Corn Bags R. L.	4		26. 18. 6d.
Horse Harness Ro	4		15. 17. 12.
D° D° D°	Pairs 4		" 24. "
Whips Short	4		1. 1. 1d.
Leggins Boxes	4		5. 3. 5d.
Stoppers and Ta	Pairs 4		1. 11. "
Headstall Collards	6		" 6. "
Chain Reins	lbs 16		2. 32. 32.
Shoe Shoes 3 Inch	Cwt. 5. " "		78. 6. 6d.
Laborals 1 D"	D" 12. " "		
Round Shot with	Ws 1		" 3. 6d.
Case Shot fixed Chain Trace Hill	4		6. " "

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Harness for Mules Chain Trace Thill 8			12.	" "
Do " Do " Do " Do " Bit Halters	12		12.	" "
Do " Do " Do " Do " Wanties	4		3.	" "
Do " Mens Sleets Light	26		13.	" "
Spare Limbers	6 Pounder	5	382	" "
Do " Wheels	Do "	2	59.	23. 48.
Carts Hand		9	50.	42. 15.
Lanterns Dark		4	1.	44. 40.
Cases Large		1	2.	33. 60.
Do " Small		1	1.	22. 40.
Boxes Shot and Shells		19	19.	" "
Boxes Ammunition Large		11	239.	36. 20.
Do " Do " Small		183		
Yokes for Oxen Single		21	45.	29. 32.
Cartridge Serge filled 6 Pounders	1 lb. 10 oz. @ 1107		197.	32. 44.
Do " Do " Do " 6 Do "	1 dt. 8 dt.	1693	293.	20. 32.
Do " Do " Do " 5½ Inch Howr.	1 lb. @ 1400		155.	25. "
Do " Do " Do " Burster 5½ Inch	6 oz.	650	28.	40. "
Do " Do " Do " Do " 5½ Do "	7 Do.	750	37.	22. 40.
		Pagodas	9363.	42. 74.

Fort St George
Military Bd office
10th Sept. 1812.

E. E.
for

(Signed) W. Ormsby
Sec. & Acct. M. B.

Ordered

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No 444.

Order thereon.

Ordered that a Copy of the foregoing Letter be sent to the Chief Secretary at Columbo, and that he be requested to ascertain whether the Governor of Ceylon concurs in the valuation of the Ordnance and Stores therein mentioned.—

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

No 45.

From the Military Board Relative to Buildings containing Barrack Stores at Bangalore.—

Honorable Sir,

With reference to the 1st 3rd Paragraph of our report under date the 3th August 1811, in which we recommended the purchase of certain Buildings the property of the late Barrack Master at Bangalore, we have now the honor to report that the Commissary General has

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Has laid before Us the Proceedings of a Committee of Survey, from which it appears that these Buildings have become Unserviceable. They have afforded cover and Security to the Barrack Stores since that period, for which Godowns must have been otherwise hired and estimating the Annual Expence of such hire, in addition to the Amount for which the Buildings will probably be sold, it is expected that the Original cost will be more than covered, and the purchase of them which was unavoidable at the time will not occasion any loss to the Public.

2. We have in consequence of the Opinion expressed by the Committee that the Buildings are entirely Unserviceable, as well as that of

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of the Superintending Engineer that the
public Stores cannot be secure from
Damp or accident in buildings of the
above description, directed that they
may be sold to the best advantage
which measure we trust will meet
the sanction of Your Honor in Coun-
cil. It may be proper to notice
that these Godowns have only cost
the public 330 " 14 " - for " Pagodas.

We have the Honor to be,

Fort St George
10th September 1812.

Vc " Vc "
(Signed) E " Trapaud
" P. Bruce
" T. H. S. Conway
" V. Blacker
" W. Morison.

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The Board approve the orders
Minute thereon given by the Military Board for the
Sale of the buildings described in the
foregoing

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Forgoing Letter.

To the Honorable
Sir G. H. Barlow Bt K.B.
Governor in Council
&c. &c. &c.

No. 147. Honorable Sir,

From the Military Board Reporting the result of the proof of the Powder landed from His Majesty's Ships Illustrious and Samarang.

1. In obedience to the orders of Your Honor in Council, communicated to Us in a letter from the Secretary to Government in the Military Department dated 30th May, we have the honor to report that the Powder landed from His Majesty's Ships Illustrious and Samarang has been submitted to the usual proof, at St Thomas's Mount, under the direction of the Commandant of Artillery, Copies of whose letters

No. 1. & 2. dated 16th and 19th August, with reports accompanying, We do ourselves

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Selves the honor to forward, for the in-
formation of Government.—

2. On reference to the Report
No. 1 forwarded in the letter dated 16th
August, it appears that with the
exception of one Barrel, none of the
Powder corresponds in Muster and
Number with the report of the Proof
made at Trincomallee on the 9th of May
last, but with the Record, at the Mount
of Proofs of Powder made at the Madras
Mills; the whole of the Powder is
however considerably above the proof
range of 1,000 Yards — the Medium —
ranges from a Ten Inch Mortar being
1174 2/3 — 1122 2/3 — 1248. 1145 and 1207.—

3. A further experiment —
was made of five Barrels from an
Expence, and of these two were
found a little under proof and —
three

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three above proof— the proof range from an Eprouvette as established at Fort William and at Fort St George, is 175 Yards, and the Powder landed from these Ships ranged —

159 2/3, -147 2/3, - 196 1/3 — 185 2/3 — and 189 1/3

as particularized in report No 2.—

4 As the result of the above proof was at Variance with the report of the experiment made at Trincomallee, the Commandant of Artillery made a further proof from an Eprouvette with 2 Oz of Powder, being the same quantity used at Trincamallee, and it has appeared that the Powder landed from the Illustrious is inferior instead of being superior to that landed from the Lamarang as Stated in the Proof report made by Captain Bates of

the

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the Royal Artillery. At Trincomallee, there was a difference of 23½ feet in favor of the Powder from the Illustrious; at the Mount 28½ feet in favor of the Samarang's Powder— the Comparative Strength with 2 oz is exhibited in report No 3 being— 70 2/3 — 55½ — 87 2/3 from the Illustrious — 71½ — 89 2/3 from the Samarang.—

5. At the Suggestion of the Commandant of Artillery a Barrel of the lot of Powder made in the month of February 1811 being the same as that received from His Majestys Ship Illustrious, was submitted to proof and Refering to Colonel Bells letter of the 19th August, it appears that proofs were made from an Iron three with 3 oz of Powder and 2 oz — the first giving 206 1/3 yds or

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Feet 619; the latter 9 Yds 2/3 or 293. Under the Bengal and Madras Regulations — 2 Oz of Powder should give a range to a ball weighing 6 lbs of 1375 Yds, and by His Majesty's Regulations 2 Oz. of Powder of the best quality should throw a Ball of 64 lbs from an 8 — Inch mortar 180 feet. The above result shews that the Powder which has been landed in the Magazine at this Presidency since 1811 is at this period considerably above the Proof required for either His Majesty's or the Honorable Company's Service.

6. A proof of this powder was also made from a Ten Inch — Mortar with 2 lbs of Powder in the usual mode, the Medium Range of which was 13563 Yards, and as the Powder landed from the Illustrious

only

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only gave a Range of 1,248 1/3 it is —
evident that it must have sustain-
-ed some injury since the period it
was issued to that Ship— the proof
reports above adverted to, also accom-
-panying this report.—

No 3. Having obtained from
the Naval Commissioner a Barrel
of the same description of Powder
as that proved in comparison at
Trincomallee with the Madras Powder
made in February 1811 it was sent
up to St Thomas's Mount for the
purpose of being submitted to proof,
and we have the honor to transmit
a Copy of the report laid before Us
by the Commandant of Artillery,
which has in our opinion fully
established a result highly favorable
to the Powder Manufactured at this
Presidency

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Presidency. The English Powder from a Ten Inch Mortar with 2 lb of Pow-der gave a Range of 1255 2/3, whilst the Madras made Powder gave 1356 1/3 a further experiment was made from the Eprouvette with 3 oz of Powder and with 2 oz 3 rounds with each quantity, Three oz of English Powder gave a range to a 60 lb Ball of 21[n] 2/3 and the same quantity of Madras Powder a range of 20 2/3 two ounces of the former gave a range to a 60 lb Ball of 88 1/3, and of the latter a range of 91 both being very considerably above the proof required either in His Majestys or the Honorable Compa-ny's Service.

8. A reference having also been made to the Superintendent of the Gun Powder Manufactory on the subject

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Subject of this Communication, that offic-
er has Stated that he made a proof
of this Powder with a New Iron
8 Inch Mortar, a Shell weighing
68 lbs and the charge of Powder 2oz
each discharge, of which the result
was as follows — Madras Powder —
made in 1818 in the State it was
landed from His Majesty's Ship
Illustrious and received at the
Mills gave a Range of 82 feet.
Powder landed from the same Ship
marked B.C. supposed to be Bombay
72 feet Powder made at Madras
and Barrelled on the 26th of August
89 feet 6 Inches — but the same —
quantity of English Battle powder
gave a Range of 125 feet 6 Inches. —

9. The above shews a differ-
ence between Madras and English
Battle

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Battle Powder taking the mean of that landed from the Illustrious and that barrelled on the 26th August which is

Feet Inches Feet Inches
85—9 of 39—3 and when it is consi-
=dered that the Shell used on this occa-
=sion is four pounds heavier than the one used at Trincomalee, the inferiori-
=ty of the Madras Powder is not—
greater than has generally been calcula-
=ted upon.—

10. Having detailed at length the result of the several experiments which have been made, we have only to state in concluding this report that all the Powder Manufactured at this Presidency is considerably above the—established proof, and that the decay of its strength whilst on board Ship must be ascribed to causes, the investi-
=gation of which can only be left to

those

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those persons who have at all times an opportunity of ascertaining whether the Powder imbibes a greater degree of Moisture in the Magazines of Ships than on Shore, and whether this arises from the Nature of the wood of which the Barrels are constructed or is in point of fact an inherent defect in the quality of the Powder.—

11. It has been proposed to glaze all the powder made at Madras in future, as this Measure will render it capable of being kept for a length of time without suffering the same degree of deterioration to which at present it seems to be liable.—

12. We shall in a short time have the honor to bring this point more particularly to the notice

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Notice of Government with a view that the expense on account of the proof may receive the Sanction of your Honor in Council.—

We have the honor to be,

Fort St George
10th September 1812.—

Sir,

Your Obt. Hble Servts
(Signed) E. Trapaud
" Robt. Bell
" L. Bruce
" T. H. L. Conway
" V. Blacker
" W. Morison

To the Secretary
to the Military Board
Fort St George

Sir,

I have the honor to forward herewith Report of Proof of Powder No. 1 being that received at the Powder Mills from His Majesty's Ships Illus-
-trious

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Illustrious and Samarang as directed in your Letter of 30th July.

One Barrel only, corresponds in Marks and Number, with the Report of the Proof made at Trincomalee on 9th May 1812, and with the Records at the Mount of Proofs of Powder made at the Madras Mills Viz.

"50 lb Barrel Madras Fine February 1811" which Powder was proved on the 8th March 1811 Proof Range being 1,462 Yards, and which in the present report 11th August 1812 Ranges 1,248 Yards.

The difference in Strength is very considerable. (214 Yards) in eighteen Months; but unless some Powder of the same Lot is procurable from the Arsenal of Fort

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Fort St George it is impossible to say how this diminution of Strength has happened — and this appears to be an object of much consequence. —

All the Powder included in the report No 1 is at this time considerably above the Established Proof range of 1000 Yards. —

In reference to the letter from the Military Board giving cover to Correspondence forwarded by Government on the subject of an Experiment carried on at Trincomalee on 9th May last, to ascertain the Comparative Strength of certain Barrels of English and Madras Powder, I considered it expedient to get from the Arsenal an Eprouvette in order to ascertain thereby more accurately the Strength of the different Powder

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Powder included in Report No 1 agreeable to the Eprouvette Proof, Established at Fort William and at Fort St George; and I now have the honor to transmit a report of the result No 2.—

From the above report it appears that of 5 Barrels Submitted for Proof—Two are a little under proof.

With a view of obtaining every possible information on this Subject, I directed a further proof to be made from the Eprouvette with 2 oz of Powder, being the same quantity used at Trincomallee in May last—the report of which is also herewith forwarded No 3.—

This result is at Variance with the report of the Experiment

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Experiment made at Trincomallee Viz.—

By Trial at Trincomallee

	Feet	
Powder from the Illustrious Medium range	102.	
Powder from Samarang range	78½.	
in favor of Illustrious Powder	23½.	

By Trial at the Mount

	Feet	
Powder from Samarang range	244½.	
" " Illustrious	213.	
In favor of Samarang's Powder	28½.	

It is thence evident that the Powder sent from Bengal is not likely, that and Samarang is not the same as that proved at Trincomallee, where the differ-ence in range was considerably in favor of the Illustrious and of the Powder from the Samarang.—

It is proper to observe that the Trial at Trincomallee was from an 8 Inch Mortar, that at the Mount with

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with an 8 Inch Eprouvette the Ball used at Trincomalee 64 lb Weight, that at the Mount 60 lb weight, but in the Comparative Trial this makes no differ-ence as both Powder was proved by the same Ball and from the same Ord-nance.—

It would be desirable to make a proof of the English powder included in the report from Trincomalee marked Red LG English" arrived from England on the Lincoln Transport in June 1807—" and I therefore suggest for the Consideration of the Board— that an application be made to His Excellency Vice Admiral Sir Samuel Hood for a Barrel of such powder.—

I have the Honor to be— &c. &c.

St. Thomas's Mount (Signed) Robt. Bell
16th August 1812.— Coll. Comm. Artt.—

No. 1.

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Report of a Proof of Powder made at St Thomas's
Commandant of Artillery from a Ten Inch —

Month and Day	No of Syringes.	Nature of Powder and when Made—	Weight Powder lbs
1812.—		1. 100 lb B.C Coarse Powder Marked with —	2.
		2. White Paint on the Head BC January 1809 —	"
		3. R 769 E and on the Side Illustrious —	"
		50 lb Barrel Coarse Powder Marked with	
	1	Company's Stamp on the Head C R	2.
	2.	1811 — and on the Side with	"
	3.	White Paint Illustrious —	"
		50 lb B.C Fine Powder Marked on the Head	
	1	with White Paint M.F February 1811 —	2.
	2.	Gm Bk Pit B. B. Supt and on the Side	"
	3.	Illustrious —	"
Tuesday 11th August			
	1.	100 lb B.C Coarse Powder no Mark on the	2.
	2.	Heads on the Side with white Paint	"
	3.	Samarang —	"
	1.	50 lb B.C Fine Powder no Mark on —	2.
	2.	the Head, On the Side with White —	"
	3.	Paint Illustrious —	"

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No 1.—

Mount by Order of Colonel Robert Bell—

Mortar.—

Nº.	Dr.	Bs.	Dy.	Elevation	Range Distances								Remarks.—
				No. of Degrees	Degrees	Right Yards	Right Feet	Left Yards	Left Feet	Real Medium.	Established Distance for Proof.—		
1	"	96.	45.	"	15.	"	4.	"	"	" 1140.	1,000.		
2	"	"	"	"	15.	"	"	"	7.	" 1174.		1174⅔.	"
3	"	"	"	"	15.	"	22.	"	"	" 1213.			"
4	"	96.	45.	"	15.	"	4.	"	"	" 1130.	1000.		
5	"	"	"	"	15.	"	32.	"	"	" 1071.		1122⅔.	"
6	"	"	"	"	15.	"	28.	"	"	" 1147.			"
7	"	96.	45.	"	15.	45.	39.	"	"	" 1231.	1,000.		
8	"	"	"	"	15.	45.	18.	"	"	" 1241.		1248.	"
9	"	"	"	"	15.	45.	34.	"	"	" 1273.			"
10	"	96.	45.	"	15.	"	"	"	20.	" 1101.	1000.		
11	"	"	"	"	15.	"	"	"	18.	" 1115.		1145.	"
12	"	"	"	"	15.	30.	"	"	16.	" 1219.			"
13	"	96.	45.	"	15.	45.	29.	"	"	" 1282.	1000.		
14	"	"	"	"	15.	"	20.	"	"	" 1160.		1207.	"
15	"	"	"	"	15	"	"	"	5.	" 1181.			"

This Powder is of a good Colour were Grained and free from Dust a little caked but the least pressure breakes them— Proof commenced at 9 and ended ½ past 11.— o'Clock A. M.— A strong Westerly wind blowing across the Range.—

Signed Robert Bell Col.
Comm.d Artillery—

Sig.d E. M. G. Shower
Capt.n C. S. Sup.t—

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Report of a Proof of Powder made at the Mount Commandant of Artillery from an Eprovette

Month and Day	No. of Firings	Nature of Powder and when Made	Weight Eprovette Cwt.	
Saturday 15th August 1812.—	1	100 lb B.L Coarse Powder marked with	4.	
	2.	White paint on the head B.C. January 1809		"
	3.	R 769 F. on the Side, Illustrious	—	"
	1.	50 lb B.L Coarse Powder Marked with	4.	
	2.	Company's Stamp on the head L.R. 1811. and		"
	3.	on the Side with white paint Illustrious		"
	1.	50 lb B.L Fine Powder Marked on the head		
	2.	with white paint M.F February 1811 Gun B.h	4.	
	3.	Pit B B. Supt. and on the Side — Illustrious		"
	1.	100 lb B.L Coarse Powder no Mark on	4.	
	2.	the head and on the Side —		"
	3.	Samarang.		"
	1.	50 lb B.L Fine Powder no Mark on	4.	
	2.	the head and on the Side —		"
	3.	Samarang —		"

N.B. Two Rounds from each Barrel was fired in the the 15th The Brass Ball for the Eprovette is not Round — smallest only Seven Inches.—

Signed Robert Bell
Lt. Comt. Artly.—

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No 2.

Cantonment by order of Colonel Robert Bell—

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of—	and Bed	Brass Ball	Powder	Grooves	Diameter Ball	Diameter Inches	Diameter Tenths	Diameter Decimal Parts	Distances Real	Distances medium	Distances Established Distance for Proof	Remarks—
	Lbs	Lbs	Oz:	Do	Do	Inches	Tenths	Dec: Parts	Yards	Yards	Yards	
3. 1. 60.	"	"	"	3.	"	5.	4.	"	" 45.	" 146.	175.	
										175.	159⅔.	"
										158.		"
3. 1. 60.	"	"	"	3.	"	5.	4.	"	" 45.	" 148.	175.	
										137.	147⅔	"
										158.		"
3. 1. 60.	"	"	"	3.	"	5.	4.	"	" 45.	" 205.	175.	
										197.	196⅔	"
										187.		"
3. 1. 60.	"	"	"	3.	"	5.	4.	"	" 45.	" 166.	175	
										200.	185⅓	"
										191.		
3. 1. 60.	"	"	"	3.	"	5.	4.	"	" 45.	" 200	175.	
										172.	189½.	"
										196.		"

This is the same Powder as was proved on the 11th Inst. from the 10" and 8 Inch Mortar.—

Evening of the 14th Instant and one in the Morning of the largest Diameter is Seven Inches and two Tenths—the

(Signed) E. M. G. Showers
Capt. C. S. Sup.y.—

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Report of a Proof of Powder made at St. Thomas's
Commandant of Artillery from an Eprovette

No. of Shots	Month & Day	Nature of Powder and when made.—
1.	Saturday 15th August 1812.—	100 Lb. B.L. Coarse Powder Marked with white
2.		Paint on the head B.C. January 1809 R. 769 F.
3.		and on the Side, Illustrious.—
1.		50 Lb B.L. Coarse Powder Marked with Company's
2		Stamp on the head L.R 1811 and on the
3.		Side with White paint, Illustrious.—
1.		50 Lb B.L. Fine Powder Marked on the head
2.		with White paint M F. Feby 1811 G.m B.k —
3.		Fit B.B. Supt and on the Side —
		Illustrious.—
1.		100 Lb B.L. Coarse Powder no mark on the —
2.		head of the Barrel — on the Side with white
3.		paint, Samarang.—
1.		50 Lb. B.L. Fine Powder no Mark on the
2.		head and on the Sides with white paint —
3.		Samarang.—

N.B. Two Rounds from each Barrel were fired on the
of the 15th.— The Brass Ball for the Eprovette is not
two Tenths and the smallest only Seven Inches.—

True Copies
(Signed) W. Ormsby
Lt. M.B.—

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No 3. Mount by Order of Colonel Robert Bell.

Weight of Eprovette and Bed	Brass Ball	Powder	Diameter of Eprovette	Ball.	Elevation	Range Real	Range Medium	Remarks
C.	Qrs.	Lbs.	Qrs.	Inches	Tenths	Inches	Tenths	Degs.	Mts.	Yards	Yards	
4.	3.	1.	60.	"	"	"	2.	"	7.	4.	"	"	45.	"	70.		
"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	66.	70 2/3.	
"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	76.		
4.	3.	1.	60.	"	"	"	2.	"	7.	4.	"	"	45.	"	52.		
"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	62.	55 1/3.	
"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	52.		
4.	3.	1.	60.	"	"	"	2.	"	7.	4.	"	"	45.	"	80.		
"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	72.	87 2/3.	
"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	102.		
4.	3.	1.	60.	"	"	"	2.	"	7.	4.	"	"	45.	"	66.		
"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	87.	71 1/3.	
"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	61.		
4.	3.	1.	60.	"	"	"	2.	"	7.	4.	"	"	45.	"	88.		
"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	90.	89 2/3.	
"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	91.		

This is the same Powder as was Proved from the 4th Instant on 11" Inch Mortar.

Proved on 11" Inch Mortar.

10 and 8 Inch Mortar.

Evening of the 14th Instant and one on the Morning Round. The Largest Diameter is Seven Inches and

(Signed) Robert Bell Col. Com" Art"

(Sig") E. M. G. Showers Capt" C. S. Sup"

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Fort St George 29th September 1812.

To the Secretary
to the Military Board

Sir,

Having received from the Arsinal Fort St George a Barrel of the Lot Gun Powder made in February 1811 being the same as that received from His Majesty's Ship Illustrious, proof reports of which I had the Honor to transmit on the 16th Instant, I directed Proofs to be made from the Proveltes with 3 oz of Powder and with 2 oz of Powder

	Yds	feet
the first giving	200 6⅓	or 619.
the latter	300 3	293.

the first being the quantity of Powder required by the Bengal and Madras Proof to give a range of 175 Yards — the latter the quantity of Powder, of the best quality, required by His Majes=ty's Service to throw a Ball of 6 lbs from

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From 8 Inch Mortar, 180 Feet, the re-
sult of which shews that this
Powder is at this time very Considera-
bly above the Proof required for either
His Majesty's or the Honorable
Company's Service. — I also directed
a Proof of this Powder from a 10
Inch Mortar with 2 lbs of Powder
in the usual mode — the Medium range
of which is 1,356⅓ Yards — This result
shews that the Powder Issued to His
Majesty's Ship Illustrious has
been Injured since the period it was
Issued to that Ship as it appears
that the Powder sent from the
Illustrious so proved gives a range of 1,248⅓ yards.
and that now reported on,
which has been in the
Magazine of Fort St George
since February 1811 gives — 1,356⅓.

This

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Fort St George 29th September 1812

This Letter I beg may be considered as a continuation of my report directed in Your letter of 30th Ultimo.—

St Thomas's Mount I am,
19th August 1812.— Sir

Your Obedient Servt

(Signed) Robt Bell
Col. Commg Artillery

Report

Report of a Proof of Powder made at the Mount Cantonment by order of Colonel Robert Bell Commandant of Artillery from an Eprovette.—

Monday 17th August 1812.

	Nature of Powder and when Made	Weight of Eprovette and Bed	Ball	each charge	Diameter of Eprovette	Elevation	Distances Real	made un-	Established Proof	Remarks
		℔	℔	℔	Inches	Degrees	Yards	Yards	Yards	
1.	50 ℔ Barrel Madras	4.3.1.	60.	"	"	3.	7. 4. 45.	"	203.	This Powder is of a good Colour even grained and free from dust— Proof commenced at 11 & ended at ½ after 3 P.M.— clear day.—
2.	fine made in Arlington.	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	211.	
3.	Ranged from a 10 Inch	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	205.	
1.	Mortar 1462 Yards	4.3.1.	60.	"	"	2.	7. 4. 45.	"	100.	
2.	rec.d from the Illustr.s	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	100.	
3.	-ous.—	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	93.	

206℔ 175 Feet 97⅓. 180

N.B. The Brass Ball is not round the largest Diameter is 7 Inches and 4 Tenths— the Smallest only 7 Inches.—

(Signed) E. M. G. Showers
Captain C. L. Sup.t.—

Tuesday 29th September 1812.—

Report of a Proof of Powder made at the Mount by Order of Colonel Robert Bell Commandant of Artillery from a ten Inch Mortar.—

Month and Day	Nature of Powder and when made	Weight of Powder	Weight of Shell	Degrees Elevation	Minutes & Seconds & Parts of Seconds of Flight	Range Distances Right	Range Distances Left	Range Distances Real	Range Distances made Use of	Established Distance for Proof	Remarks
		lbs	Oz. Dr.	lbs		Yds feet	Yds feet	Yards	Yards	Yards	
1812.	1. 50 lb B.d Madras fine	2.	" "	9	6. 45	1630.	" "	20.	1,354.	1000.	This Powder is of a good
	2. Made in February 1811	"	" "	"	" "	1630.	4	1367	1356½	"	Colour even grained
	3 Ranged from a ten Inch Mortar 1462 Yards E.d from the Arsenal of Fort St George.—	"	" "	"	" "	1630.	" "	18.	1348	"	and free from dust Proof Commenced at 11 o Clock & ended at 2 after. A M. Clear day

N.B. This is the same powder as was proved on the 17th Instant from the Eprovettes.—

(Signed) E. M. G. Showers
Capt.n C.S. Sup.t.—

(True Copies)
(Signed) W. Ormsby— S. M. B.—

To—

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To the Secretary
to the Military Board

Sir

I have the honor to transmit for the information of the Board report of the Proof of Powder on the 7th Instant, received from His Majestys Ship Illustrious of the same description as that proved in Comparison at Trincomallee with the Madras Powder made in February 1811.

The result by Proof with 10 Inch Mortar 2 lbs of Powder at 45 degrees Elevation is English Yards

Powder	1,255 2/3
Madras Powder made in February 1811	1,356 1/3.

In order to obtain the most accurate Comparison, I directed the Proof of both the English and Madras

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Madras Powder to be Made on the same day (17th September) and same Hour from the Eprovettes with 3 Oz.s of Powder and with 2 Oz.s 3 rounds with each quantity of Powder—The report herewith forwarded Shews the result Viz.t.

		Yards
For Madras & Bengal 175 Yards Proof 60 lb. Ball	English Powder from Illustrious	3 Oz. 21 7/3.
	Madras Powder made Feb.y 1811	20 1/3.
For His Majestys Service 60 Yards Proof 64 lbs. Ball	English Powder from Illustrious	2 Oz. 88 1/3
	Madras Powder made Feb.y 1811	91.

From all which trials and Comparisons it appears that the Madras Powder made in February 1811 is Stronger than the English Powder received from His Majestys Ship Illustrious and very considerably above the Proof required for His Majestys Service, or of that Established for the Company's Service, at Bengal and Madras.

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I think it necessary to state the comparison between the Madras Powder made in February 1811 and delivered to His Majesty's Ship Illustrious in that Year, and since landed from that Ship, and that which has been constantly kept in the Magazine of Fort St. George & Viz.t ——

	Yards
Madras Powder February 1811 returned from Illustrious	1,248 1/3.
Madras Powder received from Fort St. George.....	1,356 1/3

I have the honor to be,

St. Thomas's Mount Sir,
10th September 1812.— Your Obedient Servt.

(Signed) Robt. Bell
Colonel Comt. Artly.—

Report

13979 Fort St George 20th September 1812.—

Report of a Proof of Powder made at St Thomas's Commandant of Artillery from an Eprovettee.—

Monday 7th & Tuesday 8th September 1812.—

No. of Firings	Nature of Powder and when Made	10 Inch Mortar Ordnance Eprovettee	Weight Eprovettee and bed Cwt. Qrs. lbs.
1.	90 lb Barrel English Powder		" " "
2.	Marked Waltham Powder with		" " "
3.	Black paint & L. C. with red		" " "
1.	Paint on one end and on the other		4. 3. 1.
2.	with Black paint H. 25th April		" " "
3.	1810 R. S.—		" " "
1.			" " "
2.			" " "
3.			" " "
1.	50 lb Barrel Madras fine made		4. 3. 1.
2.	in February 1811 Ranged from—		" " "
3.	a ten Inch Mortar in March		" " "
1.	1811— 1462 Yards—		" " "
2.			" " "
3.			" " "

Proof Commenced 1/4 Past 10 and ended at 1/2 Past 11 A. M. across the range.—

(True Copies)
(Signed) H. Ormsby
Lt. R. A.

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Mount by Order of Colonel Robert Bell —

of — Ball	Each charge	Elevation	Range Distances Right	Left	Real	medium	Established Distance for proof	Remarks. —
	lbs. oz.	Degs.	Yards feet	Yards feet		Yds	Yds Yds	
	" " "	2.	" 45	" 16.	" " "	1261.	1000	
	" " "	"	" "	" "	" " "	1245	1255⅔.	
	" " "	"	" "	" "	" " "	1261		
60.	" " "	3.	" 45	" "	" " "	233.	175.	This Powder is of a good Colour but a little Caked and damp.
	" " "	"	" "	" "	" " "	206.	217⅔	
	" " "	"	" "	" "	" " "	213.		
	" " "	2.	" "	" "	" " "	80.		
	" " "	"	" "	" "	" " "	86.	88⅓.	
	" " "	"	" "	" "	" " "	99.		
60.	" " "	3.	" 45	" "	" " "	201.	175.	This is the same Powder as was Proved on the 17th and 18th " August 1812. —
	" " "	"	" "	" "	" " "	191.	201⅔	
	" " "	"	" "	" "	" " "	213.		
	" " "	2.	" "	" "	" " "	93.		
	" " "	"	" "	" "	" " "	86.	91.	
	" " "	"	" "	" "	" " "	94.		

Strong W^ly^ wind blowing —

(Sig^d^) E. M. G. Showers
Capt^n^ C. S. Super^t^
(") Rob. Bell — Col.
Com^d^ Art^y^ —

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No. 48. Ordered that a Copy of
Order thereon the foregoing Letter be furnished to the
Naval Commissioner.—

To the Honorable
Sir G. H. Barlow Bt and K.B.
Governor in Council
&c. &c. &c.

No. 49. Honorable Sir,

From the Milit-
-tary Board—
Report on Stores
and Camp—
Equipage sup-
-plied by the
Commissariat—

1. We have the honor to
from the Chief Secretary to Government
dated the 1st and 7th September and of
four others from upon the Secretary to Govern-
-ment in the Military Department
dated the 8th, 9th 11th and 15th September
and to report that the Necessary orders
have been given in consequence.—

2. The Commissary General
has laid before us for the purpose
of being certified, Nine Bills for the
supply

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Supply of Stores and Camp Equipage delivered into the arsenal at Fort St. George from the 1st of April to the 31st July 1812 together with a comparative Statement exhibiting the amount which the Several Articles have actually Cost, the amount for the same articles according to the Table of rates, and the difference between these amounts, being the saving effected by the Commissariat.—

3. After deducting the amount of such articles as bear no fixed price in the table of rates, and subtracting the amount difference in favor of that table, in the several instances in which the actual Market prices have exceeded the latter rates, the Total Cost of the articles supplied by the Commissariat has been

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been Pagodas 26,996 .. 15 .. 8; while those Articles at the prices of the table of rates would have cost Pagodas 36,733 .. 29 .. 4, being Pagodas 9,741 .. 13 .. 76, beg that table, or 36 1/16 per Cent in the expenditure above Specified.—

4. The result which we have now detailed, has been establish notwithstanding the enhanced price of several Europe articles, and we have no doubt it will be satisfac-ry to Your Honor in Council to be informed that whatever excess may have occurred from the increase on this account, has been more than cov-ed by a corresponding decrease of cha- on other articles, and that the averag reduction in the prices of the whole of the Supplies is very considerably in favor of the Commissariat.—

We

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We have the honor to be,

Fort St George
17th September 1812.

Sir
Your most obedient
humble Servants
(Signed) E. Trapaud
Rob. Bell
P. Bruce
V. Blacker
W. Morison

No. 50
Minute thereon.

The Board observe with much Satisfaction the forgoing favorable Report on the Subject of Military Stores Supplied by the Commissariat.

To the Honorable
Sir G. H. Barlow Bt K.B.
Governor in Council
&c. &c. &c.

No. 51.
From the Military Bd submitting Estimates for Sanction.

Honorable Sir.

1. We have the honor to submit and recommend an Estimate for Whitewashing the European Barracks at Bangalore Amounting to Pagodas 110.

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110" 42" 69.—

2. We have also the honor to Submit and Recommend an Estimate amounting to Pagodas 34" 22" 110" for erecting 23 Mile Stones from Nungum-bacum Tank to Streyparmadoor.—

This Estimate has been laid before us by the Contractor for the repair of the Road, and as the charge is very Modirate, We are induced to Submit the Estimate for the sanction of your Honor in Council.—

We have the honor to be—

Fort St George
17th September 1812.

V. E." V. E."
(Signed) E. Trapaud
" Rob. Bell
" D. Bruce
" V. Blacker
" W. Monson

Estimate

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Estimate of the Probable Expence of Whitewashing the European Barracks, called for by the Commanding Officer.

Length	Breadth	Superficial Feet	Nature of Work	Pagodas Fanams Cash	P. F. C.
			European Barracks including the Garrison Serjts Majors Quarter		
178.	23½	420 12	Whitewashing Walls & Ceilings		
1167.	11.	12837.	Ditto	Ditto	
209.	16.	3336 10	Ditto	Ditto	
105.	34.	3570	Ditto	Ditto	
62.	45.	2790	Ditto	Ditto	
			50 Pillars		
24.	7.	84.	Ditto		
10.	6.	112. 80.	188 Ditto		
190.	49½	9405	Ditto Walls & Ceilings		
367.	23.	8141	Ditto	Ditto	
44.	6.	264.	Ditto	Ditto	
163.	3.	489.	Ditto		
Total...		13381. 43.	Whitewashing	3.60. 42	110. 42. 69.

Total Star Pagodas ..... 110. 42. 69.

Bangalore
30th August 1812.

(Signed) W. Garrard Capt.
Sup.r Eng.r Mysore

A true Copy
(Signed) W. Ormsby S. M. B.

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An Estimate of the Mile Stones required

23 Black flat Mile Stones for engraving Polishing and Smoothing the letters together with the Expunces for affixing the said Stones with Chunam Bricks and Cooly and the Stones Contains one foot Broad and 3 feet Long one Side Polish and the figures Engraved..... E.E. 1pr

Madras (Signed) A. N Nallatomby
16th Sept.r 1812. (A true Copy) L.r

(Signed) W. Ormsby
Sec.y

N.B.

No 32.

The Board approve the two Minute thereon. Estimates Submitted with the foregoing Letter.

314 22 40

Sec.y

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To the Honorable
Sir G. H. Barlow B.t & K.B.
Governor in Council
&c. &c. &c.

No. 53. Honorable Sir,

From the Milit-ary Board Recommend-ing that a Balance of pay be grant-ed to a Pensio-ned Tindal for reasons set forth in an enclosed Petition.—

We have the honor to lay

1. before Your Honor in Council a Copy of a Petition presented to His Excellency the Commander in Chief and transferred for examination to our Office, under the Orders of His Excellency.—

2. The Petitioner a pensioned Tindal of Store Lascars proceeded on Foreign Service in the Year 1795 and left with his family a Certificate which entitled them to receive a Month-ly Sum of Pagodas 2 8 40, on refer-ence to the records of our Office it appears that he did not return to this Presidency until February 1803,

his

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his Family Certificate was however only paid up to the 30th June 1801, as Mention=ed in the accompanying Certificate ob=tained from the Office of the Military Paymaster at Fort St George, but under what authority the Paymaster discon=tinued the Monthly Payment cannot now be ascertained— On reference to the Military Auditor General it appears that no pay has been drawn for him in any of the Paymasters accounts of this Presidency from the Month of July 1801, to June 1803, but from the Month of June 1803 to October follow=ing, pay was drawn and entered in the Disbursements of Mysore and Stop of the Paymaster of the family Cert. pages on account were made up to the Office left by him. =ber of the same year. Nov. & September

We

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We think it extremely possible that the discontinuance of the Monthly payment was occasioned by a report of the Petitioners death, and as We are not aware of any arrangement which directed the payment to be Stopped except in cases of Casualties by death, we conclude that this Man could not have received the whole Amount of his pay from the Month of July 1801 to 1st October 1803, and consequently that he is entitled to the Amount of the Family Certificate which remained unpaid for that period. We have therefore the honor to Submit an Abstract for Star Pagodas 59 : 19 : 40, which we beg leave to Recommend for the sanction of your honor in Council.

We

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Fort St George 20th September 1812.—

We have the Honor to be,

Fort St George
17th September 1812.

Sir
Your
Most
Obedt
Humble
Servts

(Signd) E. Trapaud
Rob: Bell
P. Bruce
V. Blacker
W. Morison

To His Excellency
Lieut. General Sir Samuel Auchmuty
Commander in Chief
of the Honble Company's Forces

The Humble Petition of
Maddoor Venkatachel-
-lum Pindal.—

Most respectfully Sheweth,

Your Petitioner with-
infinite degree of Submission begs leave
to represent these few lines, to your
Honor's Charitable Consideration—that
in the Year 1795 Your Petitioner was
Ordered

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Ordered to go with the Engagement on
Foreign Service against Ceylon, along
with Commissary Scot under Command
of Genral Stewart when Your Petitioner
had Granted a family Certificate which
he left under Charge of his family
for her Support, after the Honorable—
Company Succeeded the said Ceylon—
Country Your Petitioner remained there
a Period of 7 Years, after which to
Bombay by Order of General Macdowell
there remained a few Months, under
Command of Colonel Coleman, and went
to engagement to a Country near to
Bombay, called Taumaun, soon after—
it was Succeeded Your Petitioner—
went to against Caridy, and came by
Bombay to Cannanore and left the Stores
at Seringapatam, and again went to
the engagement against Wynaad which

was

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was Succeeded, and came in Seringapa-
-tam, there Your Petitioner had —
allowed a Pension and Arrived to
Madras to meet his family in the
Year 1803 and Sorry to See his fami-
-lies were very much Grieved at him
for the Notice of Your Petitioner
death are received these 2 Years ago
and of her family Certificate dis-
-continued while her Husband were
in good Health to which a said
News astonished to Your Petitioner.

Therefore Your Petitioner
most humbly entreats your honor
to take the aforegoing into Your
Serious Consideration and to have
the humane Benevolence on Your
poor helpless Petitioner to relent
on him as he has a balance of £28
Months Arrears due to him from
his

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his family Certificate are Stopt in the pay Office by mistake said that your Petitioner was Dead now when your Petitioner demanded the above arrears from the Paymaster who directed Your Petitioner to bring an Order from Your honor's Excellency— therefore Your Petitioner requests Your honor to give an Order to the said— Paymaster to pay him the arrears of 28. Months due from his family— Certificate being what was Stopt by mistake Your Petitioner depends no other Protection but your honor alone for to collect the above which favor and indulgence will engrave in his earnest prayer for Your honor's future health and Prosperity and Your Petitioner as in Duty bound.—

Shall Ever Pray.

(A true Copy) (Signed) W. Ormsby S. M. B.—

This

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Fort St George 29th September 1812.—

This is to Certify that the Family allowance of Vincatachellum Tindel in the 1st Supernumerary Com=pany of Lascars attached to the Engineers' Department has received from this Office her Family allow=ance up to the 30th June 1804 and to no later period.—

Fort St George (Signed) P. Cherry
11th July 1812.— Act. Military Paym.

(A true Copy)
(Signed) W. Ormsby
Sec. B.

No. 34
Order thereon.— Ordered that authority be given for the discharge of the Sum of Pagodas 59.—19.—10. due on a Family Certificate to the Tindal of Store Lascars mentioned in the foregoing Letter, and that the Abstract submitted with it, being passed for payment, be returned

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Returned to the Military Board.—

Read the following Letters.—

From the Secretary to the Marine Board.—

To the Chief Secretary to Government at Fort St George

No. 55.

Sir,

From the Secretary to the Marine Board Recommending that the amount charged by the Commander of the Coromandel for Victualling Troops be paid to him.—

I am directed by the Marine Board to acknowledge the receipt of Mr Secretary Strachey's letter of the 22nd Instant, transmitting for their consideration and report, a letter from the Master of the Ship Coromandel respecting a charge for provisioning certain Troops embarked on board that Vessel at Calcutta.—

2. The Board have agreeably to the Orders of Government, communicated with the Commissary General

on

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on the Subject of the Charge in question
and in consequence of the satisfactory
Pagodas 16. Certificate annexed to the Bill by that
Officer, they beg leave to recommend —
that the amount be paid.—

I have the honor to be,

Fort St George &c. &c.
25th September 1812. (Signed) J. Gwatkin
Secretary

No. 56.

Orders thereon. Ordered, that Authority
be given for the payment of the Bill
of the Master of the Coromandel Trans-
port amounting to Star Pagodas 16
for provisions supplied by him for the
use of the Troops embarked on board
that Vessel.—

Ordered, that the Master
of the Coromandel be apprized of the
foregoing Resolution through the chan-
nel of the Marine Board.—

From

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Fort St George 29th September 1812.—

From the Accountant General.—

To the Chief Secretary

to Government

Sir,

No 57.

From the Accountant Genl — Proposes a mode for adjusting accounts between the Commissariat and the Commercial Department.

Para: 1st I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Mr Secretary Strachey's letter of the 23rd Instant, referring for my Consideration and report the papers regarding a proposition of the Commissary General for the Adjustment of Advances made by the Commercial Department on account of the Commissariat.—

2nd The issuing of bills in advance for the provision of the Commissariat Supplies as would appear to be proposed, seems liable to objection, first as differing from the usual mode of making advances to the Commercial Department,

and

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and Secondly, as in the event of any difference arising afterwards between the Sums Advanced in that way and the actual Charge for the Supplies, additional Adjustments between the Departments will become necessary, and eventually some degree of Confusion may arise.—

3rd I think it would be preferable for Notice of the Commissariat Indents for Cloth to be sent, after Submission to the usual Authorities, to this Office, in order that if there should not at the time be sufficient funds for them with the Commercial Residents by whom they are to be answered, Supplies may be furnished in the usual Mode.— If there should be funds already at the Factories, no more would be necessary for that specific

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specific purpose, as the adjustment of the account, should properly take place after the Cloth is laid in— an Invoice would then be prepared by the Commercial Resident, which being transmitted through this Office to the Commissary General, would be discharged by a Commissariat Draft.— By this method none of the usual courses of Office would be disturbed, and the adjustment would be finally Completed in the Simple delivery of a Complete Invoice from One Department and the return for it of the Draft of the other.—

I have the honor to be &c &c

(Signed) Geo. Garrow

J. G.—

Fort Ft George
Accountt Gen Office
26th September 1812.—

Ordered that Copies of the foregoing Letter be furnished for the information

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Order thereon.

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information and guidance of the Board of Trade and of the Commissary General.—

From the Commissary General.—

To George Strachey Esq.re

Secretary to Government in the Military Department

No. 59.

Sir,

From the Commissary General Reports a Debt due by Mr. McDonald late Assist.t Surgeon dismissed, for the purchase of two Arab Horses, from a difficulty as to the mode of recovering it.—

Having determined to sell by Private Sales, according to a Valuation fixed under my directions, the thirty Arab Horses purchased by Lieutenant Blacker for the Cavalry, but rejected by the Committee of Inspection as being too Slight for that Service, it occurs to me that it might be a Material accommodation to the purchasers and might consequently facilitate the sale, as well as secure the payment of the Amount, if the price could

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could be rendered payable by Monthly instalments, agreeably to the mode observed in disposing of some of the Stud horses at Madras in the Year 1809.—

2. I accordingly represented this Suggestion to the Accountant General, who acquiescing in the possibility of effecting such an Arrangement, proposed that acknowledgments for by the purchasers, which should describe the Amount of the Monthly instalments and the Month in which they were to commence; that these acknowledgments should be forwarded by me to the Accountant General, credit being taken for the full Amount in my accounts, and the recovery left to be made by him in communication with the Subordinate Paymasters.—

Thus

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3. Thus method of adjustment having appeared to me entirely clear and satisfactory, it was immediately approved and adopted, and the acknowledgments above described were accordingly prepared and transmitted to the Accountant General under date the 2d of July. One of these however which was signed by Wm Mac Donald late Assistant Surgeon, in the 13th Regiment N.I. but recently dismissed the Service by the Sentence of a General Court Martial, has been returned to me by the Accountant General, and it is the difficulty which I feel, as to the mode of recovering the Amount of it, that induces me to trouble the Government with the present Communication.-

4. Conceiving that any Arrears of pay that might be due to Wm Mac Donald

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Donald would be drawn by the Town
Major, I addressed a letter to that
Officer, of which, and of the reply
I beg leave to enclose a Copy; I also
beg leave to transmit the acknowledge-
ment above alluded to, in order that
the Honorable the Governor in Council
may direct it to be transferred to
such Authority as may have the means
to take further Steps for the realiza-
tion of the Sum due to the public,
and which according to the paper
signed by Mr. MacDonald is
equal to Pagodas 98. — " — " —

I have the honor to be,

Fort St George, Sir,
22 September 1812. Your mo. ob. Servt.

(Signed) W. Morison
Com. General

To

14005 Fort St George 29th September 1812.—

To the Town Major
Fort St George

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose to you a Copy of an acknowledgment for 98 Star Pagodas Signed by Mr C. Mac Donald late Assistant Surgeon of the 2d Battalion 13th Regiment N.I. and dismissed by the Sentence of a General Court Martial, and, I beg leave to request that the Amount due to the Public may be deducted from any arrears of Pay and Allowances which you may have to draw on his account

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

Fort St George (Signed) W. Morrison
1st July 1812.— Com.y Gen.l

To the Commissary General
Fort St George

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the

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Fort St George 29th September 1812.—

I this receipt of your letter under date
the 1st July, and having made the
necessary Communication to Mr Mac
Donald, I subjoin for your information
extract of a letter which I received
from that Gentleman on the 16th of
July last.—

I have the honor to be,

Town Major's Office
Fort St George
14th September 1812.—

(Signed) I. I. Fraser
T. M.

Extract of a letter from Mr C. Mac-
Donald late Assistant Surgeon in the
Honorable Company's Service.—

I shall liquidate my debt
to Government on account of the horses when-
ever I can get my accompts settled with the
Audit Office, the want of which Settlement
has occasioned me considerable embarrass-
ment.—

True Extract
(Signed) I. I. Fraser T. M.

True Copies Extract
(Signed) Henry A. Purchas D. C. Genl.—

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Star Pagodas 98.-.-

Bought from the Honorable Company's Remount of the Season 1811-12 - Two Arab Horses, for which I promise to pay the Sum of Star Pagodas Ninety eight, by Instalments of Twelve Pagodas per Mensem for each Horse, to be deducted from my Monthly Abstract commencing with the Abstract for July 1812.-

(Signed) C. Macdonald
Aps. Surgeon 2d Bn
13th Regt N.I.

No 60
Order thereon.

Ordered that the Military Auditor General be furnished with a Copy of the foregoing Letter, and that he be desired to State, Nature of the difficulty which impedes the adjustment of Lt. Mac Donald's accounts.

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Accounts, as on the plea of the delay
that Gentleman defers the discharge
of his debt to the Honorable Company
from the Seringapatam Prize Committee.

To The Honorable
Sir George H. Barlow Bt. & K.B.
Governor in Council
&c. &c. &c.
Fort St George

Honorable Sir,

We have the Honor to

1.

acknowledge the receipt of a letter dated
the 9th Instant from the Secretary to
Government in the Military Department,
with its enclosures.

We have referred to the

2.

original Prize Rolls, which were trans-
mitted to our Office, by Lieutenant
Colonel Mason, in November 1805,
of the Commissioned and Non Commissioned
Officers

No. 61.

From the Seringapatam Prize Committee Covering the Rolls taken in the Abstract passed for certain Individuals of the Bombay Grenadier Battalion.

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Officers, Privates &c. of the Bombay Grenadier Battalion, entitled to Seringapatam Prize Money, and we find that the Names and Numbers in the abstracts passed under our orders on the 16th November 1810, and of the Rolls which we then forwarded, Correspond with those in the Original Prize Rolls. In that Roll Hansnac Burnac is Numbered 235. Balla Ram 236, and Sankeria 237. The mistake must therefore originate in the Roll forwarded by Lieutenant Colonel Mason. In the Copy of the abstract in our Office, Ramajee is Numbered 457, and Hurnac Gunnac 451 which Numbers Correspond with the Original Roll, and with the Certificates now forwarded by the Officer Commanding the Grenadier Battalion.

The

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The mistake must therefore have occurred, either in writing the Number 1 on our Office, instead of 7, or in the examination of it, in the Office of the Paymaster General at Bombay.

4. Under these explanations however the mistakes can easily be amended, and the Shares paid to those actually entitled to receive the Money.

We have the Honor to be
&c &c &c

24th September 1812

(Signd) John Hadley Symons
Lieut Colonel
" J. H. S. Conway
" V. Blacker

No 62.
Order thereon.

Ordered that a Copy of the foregoing Report be sent to the Secretary at Bombay for the information of that Government, in order that the claims of the Individuals to which

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the Sum of Rupees (1,75,000) one lac and Seventy five thousand required by the Commissary General at Madras, being held at that Officer's disposal at this Presidency.—

I have the honor to be,

Bombay Castle
12th September 1812

&c &c
(Signed) J. Farish
Sec to Govt

No 66.
Order thereon

Ordered that Certified Copies of the foregoing Letter be furnished to the Accountant General and to the Commissary General for their information and guidance.—

From the Same.—

To George Strachey Esq
Secretary to Government
at Fort St George

No 67.

Sir

From the Sec

In acknowledgment of your Letter

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Sec.y to the Government at Bombay —Stating that in future Invoices will be sent for Stores imported into the Madras Presidency—

Letter of the 15th Ultimo with enclosures, I am directed to acquaint You, for the information of the Honorable the Governor in Council at Fort St George, that the Right Honorable the Governor in Council has caused directions to be given that Invoices forwarded in future with all Returns of Provision Stores, shipped for the use of Troops proceeding from this Presidency to any Port dependent on that of Fort St George.—

I have the honor to be,

Bombay Castle
2d September 1812.—

Vc Vc
(Signed) I. Farish
Secy to Govt

From the Deputy Secretary at Columbo.
C. Strachey Esquire
Secretary to Government
Mily Departm.t — Fort St George

No. 60
From the Dep.y Sec.y

Sir, In answer to Your Letter of the

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Secretary at Columbo stating that Invoices will be sent whenever Stores are exported thence to the Madras Presidency.

the 15th Ultimo enclosing Extract of a Letter from the Commissary General at Fort St George, I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to acquaint You for the Information of the Honorable the Governor in Council that Orders have been given to the proper Officers here to furnish the Invoices required.

I have the Honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) Ja.s Gay
Dep.y Sec.y to Gov.t

Chief Secret.y's office
Colombo
8th September 1812.

No. 69.

Order thereon. Ordered that the Commissary General be furnished with Copies of the foregoing Letters.

From the Deputy Quarter Master General to the King's Troops.

Will.m Thackeray Esq.re
Chief Secretary to Government

No. 70.
From the Dep.y
2 Pages

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose three Indents

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Quarter Master General to the Kings Troops - Various Indents for his office

Indents for Several Articles required for Establishing the Office of the Deputy Quarter Master General to the Kings Troops, which I request you will be pleased to lay before Government that the Instructions may be given to the Departments, to furnish this articles Indented for, as soon as possible.—

I have the honor to be, — &c &c &c

Fort St George (Signed) Henry Sullivan Lt Col
24th September 1812.— D.Y.Q.M.G.K.T.

James Taylor Esq re
Import Warehouse Keeper

Sir,

Please to Order the delivery of the following Articles of Stationary for the use of my Office, as Deputy Quarter Master General to the Kings Troops for the Year 1812.— Imperial

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Imperial	2	Quires
Medium	15	Do
Demy	15	Do
Post	15	Do
Foolscap	60	Do
Kings Arms	20	Do
Quarto Post	80	Do
Blotting	5	Do
Cartridge	5	Do
Paste Boards	8	Nos
Quills	1200	Do
Penknives	4	Do
Pounce	3	lbs
Sealing Wax	1	Do
Ink Powder Black	12	Papers
Do Red	3	Do
Tape	8	Pieces
Light blue ferret	2	Do
Wafers	12	Boxes
Black lead Pencils	1½	Dozens

India

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India Rubber	6 Pieces
Large Book bound	1 No
Middle Sized Do	4 Do
Marble books	3 Do
Pewter Ink Stands	3 Do
Ink Glasses	3 Do
Wooden Sand Boxes large	3 Do
Scrapers	3 Do
Hones	1 Do
Steels	2 Do
Round Rules	2 Do
Flat Do	2 Do
Ivory Folders	3 Do
Leads	14 Do
Scissors	2 Do
Brass Compass	2 Do
Lantern	1 Do

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(Signd) H. Sullivan Lt Col
D.Y.2m.G. K.J.
James

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James Taylor Esq.re
Import Warehouse Keeper

Sir,

Please to Order the delivery of Ten Yards of Green Cloth to cover Desks and Tables for the use of my Office as Deputy Quarter Master General to the Kings Troops.

Fort St. George
24th Sept.r 1812.

Signed H. Sullivan Lt. Col.
D.Q.M.G. H.M.T.

Lieut.t Colonel Morrison
Commissary General

Sir,

Please to Order the delivery of One Writing Desk and 1 small Press, 1 large Press, 2 Tables, 2 Chests for holding Stationary, and 8 Chairs for the use of my Office as Deputy Quarter Master General to the Kings Troops

Fort St. George
24th Sept.r 1812.

(Sign'd) H. Sullivan Lt. Col.t
D.Q.M.G. H.M.T.

Ord.d

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No 71.

Order thereon.

Ordered that the several Indents Submitted with the foregoing Letter be referred to the Military Board for consideration and report.

From the Military Auditor General

To The Honorable

Sir George Hilaro Barlow Bart KB

Governor in Council

&c &c &c

No 72.

From the Military Auditor General stating steps taken to adjust the Amount due by certain Individuals of His Majestys 56th Regiment.

Honorable Sir,

1. In obedience to the Commands conveyed in an Extract from the Minutes of your Honor in Council under date the 4th Instant, desiring I would report the Steps which had been taken towards the adjustment of an Account alluded to in a letter from Lieutenant Colonel Barclay Commanding His Majestys 1st Battalion 56th

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56th Regiment.

Sir,

I have the honor to Sub-
-mit for the information of your Honor
in Council Copy of a letter which I ad-
-dressed to the Accountant General in
the Military Department of Accounts
dated the 11th Instant Copy of the Account-
-ant Generals answer thereto dated the
11th Instant, and Copy of my reply to the
latter dated the 17th Instant By the
letter from the Accountant General of
the 11th Instant, it will appear he has
given the requisite instructions to the
Presidency Paymaster for the Adjust-
-ment of the accounts in question.

I have the honor to be,

Sir

Your most obedt Servt

P. Bruce

Mil. Sec. & Gen.

Military Aud. Gs Office
Fort St George
23rd September 1812.

No 1
No 2.
No 3.

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No. 1.

To the Accountant General
in the Military Department of Accounts

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith an extract from the Minutes of Council under date the 4th Instant and to request in order to enable me to furnish the information therein required, You will be pleased to inform me the Steps that may have been taken towards the adjustment of the Account alluded to. Copies of the Papers to which the Minutes of Council has reference were transmitted to You from this Office on the 6th March last.

Mil. Acct. Gen. Office
Fort St. George
11th September 1812.

Signed J. P. Bruce
M. A. G.

To

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No. 2.

To the Military Auditor General

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 9th Instant with Extract from the Minutes of Council of the 4th Instant and to inform You that the Papers sent on the 6th March last were received without any Communication from Your Office, and without the letter from the Secretary to Government at Bombay of the 21st November last, from whence any construction could be formed as to the object for which the extracts were sent.

In consequence of the papers accompanying Your Communication, the Presidency Paymaster has been furnished with Copies in order that he may take immediate steps to recover

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recover the Sums due.—

Account Gen.l Office, I am &c.a &c.a

Fort St George (Signed) Geo. Garrow

14th Septem.r 1812.— A. G.l —

No 3.

To the Accountant General
in the Military Department
of Accounts.—

Sir,

In reply to your letter of
the 14th Instant, I have the honor to
State that the Copies of Letters and
its enclosures mentioned in my letter
of the 14th Instant as having been
furnished to You on the 6th March
last; were transmitted in the same
manner that has invariably been
adopted hitherto in the transmission
of Communications of a similar
nature, of course it was not deemed
requisite to send you any Special
instructions regarding them as no
particular

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Particular instructions as
-ted in the Letter from
to Government that acc
which merely Stated th
-mitted for information
in like Manner they
For your information
The Copy of the Let
-tary to Government
date the 24th November
you observe did not
papers was received
Minutes of Council
and transmitted wi
the 11th.—

Mil.y Aud.r Gl.s Office
Fort St George
17th September 1812.—

(True Copies)
(Signed) L. Bruce M.A.G.l

ere Communica-
the Secretary
ompanied them
ey were trans-
and guidance,
ded
and guidance.—
er from the Secre-
at Bombay under
r last, which—
accompany these
only with the—
of the 4th Instant
the mr Letter of
(Signed) L. Bruce
Ma.A.G.l—

Ordered

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No 73. Ordered that the Commander
Order thereon. in Chief be furnished with a Copy
of the foregoing Report and of the
previous Correspondence on the same
Subject.

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

No 74. Honorable Sir,

From the Milit-ary Auditor General Report-ing in favor of the Claim of the Dooly bearers to batta employ-ed with the Field Force assembled at Bellary from the period of their being ordered to be in readiness for that Service. Returns the original Pap on the Subject.

1. In Obedience to Your
Commands conveyed in Mr Secretary
Strachey's letter of Yesterdays date, I
have the honor to report upon a com-
plaint of a Detachment of the Dooly
Corps who had applied for Batta
from the time they were ordered to
be in readiness for Service with the
Field force assembled at Bellary,
but which allowance had been
refused.

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refused by the Commissariat, as repre-
sented in a letter from Lieutenant
Stewart Sub Assistant Commissary
General under date the 5th Instant.—

2. In Submitting this report
it appears proper to bring to the —
notice of Government the terms upon
which the Corps of Dooley Bearers
was originally found.—

3. I have accordingly the
honor to State that it appears upon
reference to the Regulations published
in the General Orders of the 27th of
February 1806 and the Minute of His
Excellency the Commander in Chief
under date the 16th December 1805 on
which these Regulations were found-
-ed, that the Bearers of the Dooley
Corps were to be enlisted in the —
same Manner as the regular Sepoys
of

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of this Establishment and were not
to leave the Service without regular
permission that this Corps in com-
mon with all the Troops were to be
supplied with Rice from the public
Stores at the rate of one Seer each
per day when the Bazar price
exceeds the rate fixed for the issues
to the Troops, that they should
have the indulgence of Furlough &c
ments, Medical attendance and
Pensions in the event of wounds
or after that length of Service, which
gives to worn out Soldiers of the
Native Establishment, a claim to
that Provision, and that they should
participate in the advantages arising
from the Occasional distribution of
Prize Money as Sepoys; in short
they were to meet with the same
favor

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favor and indulgence as bestowed on the fighting Men of the Regular Native Corps composing the Madras Army.

4. When the intentions of Government towards this Corps is so clearly evinced I am rather at a loss to account for any doubt having arisen in the Commissariat Department why the bearers of the Dooley Corps who had been ordered from the different Stations in the Ceded Districts and other Stations to assemble at Bellary and to hold themselves in readiness for Field Service, should be denied the allowance of Batta to which, under similar circumstances, the Fighting Men, Artificers and Puckallies attached to the Field force at Bellary were considered entitled, under the Book

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Book of Pay Regulations published in January last where the allowance is established. Which however, I shall more fully demonstrate to Your Honor in Council in the conclusion of this address, as founded on many precedents in the course of twenty Years by past which shows what had been the usage of the Service during that period. But which according to the directions of your Honor in Council, I considered it certainly more regular and proper should be established by Regulation.

5. I cannot therefore estimate the reasoning of the Sub Assistant Commissary General Lieutenant Stewart, in which the Commissary General concurs, of sufficient

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sufficient weight to recommend the
breach or a departure in the smallest
degree from the terms under which the
Individuals who compose the Corps
of Dooley Bearers were enlisted in
the Honorable Company's Service.

6. For altho' the Subsist-
-ant Commissary General reports
that he had frequently detached par-
-ties of the Dooley Corps from Bellar-
-y at the shortest notice without them
-ing it necessary to give them any
particular warning, so also I believe
it perfectly superfluous to bring
under review of the experience and
knowledge of Your Honorable Board
the Numerous instances when regu-
-lar Corps, European and Native
with their Equipments have march
-ed from their Stations and Cantonmen
on

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on the instant, or after a Notice of a
few hours And with regard to the
argument adduced by the Sub assist-
ant Commissary General of there
being a difference between the case
of the Dooley Corps and that of hired
Dooley bearers which renders the
Claim of the former altogether inad-
missible according to that Officers
Opinion, I have to observe with all
due difference that upon the grounds
Stated my Opinion is directly the
reverse For in the first place it
is to be premised that hired Dooley
bearers will not engage in the Service
without receiving a fixed Monthly
allowance, whether they are Stationa-
ry or in the Field which allowance
altho' not denominated "Pay and Batta"
exceeds the fixed pay of a bearer

of

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of the Dooley Corps, and of course
it could Never have been the intention
of Government to place the Bearers
of that Corps on an inferior footing
at any time with hired bearers which
would certainly be the case if depri=
=ved of their Batta while under order
for Field Service — Besides, the Service
of the Company's regular Dooley bearers
when employed in the Field &c &c —
comparatively with hired Bearers, —
experience has Manifested are more
to be depended upon, for when deser=
=tion had frequently taken place to
a considerable degree with the hired
bearers it had not been the case
with the regular Dooley Bearers —
who Served with the Armies under
Colonel Close and Lieutenant Colonel
Conran in the Years 1809 and 1810 —

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7. The Claim of the regular Dooley bearers to receive the same indulgence of Batta as the Native Troops and followers attached when warned for immediate Field Service is in my Opinion fully established by the Orders of Government when the Corps of Dooley Bearers was first raised, which have been repeated in subsequent Orders and now comprised under that head a part of the Commissariat Regulations.

8. As connected with the present report and as some expense has been incurred in consequences of the Troops warned for Field Service having been considered entitled to full Batta from that time under the 13th and 14th Paragraphs of the Code of Pay Regulations of the year

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Year 1811 under the head "Field or Foreign Service", Page 105, and as some doubts seem to have arisen regarding the propriety of that Regulation, I beg leave to State for the Satisfaction of your Honor in Council that it was founded on the Custom and Usage of the Service for Twenty Years preceding the publication of that Regulation as will be seen by the accompanying Memorandum Specifying several instances of Batta and Field allowances having been granted to Corps and Detachments to European and Native Troops under Orders for Field and Foreign Service altho' in several of these instances the Troops did not proceed on the Service for which they had been warned. And it may further be observed that Government have in frequent cases

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cases been pleased to bestow a donation of
two or three Months Batta to the offi-
cers and Men of Detachments and Corps
ordered on Foreign Service but which
from circumstances were countermanded,
and which donation was granted for
the purpose of meeting the expense
to which the Officers and Men had
been subjected in fitting out for such
expected Service, as the intended Expe-
dition against the Mauritius in 1794.
Manilla in 1797 and of the two
Native Battalions at Goa which were
ordered to be in readiness to proceed
on the Expedition to Java, and in
several other cases.—

9. In framing this Regula-
tion, I had also in view the decision
of Government under date the 17th
December 1808 respecting the Extra
expenses

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expenses of the 4th Regiment Native Cavalry and 1st Battalion 1st Regiment Native Infantry, which were some time under Orders for Field Service in the Ceded Districts. Upon these occasions however Batta is not Stated as a part of the monthly hire of Dooley or Palankeen bearers, because the Carriage of the Sick of Corps was then provided for by Contract, and as the Monthly hire of that description of Followers was then as well as now two Pagodas with-out Batta. The General Orders like-wise of the 21st April 1810 (which were republished on the 7th Septem-ber following) granted full Batta to the Troops, European and Native, proceeding on Foreign Service from the dates on which they were res-pectively

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respectively ordered to hold themselves
in readiness — It may also be proper
to add that when Submitting the
6th Section of the Code of Pay Regu-
lations in which the regulation —
in question is included, for the considera-
tion and Sanction of Government
the Paragraphs were marked with
the Word "New" in red ink in the
usual Manner as Stated in the Letter
with which it was Submitted —
And the regulation accordingly met
with the due consideration of which
it was judged deserving. —

10. I have therefore no hesi-
tation in giving my Opinion found-
ed upon these grounds, that the —
bearers of the Dooley Corps who
were ordered to assemble at Bellary,
are equally entitled with the Native
Troops —

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Troops to the allowance of Batta and
I respectfully beg leave to add, that
I consider the Regulation under which
authority that allowance has been
drawn by the Troops composing the
Field force, is proper and Reasona-
-ble and founded upon just princi-
-ples - But which at times Sub-
-jects the Honorable Company to
considerable expense as in the present,
arising from unforeseen circumstan-
-ces which prevent the move-
-ment of the Troops, and which it
may probably be the pleasure of
your Honor in Council to guard
against in future, by modifying
the Regulation so as to leave the
authority of granting Field allow-
-ances hereafter to the Judgement
and

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and discretion of the Government—

The Original letters are herewith—

returned.—

Mil.y Aud.r Gen.ls Office, I have the honor to be,

Fort St George with the greatest respect,

19th September 1812.— Honorable Sir,

Your most Obedient

humble Servant

(Signed) P. Bruce

M. A. G.l—

Memorandum

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Memorandum of Cases,

Batta has been allowed to the Troops of the
being Ordered to hold themselves in Readiness

Applications	Date
Claims of the Officers of His Majestys 76th Regiment for 2 Months Batta in consequence of being prepared for Field Service	27th July 1792.
The allowance granted by Government in the case of His Majestys 12th Regiment was a Donation without any reference to this Departmt.	
Claim of the 2d Battalion 15th Regiment for Batta in consequence of being prepared for Field Service	23d Septr 1800
The allowance granted by Government without any previous reference to the Military Auditor General.	

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in Which under the authority of Government
Madras Establishment, from the date of their
for Field Service.

Decisions of Government

Letter from Government granting one Months Batta to the Officers of His Majestys 76th Regiment.....	27th July 1792.
Full Batta granted to the Officers of His M. 12th Regiment as a Donation during the time they were ordered to be in readiness for Field Service, altho Stationed in Quarters at Poonamallee	1st July 1793.
Letter from Government granting the difference of Batta to the European Officers of the 2d Batt. 15th Regt. but rejected to the Mus	2d October 1800.
Letter from Government directing the Field allowances retrenched from the 2d Battalion 5th Regiment to be admitted on the explanation of the Commander in Chief that the Corps was in a State of preparation for Field Service.....	M. C. 15th April 1808 appr. Govt L. 17th April 1805.

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Applications	Date
Field allowances Retrenched from the Troops that Marched from Wallajahbad for the Suppression of the Vellore Mutiny.	7th Feby 1807.
Extra allowance to the 2d Battn 7th Regiment Native Infantry and 4th Regiment N.C. under Orders for Field Service.	1st Decemr 1808.
These allowances granted by Government without any previous reference to the Military Auditor General.	
Field allowances of the 1st Battalion 11th Regiment Native Infantry Retrenched from that Corps, and from the 1st Battalion 2d Regiment on a Similar occasion.	24th Augt 1810.

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Decisions of Government	Date
Letter from Government admitting the allowance	11th Feby 1807
Letter from Government granting the Extra allowance to these Corps	7th Decemr 1808
Field allowances granted by Government to all the Troops, European and Native from the dates on which they were respectively Ordered to hold themselves in readiness for Foreign Service	25th April 1810
Letter from Government admitting Field allowances to these Corps	24th Augt 1815

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Applications	Date
Field allowances retrenched from several Corps and Detachments Composing the Force in Travancore Ordered to be in readiness by Colonel Stewart	22d Nov.r 1810
Field allowances to the 2nd Battalion 2d Regiment for preparing for Foreign Service	23rd March 1811
Field allowances to the 1st Battalion 5th Regiment for preparing for Foreign Service	30th March 1811

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Decisions of Government	Date
Letter from Government Authorizing Field allowance to the Force in Travancore	27th Nov. 1810.
Letter from Government granting one Months Field allowance and one Months Batta as Donation and shutting Money to the Natives	M. C. 29th March 1811 G. L. 2nd April 1811.
Letter from Government granting one Months Field allowances and one Months Batta as Donation and shutting Money to the Natives	M. C. 5th April and G. L. 6th April 1811.

General Office
19th September 1812

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

Ordered

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Ordered that the following Letters be dispatched to the Military Auditor General and to the Commissary General respectively.—

To the Military Auditor General

No 75.

Sir,

Para. 1st I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 19th Instant, and to acquaint you that under the existing Regulations of the Service He concurs in Your Opinion in favor of the Claim of the Dooley Bearers Serving with the Force lately assembled in the Ceded Districts to receive Batta for the period during which they were held in readiness for Field Service. The Letter, of which I enclose a Copy, has accordingly been dispatched to the Commissary General.—

To the Military Aud.r General

Concurs in his opinion in favor of the Claim of the Dooley bearers with the Field Force in the Ceded Districts to batta, and encloses Copy of a letter accordingly sent to the Commissary General. It is resolved to establish the former regulation respecting payment of batta to Corps when assembled for Field Service from the several stations by him to have been incurred on Account of the Force in Berar; observes the latitude

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latitude allowed by previous regulations to Commanding Officers for entertaining Public Officers to be objectionable, and that express authority should in all practicable cases be previously obtained, and when emergently incurred to be invariably submitted for sanction. Desires he will submit the draught of G.O. conformably with these Instructions.

2. Adverting however to the great expense stated in your Report of the 26th Ultimo to have been incurred on account of Field allowances drawn for the Force in question while Stationary at Belhary, the Governor in Council has resolved to re-establish the former Regulation respecting the payment of Batta to Corps assembled under such circumstances, and that when extraordinary expense shall have been occasioned to Troops held in readiness for Field or Foreign Service, the case shall be submitted for special consideration of the Government, according to former usage through the channel of the Commander in Chief.

3. I am further directed to observe that the latitude allowed by

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by the existing Code of Regulations to Commanding Officers for entertaining Public Followers is considered to be liable to objection. Express authority for such charges should be previously obtained from the Governor in Council in all practicable cases, and when in cases of emergency it may have been necessary to incur them without that authority, they should invariably be submitted for his Sanction with the least possible delay.

4. The Governor in Council desires that you will submit the Draught of a General Order conformable with these instructions.

I have the honor to be

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29th September 1812.

V.C. V.C.

(Signed) Geo. Strachey
Sec. to Govt.

To

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To the Commissary General

No 176.

Sir

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 12th Instant, and to acquaint you that having adverted to the principles on which the Corps of Dooley Bearers was originally formed, He is of Opinion that when held in readiness for Field Service they are equally entitled with other Corps under the same circumstances to receive the allowance of Batta established by the New Code of Pay Regulations.—

I am accordingly directed to desire that instructions to that effect may be immediately given to the Sub assistant Commissary General with the Field Force recently assembled in the Ceded Districts.—

I am

To the Commissary Genl— Considers the Corps of Dooley bearers entitled to batta equally with other Corps when held in readiness for Field Service— Directions in consequence.

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I am

Fort St George

29th September 1812.

(Signed) G. Strachey

Sec.y to Govern.t

Read the following Letter

from the Commanding Officer in Travancore.

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To the Secretary to Government

in the Military Department

Fort St George

Sir

From the officer Commanding in Travancore Transmitting the substance of evidence against two Subidars of the 9th Regiment N.I.

In my Communication of the 27th Ultimo, I had the honor to apprize you of my having placed 2 Subidars of the 2nd Battalion 9th Regiment in Arrest, and transmitted therewith the heads of information against them. I hinted also my expectation that after the departure of the Corps from this place, the other evidences would readily come forward to substantiate what was then alledged

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I have now the pleasure to forward the subsistance of what has since been deposed there are three or four other Evidences to the same effect.

In consequence of the Evidence now adduced, I have thought it my duty to forward Charges against the two Subidars to Head Quarters of the Army for the decision of His Excellency the Commander in Chief.

Head Quarters in Travancore Quilon 13th Sept. 1812.

I have the honor to be, &c. &c.
(Signed) H. Hall Lt. Col.
Comm. in Travancore

Quilon 13th September 1812.

Ram Sing Private of the Grenadier Company 2d Battalion 9th Regiment Native Infantry makes a declaration Corresponding to the State-ment made by Subidar Vencatachellum 2d

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2nd Battalion 11th Regiment on the 24th August and adds that he knows well that Subidar, Shaik, Selar or Selar Sahib of the 2d Battalion 9th Regiment was constantly in the habit of visiting the Main Guard, before he went to Trevanderam not only when on duty at the place where the Rajah was before Confined, but almost every day besides, and this Shunkarra Menavar a Servant of the Rajahs well knows, altho he is not acquainted with what passed between him, nor is the deponent he likewise Mentions that in the conversation which took place between him and the Subidar at Trevandrum, he made use of most infamously abusive language and said the Feeringees had before tried

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tried at Hydrabad to make them
Christians by making them put on
the Topes, but they had failed there,
in beginning from the head, and now
they were beginning from the foot in
giving them Shoes and Trowsers.—

Gopunah Naigue 7th Com-
pany 2d Battalion 9th Regiment States
that on the 27th August at Night
10 O'Clock he went to Subidar
Sclars, to make his Mothers Salam
to some of that Subidars family, who
were very intimate friends of hers—
The Subidar sent for him and told
him to go to Semidar Baupaniah
and tell him that the information
he had received from Baupoo—
Naigue, he had acquainted him with
at Trovandrum, and the Semadar
had acquainted Vencataca Vum Subi-

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Subidar of the 2nd Battalion 11th Regiment and agreably to the Jemadars desire (who told him of his having told the Subidar Vencatachellum) upon his the Subidar Vencatachellum asking him Shair Sillar about it, he said he knew noth about it, the Fagueer is dead and there is no Witness; The Subidar continued, now what Baupaniah may have since told Venca tachellum, I do not know, I am en Arrest, you must tell the Jemidar, I consider him as my particular friend if he acquaints me with what he ha related, I shall say the same, and by that means escape, and desire him t speak in my behalf, to Subidar Vencatachellum. The Deponent wen accordingly to Baupaniahs House; who was not at home; he acquainte the Subidar of it, who desired him to

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to bring a boy of the Jemidars which he did, and the Subidar spoke to the boy in the same way he had to the Deponent, and desired him to speak to the Jemidar, about 11 O'Clock — the Jemidar sent for the deponent, and interrogated him, when he told him what the Subidar had said — The Jemidar replied, he eat the Companys Bread and should be guilty of no fault to them, and therefore he might go and tell the Subidar he should mention what he knew, and the Subidar might do the same. —

Duilon 15th September 1812.

Bungaroo Sepoy of the 7th Company 2d Battalion 9th Regiment States, —

That he belongs to the Residency

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Residents Escort on May last and
on the Night of the 27th of that
Month was laying Sick in one of
the Tents when about 7 O Clock the
Dirogah Abdul Cander came in
to examine a Faqueer who had been
brought in a Prisoner, Subidar
Shaik Burral of the deponents Compa-
-ny was setting in the Tent, upon
the Dirogahs desiring the Faqueer
to State what he knew the Faqueer
desired the Subidar might go out
of the Tent, the Dirogah conse-
-quently desired the Subidar to go
out, but he refused, saying he had
Colonel Munros orders to remain
there the Dirogah at length find-
-ing the Subidar would not go, said
you will not go, and the Faqueer
will not say any thing, I must go
myself

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myself and consequently got up, and
went out, and the Subidar follow-
ed him, the Derogah returned into
the Tent and then asked the Faqueer
why he would not Speak before
the Subidar, the Faqueer replied
because he is concerned in the Conspi-
racy to destroy the Officers, how-
ever could I speak before him, the Dero-
gah took this down, and going out
side when the Subidar was
walking up and down, went up
to him, and said, so Subidar
they say you was concerned in
this Conspiracy to destroy the
Officers, is this your employment
the Subidar asked who said so

the

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the Derogah replied the Fagueer,
upon this the Subidar caught
the Derogah by the foot and
said he was a family man and
begged him to spare him the
Derogah took him by the hand
and lifted him up and they
walked away together

Abdul Rahim Cote
Havildar 7th Company 2d Battalion
9th Regiment Native Infantry

Exactly corroborates
the evidence of Bungaroo the above
Deponent

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Deponent, and adds that an hour
after he had walked with the
Dirogah the Sybidar returned wh
the Havildar was and said what
have I done, that they have brought
my Name into this business. Sied
Madun Private 7th Company 2d Batt
lion 9th Regiment Native Infantry.
exactly corroborates the Evidence
of Bungawroo.

(A true Copies)

(Signed) H. Hall Lieut.t

Comm.g 1st Europeans

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Order thereon

Orders to be in the Table, the

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of the Supreme Government

" G H Barton

" L Thomas

" Oakes

" J. W. Kearney

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