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Diary and Proceedings of the Select
Committee of Fort Saint George
Commencing 3^d January 1779

Fort S^t George 3^d January 1779

This Day the following Letters
were dispatched

3rd

To Edward Cotsford Esqr

Chief &c. Council at

Nasulipatam

Gentlemen

To the Nasulipatam
to deliver up all
private property
upon proper Proof.

We have received Applications
from some of the late Inhabitants of Yanam
requesting the Restoration of such private
Property as was found in the place at the time
We took Possession of it. As We did not mean to
disturb Individuals in regard to their Property
We desire you will give Directions for returning
what may be now at Yanam to the proper Claimants
taking care however that every thing belonging
to the King of France or the French Company be
reserved for our further Disposal

We are

Fort S^t George
3^d Jan^y 1779

Gentlemen

Your most Obedient Servant
Thomas Burnet

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To Mr Alexander Davidson
Chief of Council of
Vizagapatam
Gentlemen

Letter to
Vizagapatam,

We have received your letter of
the 18th October and 11th November.

Captain Lanes Battalion being
ordered back to your District, We hope you will
on its Arrival have Troops sufficient to answer
every purpose.

We cannot comply with your
Solicitations in Behalf of Ensign Molloy as the
Promotion you request for him is without Precedent,
and the Appointment to the Command of Vizagapa-
tam cannot be conferred on so young an Officer.

We would have Captain Bruli
directed to proceed to the Presidency.

The Appointment of a Sergeant
Major to the Garrison of Vizagapatam, if such be
necessary, comes within the Province of the Commanding
Officer of the Troops and the Chief and Council
are not to interfere in any detail of this Nature.

We are

Fort St George
3rd June 1779

Gentlemen,

Your most obedient Servants
Thomas Rumbold
of Council

At

3. Fort St. George 4th Jan'y 1779

At a Select Committee Present

Monday
the 4th

The Honble Thomas Rumbold Esq. President
John Whitehill General Munro
Charles Smith

Mr Lye wrote indisposed

Minutes of last Committee read

Read Letter from Captain

Duncan, requesting leave to resign the command
of Chingleput

Capt. Duncan's
request agreed to
& Lieut. George Mackay
appointed to the command
of Chingleput.

Captain Duncan's Request
complied with and Lieutenant George Mackay
appointed to the command of Chingleput.

Read the following Letter
from Mr. Bellacombe

Translation

To the Honble Thomas Rumbold

Governor, and to the Gentlemen of

the Select Committee at

Fort St. George

Gentlemen.

I cannot forbear laying

From Mr. Bellacombe
desiring the passages
of sundry prisoners
may be paid for

before you the accompanying Memorial, with
a list of sundry Individuals who are in the
situation which has given rise to the Memorial.

The Payment of Passage

Money

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Money for some Frenchmen on the Brisson, who were taken on the Sea by the Vessels of your Nation, to which Persons you have given Permission to return to French Settlements is the Matter in question. Without entering into any discussion on the Legality of the Hostilities, to which they have fallen Victims it is certain, Gentlemen, that the Government of Madras ought to provide for their Passage, as well as their Subsistence. It was the constant custom in the Colonies during the last War. The speedy Departure of these Frenchmen cannot be a cause for expensing with it. It would be obliging these unfortunate Men to purchase a favor, which it is your interest to grant because it abridges the Duration of the double Charge, which their Residence in India would occasion.

I earnestly desire Gentlemen that you will consent to the payment of the Passage Money, and that you will issue your orders in consequence. In performing a Matter of right you will have the Satisfaction to alleviate the distress of many gallant Men, by the Opportunity which now offers of relieving them, ~~specifically~~ ^{their families}. I have the honor to be, Gentlemen,

Your most humble & most obedient servant
Signed Bellefornbe

Pondicherry
29th Dec^r 1778

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(Translation)

To M^r Bellefombe

Marchall in the Armies of His Most
Christian Majesty, and Commandant
General over all the French Settlements
in India.

The undersigned have recourse
to your Protection to obtain some alleviation
in the distress to which they are reduced by the
Hostilities, which the English have committed
against the French in India, without any previous
declaration of War on the part of the respective
Sovereigns.

They have the honor to repre-
sent to you that they were taken by the
English upon the Ships Le Jartier and
L'Amable Nanthe, and that they have been
stripped of almost every thing which they
possessed.

The Allowance for Subsistence
which has been given to them by the Govern-
ment of Madras, not being adequate to their
Wants, and being called to their usual places
of Residence by indispensable necessity, they have
solicited and obtained with their personal
Liberty, permission to embark on the Ship
Prison, whence upon the eve of her departure
for

which

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for the Mauritius

They flattered themselves that the Government of Madras, which at all events is bound to transport them to France, and to provide for their subsistence in the interim would not make any difficulty in paying the Passage Money, but they learn with equal mortification and surprise that the Council has refused to comply with the Request made on that Head. This Refusal Sir has plunged them into the greatest distress, they have however got your powerful assistance to extricate themselves. They invoke it with the most firm confidence, as they are convinced that your dignified Character is as much established by your benevolent qualities, as by your Talents and Military Reputation.

Couronat
P. Pellicot
Blouet
Blanchard
Lartigue
Noysac

(Signed)

Pondichery
24th Dec. 1779

X

Etat des sommes à payer pour les Français
li après nommés aux quels la liberté a été
accordée

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avec Permission de s'embarquer sur le
par le Brisson.

Officiers & Mariniers

M. Coronat, Capitaine de la hune ou faction	70
Un Domestique blanc	24 9 1/4
M. Lathiguen Lieutenant ou faction	70
Les Le Menn, Pilote, ou faction	30
Les Guillard, Vilein, ou faction	30
M. Garry, Lieutenant de l'Année Namette	70
M. Bidel Insurgent	70
M. Boudet Id. Id.	70
M. Joly Chirurgien	70
Les Boivin M. Canonier	30

Passagers

M. Demonea	70
Lespits	35
Un cochon	12 147
M. D. Malanconi	70
M. Clouet	70
M. Blanchard	70
M. Boarna Ben	70
M. La Ville Follet	70
Total	1008 Pags

On s'est embarqué sur le Brisson le 4th Juin 1779
à 10 heures du matin
par le Brisson

The Persons alluded to in

M. Billembis Letter were Prisoners of War
to whom Permission was given to embark
on

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on the Brisson at their own August on condition
that they procured to France from the Islands
Brisson thus set at Liberty without any
regular Exchange it seems unreasonable to
demand from this Government the Payment
of their Passage Money, and indeed when it is
considered that the Company were unable to obtain
Disbursement for any of the Sums they expended
on French Prisoners during the course of last War,
The Committee are of opinion that it is their
duty to be extremely cautious how they involve the
Company at this time in Expenses of this like nature
and particularly where there is no absolute
Necessity for it which appears to be the Case
with respect to the Persons in whose Behalf
Mr. Bellecombe has now adopted them. Resolved
that a Letter to the above Effect be written
to Mr. Bellecombe in answer to the one received
from him.

Chevreau.

Read the following Letter
from Mr. Chevreau.

Translation

To the Honble Mr. Humbold
Governor & President of the Council of Madras,
and to the Gentlemen of the Committee
at Fort St. George
Gentlemen

From Mr. Chevreau,
requesting his aid
for transporting
his baggage to
Madras maybe

I have the Honor to transmit

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you the accompanying Account of the Expence
incurred in transporting my Effects from
Pondicherry to Madras, - It amounts to Rupees
1187½ of which the Advance has been made
by Anna and Sambre Writus of the Arm-
batti - I beg the favor of you, in conformity
to the 8th Article of the Capitulation, to give
Orders that they shall be reimbursed here.

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen

your most humble and
most obedient servant
Chevreau

Vepery near Madras,
2^d June 1779

+ Etat des Frais et depenses pour le Transport de
Pondicherry à Madras, des Effets appartenant
à M. Chevreau Commissaire Général de la
Marine, Ordonnateur pour le Roi, et
Commissaire pour sa Majesté dans L'Inde
Savoye,

300 bœufs à 2. ¼ le bas compris -	675
12 Charettes à quatre bœufs chaque -	
à 25 de loyer -	300
50 Boeufs à 2. ¼ le bas compris -	112-½
	1087-½
Frais pendant la route -	100--
Total	1187-½

Certificat visible, à Vepery près Madras
le 2^d Janvier 1779. Chevreau

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Translation

To the Honorable Mr. Bumbold

From Mr. Cheveneau
desiring to have
a Sentinel placed
at his house

Governor and President of the Council
of Madras, and to the Gentlemen ^{of the} Council
of Fort St. George
Gentlemen,

In all the Ports ^{of France}, and in all
French Settlements, where there is a Com-
missary, or Intendant on the part of His
Majesty, it is usual to place a Sentinel
at the Door of the House - I enjoyed this
Mark of distinction during my stay at
Ponicherry, and even until the hour of my
Departure for this place. I ask of you Gen-
tlemen the continuation of this honor, being
persuaded that the Order of things commis-
sary with which I am invested would alone
be sufficient to determine you to issue
Orders for that purpose.

I have the Honor to be,
Gentlemen,

Your most obedient and
most humble servant
Cheveneau

Vepary
2^d June 1779

Agreed to allow
him 600 rupees

The Committee are of opinion
that the charge made by Cheveneau for
transporting

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transporting his Baggage is unreasonable
Agreed to acquaint him that the sum of
600 Acres appears to them as much as can
with Propriety be allowed and that they
are ready to pay him that sum accordingly

With respect to his

His request for
the Contingent not
granted

Application to be allowed a Gentlemen at
his Door, the Committee are of Opinion
that it is improper and cannot be complied
with.

Read the following Letter
from Lieutenant Colonel Baillie.

To the Honble Thomas Bumbold Esqr
President and Governor and to rest of the
Gentlemen of the Secret Committee
of Port St George
Honble Sir & Sirs,

From Lieut Col
Baillie the
substance of the
Civil servants
will be paid off
immediately

General Pitt Rivers and
Mr. Charnock have granted the Promise
under their hands required in your
Commands of the 22nd instant which I have
been favoured with. The subsistence due
to the servants of the Civil Administration
at Pondicherry, with the Charities and
Pensions shall be paid off immediately
to the end of November agreeable to the

Yours

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Senior of your orders and certificates of the
sums due to each Person which M^{rs}.
Baillie used to have are requested they
might be permitted to give to prevent
present or future Mistakes. I remark
on the Account enclosed several Additions
upon that transmitted to me by the
Honble Committee, but to which I shall
pay no regard without particular Instruc-
tions.

Gun powder may be made
here for about forty three Tons a week
and thirty casks in a Month.

I have the Honor to be
with the greatest Respect.

Honble Sirs,

Your most obedient and
very humble Servant
W^m Baillie

Pondichery
27th Dec. 1778

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1778

Liste des Personnes auxquelles le Ministre de
la Marine et celui des Finances ont accordé des
Pensions et Subsistances annuelles payables à la
fin de chaque Mois.

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Savoir

Par le Ministre de la Marine

	<i>Lins Foucault</i>	<i>Acquis. F. C.</i>
Maistr. Bourc. 1 ^{re} d'un Ingenieur en Chef	22.6.8	34.5.28
Clust 1 ^{re} d'un Chirurgien Major	50. —	20.6.42
Willciment d'un Capt. ch. de St. Louis	66.13.4	27.6.14
Labi 1 ^{re} d'un Capt. de Broulot	66.13.4	27.6.14
Laroyen d'un ch. de St. Louis absent	62.13.4	17.6.14
M. Caban ancien chirurgien aide Major	33.6.8	13.7.7
6 Pensions	—	342.13.4.142.7.11.

Petits du Regiment de Pondichery
Fourniers

Bisot ancien Fournier	27.15.	11.4.32
Mollit	27.15	11.4.32
Jacquot	25.10	10.5
Leprena	25.10	10.5
Cauzin	25.10	10.5
5 —		

Sergens

Jardinot	25.10	10.5
Gallons	25.10	10.5
Padin	25.10	10.5
Raps	25.10	10.5
La Barroche	25.10	10.5
La Subtititi	25.10	10.5
Migout	17.5	7.1.32

7 —		
12 —	302.5	125.6.32

L'autre

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12 L'entre part Lignes d'armes de pied 4.6
302.5 - 125.6.32

Capevans

P. Mendo capit ^e des Grenadiers	19.10	8.1	-
Le fond	17.5	7.1.32	
P. Seneur	17.5	7.1.32	
Emury	17.5	7.1.32	
Le fond	17.5	7.1.32	
Le bouffe	17.5	7.1.32	
Beau villain	15.	6.2	-
Le fond	12.15	5.2.32	
8-	7.10	3.1	-

Apprentis

Seneur	15	6.2	-
Seneur	15	6.2	-
Jou raire	12.15	5.2.32	
Seneur	12.15	5.2.32	
Le Pont	6.7.6	2.5.12	
P. Sen	6.7.6	2.5.12	

Fusiliers

Du bois	12.15	5.2.32	
Goulet	12.15	5.2.32	
Lepp	12.15	5.2.32	
Lepp	12.15	5.2.32	
Montauban	12.15	5.2.32	
La Trappe	12.15	5.2.32	
Bien d'armes	12.15	5.2.32	
Seneur	12.15	5.2.32	
Seneur	12.15	5.2.32	
Seneur	12.15	5.2.32	
10-	7.10	3.1	-
	6.7.6	2.5.12	

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Veterans d'artillerie

Vallot Sergent	33.6.8	13.7.7
Quinard Appointé	20.7.8	8.3.60
1 Port Jem	20.7.8	8.3.60
<u>3</u> 40 Veterans	<u>696.19.6</u>	<u>290.2.3</u>

Invalides

Pays jusqu'à 18. Octobre inclusivement	3	Dandres Officier	48	20.
		Vitu	33	13.6.
		Menville	28.16.	12.
		La Phocé	28.16.	12.
		Burgen	21.12.	9.
		Gossin	21.12.	9.
		Labrie	21.12.	9.
		Beauvais	21.12.	9.
		Mussy	21.12.	9.
		De Guorre	21.12.	9.
		Soliman	21.12.	9.
10		Muninsec	28.16.	12.
		Silabrio	19.4.	8.
		Hayler	19.4.	8.
		Duras	21.12.	9.
4		Gebus	18.3.4	7.4.36
		Blondel	13.6.	5.4.24
		Garavel	13.6.	5.4.24
		Musunhauer	24.	10.
5		Jean Schults	21.12.	9.
1		Caran Mablott	22.5.	5.
<u>24</u>		<u>Invalides</u>	<u>480.19.4</u>	<u>200.3.14</u>
			Adjudant	

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Heute 18. Juni

James C

Lawrence

Baptiste Leroy

Sam. Jacob

Caffers.

Harriet Sand

Grand Louis

Schwarz

both

Louis

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Liberus

Par le Ministre des Finances - 98.5-407

M. M. Du Laureun annuaire boursier - 100 - 48.5.21

Dr. Columbus L. Dismal

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Nouvres d'Invalides

Payé par le Ministre
de la Marine

La V.^{re} Guillon 13. 6. 5. 4. 25

La V.^{re} Jacques Paguthe 14. 8. 6. . . .

2 Nouvres d'Invalides 27. 14. 11. 4. 21

Topas Invalides et Nouvres

Augustin L'Esperance 9 . . . 3. 6 . . .

Nicolas Abraham 9 . . . 3. 6 . . .

André Joseph 9 . . . 3. 6 . . .

Maurice de Brax 9 . . . 3. 6 . . .

Thomas de Monte 9 . . . 3. 6 . . .

Jean Abraham 9 . . . 3. 6 . . .

Viola Manar 7. 4 . . . 3. . . .

Antonia L'Esperance Invalide 6. 6 . . . 2. 5 . . .

Antoin Duin idem 6. 6 . . . 2. 5 . . .

Francoise de Brax idem 6. 6 . . . 2. 5 . . .

10 Topas, Invalides ou Nouvres 80. 2 . . . 33. 3 . . .

Recapitulation

Par le Ministre de la Marine

Leurs Sommes Recus 6. 4
1747. 7. 2. 728. - 7

Par le Ministre des Finances 675. 6. 11. - 281. 3. 10

Total des Pensions et Substances

pour le mois de gen 2422. 14. 1. 1009. 3. 17

Et pour les deux 5^{es} jours de gen 969. 1. 7. 403. 6. 6

3391. 15. 8. 1413. 1. 23

A Pondichery le 7 Decembre 1778

Le Gouvernement de Madras

ayant

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ayant consenti de continuer le payement des
Pensions et Subsistances mentionnés au present
Etat conformément aux certificats qui sont
par nous délivrés aux personnes désignées pour
recevoir, nous nous obligeons ici de faire
rembourser par le Ministre de la Marine
les dépenses ou de rembourser nous mêmes
à la Compagnie des Indes anglaises les avances que
nous avons faites pour cet objet. à Pondichery le 26th
Decembre 1778

Bellicombe Chevreau
J. a

L'on observe que les Décrets et
Ordonnances soit Européens, soit Indiens et Français
portés au present Etat ont été payés jusqu'à
et compris le 31 Decembre 1778 excepté

Officier et les cinq adjudans banonniers
qui n'ont été que jusqu'aux époques
portés en marge de leur noms; conséquemment
on ne doit les payer demeurant que de
quinzaine en quinzaine à compter du 1^{er} Janv
1779, suivant et ainsi qu'il étoit d'usage.

Bellicombe
Chevreau

Pondichery

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Pondichery 1778

Subsistances sur la Caisse des Amendes

Liste des Personnes aux quelles il est payé chaque
mois une Subsistance sur la Caisse des Amendes
à Pondichery

Savoir

	Leurs Jours	Amplifié R. 6
Mesd ^{es} Marchand	72	30
Mauvelli	72	30
Bremer	72	30
Decamp	48	20
Leher	48	20
Bouché	48	20
Barel	48	20
Le Bon	36	15
Guillard	36	15
Personnes 9 Pour le mois de Novembre	480	200
Et pour les 12 derniers jours d ^{ic}	192	80
Total pour 1 mois 12 Jours	672	280

Le Gouvernement de Madras ayant consenti de continuer
le payement des Subsistances sur la Caisse des Amendes
mentionnées cy dessus conformément aux fortifications
qui seront par nous données aux personnes désignées
pour recevoir, nous nous obligeons ici de faire
rembourser par le Ministre de sa Majesté très
chrétienne, ou de rembourser nous-mêmes à la
Compagnie des Indes Anglaise les avances qu'elle
aura fait pour cet objet, à Pondichery le 26 Dec. 1778
Bellicombe Chevreaux

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 Pondichery 1778

Aumones

Liste des veuves et orphelins aux quels il est
 distribué tous les mois des aumones par un
 legs du feu Sieur Bastien en leur faveur.

Savoir

	Anglais	Levis Thomas
La Veuve You	20	48
La Veuve Noblet	15	36
La Veuve Lenoir	15	36
La Veuve Chausson	9	21.12
Les deux orphelins Charkau	8	19.4
Les deux orphelins Lecomte	6	14.8
L'orphelinisme Mures	6	14.8
La Veuve Norm	6	14.8
La Veuve Dumoy	6	14.8
François Chodiquant	5	12
La Veuve Bernard	5	12
La Veuve Le Breton	5	12
La Veuve de la Duroche	5	12
Les deux orphelins Brignon	5	12
La Veuve Boncher	5	12
La Veuve Guichard	4	9.12
La Veuve Bruneau	4	9.12
L'orphelinisme Richardson	4	9.12
La Veuve Goubet	4	9.12
La Veuve Dufon	4	9.12
La Veuve Cambray	4	9.12

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	L'autre part	Requis	Sur le Journal
		145	348.
La Veuve P. Rime	4	9.12.	
La Veuve du Frere	4	9.12.	
La V ^e . Lurocher	4	9.12.	
L'orpheline prussienne	4	9.12.	
L'orpheline françoise Mollat & bonde	4	9.12.	
La V ^e . Druide	4	9.12.	
La V ^e . Chavalier	4	9.12.	
La V ^e . Bellaine	4	9.12.	
La V ^e . Delbret	4	9.12.	
La V ^e . Ren Journay	4	9.12.	
La V ^e . Dalmeire	3	7.4	
L'orpheline Florentine	3	7.4	
La V ^e . Lacroix	3	7.4	
La V ^e . Dawson	3	7.4	
La V ^e . Gaillard	3	7.4	
La V ^e . Melikan	3	7.4	
La V ^e . Delail	3	7.4	
La V ^e . Robuille	3	7.4	
La V ^e . Grosse	3	7.4	
La V ^e . Bist	3	7.4	
L'orpheline Riment	3	7.4	
La V ^e . Dubois	3	7.4	
La V ^e . Lacroix	3	7.4	
La V ^e . Brimone	3	7.4	
La V ^e . Hore	3	7.4	
La V ^e . Lacroix	3	7.4	
La V ^e . Dubois	3	7.4	
La V ^e . Escent	3	7.4	
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La Neuve Provencul	Ansées	Ansées
L'orpheline Lemaux	3	7 1/2
La s ^{re} Bernier	3	7 1/2
La s ^{re} Jacob Pélou	3	7 1/2
La s ^{re} Livet	3	7 1/2
La s ^{re} Desproances	3	7 1/2
La s ^{re} Gosselin	3	7 1/2
La s ^{re} Valaine	3	7 1/2
La s ^{re} Marchand	3	7 1/2
La s ^{re} Clapson	3	7 1/2
La s ^{re} Arson	3	7 1/2
La s ^{re} Le Brun	3	7 1/2
La s ^{re} Jaquais	3	7 1/2
La s ^{re} St Martin	3	7 1/2
L'orpheline Lemaux	3	7 1/2
La s ^{re} P. Françoise	3	7 1/2
La s ^{re} Picard	3	7 1/2
La s ^{re} Laverdure	3	7 1/2
La s ^{re} Marie Dubois	3	7 1/2
La s ^{re} Fontaine	3	7 1/2
La s ^{re} Brechot	3	7 1/2
La s ^{re} Tribou	3	7 1/2
La s ^{re} Hubert Lemaux	3	7 1/2
La s ^{re} Laforge	3	7 1/2
La s ^{re} Castel	3	7 1/2
La s ^{re} Dumoulin	3	7 1/2
La s ^{re} Blanchet	3	7 1/2
La s ^{re} Loubin	3	7 1/2
La s ^{re} Corlier	3	7 1/2

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La Reuve Jason	3	7. 4
La V ^e Durand	3	7. 4
La V ^e St. Meard	3	7. 4
La V ^e Lafolie	3	7. 4
82 Personnes pour le mois d'ag st	R	338 184. 4
Et pour les 12 v ^{rs} pour d'ag st		135. 138 324. 9. 7
A Pondichery 7 th Aug st 1778		473. 138 1135. 13. 7

Le Gouvernement de Madras ayant
consenti de continuer le payement des annuums
à ses Vues et Obligations sur le legs de feu
Sieur Bastien ainsi qu'il est mentionné en
la présente liste, conformément aux certificats
qui seront donnés par nous aux personnes
designées pour recevoir nous nous obligeons
ici de faire rembourser par le Ministre de sa
Majesté très Chrétienne, ou de rembourser
nous mêmes à la Compagnie des Indes anglaises
les avances qu'elle aura fait pour cet
objet

A Pondichery le 26 Decembre 1779
Bellecombe Cheroeau

Pondichery 1778
Pensions, Subsistances et Amores

Recapitulation des sommes mis pour un
mois d'agst pour, à compter du premier Octobre mil
sept cent soixante & huit, jusques et compris

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Le treize Novembre suivant, aux Personnes
renommées dans les trois Etats ci joints, à titre
de Pension, de Subsidaires et d'annonces.
Etat. Pensions et Subsidaires au Roy

par le Ministre de la Marine Louis Thomas Angier Pages
et celui des finances -- 3391-15-8-14-13-123-403-21-42

18^{te} Subsidaires sur la Casse

des Annonces -- 672 -- 280 -- 70 --

18^{te} Annonces, sur un Legs sur le

S^t Bastien -- 1155-13-7-473-438-135-4-

3 Etats. Total Général, pour un Mois

Et pour six mois -- 5199-9-3-2166-2-61-618-25-42

Et par An -- 44566-17-18568-7-2-5305-10-63

Fait et Arrêté, à Pondichery le 7 Décembre 1778

from Mr. La Grive

Read the following Letter

(Translation)

To the Gentlemen of the Superior Council

Gentlemen

from Mr. La Grive
requesting musquets
for his private
property

Immediately after the capture
of this place, I informed Colonel Boullier, that
I had in my lodgings some Fire Arms, mentioned
that I would deposit them in the Arsenal, I
informed to his order, and sent the 33 chests
containing 1877 Fusils, and 1881 Bayonets, as also
some Pistols for which an Acknowledgement
has

ther

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has been refused me.

I have often enquired from Colonel Baillie whether I might at least depend upon a pecuniary consideration for this part of my Effects - This Gentleman has answered that he has written for your Orders on that account but that they have not yet been received. In this Situation, I beg the favor of you, Gentlemen to decide - The 14th Article of the Capitulation prescribes to all Persons who were in the Town on the day of its Surrender, the Possession of all their Effects - This above mentioned Article not allowing us to dispose at our own pleasure of warlike Stores, We considered this as a prudent precaution of General Munro, and not as a design in him to make us lose the essential value of these Articles of Merchandise, the Sale of which is permitted by our Treaty - If Gentlemen such an interpretation were given to the Article in question, I should perhaps be the only individual in the Settlement, who would suffer much, for the Quantity of Arms found in other Houses is not considerable. I flatter myself that I shall not be treated with rigour, and in that Idea, Gentlemen, I request that you will consent to either of the following Demands.

Either the Permission to dispose of these Arms to any Merchant in the Town the Commandant approving of such Sale.

Or

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"On, the Payment of their
Value, at the price fixed by the Reports.

The latter appears to me the
most favorable, as these Arms being made in
England, are of a proper kind for the Service
of your Nation

Pondicherry

11th Nov^r 1778

I am with Respect
Gentlemen,

Your most humble and
most obedient servant

Translated by

John Dufrenoy Esq^r

(Signed) Lagrene

Opinion of the
Committee thereon

Agreed to inform Lieutenant
Colonel Baillie that if the Arms said to belong
to M^r. Lagrene are proved to be his own Property
they may be delivered up, but with the express con-
dition that they be not disposed of to any individual
whatsoever - In regard to the Company's buying
Purchases that will depend on the Reasonableness
of the price he may ask for them.

Read the following Letter

from Lieut ^{Colonel} Baillie
To the Honble Thomas Rumbold Esq^r
President and Governor and the rest of the
Gentlemen of the Select Committee of
Fort St. George
Honble Sir & Sirs

In answer to your letter of

27 Port St George 4th June 1779

From Lieu^t Col
Baillie with
acct^s & expence
of transporting
sundry persons
to the French
islands -

the 24th instant, I send M^r. La Rochette's
Account countersigned by M^r. Bellecombe as a
testimony of its not exceeding the Charges
usually made to the Isle of France, from
hence - The People only included who by right
are to have their Passage paid agreeable
to the Articles of Capitulation. at both their
requests I send a Supplement on which M^r. La
Rochette begs the Honble Committee's
decision.

M^r. Chavreau the Intendant
left Pondichery for the Presidency this morning
I am with most perfect Respect
Honble Sir Yrs

Pondichery
27th Dec^r 1778

Your most Obed^t and
most humble Servant
W^m Baillie

X Etat des sommes a payer pour les Officiers et
autres françois a Embourquer sur ^{la 3^e Reg^{te}} Le Brisson, dont
le passage doit être aux frais du Gouvernement
de Madras, suivant la Capitulation de Pondichery
du 17. 8^{bre} 1778. et conformement a la liste
arrêtée par M^r. de Bellecombe et Chavreau au
13 du present mois.

Savoir

M. Diore Major d'infanterie	Pag ^e 70	
Un semisiquier blanc	24	94

CM

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M. Mader, Capt. d'Infanterie	70	
M ^{re} Mader	70	
Les deux Enfants	70	
un domestique blanc	24	
un Esclave	12	246
La Famille M. de Maisonneuve Lieut ^e d'Infanterie		
M ^{re} de Maisonneuve	70	
Les trois Enfants	35	105
deux Esclaves	12	24
		199
M. de Montalambert, Offi ^r de la Fregate la Pourvoyeur		
un Esclave	70	
	12	82
M. La Ronde Offi ^r de la Fregate la Soudine		
un Esclave	70	
	12	82
M. L'Abbe Bontoux aumonier de la Fregate		
La famille de M ^{re} Duvergé	70	
Sous Commissaire de la Marine		
M ^{re} Duvergé	70	
Mad ^{lle} Duvergé	70	
Quatre Enfants	140	
Trois Esclaves	36	316
La Famille de M ^{re} Brunet, brasseur		
M ^{re} Brunet	70	
deux Enfants	70	
9 Esclaves	108	248

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M. Martin s. Juge^{du} Labandrie 70

Un Esclave - - - - - 12 82

M. Des Gueffier de L'Intendance 70

un domestique Noir - - - - - 12 82

M. Banat, ouvrier du domaine 70

M^{re} Banat - - - - - 70

M^{re} Banat - - - - - 70

Deux enfans - - - - - 70

Trois Esclaves - - - - - 36 316

M. Kussel, ancien Consul 70

M. Duvignie, employé à la liquidation
de la Compagnie des Indes - - 70

Jean Biquinot, M^{re} Jurgier - - 24

Invalides

M. Delaunay, off^r reformé - - 70

Quinze Soldats et Chapelote dénommés

dans la liste signée de M^r

de Bellecombe et de M^r Chevasson

à 15 Pag. pour chacun - - 225

Chirurgiens de L'Hopital

M. Thodes - Chirurgien Major - 70

Lf Allot - aide Chirurgien - 35

Total 2381

à Pondichery le 27 Decembre 1778

La Rochette

Bellefombe

Supplement

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Supplement a l'Etat des Passagers a
Embarquer sur le N^o Le Brisson, dont le
Passage doit être aux frais du Gouvernement
de Madras, suivant la Capitulation de
Pondichery du 17th Aout 1778

Savoir

M. La Bistonne, Lieut^e de frégate et
Officier pratique, débarqué
Malade de la frégate le Pourvoyeuse } pour venir a
Mad^e. La Bistonne } l'Isle de France
Son enfant
quatre esclaves

Lef. Chassein }
Malade de la frégate le Pourvoyeuse } Pour l'Isle de
Lef. Luriei, pilote cotin, débarqué } France
Malade de la frégate le Pourvoyeuse }
Fait et arrêté a Pondichery le 26th 1778
Bellcombe Chuvreau.

Supplement

Etat des sommes a payer pour les françois
et après nommés a embarquer sur le N^o Le
Brisson, dont le Passage doit être aux frais
du Gouvernement de Madras suivant la Capitula-
tion de Pondichery du 17th Aout 1778 et conforme-
ment au Supplement arrêté par M. de Bellcombe
et Chuvreau du 26th du présent mois.
Savoir.

M.

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M. La Bistourie, Lieutenant de frigate Pay.
et officier pratique — 70

M^{re} La Bistourie — — — — — 70

Son Infant — — — — — 35

Et quatre Esclaves a 42 — — — — 48

223

L. J. Charrier, bonnais débarqué
malade de la Pourvoyeuse — 30

L. J. Lainez, Pilote bésin, débarqué
malade de la Pourvoyeuse — 30

Total 283

Pondichery Le 27. Decembre 1778
La Rochette

Bellecombe

Colonel Baillie to be desired to permit
the Persons mentioned in the Paper called the Supplement
to embark on the Brisson, paying their Passage
Money.

Read the following Letter from
Masulipatam.

To the Honble Thomas Rumbold Esq.
President and Governor of the Select Committee of
Fort St. George

Honble Sirs,

We have the honor to transmit you

Translate of a Letter, that has been written us by
The

Thoms. Masulipa
tam w. masipen
Mr. Baillie's name
Commission to

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The French Chief M^r Turenne, in reply to the
Orders you commanded us to signify to him, under
Date the 4th Instant.

We are with great Respect
Honble Sir & Miss,

your most obedient humble servants

Edward Coatsford

James Hodges

John Peter Bailett

Thomas Barnard

Alex. Pringle

Masulipatam
25th Dec^r 1778

To the Chief of Council

Gentlemen, of Masulipatam

I have received the letter you
honoured me with under date 17th Instant, by which
you acquaint me of the resolution of the Select
Committee that I should repair to Madras. I shall
comply as soon as possible but must request of you
to consider, that a Dissenter here of several years
in capacity of Chief for the French Nation has
led me into a train of affairs that I cannot till
now to abandon without a considerable Regret
not only to my own Interests, but to those who
have confided and trusted in me, it is on this
Account, that I flatter myself you will be
pleased to grant me a sufficient time to arrange
my concerns before I quit this Establishment.

Yours

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This furnishes me Gentlemen
with an opportunity to represent to you my
present situation, which appears to me to
merit some consideration from your Government

In my Station of Chief for the
French Nation residing in one of your Factories
I had reason to expect in case of a rupture between
the two Crowns, that a sufficient time would be
granted me to withdraw me to our principal
Establishment, I should then undoubtedly have
enjoyed all the Indulgences obtained by M^r
Bellicombe by the Articles of Capitulation,
not only as an Individual but as one employed
in the Service of his Majesty.

Station

Reasons which I do not wish
to enlarge on have prevented you, Gentlemen,
fulfilling towards me the usual proceedings
between Nations, but will it not be promised
me at least, to claim from your Government
all the Privileges which ought to extend
towards me by the Capitulation of Pondicherry,
that is to say.

First. A Subsistence agreeable to my
rank from the time of my detention.

Secondly My removal from the Factory
at the Charge of your Government

Thirdly Suitable Apartments at Madras
in case I should be detained there.

Fourthly. The Privileges stipulated and
granted

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granted in the 7th Article of which the following
is an Extract.

"There shall also be provided
with suitable attention, at the Charge of
His Britannick Majesty's Passages to France
or to the Mauritius for the Officers of the
Superior Council, for their families and all other
civil officers who are entitled to a distinction,
they shall enjoy for themselves and their suite
all the Privileges stipulated in this Article."

I doubt not Gentlemen but
by the Gentlemen of the Committee I therefore
beg of you to be pleased to communicate this letter
to them as soon as possible, wishing to take
advantage of the approaching opportunities
to return to France.

I also take this opportunity
to acquaint you that the house which I occupy
in the Fort of Manipatam belongs to M^r
Boncher Inhabitant of Pondichy to whom the
King paid 30 Rupees p^r Month to accommodate
the Chief of the French Nation. the Government
having acquiesced in M^r Bellcomb's Demand
for the preservation of private Property, the
Sieur Boncher, has reason without doubt to
flatter himself still to remain in Possession
of his house, and as the Company may find

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fine occasion for it for some one or other of
their servants. I do not doubt but the Sieur
Boucher will consent to let it on the above
conditions. That which I have built on the
ground belonging to his Majesty, which
which goes by the name of French Pit
belongs to me, this is a truth everyone is
acquainted with and which I can attest if
necessary. On this Account I flatter myself
that the Government will permit it to
remain even, if express Orders come from
Europe to destroy all the buildings belon-
ging to his Majesty in India.

I have the honor to be with
a perfect Consideration

Nasulipatam
24th Decr 1778

Gentlemen,
your very humble and
very Obedient Servant
(Signed) Edw^d Perichon

Opinion of
the Committee
thereon

Mr Perichon may remain some
time longer at Nasulipatam provided he
remain himself properly but the Committee
cannot consent to include him in the Terms
of the Capitulation for Pondichery with
respect to private Property belonging to him
or others at Nasulipatam, it will all be
secured to them in consequence of orders already
dispatched.

Read

secured

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Read the following Letter
from Gaspar.

To the Honble Thomas Pumbold Esq^r
President and Governor & Members of
the Select Committee

Honble Sir & Sirs

From Panjani
with acct of
the troubles at
Gumsoo
recommending
Batta to the
Depoy

Since our letters under date
24th Ulmo We have received several Letters
from the Commanding Officer on the Subject
of Disturbances in the Goomsur Country and
the unhealthy State of the Troops - he has
informed us of his having retaken Sissnoochuck
without loss, that his Force was too small
to leave a sufficient guard for its security, but that
as the Roads to it were laid open, and of easy access,
it might be taken in possession of at Pleasure, that
some days afterwards having received a particular
Account of the Situation of the Angas Troops at bolara
he attempted to surprise them, which would probably
have succeeded to his wish had not a very extraordinary
Accident happened to prevent it, the Shicarrak
who was in front had just passed the Goomak when
he was seized by a Spyer, some of the Party fired to
make him quit his Hold, and thus all hopes of a
Surprise were at an end, the Detachment however
pushed on to bolara and killed many of the Troops.
The Fort is entirely destroyed and our Troops have
taken

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taken Post at a large Pagoda on the River side, from whence the Raja escaped with the greatest Precipitation on receiving the Alarm of our Troops being in the Neighbourhood, and had it not been for the unfortunate Accident before related, an effectual Stop might at once have been put to the Disturbances, by possessing ourselves of his Person.

We beg leave to enclose you Copies of a Letter from Captain Bruce wherein he has set forth the Inconveniences the Sapoys labour under by being station'd in that Country, requesting that Batta may be allowed to them from the beginning of the Disturbances. We are sensible of the many Hardships they experience as well from scarcity of Provisions as from the extreme unhealthiness of the Climate, and therefore beg leave to recommend that Batta be allowed from that Period, at which it may appear the Price of Provisions was increased owing to the troubled state of the Territories.

The Chief and Council of Vizagapatam have inform'd us in answer to our letter of the 25th Ult^o, that the 4 Companies of Captain Chesshyres Battalion cannot at present be spared from that District.

We have been favoured with your letter of the 2^d Instant enclosing one from the Honble President to Visayam Bunge which we have
discuss'd

Chesshyres

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I have directed the Manager to deliver to him as soon as possible agreeably to your Orders.

We have the Honor to be with the greatest Respect

Honble Sirs & Miss

Your most Obedient

humble Servants

W^m Williams

R^t Maunsell

J Dakers

Made 26th Dec^r 1778.

Sirs & Miss

Gandyam
23^d Dec^r 1778

In my last I had the honor to acquaint you with my having driven the Rajah's People from Belorah and as Mr. Armstrong who commanded the Party was taken with the Fever preceding to that place, and under the necessity of procuring a company and a half of Europeans in the Payson, as the Fort has been destroyed by the Rajah's men. Finding myself much indisposed, from the unhealthiness of the climate at this season of the year. I took the opportunity of coming to this place with a escort of a company, that was necessary to send for Provisions, for so affectually has the Rajah destroyed the Country by burning every Village in it that there is not a single Person of the late Inhabitants now living there and of course not the

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most trifling article to be had never than Aska,
except the little Paddy that now remains on
the Ground - the Company returned yesterday
with Provisions to serve both Colaruk and
Goomsur very sufficiently for a Month. The
Rajah I am informed retired into the Maratta
Country, on occupying the Pagoda at Colaruk
leaving some of the Pems at Coorabak and
about three or four hundred, scattered in the jungle
in the Neighbourhood of Nimisa. Mr Armstrong's
sudden indisposition prevented his proceeding higher
up the Country, tho' it would be of no great consequence
as there is nothing to be protected, as the Grain has
been carried off long before, the Enemy in all Probabili-
ty would fly before him, but as he could not establish
a Post at Coorabak from the difficulty of
supplying them with Provisions, and from the
few People for duty in that Country. as four
Companies of effective Men are as much as are
to be had at any time, the rest are in a
wretched condition, from their being in this
Country so long, and most of them Masulipatam
People; I took the Liberty to recommend in my
last, their being relieved by Captain Chesbrough's
four Companies, as I hear he is on the road from
Cicacoh, I would wish, for you would be so indulgent
as to allow them Butta and the Commencement
of the troubles, as they labour under many little
Inconveniences, there is no Village at Goomsur
to

Nimisa.
Sudden.

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to supply them with any thing they might want,
all their Provisions must be sent them from
Aska - considerably dearer than at other Places, the
place built for them as Barracks is unworthy
of that name, as it is but a Shed, without Walls
which neither keeps out the Rain, or cold wind,
and what is more distressing to them is, that none
of them have got their Families with them,
which increases their Expenses considerably -
these are my Motives for recommending them
to you, which I doubt not but you'll indulgently
consider - as Mr. Smith is but a very young Man,
I did intend to send Mr. Bruce to command at Gornum,
but he is not well, tho' I have not the least fault
to find with the former; he has been very active
and attentive to his Duty, should Captain
Chapman not be expected soon I could wish Mr.
Bruce might be sent for that Purpose

I am

Y^rg^s Serv^t

your most Obedient Servant

Thos. Bruce

Alms^{ly}
Hobbes^{ly}

Granted

The Committee are concerned
to observe that the Disturbances in the Gornum
District are not yet quelled - The proposed
Allowance of 2000 to the Agents mentioned
in that Country seems reasonable, and the
Committee

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Committee consent to its being paid from
the Period at which the Price of Provisions
was increased.

Read the following Letter
from Colonel Borthwick to General Munro.

Sir,

From Col^d Borthwick
concerning the
pay of his detach-
ment —

I find by the Conversation of
several of the Officers, that an Idea prevails
among the Troops who are to go to Maki that
they are to have double Batta, as employed
on another Coast, they allege that it has
been always customary, that the detachments
which heretofore have been sent either to
Bengal or the Malabar Coast have ever been
allowed it, having ^{but} just this moment heard
that this Idea in general prevails, and being
ignorant of the intentions of Government in
regard to this matter, I think my duty to
inform you of it, lest any inconvenience
should hereafter arise for want of having had
this matter explained — whether the President
and select Committee, will or will not allow
it, in my humble opinion should be made
known to the Troops before they go otherwise
they may perhaps, from custom, claim that
of me which it will not be in my power to
grant, which maybe attended with the most
serious consequences. As the Expedition will
I

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I hope, and flatter myself, be a short one I could wish that an old Custom were not upon this Occasion broke through, more particularly as I vividly believe our real Strength in Seyoys well much depend upon it. as also upon some order being given to the out paymasters to make an Allowance to the Families of Seyoys left behind, which may be stopped out of their pay by the Guild paymasters. If some such order is not given out, as also a previous warning to the Seyoys not to take their families, they will as usual take them and if at the place of embarkation there should be no Convenience to embark them I am convinced their Disappointment will be so great, that we shall lose them in great Numbers. I know not the means of getting from Nagpore to Bellichy. But if they admit any way of the Seyoys taking their Families, it would prove the surest means of keeping them to their colours.

I remain,

Sir,

with great Respect,

Your very obedient Servant,

John Brathwaite

The Committee are of opinion
that

Madras
29th Decr 1779

Doubtless
not allowed

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that doubtless Butta cannot on any Account be
allowed to either the Officers or Men going on the
Expedition to Nohi because such an extraordinary
Allowance has not been customary on like occasions,
and because in the present Case every Measure will
be taken to supply Provisions on the most reason-
able Terms to the Troops in general - Agreed
to inform Colonel Brathwaite of our Resolution
founded on the above Reasons that He may be
prepared to discourage any unreasonable Expecta-
tions that may have been formed upon this Head.

Read the following Letter from
Ensign Andrews.

The Honble Thomas Rumbold Esqr
Governor and President of Fort St. George
Gen^l of Council.
Honible Sir & M^{rs}

From Ensign
Andrews desiring
leave to resign
his Commission

Understanding by letters received
from my Friends in England that the Honble
Court of Directors have been pleased to appoint
me on the civil Establishment of this Presidency
and being desirous of accepting the said
Appointment I beg leave to resign the
Commission which the Honble Board
were kindly pleased to grant to me as

an

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an Ensign, and have the Honor to be

Fort St. George
4th Jan^y 1779

Honble Sir & Mrs,
your most obedient and
most humble servant
P. Andrews

Permitted to
resign -

Resolved that Ensign Andrews
be permitted to resign his Commission.

Read the following Letter from
the Committee of Works with their Minutes
To the Honble Thomas Rumbold Esq^r
President of the Select Committee of
Fort St. George
Honble Sir & Mrs,

Letter from the
Committee of Works

We have the honor to lay before
you an Extract of our Minutes of the 10th Instant,
on the Subject of which we request that you
will be pleased to favour us with your orders.

We are with respect

Fort St. George
14th Dec^r 1778

Honble Sir & Mrs,
your most obedient and
most humble servants
P. Perring
Edw. Saunders
C. B. Dent
G. Maule
Esq^r

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Extract of the Minutes of the Orders of the Committee
Committee Works 10th Dec^r 1778 1st Ordered that the
Paints. Captain Maule Gates mentioned by the Engineer
begs leave to represent to the In put up, and the Bridges
Committee the Necessity of Communication proposed.
thinks there is for the put. Also that two Boats be
ting up as soon as possible made for the Service
the Insum Gates of the of the Ditch.

Wallanjan and St Georges.
the NW & SW Ravelin Gate-
ways, as the Draw Bridges to
them are not yet begun, and
will take a much longer time
than the Gates in preparing.

The Bridges of Communication
between the outworks are
essential to the Defence of
the Place, & should be imme-
diately proposed for laying.

The Planking only is required,
the joists having been ready,
and for some time disposed in
the respective Works - Two
Boats at least should be
made directly for the Ditch.
Their Necessity is evident
for the use of the Mines

2^d Captain Maule 2^d Ordered that the
being Paymaster

Innet.

begun.

outworks.

joists

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being informed that a Paymaster at Pondichy
Quantity of Shells and be directed to enquire con-
chiumam is lying in coming the Shells of chiumam
Pondichy and its environs, said to be lying at
begs leave to recommend Pondichy, and let us know
to the Committee that on what Terms they may
order to be procured from the Lieut.
Select Committee to the
Commander at Pondichy
to take such means as
may best secure it for
the use of the Fortifications
here, until it can be brought
further by sea, and in case any
Claim should be laid to it
as private Property
that it be purchased,
provided it can be
reasonably obtained.

Attest
J. Balfour
Clerk to the Comm^{rs} of Works

Minutes of the
Committee of
Stores

And the following Minutes
of the Committee of Stores.

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Fort St George 18 Dec^r 1778

At a Committee of Shores

Present

Major General Hector Munro

Colonel Thomas James

Major George Maule Orders of the Committee

Bryan Scotney Esq^r

Read

1st General Munro Read 1st Approved

lays before the Committee
an application from
Captain Campbell at Bellora
for accoutrements of arms
The Clerk is desired to
write to the Inspector of
Shores at Bellora, that he
may examine and condemn
them if they are unserviceable
and the Storekeeper there is
in such case desired to re-
place them by the set in
store for that purpose.
Should the arms of Captain
Campbell's Battalion want
repair, the Storekeeper is
desired to furnish him with
such as are necessary for the
service of his Men while
his own are repairing, and
that when these are repaired,

He

Scotney

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he again take them, and
return them back to the
Shore - Captain Campbell
to be informed by the Clerk
of the Committee

2^d An Indent of Stores

for the Garrison of Bangalore
having been laid before the
Select Committee they deter-
mine it shall be complied
with, the Military Stores-
per is therefore when he
receives such from the
Secretary to comply with
it directly.

3. The General informs
the Committee that the Select
Committee have directed their
Secretary to enquire from the
several out garrisons, a return
of Sinks in Store which they
must receive before they can
come to any determination
on this Article.

4. The Select Committee
have determined that the
Number of Mortar Bats war-
ted before the late Siege of
Dondachery

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Pondicherry be completed, the
Military Storekeeper is
therefore desired to furnish
them with all Expedition.

5. The Commissary
having made a Return of the
English Stores at Pondicherry
and enabled us to complete
the Indent for the Expedition,
it is ordered that Mr. Bridford
be desired to complete that
Indent immediately, spec-
ifying from what provisions
the quantity deficient are to
be supplied.

6. The Military Store-
keeper lays before the Com-
mittee a List of Tools, Mortar
Carts &c. unserviceable Stores
which Colonel James, and
Major Mordaunt are desired to
examine, and sending them such
to condemn. At the same time
such part of the Ironwork
as may be useful to the
Company is to be carried
to their Account.

7. There being a
Deficiency

The Packes
uncommenced

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Deficiency in the number of recommended by the
Pouches necessary for Shore, Committee of Stores, to
the Committee request as above be made up
from the select Committee
to the Military Storekeeper
to make up 5000 - until
them intended for from Europe
arrive - for want of which
the present deficiency of
this article arises - and
the Committee beg leave
to observe at the same time
that even with the required
Supply of 5000 and those ex-
pected from Europe the usual
Quantity in Store will not
be compliant

As the Agent for Dr. Mather & Co. As this Battalion
Stores, for the 4th Battⁿ of this B^y. does not go on Service the
Reg^t laid before the Committee, is no necessity for sup-
plying, as the Battⁿ is intended flying it
for actual service it be complied
with, as far as the Military Store-
keeper can supply the Articles
thereof.

Hebner Murre
J^r James
Geo. Maule
Bryan Scotney

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Read the following letter
from Sir Edward Vernon.

Thomas Rumbold Esq^r

President of Select Committee

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Gentlemen,

His Majesty's Ship Coventry

having in attempting a Passage from Trincomalee
to this place / suffered much damage in a hard
Gale of Wind. when after losing her Masts &c.
was under the necessity of throwing her Guns
overboard: I am to request you will be pleased to
give directions for the delivering of twenty three
Nine Pounders and four six Pounders double
fortified, Iron Ordnance for her use, and to
order them a Passage in the Success Gallies,
or any other Ship bound to Trincomalee
with your Troops. I am further to request
you will be pleased to direct one of the Ships
employed on that Service, to receive on board at
Madras, such other Articles, as the Naval Store-
keeper and Agent Victualler, may have to send,
and to call at Pondicherry for about 40000 Pounds
of Bisuit, some Rice and Flour, which will
be delivered by M^r. Alexander Boddie for the
Repairs and use of the Coventry.

I beg you will order the

utmost

From the 6th Dec^r
Cannon securing
some Guns & Stores
for the Coventry

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utmost dispatch to be made in transporting
the Troops and Stores to Trincomali, as the
Season is already far advanced. There is a
Ship, commanded by a Captain Webster, in
the Company's Service now at this place,
which might be employed on that Service if
you should be in want of Tonnage.

I purpose sailing from hence
tomorrow, for Trincomali, and leave the
Honor to be

Gentlemen

your most Obedient
humble Servant
C. Vernon

Sea Horse, Frangibar

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To be supplied -

Agreed that the Commodore be
supplied with the Iron Ordnance he has requir-
ed, if it be in Store - and that the same be
sent with such other Articles as he is in want
of by the first Conveyance.

Read the following Letter
from Major Maule

To the Honble Thomas Rumbold Esq:
President and Governor of the Committee
Fort St. George
Honble Sir & Sirs

In pursuance to your Commands

From Major Maule
with report of
Barracks at the
Mount

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I have surveyed the Barracks at the Mount in which the Officers are quartered and find them to consist of two Ranges of Building one 200 and the other 120 feet long divided into seven Sets of Quarters each consisting of one Hall and two Bed Rooms and the whole intended for Accommodation for 14 Officers. To each Set of Quarters there is a Cook Room two Yards and other Conveniences. The Walls are in Brick and Clay, on the outside rough chunamed and fine chunamed on the inside. The Roof Palms covered with Tiles. Their present Condition appears very good and as far as I can judge not having attended to the Progress of their Building I apprehend them to be worth 6000 Pagodas exclusive of the value of the Ground attached to them of which I have the honor to send you a plan made when it was granted to Colonel Monro. Fruits Trees &c have been planted in it at some Expence since that time.

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I am with much Respect
Honble Sir & Miss
your most Obedient humble Servant
Geo. Maule
B. Eng^r

To be purchased
for 6000 Pagodas
& the house rent
to be struck off.

Resolved that the Quarters
built

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built by Lieutenant Colonel Hume at the Mount
he purchased for the Company at the estimated
sum of 6000 Pagodas, and that a Bond be granted
to Lieutenant Colonel Hume for the Amount
Ordered in consequence of this Purchase that
the House Rent of 10 Pag^s per Month which has
been allowed to the Artillery Officers at the
Mount, be struck off from the 5th Instant

Read the following Letter

from Mr Brodie.

To the Honble Thomas Rumbold Esq^r.
President of^r members of the Select Committee
Honble Sir &c &c

From Mr Brodie
with proposals
for making
Gunpowder -

Understanding that Gunpowder
is to be manufactured at Pondicherry for the
Company's use, I take the Liberty to offer
my Services to contract for the making of
that Article on the same terms as it is
manufactured at Bellora.

I have the Honor to be with
the greatest Respect

Honble Sir &c &c
your most Obedient and
most humble Servant
A. Brodie

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The Committee are of opinion
that

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that materials for making gun powder may be had cheaper at Pondicherry, than Kellore, the Secretary is desired to write to M. Bredin, to know whether he will undertake the Contract on such Terms than those he has required.

Major Cha^s Clifton
appointed
Commissary of Stores

Major Charles Clifton is now
appointed Commissary of Stores on the Expedition
to Madras

Bill for repairs
of quarters at
Pannacool to be
discharged

The Secretary lays before the
Committee a Bill from the Commandant of
Pannacool for Repairs done to the Sloop Barracks
in that Fort amounting to 350 Pagodas, which
sum was allowed to be expended on that Account
by an Order of Council dated the
Resolved that it be discharged.

Bill for furniture
made up on the
Comp^y doct^r
to be discharged

The Secretary likewise lays
before the Committee a Bill from the Company's
Steward for Furniture made up on the Company's
Account amounting to Pag^s 992.33.40 ordered
that it be paid and that the Steward be directed
to deliver in an Account of all the Company's
Furniture now in use, and that none be made
up in future without an Order signed by the
Governor or by the Secretary.

The President delivers in
the

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the following Minute, which is read.

The President's
minute recomen-
ding instructions
to be given to
the General

The I am persuaded of the
Necessity of some Steps being taken to remedy the
Mismanagement in the Tanjore Country, and
to secure the regular Payment of the Sums stipu-
lated to be received from the Rajah, and did
intend to have procured to Tanjore for that
purpose: I find from the Multiplicity of
of Business at the Settlement that it is impossi-
ble for me to be absent for any time.

The Situation of Affairs, the
Distress we are in for Money, and the uncertainty
of what Steps may be taken by the French or
the Country Powers, and particular I find ally
who does not seem to be very well pleased with
our Conquest of Pondicherry: makes it appear
to me imprudent to move from the Seat of
Government at this juncture. and as General
Munro intends visiting the different Garrisons,
I have to recommend that he be furnished with
particular and ample Instructions to represent
to the Rajah of Tanjore the Situation we are
in with respect to Money, and to insist upon
sufficient Security or Assignments, for the
regular Payments of his Debts to the Company,
and above all to endeavour to pers. move the
Rajah to place his old and faithful Servant
the

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the Dubbar in the Management of his Family,
his present Dewan being in many respects
unfit for the Office, and a Man on whom we
have no dependence. - but before General
Munro sets out I shall propose for the
Approval of the Committee such Instructions
as I deem necessary to give him.

The President's
motion that the
Genl. be furnished
with instructions.

The President then moves that
General Munro be furnished with Instructions
to negotiate with the Raja of Mysore on the
Points mentioned in his Minute.

Mr Smith against
the motion -

Mr Smith against the Motion,
but wishes the Consideration of the Subject
more deferred till next Meeting.

Genl. Munro, Mr
Whitehill & the
President for the
motion -

General Munro, Mr Whitehill
and the President for the Motion -
Resolved that Instructions be prepared for
the General accordingly.

Thos. Pembroke

John Whitehill

Robert Munro
Charles Smith

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The following Letters were
this day dispatched.

To Major General Bellicombe

Sir

It being stipulated by the
19th Article of the Capitulation that all public
Papers in Pondichery should be delivered into
our hands and such only returned as were not
found necessary for Government, We request
upon the Faith of that Article, that you will
inform us whether or not there were any
public Plans in the Archives of Pondichery at
the time of its Surrender, for upon our pass-
ing among the Books and Papers transmitted
by Colonel Baillie, We cannot find a single
Plan of any kind, nor indeed any recent Paper
either of a Military or political Nature.

Under these circumstances We
doubt not you will excuse the Application
We now make to you, and if there be any
Papers or Plans of any kind that from Neg-
lect, Mistake or any other cause have not
been delivered up, We have the fullest Com-
mission of the Article of Capitulation, put Us in Possession of them
if in your Power

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We have had the Honor to receive the Letter you were pleased to write us the 29th ultimo in Behalf of the Officers who were taken Prisoners in the *Sashine* and *Sumable Nanette* and who had our leave to embark on the *Brisson*. The Permission We granted to them was in Indulgence which they had no right to expect, and We do not think it at all reasonable in them to claim in addition to it, the Expence of their Passage to Europe, indeed We are under the Necessity of being extremely cautious in all Disbursements of this Nature since our Company have never been able (tho frequent Solicitations were made) to obtain from the Court of France any Part of the extraordinary Sums which were issued by them in the last war for the Subsistence and Passage of French Prisoners to Europe.

Nanette.

an

Sir,

your most Obedient humble servant
Thomas Rumbold
J. Council

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To Lieutenant Colonel Fitzgerald

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the

Letter to Lord G^d
Fitzgerald granting
them permission to
resign the service.

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The Receipt of your letter of the 22nd ultimo desiring
Permission to resign the Service on account of your
ill State of Health. The Honble the President
and Select Committee have been pleased in
Compliance with your Request to grant you
Permission to resign the Service, at the same
time they cannot avoid expressing their concern
at the Occasion of it, and expressing their
entire Approbation of your Conduct as an
Officer of approved Bravery and Merit.

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5th Jan^y 1779

I am,
Sir,

your most Obedient Servant
Charles Oakley
Lieut^{nt}

7th

Despatched the following Letter.

To the Honble William Hornby Esq^r
President of the Court of Directors of the East India Company
at Bombay
Honble Sir Yrs

The Steffers arrived here the
28th ultimo with Sir Byro Coote, who is appointed
Commander in Chief of the Company's Troops
in India.

We had the pleasure to write
you the 6th November on the subject of the
Expectation

Letter to Bombay
advancing of our
having sent troops
to Anjanga &
detaining the
Morning Star

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Expedition to Madag, and are extremely anxious to hear from you in consequence. We have marched overland to Anjengo a Battalion of Europeans and three Battalions of Seapoys for the Expedition. It is not in our Power even had

We conveyances which We have not the more than half the Stores necessary for the Expedition, so great have been our Issues for the Siege of Pondicherry. We therefore enclose you a list of the Stores that We cannot furnish, and We request that you will immediately dispatch the several Articles to Pilleicherry complete, as the Expedition cannot otherwise go on. We request too that you will be pleased to pursue every means in your power to facilitate the transporting of the Troops from Anjengo to Pilleicherry. We have written to M^r Fortescue at Anjengo to procure Vessels, but we are doubtful how far he may succeed. Sir Edward Boscawen will give every Assistance that he can on this Service.

The necessity of conveying home the quickest Intelligence of our Success against Pondicherry induced us to order the Morning Star to Anjengo to wait there for our Despatches which We propose sending to the Company by the way of Surat. From the Multiplicity of Business which We had on our Ships at the time, We omitted to mention this Circumstance to you, but We hope you will have no Objection to our employing

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employing the Vessel on this Service.

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We are,
Honble Sir & Sirs,
your most Obedient
humble Servants
Thomas Rumbold
J^r Council

As We have this Moment received your Letters
of the 12th and 19th Dec^r and are happy to find
you have taken such decisive Measures for assisting
the Expedition to Mabe - We hope you have sent
or will send every Article of Stores mentioned in
the enclosed List complete and the particular by
request that you will order every Vessel you
possibly can to engage to assist in transporting
our Troops which will amount to 2700 Men
at least.

To Sir Edward Vernon
Commodore & Commander in Chief of
His Majesty's Ships in
Sir India

We had the Honor to receive your
Letter of the 11th Dec^r from Fort Mabe informing
us of the Distress that had befallen the Fort
in a Gale of Wind for which We are sincerely
concerned.

To Sir Edward Vernon
on the subject of
the expedition
to be sent
for the Government

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We have been totally disappointed in the Consequences We expected for sending the Stores with part of our Troops intended for the Expedition, to join the Squadron at Trincomalee. We had taken up the *Merion* a Country Ship for this Service, but she was unfortunately wrecked the day after in a Gale of Wind, no other Vessel has arrived that could be employed on this Occasion but the Sweep Gally, and she is so much damaged in her Masts that We are informed she could not be fitted for Sea in less than 20 days. Under these circumstances We have been obliged to order the greatest part of the Force to march overland to Bangalore, and We must depend chiefly on Bombay for the Supplies of Stores necessary for the Expedition, having written fully to them on this Subject in November last.

We request that you will wait at Trincomalee till the 20th as We are in hourly Expectation of Vessels to convey some of our Artillery Men and Stores from thence. If they are not with you by that time We wish you then to proceed to Bangalore, and remain there to assist in conveying the Troops from thence to Tellicherry; and seeing how important an Object, the Reduction of Malabar must prove to the entire Security of the Company's Possessions, We have the fullest Confidence that you will zealously co-operate with the Squadron not only in the Service above mentioned, but until

these

Yours

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The Conquest be effectually completed.

We have referred your Request for Provision for the use of the Company to our Committee of Men, from whom We learn that there are nine Pounders but no six Pounders, in one Store - The nine Pounders shall be forwarded to you by the first Convoysman, and We shall also forward the other Articles you want, to be sent at the same time.

Enclosed are three Tickets which We have received under your Receipts.

We have the Honor to be

Sir,

Your most Obedient and
most humble Servant
Thomas Rumbold
J^r Secret Committee

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Received the following Letters
from Bombay

To the Honble Thomas Rumbold Esq^r
President and Governor of the Secret Committee
at Fort St. George
Gentlemen,

We have not had the Honor of
hearing from you since the 4th of August

Having lately concluded a
Treaty

Letters from
Bombay with
Treaty concluded
with Ragoencut
from

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Treaty with Ragunath Row We have the Pleasure
to inclose a Copy thereof for your Information,
and to acquaint you that in consequence thereof
our Forces have taken the Field to conduct him
to Poonah.

We request, Gentlemen, you will
cause immediate Application to be made to the Nizam
not to interfere in Support of the Ministerial Party.

The Conduct of the Sabot Hyder
Ally manifests a disposition very favorable to the
French. He has sent Supplies of Provisions and
even Money We believe to Mysore, and We have
had intimation that he has given the French
Governor there Permission to hoist his Colours
in the Place should it be attacked by the English
for which We hear by private Advice you are
making Preparations. It is said he also intends
sending his Fleet with Supplies of Provisions to
the French Islands, and that his Ships will be
armed with Detachments of French Soldiers, which
were sent to him from Mysore before the Account
arrived of the Capture with England.

We know not what Effect your
Success against Pondichery, which We have also
heard by private Advice may have on the Sabots
Conduct, but We have now a Gentleman Master
James Sebbald under orders to proceed to his
Duty, whom however We propose detaining
until We arrive at some Certainty with
respect

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respect your Intent regarding Maki and the
Part the Nakhob will take if that Settlement
should be attacked.

We conclude that if his Highness
the Nakhob of Ararat had any Objections to our
sending a Deputy to Hyzer Ally, you would
have signified the same to us, as the Governor General
and Council acquaint us under the 25th June they
had written to you on the Subject, and they
have to assure both you and him, that our only
View in this Measure is to endeavour to counteract
the Schemes of the French and to bring Hyzer
into a Disposition more favorable to the North
Company for which purpose we have a latitude
from them to furnish him with Supplies of
Arms and warlike Stores.

By an intercepted French
Packet from Europe we learn that there had
been an Engagement on the 27th of July between
the French Fleet under Admiral Shippel and
the Count D'Orville which was not decisive at
all, but it does not appear that any Declaration
of War had been made so late as the 14th of August
tho' an Order had been issued to the French Admi-
rally to grant Commissions for making
Reprisals - The Count D'Orville's Squadron
arrived at Boston the 20th June.

The enclosed Packets for the
Governor

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Governor General and Council being Original
and Duplicate of Orders of the highest Importance
We request your particular care in forwarding
them by separate Convoys with all possible
Security and Dispatch: and that you will
deliver the enclosed to Sir Edward Vernon.

We have the Honor to be
Gentlemen,

Bombay Castle
12th Dec^r 1778

Your most Obedient
humble servants

Signed by the Secretary
to the Governor General
who is unable to hold a Pen

William Hornby

Edw. Ravenscroft Esq^r
Drapers

P^t Enclosed is a Bill on the Honor of Arcot for Rupees
5000 advanced to his Highness at Ponnah by our
President for which We shall debt your
Presidency.

Regd. Secy

The 6th Seal

Signed

Edw. Ravenscroft Esq^r

to the Select Committee

Articles of Agreement and Treaty between
the Hon^{ble} William Hornby Esq^r President
and Governor, and the Select Committee of
Bombay on the part and behalf of the Hon^{ble}
United English East India Company on the
one

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one part and Ragnath Shew Badjerow
Purdhan, on the other Part done and concluded
at Bombay this twenty fourth day of November
in the year of our Lord one thousand seven
hundred and seventy eight or the 3^d day of Jyest
Sochurson Sipah Subin Measwa affluor
year 1879 Nabomelan Style or according
to the Gurba Era the 3rd day of Mangushar
Sood in the year Vellumbay 1700.

Article 5th

The Treaty concluded by
Colonel Upton with Secaram Pundit and
Ballajee Pundit Ministers in behalf of the
Peshwa and the Maratta State having been
violated by those Ministers in almost every
Article the Governor and the Select Committee
of Bombay with the Sanction and Concurrence
of the Governor General and Council do hereby
engage and agree in behalf of the aforesaid
Honble Company to assist Ragnath Shew
Badjerow Purdhan to the utmost of their
Power to put him in Possession of Poona
and to place him in the Regency of the
Maratta Empire during the Minority of
Mhadarow Murrain the Infant Peshwa hereby
declaring that the true Intent and meaning of this
treaty is not to alter the form of Government or to
interrupt the peace between the Honble Company
and

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and the Maharatta State but only to remove the Administration out of the present improper hands and to place in the Agency the Person who has the justest Title to that Office.

Article 2^d

Ragonath Row Badjeron Puroshan on his part doth hereby engage and agree to accept the Office of Regent which he is to exercise with full power during the Minority of the Peshwa Madasow Narraon, in whose Name he further engages to continue the Service and conduct the Government. But Ragonath Row Badjeron Puroshan having expressed his doubts of the legitimacy of the Peshwa Madasow Narraon the Governor and Select Committee of Bombay do hereby engage on Ragonath Row Badjeron Puroshan his strong solicitation to request explicit Orders from the Company whether in case he should prove to their satisfaction that the Child is supposititious, they will place him in the Peshwaship, which on such proof will be his unquestionable right and whether in case the Child should prove to be really the Son of Narraon Row they will guarantee him an equal division of the Government and Bursary on the Peshwa's attaining to the Age of seventeen agreeable to what Ragonath Row Badjeron Puroshan says he is entitled to by his birthright according to the Hindoo Law.

Article 3^d

The Governor and Select Committee of Bombay

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do hereby stipulate and Ragnath Rer Badjeron
Purdhan for their satisfaction and that his
upright Intentions may appear manifest both
Liberty engage and agree that the Person of the
Pishma Madarow Varrain shall be kept under
the Charge and Custody of such Persons as may be
agreeable to the Select Committee who wish that
the Child may be delivered to the Charge of
Poreetty they, if she will undertake the Charge
and in such case the Master of the Prisoner where
the Child is kept must be guarded with a Party
of the Company's Troops and Ragnath Rer
Badjeron Purdhan may keep a Chumkey on the
Outside of the Gate to see that no improper persons
be admitted - But no Person whatever must have
Access to the Child's Presence without the
Permission of Poreetty they. In case Poreetty they
should refuse to undertake the Charge, the Child
shall be put under the Care of any of his Relations
on the Mother's side. But should all their Relations
the Trust, the Child shall then be disposed of in
such manner as may be deemed most advisable
for his Security and for the Honor of the contracting
Parties.

Article 4th

Morabak Furnus Butcherbak Prisoner and
Jockayn Halar having invited Ragnath Rer
Badjeron Purdhan to take upon himself the
Government

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Government as Agent and promised their Assistance
Rajonath Row Badjrow Purohan doth hereby engage
upon Condition of their performing their Promises
to his and the Select Committee's Satisfaction, and
behaving like faithful obedient Servants that
he will show favor to them according to their

Rank and Services in utilizing the Officers of Government
and that their Persons and fortunes shall be unmolested

Article 5th

The Governor and Select Committee engage not to
interfere in the Appointment or nomination of
Officers to the Fort, Army, Artillery or Revenues,
or in the Management of the Government provided
nothing be done in Breach of any of the Articles of
the present Treaty - Rajonath Row Badjrow
Purohan on his part faithfully promising to
observe the terms mentioned in the circular Letter
with respect to the personal safety of those who
in any be of opinion have injured him.

Article 6th

In Consideration of the Assistance to be afforded by
the Honble Company for placing Rajonath Row
Badjrow Purohan in the Agency at Poona,
Rajonath Row Badjrow Purohan doth hereby engage
to confirm and ratify the former Treaty concluded
with him at Surat the 6th March 1775 and to cede and
make over to the Honble Company for ever the
several places and Territories granted by the said

Treaty

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Treasy, which were restored by the Treaty of Poornander
and Bassein and its Districts and the Island of
Annam which were not put in possession of the
Company. The several acquisitions which will
devolve to the Honble Company are as follow
Bassein. Fort and Town and the whole of its
Districts and Dependancies in their fullest
Extent, according to the just and fixed
boundaries of that place.

Sambourⁿ } In the same full and ample manner
Orphad } as ceded by the Treaty of Surat.
The Island of Annam.

An Assignment. Upon the Pargannah of Occlasin
for the Sum of 75,000 Rupees
Per Annum as settled by the 8th
Article of the Treaty of Surat.

There being also some small
places known by the Name of the Putgoms
always annexed and actually making a part of the
district of Salsette which have been withheld from
the Company by the Poindah Ministers, Rajenath
Rao Baggerow Purohan both hereby engage and
agree that the said Putgoms shall be ceded to the
Honble Company. But altho the Governor and Secret
Committee have ever understood that the Putgoms
made a part of the district of Salsette, yet if the
contrary should be made plainly to appear, they will
give up their Claim.

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Article 7th

In addition to the several grants and Cessions herein above specified Ragnath Row Badjoreo Purohan doth hereby engage and promise to cede and make over for ever the Purgunnahs of Ahmoed and Hansood, which grants are to be considered as an Instance of his good Will and Affection to the Honble Company. The Conditions upon which they were formerly granted, not having, as he declares been fulfilled.

Article 8th

All the places herein ceded to the Honble Company are to be considered as their sole right and property from the day this treaty is executed without any Claim of Chaul to the Mharatta Government or any other demand whatever, and may be taken Possession of by the Company's People in manner they may think proper, for which purpose Ragnath Row Badjoreo Purohan, doth with these presents deliver the necessary Orders to the Mharatta Officers to surrender the said places, Ragnath Row Badjoreo Purohan doth further promise and engage that immediately after his taking Charge of the Agency at Poornah, he will exact and deliver to the Government at Bombay regular Summs under the Peshwa's Lica for the several Cessions granted to the Honble Company by this treaty.

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Article 9th

Ragonath Row Badgerow Pundhan, engages to pay and make good the Charges and Expenses of the Army and Stores with which he is to be now assisted, which he hereby faithfully promises to make good in ready Money, as soon as the Situation of his Affairs will possibly permit, and for the further Security of the Honble Company he by these Presents assigns over the Pargunnah of Kirsaul and the remainder of Occlasia the Revenues of which are to be collected by his Amildars and paid to the Honble Company till the Amount due for the Expenses of the Army is fully discharged, but in case of failure herein these Pargunnahs are to be put in Possession of the Company, and the Revenues collected by them till the said amount is fully discharged, when all right and Title thereto on the part of the Honble Company will be relinquished or if Ragonath Row Badgerow Pundhan regularly pays the monthly sum stipulated in the next article the Honble Company will not interfere in the said Pargunnahs.

Article 10th

Ragonath Row Badgerow Pundhan, engages to pay in full for the body of forces consisting of 4000 Men with which he is to be assisted the Sum of two Lacs and a half of Rupees per Month which

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which the Governor and Select Committee of Bombay agree to accept without further Account in full of every expence attending the Army and is to commence from the day the Forces leave Bombay.

Article 11th

Ragonath Row Badjwan Pundhan faithfully promises and engages to discharge his present debt to the Company as soon as the State of his finances will admit, agreeable to an account which will be delivered to him.

Article 12th

The English Forces are to continue with Ragonath Row Badjwan Pundhan until the Object of this Treaty is accomplished, which is to place him in the Agency at Poona and when that is effected they are to be at liberty to return to Bombay. The Company will be at all times ready to assist Ragonath Row Badjwan Pundhan with their forces as far as may be consistent with their other Engagements, or the Situation of their own affairs will permit.

Article 13th

All several Treaties and Agreements subsisting between the Government of Bombay and the Maratha Government are hereby ratified and confirmed and shall be held and continued in as full force as when they were first concluded unless otherwise provided for
on

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in this Treaty.

Article 14th

After the Establishment of Ragonath Row Badp-
ron Pordhan in the Agency at Serab. There
shall be a firm peace and Alliance between the
Honble Company and the Mharatta Dominions -
Ragonath Row Badpore Pordhan engages never to
assist the Enemies ~~of~~ the Dominions of the
Company in any part of India, nor to make
War or commit Depredations in the Carnatic
or any other part of the Dominions of the Honble
the Rats of Arcot. The Governor and Select
Committee of Bombay in like manner engage
in behalf of the Honble Company not to assist
the Enemies of Ragonath Row Badpore Pordhan.

Article 15th

Ragonath Row Badpore Pordhan hereby
engages and agrees that no European Settlement
shall be allowed to be made on the Maribone
Coast, or in any other part of the Mharatta Do-
minions without the Consent of the Company
or of their Representatives being previously obtained
and that no manner of Inter course or connection
shall be maintained between the Mharatta
Government and the French Nation - any failure
in which stipulation will be considered as a
breach of the Alliance between the Mharatta
Government and the Honble Company

Article

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Article 16th

Rajaguth Row Badjerson Pundhan, doth hereby stipulate and engage that the English shall enjoy all their former Privileges and freedom of trade in the Mharatta dominions without Interruption And he further engages to give all possible Encouragement to the Honble Comproys Trade and to promote as far as he can exclusive vend to the English for European Commodities in the Mharatta dominions, but the Honble Company will make no Settlement therein without Permission from Rajaguth Row Badjerson Pundhan.

Article 17th

If any Article of the present treaty should interfere with any engagement formed by the Governor General and Council not yet known to the Governor and Select Committee of Bombay, such Article may be liable to be altered or amended as may be necessary.

The foregoing Articles having been mutually agreed to by the Governor and Select Committee of Bombay on the part of the Honble Company and Rajaguth Row Badjerson Pundhan the contracting Parties have interchangeably affixed their Hands & Seals and the Seal of the Honble Company in Bombay Castle the day and Year above written

William Norrby
John Carrac
Daniel Draper

Attest
For the Honble Company
John Carrac

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To the Honble Thomas Pumbold Esq
President ofth Select Committee at
Fort St. George
Gentlemen

Tellur from
Bombay wth
Acc^{ts} of Stores
sent to
Tellicherry -

Our last letter was dated the 12th
Instant. and We have already forwarded a Duplicate - We
have just received your letter of the 8th Ultimo. and lose not
a Moment in replying thereto. Tho' We are most heartily
disposed to cooperate with you in the Reduction of Mytilin.
it is utterly impossible for us to contribute any Assistance
of Troops for that undertaking, every Man We can spare
being now in the Field with Angora, but every other assistance
in our Power We shall most readily afford and in a day
or two We shall send down to Tellicherry by the Revenge
and Bay Grant a Train of Battering Cannon consisting of
eight 24 and 18 lbs and 2 Mortars - a 12 and 10 Inch with
all their Apparatus and Appurtenances complete - Gun
Carriages, Shot, Shells and Gunpowder - We shall
likewise direct the Resident at Tellicherry to afford every
Assistance that his Garrison and Stores will admit of,
and proper Measures will also be made use of to engage
in our Interest the Country Powers adjoining to Mytilin
and to secure Provisions and all other Necessaries that
can be provided at Tellicherry. We conclude from
your letter that Sir Edward Horns Squadron will come
round with your Armament, but if Shiping should
be wanted to transport the Troops from Anzengo it is
not improbable but our expected Shipping from

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Europe will arrive on the Coast in proper time to
assist in the Service. We most sincerely congratulate
You on your Success against Pondicherry & are
Gentlemen

Bombay Castle
19th Dec^r 1779

your most obedient
humble servants

Signed by the Secy for W^m Hornby
of the Order of the
Governor who is unable
to hold a Pen Edw. Ravenscroft S. By
I. Draper

At a Select Committee Present

The Honble Thomas Bumbold President
John Whitehill
General Munro Charles Smith

Monday
11th January

Sir John Coote indisposed.

Minutes of last Committee

read and approved.

The President proposes that

Instructions be given to General Munro to the following
Effect.

Minutes of
the President
on the instructions
to Genl Munro.

That he so represent to the
Rajah in the strongest Terms, the inconvenience we
are put to by not having the regular Payment of
his Lists made good to the Company, as they
become

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become due, that we have the greatest reason to imagine our letters to him are partially translated, and that those we receive are dictated entirely by his Minister, as they are in a stile often highly improper, and disrespectful, That the Company's favor to him has been great, and that he ought to look up to them for Protection. The Reduction of Pondicherry and the expenses of the war have been heavy on the Company's Treasury, but no Efforts have been made by him, to assist or relieve them. on the contrary, he has been backward in his Payments, and we have received from him nothing but letters full of Repetitions on points that can only be determined by the Company, that invectives against the Nabob, which he too frequently makes use of, can answer no good purpose, and are in every respect improper.

Whatever reason he has to complain the whole Affair is before the Company, and he must wait their decision. That we have frequent complaints against his Dewan Beehanah and have great reason to be dissatisfied with his Conduct, it is evident that the Regals present distress proceeds from the Mismanagement of his Country. And there cannot be a greater proof of it, than the want of Credit, for it is impossible that such extensive, and valuable districts more flourishing, and better cultivated than any other part of the Carnatic, and at present uncumbered, should not be able to raise any Sum required

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required, on an emergency. That we have the
greatest reason to conclude that his Dewan is more
attentive to his own Interests, and to the acquiring
Wealth for himself than to the Interest of his
Master, or the Company. That it is our earnest
desire that he remove his present Dewan, and
place his old, and faithful Servant the Dubbur
in the management of the Country, who has so
long been a Servant in his house, served his Father,
with Fidelity, and has a perfect Knowledge of the
Revenue and Interests of his Country, and was placed
by his Friend Lord Pigot with him when the
Company restored him, from a thorough conviction
that he was in every respect the fittest Man
for such a Charge, and that the Intrigues and
Devises of Others, have been the means of getting
him removed from about the Rajah, we have no
doubt but he will readily give way to our request,
to have the Dubbur restored, which will be a
means of removing several causes of uneasiness,
and that this point General Munro be instruc-
ted to insist on, but that if after all his endeavours
the Rajah is obstinate in the Protection of his
present Dewan, and will not consent to his removal,
That General Munro do insist upon having such
assignments of Land, or security, as may ensure
the regular payment of the Sums stipulated to be
paid to the Company. That with regard to the
deposit Money, whatever might have been his
Objections

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Objections to it, he entered into an Agreement
with the Government of Mr. Whitehill, to
pay it, and certainly should have fulfilled his
Engagements till the Company's pleasure was
known, but instead of that, soon after Mr. Kumbale's
Arrival, he requested to be excused Payment of two
Lacks, till the following Year, alldging the
distressed Situation of his Country, and scarcity
of Specie, these probably might have been
ground for this indulgence but he has even
neglected paying as far as one Lack, and now
in very commendatory Terms objects to paying
any part of it, thus from one Ship, to another
it appears to have in view the throwing off all
dependence on the Company, or Nabob, which
it plainly appears never could be intended when
and referred to the Government for it was on the express condition that the proper
Pecuniary should be paid to the Nabob, and the Compa-
ny are particular in their instructions on this
head, certainly Policy should have directed him to
the fulfilling that engagement to have preven-
ted any further handle for the Sequestration of
his Business - but in a late letter he even raises
Obstacles, in very improper terms, denies the Nabob's
right to any Pecuniary, and that upon very extraordi-
nary ground, whatever Objection he might have to
the Payment of any new demands, he certainly can
have none to the Payment of his Tribute, the Nabob

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indeed is not satisfied to receive it, but prefers his
Claims much further, but till the points are determi-
ned by the Company, we ought, ^{& it is certainly our Duty} to see the Sushush
secured in the Company's Treasury. The sum is
annually increasing and if proper precautions
are not taken to prevent its being squandered
away, whatever determination may be had hereaf-
ter, it will be impossible to make good the arrears.
One Reason the Rajah gives for objecting to the
Payment of the Sushush is, the Nabob's being in
Possession of Orissa, and Anamant-goody, these
have been granted to the Nabob by former treaties,
at any rate the right to them is disputed, and can
only be determined by the Company, and ought
to have no weight with regard to the Nabob's
Tribute. It is not long since from the Intrigues
of Bechannah we were involved in disputes with
the Dutch which might have been attended with
serious consequences, on pretence that Connah Such
Peltah was largely indebted to the Government, to
avert the Discontent of Bechannah who was
jealous of his former favor and Influence with the
Rajah, this Man fled to Negapatam, and from thence
to Ceylon, he wrote me that he was ready to settle
any Accounts the Rajah had with him, and to pay
any just balances due, if he could only be assured of
the Protection of his Person from the Violence he
apprehended - On this a Grant was granted by the
Governor on the express Condition that he
repaired

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repaired to Bangalore, and atted his Accounts with
the Rajah. But Buchanassah aware that if
Bannassah Pillah justified himself he might
regain his former favor with his Master, effec-
tually prevented his having an Interview with
the Rajah, or coming to any Settlement of his
Accounts, and in one of the Rajah's Letters he desires
Bannassah Pillah, may not accompany the
Governor to Bangalore, it will therefore be necessary
that General Munro see this Man settle his
his Accounts under the Protection of the Court,
granted him, in a fair, and amicable manner,
without the interference of his declared Enemy
the present Dewan. If the Dabbar is brought
in, all difficulties will be removed, and therefore
it is a point that should be strenuously insisted,
and not given up, on any Account, as the Situation
of public Affairs demands every exertion on our
parts to secure the public Revenue whilst it is in
our Power. so to do, nor should it be allowed to
a weak inveterate young Man, to trifle with
Power, and risk by bad Management our Possessions
and Security.

Ordered that Instructions for
General Munro be accordingly prepared.

Mr. Smith delivers the
following Minute.

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Mr Smith's
decent Brother

Having received no previous
Notice or Intimation of the President's Intention
to recommend the furnishing General Munro
with Instructions for the business on which
the President himself was to have proceeded
to Tanjore, and seeing no necessity for coming to
an immediate determination on the Subject,
particularly as General Sir Eyre Coote was
absent, I requested at our last Meeting to be
allowed till the next Committee to consider it, but
the Committee refusing me that Indulgence, I
was under the necessity of dissenting against the
Measure, and I now beg leave to enter the reasons
on which my Dissent is founded.

First. — Because altho General Munro very
deservedly enjoys a Seat at this Committee, entitled
to it as well from his Station as from his
Character, I conceive it to be foreign to the
end and Intention of his Appointment, that he should
be employed on any Service except in the way of
his Profession — Because the Points to be affected
with the Rajah of Tanjore are matters that
entirely belong to the Revenue, a Subject which
General Munro cannot be supposed to be so
conversant in as those who have acquired a
Knowledge of it by many years experience.

Because I conceive General Munro's Intention in
visiting the Out Garrisons, near Tanjore in
particular to be altogether incompatible with the
business.

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business now about to be committed to his Charge which will require so much of his time and Attention as to render the former a secondary Object - Because in the present critical Situation of Affairs, before we have received any certain Intelligence from Europe, as to Peace or War, it is a matter of some doubt to me whether General Munros Absence can with Propriety be dispensed with, were for the purpose and for the time it would require to visit the Out Garrisons, still less, therefore can I approve of his being in addition thereto, charged with a Mission which alone from its great Importance and the known delatory Nature of Blacksten in business (particularly in matters to which they have a reluctance) it will require several Months effectually to execute. Lastly. Because, if no other Member of the Secret Committee can be spared there are two Members of the Board of Capacity and Experience, either of whom might be sent without any Inconvenience to the Service.

Having thus stated my Reasons for opposing against the Opinion and Resolution of the Committee on the present Occasion, I at the same time declare my entire Acquiescence in the Opinion of the President that it is necessary to take some Steps to remedy the Mismanagement in the

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Tanjore Country, and to secure the regular Payment of the Sums stipulated to be paid by the "Rajah" and for the Attainment of these desirable Ends as well as to prevent mismanagement in future, I submit it to the Committee the propriety of appointing a Member of the Board to reside at Tanjore and transact the Company's Business with the Rajah. ample Instructions should be given him for his Guidance, but his principal Attention should be directed to keeping the Rajah punctual to his Engagements and steady in his Attachment to the Company, to observe his Conduct with a watchful Eye, and counteract the evil Designs of those who may attempt to involve him, and draw him into Measures detrimental to his own, and the Company's Interest.

I shall take this Opportunity of saying a few words on a Subject which tho' not immediately connected with the Affairs of Tanjore is touched upon in the President's Minute and appears to me to require an early and most serious Consideration "The President observes "that Hyder Ally is not pleased without Conquest of Pondicherry". The present critical Situation of our Affairs in daily expectation of receiving Intelligence from Europe of an actual Declaration of War at a time when we have no Money

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in our Treasury nor any certain resources
to support even our present Establishment.
On the other hand Hyder ally's Prosperous
Situation, being at Peace with the Mahometans
and freed of all apprehensions from them by
their own internal Troubles - His Power and
Resources and above all his supposed favorable
disposition towards the French from whence
only they can derive the least probable
hope of regaining their Possessions in this
Country, or keeping the only one that
now remains to them - These Considerations
strongly induce, not only the Policy of cultivat-
ing a good Understanding with Hyder ally
at this juncture, but also the danger of
neglecting it - I am therefore of Opinion that
no time should be lost in sending a proper
person to negotiate a Treaty with Hyder
ally, agreeably to what has long since been
unanimously determined by the Committee
Charles Smith

Had the following Letter from
Lt Colonel Horne
The Honble Thomas Rumbold Esq^r
President, Governor & Select Committee of
Port St George
Gentlemen

Letter from Lieut.
Col Horne bearing
on the subject of

Having for some time been

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much afflicted with Rheumatick Pains and other
Complaints which notwithstanding all the assistance
I have had from the Doctors I find to increase I am
on these Accounts advised to proceed to Europe as
the only means likely to restore my health
which the accompanying Certificate from
Doctor Pusey well shew. I am therefore induced
to request the favour of your Honor^y to indulge
me with leave of Absence and Permission to
proceed to England agreeable to the Doctors
Advice. I have the honor be be very respectfully

Gentlemen,

Fort St George
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your most Obedient
humble Servant
Mat^r Horne

This is to certify that Lieut^t
Colonel Horne from uninterrupted duty
during the course of twenty years in the field
and in Garrison is become Subject to Stiffness
of his Joints, Rheumatick complaints and a
Scorbatick Disposition of his juices all which
will increase and as they may be effectually
removed by a course of Bath Waters he is advised
to proceed to Europe for that purpose.

Gilt^d Pusey

Surgeon

Agreed that Lt Colonel Horne be per-
mitted to return to Europe for the recovery of his Health.

Ordered

sences.

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George,
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Permitted to
go home

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Extract of genl
letter to be sent
to Messrs Taylor
Call & Mayende

Ordered that Messrs Taylor
& Mayende and Call be furnished with an
Extract of the Company's General Letter dated
relative to the security given them
by Messrs Stratton & Co in the Company's name
for a loan to the Nabob.

Ordered that the Commandant
and Paymaster at Madras be directed to make
Preparation immediately for the Reception of
130 Artillery under the Command of Major
Cliffen who are to embark here for Pondicherry
from whence they are to proceed by the way
of Madras to Palamcottah on their March
to Arcot.

Ordered that Instructions be
prepared for Major Clifton and that Colonel
Brathwaite be advised of the above.

That Letter from Mr. Brade
representing that for want of Mills at Pondicherry
he cannot make Gun Powder there on
lower Terms than those which he has already
submitted to the Committee

Agreed that Mr. Brade
be directed to make Gunpowder at Pondicherry
on the same Terms as those for which it is
made at Bellary.

Letter from
Mr. Brade on
the subject of
making Gun
powder.

Mr. Brade to
make it on the
same Terms as
at Bellary.

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Recd Letter and Minutes of
the Committee of Shores.

To the Honble Thomas Pumbold Esq^r
J^r Gentleman of the Select Committee

Honble Sir & Sirs

Letter from
Committee of
Shores

We have the honor to lay before
you a copy of our Proceedings of yesterday, and
are with respect

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Honble Sir & Sirs;

your most Obedient
humble Servants

Hector Munro
George Maule
Bryan Scotney

Fort St. George 6th January 1779

At a Committee of Shores

Present Major General Hector Munro

Colonel Edward James

Major George Maule

Bryan Scotney Esq^r Mr. Shuck

Minutes of ditto.

Minutes of the Committee

Orders of the Select Committee

1st The Committee 1st Approved & ordered
observe on the Incant for that a Letter be in consequence
Shores and Orenance from written to the Governor
Bengal General

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Minutes of the Committee Orders of the Committee Select
Bengal, that as two Ships General and Council.
intended for Madras are
arrived there with Stores
as well as the Stafford now
here, it is probable the
Supplies, they bring, will
render any from hence
unnecessary, they therefore
beg leave to defer coming
to any resolution, until
they have further informa-
tion from that Presidency.

2^d The Committee 2^d Approved
direct that the new Arms at
Kilnash be delivered out for
the use of Captain Campbell's
Battalion, and that the old
ones be sent down to Madras
to pass examination the
Accounts must be sent
from hence.

3^d As there is a large 3^d Approved and
Quantity of Iron which ordered accordingly
was sent from Europe
eight years ago for Gun
Carriages of which was
found unfit for that
Service. The Committee

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Take the Liberty of recom-
mending it to the Select
Committee to issue an order
for its being sold by public
Auction as it takes up much
room in the Store house, &
by losing Weight becomes
of less Value.

4th The Committee 4th Approved and
having allotted a part of Stores accordingly
the Stores for Madras, to go
from Pondicherry, beg leave to
recommend that the Select
Committee would be pleased
to direct the Commandant
there to have the Ordnance
and Stores specified in the
accompanying Indent ready
for embarkation at the
shortest notice

5th To prevent that 5th Approved and
deficiency which might ordered accordingly
arise, from the Powder
Tools not being sent from
Bombay. The Committee
direct that the whole be
sent from hence of Pondicherry.

6th On examination of
the Indent from Tanjore,
the

Pioneer

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The Committee observe that
there are near fourteen hundred
Barrels of Powder there in
Store and that for the pre-
sent none can be spared
from hence.

1st The Committee remarks of 1st Give only to be
on Captain Barclays Indent allowed.
from Bangalore for seven Muskets
that five are the Complement
for one Battalion of request
to be informed if more than
that Number are to be
allowed him.

2^d The Military Store 2^d Approved.
super having produced two
Musters of which Muster Books
the one with Dimensions plates
the other without, the Committee
agree that the Commandant of
Artillery supply them with
proper Platforms which
the Military Storekeeper
will provide for that
purpose, and the Committee
are of opinion that the
Increase of Dimensions
in their Muskets is an
Improvement

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Improvement on the work
made

Hector Munro

George Maule
Bryan Scotney

Capt. Fraser
applies for pay
of money advanced
for recruiting

Read Letter from Captain

Fraser applying to be reimbursed certain Sums
which he had advanced to Black Officers
employed on the Recruiting Service when he was
appointed to Command one of the new Battalions
raising to the Northward.

Not Granted

The Committee are of Opinion
that Captain Fraser ought to have applied
to them sooner and that as he made the Advance
of his own Authority he can have no Claim
on the Company for the Recovery of his
Money.

Letter from Mr.
Wilson & Messrs
Gordon & Co. on the Hospital
profits

Read Letter from Mr. Wilson

and also one from Messrs. Gordon and Co. Surgeons
at Pondicherry respecting the Division of the
Profits arising from the Hospital there.

Referred to Mr
Purley

Ordered that the abovesaid
Letters be referred to Messrs. Purley and that
he be desired to give his Opinion on the Merits
of

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of the Appeal.

Read the following Letter
from M^r Bellecombe and Chevreau.

(Translation)

To the Honorable M^r Rumbold
Governor and President of the Council of
Madras and to the Gentlemen of the Committee
at Fort St. George
Gentlemen.

From M^r
Bellecombe &
Chevreau prom-
ising to reimburse
money advanced
for Rumbold &c

We have had the honor to
receive your letter of the 22nd Instant in answer
to ours of the 7th. We take the earliest opportu-
nity of making our acknowledgments and of
expressing to you the satisfaction which the
experience in being able, previous to our separ-
ation, to acquaint the unfortunate families
of this Settlement with your dispositions
and Resolutions respecting them. In consequence
of which we now transmit to Colonel Baillie,
with each of the Lists of Pensions, Subsidies
and Charities, our promise in writing both
from the Ministers of his most Christian Majesty
a Reimbursement in Europe to the East India
Company. We have the honor to oblige to
you, Gentlemen, that in the List of Pay and
Appointments forwarded to you with our
dispatches of the 7th Instant the names of

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some Persons who were in the Service of his Majesty
in this Colony have been omitted - We now rectify
this Mistake in enclosing you a Supplement to
these Lists, and request that you will be pleased to
order the Payment to be made to the Persons in
question, being due from the 1st of Feb^r last.

We have the Honor to be,
Gentlemen,

Pondichery
26th Dec^r 1778

your most humble and
most Obedient Servant
Signed Bellecombe
Chevreau

(Translation)
Pondichery 1778

Supplement to the List of Monthly Appointments of
Persons employed in the Service of the King at Pondi-
chery sent by the Gentleman of the Kings Administra-
tion, to the Gentlemen of Council at Madras the 7th Dec^r 1778

N^o 3.

Mess^{rs} - Royal Receiver of the Tax - 1 Page 3rd C
Kings Quota, omitted in the

former List - 250 - 29 - 20 - 15

Puren - Officer of his Ma-
jesty's Ship le Brillant - 70 - 8 - 9 - 25

La Bistour. 3rd Officer of his
Majesty's Frigate La Pourvoyeuse 70 - 8 - 9 - 25

Phodre - Surgeon of the
Kings

cents

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Things Hospital	Li. Recd.	13 th 4. 6
		150 17. 24. —

Allot D. D.	36	4. 8
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Silver - Warden to the

Shoulder	36	4. 8
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612	72. 22. 57
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At Pondichery 28th Dec. 1778

(Signed)

Bellecombe Chevreau

(Translation)

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Supplement to the List of Pay and Subsidance
Money allowed Month by to sundry Persons
in Pondichery sent by the Things Administration
from there to the Gentlemen of Council at Madras.
Wif

To the Widow Leporone	Li. Recd.	the 13 th 4. 6
		24. —

Laurent, Popoys late Wife	12.	1. 12. —
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Purra D.	22.	1. 12. —
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Li.	48	15. 20
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At Pondichery the 25th Dec. 1778

(Signed) Bellecombe
Chevreau

Agreed that the Persons
mentioned in the foregoing Supplement be paid
the Allowances mentioned therein

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Read the following Letter
and Memorandum.

(Translation)

Gentlemen,

Cher Monsieur
Barry de Richville
à ces expences

I have the honor to send you
herewith, an Account of my Disbursements in
transporting my Effects to Madras, where I have
arrived in order to avail myself of the first
Opportunity to proceed to Europe, agreeably to
the terms of the Supplication of Pondicherry.
I request of you to order the reimbursement to
be made, I also desire, Gentlemen that you
will fix the amount of House Rent, which
I am to have during my residence at Madras
reporting to you that this Allowance was
made to me at Pondicherry.

I am with respect

Gentlemen,

your most humble and

most obedient servant

(Signed) Barry de Richville

Member of the Superior

Council at Pondicherry of Court of Police

Madras
6th Jan'y 1779

Account of Disbursements made for
transporting myself and Baggage from
Pondicherry

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Pondicherry to Madras.

34 Pulangum Boys for myself } Ruyfus
and Secretary } 48

40 coolies for transporting my effects - 140

Butta for 5 days for 100 coolies

and Muzars - 41 8

Rupus 229. 8

Star Pags 65. 16

A true Account 5th Jan^y 1779

H. and

Barry de Richville

Translation

Thomas Pon^t,
Desauvergne
Mons^r and
of his responses

The bad Weather not rendering it practicable
to transport carriages by Sea, General Desau-
vergne was obliged to employ 150 People instead
of 92 which he demanded from Colonel Bailler.
Colonel Bailler desired M^r Desauvergne to advance
the Money, and assured him that he would be rein-
bursed at Madras. The sum amounts to 350 Pondi-
cherry Ruyfus.

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signed Desauvergne
Brigadier in the Kings
Service, Colonel of the
Pondicherry Regiment.

The French
Gen^l to be allow'd
one months pay
for transporting

The French Gentlemen have
observed in General so little Moderation in
their Charges for the Expence of travelling

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from Pondicherry that the Committee find it necessary to confine them within Limits beyond which they are not to exceed - Resolved, accordingly that the Officers and Civil Servants of Pondicherry who come to Madras be made an Extra Allowance of one Month's pay in full for all the Expenses of the Journey.

Ordered also that such of the French Officers as arrive provided by the Company with Passports on the Coast do receive their respective Allowances from the Date only of their Arrival at Madras.

Read Letter from M^r Bellcombe enclosing a List of Officers who he requests may receive their Allowances on Pondicherry until the Time of the Embarkation.

Agreed that M^r Bellcombe's Request be complied with.

General Munro having no Secretary of his own and as he shall have Occasion for a Person to act in that Capacity during his Stay at Bangalore requests that the Committee will permit M^r Baine their Deputy Secretary to accompany him thither.

The Committee readily consent to the General's Request and desire that M^r Taylor

List of Officers to receive their pay at Pondicherry.

Agreed to

Read, Munro applies for M^r Baine to go to Bangalore as his Secretary.

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one of the Secretary's Assistants may go in that capacity with M^r Buiss.

First Battalion of
Seymour to march
to Madras -

Ordered that the first Battⁿ
of Seymours at Pondicherry march to Madras and
that the two Companies of Seymours lately
ordered to Cuddalore from Pondicherry be
relieved by the 2 Companies now at Nagar
and Wandersack and join these Corps at
Pondicherry

Ensign M^r Gordon
appointed acting
Engineer -
L. Allet as Pioneer -
Cadet promoted
to Ensign -

Ensign Henry Gordon app^d acting Engineer.
Lt. Abbot Pioneer on the Expedition
against Mahe.

Charles Dixon Robert Parkinson, Thomas
Parkinson, John Saylor David Shiel Richard
Dowis, and Stephen Bagg have promoted to
Ensigns.

M^r Cranston
appointed to Cadet
and M^r Sinclair -

Alexander ~~Grison~~ appointed Cadet of
Artillery
John Sinclair appointed Cadet.

Shad Letter from Mons^r
Chouhurd sending a Passport for Goods
belonging to M^r Viollette which he had
brought to the Northward before the
War and is desirous of having on the Briffon.

Orders having already
been sent to the Gentlemen at M^r Subjatum

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to deliver up private Property that is
found to be such the Committee conclude
that Mr. Wille on establishing the neces-
sary proofs will be at Liberty to dispose
of his property as he may think proper.

Thos. Pumbold

John Whitchey

Wm. Munn

Charles Smith

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Dispatched the following
Letters.

To the Honble Warren Hastings Esq:
Governor General & Council at
Fort William.

Honble Sir & Sirs,

Letter to Bengal.

Since the Receipt of your
Indent for Ordnance and Stores We have been
advised of the Arrival of the Calcutta & Glatton
at Bengal and the Shefford has arrived here on
her way thither - As We think it probable
these Ships may contain a sufficient Supply
of the Articles you require We shall delay
complying with your Indent until We hear
again from you on the Subject when if there
should still be a Deficiency we shall supply
your Wants to the utmost of our Power.

With respect to the small
Arms with which you desired to be supplied We
shall as we have already informed you
send five thousand Stand by the first
Opportunity

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We have the Honor to be
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient humble servants
Thomas Pembold
of the Select Committee

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Chevreau Esq^r

To

Sir,

To Mr Chevreau
allowing him
1000 Rupees for
transporting his
baggage

We have had the Honor to
receive your Letter of the 2^d January -
In reply to that in which you have enclosed
an Account of your Expenses in conveying
your Baggage to Madras, We must inform
you that We do not think ourselves warrant-
ed to allow you more than 600 Rupees for
these Expenses, and We hope with that Sum
you will rest satisfied

In regard to the Request you
have made to be allowed a Carriol, We beg
you to be assured of our Inclination to
show you every mark of Attention in our
Power, but we are of opinion, that the placing
a Carriol at your Door might in the
Circumstances of your present Situation,
be considered not as a mark of Honor but
as a Mark of Distinction, which We have
no Intention to put on you - We think too
in other Respects, that it would be improper to
comply with your Request, and We hope
therefore you will excuse Us.

show

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Sir,
Fort St. George
13th Jan^y 1779

We have the Honor to be,
your most Obedient humble servants
Thomas Pemberton
J^r Secret Committee

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To Colonel Brathwaite

Sir,

Letter to Col. Brathwaite
The troops not to be
allowed double Battal

Having taken into considera-
tion the Letter which you addressed us
on the 29th Dec. relative to the Allowances
to be made to the troops going on Service,
it appears to us that Pay and Battal to the
Officers and Men are amply sufficient, and
that Extra Battal cannot be allowed on
any Plea or Pretext whatsoever. You
must therefore carefully avoid encoura-
ging any ill founded Expectations of this
Nature, and if it be necessary for that
purpose to declare our Intentions plainly
in the beginning. We desire you will
do so. We have taken every Precaution
in our Power for securing Provisions
at Arjengo and Tellicherry, and we
flatter ourselves there will be no
want in these Articles

Sir

We are,

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Your most Obedient Servant
Thomas Rumbold
Genl. Secy Committee

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At a Select Committee Present

The Honble Thomas Rumbold Esq. President
Thursday Sir Eyre Coote General Munro
the 14th Charles Smith

(W. White full absent,
Minutes of last Committee
read and approved.

The following Draught
of Instructions to General Munro having
been prepared, is now read & approved.

To Major General Munro.

Sir,

Having thought proper to
entrust you with the execution of certain
Points of Importance relative to the Affairs
of Tanjore We desire you will particularly
attend to the following Instructions which
We propose for your Guidance and for which
which you are not to deviate essentially
without our express Permission We mean
as to the principal Points, but in respect
to the Means and Arguments to be
employed in obtaining the Ends We have
in

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Genl. Munro

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in view then We are sensible must be left in a great Degree to your own Discretion.

The first and principal Object of our Desire is if possible to effect a Reformation in the ^{State} of the Tanjore Government, which We have every Reason to think is at present and has been for some time past greatly distressed, by the Mismanagement of the Rajah Duran. Butchannah who seems to have gained an entire Ascendancy over his Master, without possessing the smallest Regard for his Honor or Interest for the Interest of the Company's Government to which on the contrary he seems peculiarly disaffected.

Under this ~~the~~ Head, it may be proper that you represent to the Rajah in the fullest Manner, that the Company by restoring him to his Country and taking him under their immediate Protection, had it particularly in their view to render his future Government happy and flourishing, and for that purpose had joined his Interests so inseparably with their own, as to put it beyond the reach of any foreign Power if it were so disposed to disturb his Tranquillity. That in return for this the

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Company had stipulated only with him
for the payment of the usual Perquisites to
the Nabob and for a Sum of Money suffi-
cient to discharge the ordinary Expences
of the Troops maintained for his Protection
generously leaving the rest of his Annues
at his own disposal - That this Conduct
which ought to have excited in his Breast
the warmest Sentiments of Gratitude &
to have produced Actions correspondent
to such Sentiments, had certainly met
with a Return different from what the
Company expected which however We do
not impute personally to himself, but
to the rash and imprudent Counsels of his
Dewan - that he has been led to disregard
his Engagements with the Company in
which he has been extremely backward -
that We have received no kind of support
or assistance from him at this critical
Period, - when the Company require in a
particular Manner that their Friends &
Allies should exert themselves in a Cause
which so nearly affects them, that all
the Letters We receive from Surpore are
filled with Complaints and Grievances
calculated apparently with the view
to excuse his withholding that assistance
from

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from the Company which they have a right to expect. that they are besides often couched in terms very disrespectful both towards the Company and the Nabob and contain Repetitions of the same thing over and over again, on points that have been referred to the Company and can only be determined by them. that his Dismissal for Money to answer his engagements must proceed indirectly from the Mismanagement of the Country for it is impossible that a Garrison so rich and fertile as that of Surjon and at present so free from Incumbrances of all sorts, should not be able to produce any Sum he can require either for the Company or himself.

These with such other Arguments as may occur to you should be employed to prevail on the Raja to dismiss his present Dewan, and reinstate his old and faithful servant the Dubban who has given the fullest Proofs of his Capacity and Knowledge in the Management of his Revenue and Interests of the Country, and who was placed by Lord Pigot with him on his Disbaration, from a Thorough Conviction that he was in every respect the fittest Man for

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for such a Charge - altho this man has been removed by the Intriguers of Men who now possess the Rujas Confidence, We hope and doubt not that the Raja will give way to our Request to have him again employed, since it is ^{the} only chance left for restoring his Government and Country to its former flourishing Condition and securing the Amount of the Annual Engagements which he is obliged to make good to the Company and the Nabob. If after all the Raja should be obstinately bent on confirming his present Duan in Employ, you are then to insist on his granting such assignments of Land or Security as may ensure to the Company the regular Payment of his Subsidy in future.

You are already acquainted Sir, that the Raja in the Month of January last, agreed to deposit with the Company 4 Lacks of Paywas to be paid in before the End of June, and to remain in the Company's Treasury until Orders were received from Europe concerning it. The Foundation of our Demand on the Raja for that Sum was the Nabob's claim on the Crore of Tanjore for 1775 which had been decreed to him by the Board in
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Lord Pigot's Government, but the Raja
positively refusing to pay any thing on
account of the Nabob, We accepted the offer of 4 Lacks
of Pagodas appropriated merely as a
Deposit subject to the Company's Pleasure.
Altho the Raja was as much bound by this
Engagement, as he is by his Engagement
for the annual Subsidy, he has from the
beginning taken every Measure to evade it -
soon after the President's Arrival he begged
that he might be permitted to pay only 2
Lacks out of the four in the last year, ^{or the remaining two in the present year} but
without any permission at all he paid in the
last year only a part of one Lack and
now objects in very extraordinary Terms
to the Payment of any more on that Account.
As the Raja had pledged his word for the
Performance of this Engagement his Conduct
throughout the whole is most unaccountable
to us and We desire you will explain
our Sentiments to him on this occasion and
endeavour to make him sensible how much
he is bound in Honor to fulfill what he
had promised.

The next Object of our In-
structions to you relates to the Discharge of
4 Lacks of Pagodas & Annam expressly
appointed to be paid by the Raja of
Daryore.

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Tanjore to the Nabob - Not a single Rupee
of this Money has been paid since the
Raja's Restoration - The Nabob indeed
has not demanded it because his Claims
go to the Possession of the whole Country,
but still this Money ought to be taken
care of, for it should seem the Raja
has made no Provision for it whatever
and if the Nabob were to demand it,
We are at a loss to conceive how any part
of it would be paid - There is now due the
full Pircash of 10 years annuity to 16
Lacks of Rupees - We think it our Duty
to take some Steps for securing the
Payment of this Money which may remain
in Deposit with the Company until
the Claims of the Nabob and the Raja
be finally determined, and if something
be not done without loss of time, it is
next to a Certainty that this Money will
never be received - We therefore authorize
you to press the Raja of Tanjore strongly
on the Subject of the Pircash, in order
that We may be able to secure it in the
manner We have abovementioned - If the
Raja should urge as an Objection to the
Payment of the Pircash, that he has not
been restored to the full Possession of his
Country

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Country, but that some Districts are still retained by the Nabob, this may be easily obviated by telling him that the Right to these Districts being disputed, the Propriety of giving them to him remains still to be determined by the Company, and can afford no Plea for withholding the Purbeck of 4 years, and now obliging to pay it into the Company's Treasury where the Nabob can have no Power over it until the Decision be known.

It is not long since we were involved by the Intrigues of Behbansnah in Disputes with the Dutch, which might have been attended with serious consequences, on Proctor that Behbansnah Pilla was largely indebted to the Government - This Man to avoid the Resentment of Behbansnah, who was jealous of his former favour and Influence with the Rajah, fled to Singapore, and from thence to Ceylon - He wrote to the President that he was ready to settle any Accounts the Rajah had with him and to pay any just Balances, if he could only be assured of the Protection of his Person - On this a Grant was granted by the Governor on the express Condition that he repaired to Tanjore and settled his Accounts with

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the Raja - But Buchanan aware that if Cinnah had Pilla justified himself, he might regain his former favour with his Master effectually prevented his having an Interview with the Raja or coming to any Settlement of Accounts, and in one of the Rajas Letters he desires Cinnah had Pilla may not accompany the Governor to Tanjore - it will therefore be necessary that you set this man settle his Accounts under the Protection of the Castle granted him in a fair and equitable Manner without the Interference of his declared Enemy the present Duan - If the Dubban be appointed Duan, all Difficulties will be removed and therefore this Point should be strenuously insisted on.

We are with Esteem

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14th June 1779

Sir;

Your most Obedient Servants
Thomas Rumbold
J^r Secy Committee

The President delivers in the following Minute which is read

The Arrival of Sir Hyde Perte
at this Presidency on his way to Bengal at
so critical a juncture, I esteem on many accounts

Minute of the
President

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a fortunate Circumstance, he will be able to form a Judgment from his own Observations, of our real Situation with respect to Resources, and the Conduct both of the Nizam, and the Rajah of Tanjore; and I most earnestly recommend to him, to take a review of our Proceedings, both before and since the Capture of Pondicherry, that he may be fully acquainted with the Difficulties we have had, and still have to struggle with; that when he takes his Seat in the Council General at Bengal, he may from his own Knowledge enforce those representations we have found it necessary to make, that we may be supported and assisted by the Advice and Opinion of that Board in any Measures we may be obliged to adopt for the public good and Preservation of the Carnatic. I have been so full on the several Minutes I have given into the Committee, that I have only to refer Sir Lym Court to them for a true Representation of our Difficulties. The Measures we have been obliged to adopt of drawing Bills on the Company, tho' not to a great amount was unavoidable, it was against my Wish and my inclination, truly sensible that the Company are very desirous we should avoid giving any Drafts

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on them; and indeed they have a right to expect that their Resources here should more than answer the Expenses of the Establishment; but every Trial was made in vain to procure Money from the Nabob, the Rajah of Tanjore, and even from Individuals on granting them Interest Notes payable at a certain time, the Distress for Specie was so great that we had no Alternative, we were obliged by the Prospect of an advantageous Amittance to induce those who had Cash by them, to supply our immediate Wants, as the Account delivered in to the Committee the will show there was an absolute necessity, that the Troops should not be kept in arrears, and notwithstanding the Money borrowed, we have now an empty Treasury. It is true the Nabob has promised us a considerable Sum this Month, and to be more regular in his Payments in future, but we have no other Security than his word, should he fail us, and he has seldom been very punctual in fulfilling his Money Engagements, I apprehend of most serious consequences - We have represented to Bengal our Situation We have acquainted them in a former Letter that if we did not receive a supply, we should

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should be under the necessity of depending on Europe - The Council General however were unable to supply us. I will not say unwilling, being convinced the cooperating with the different Presidencies for ^{the} mutual Support of the Company's Possessions, is the first and most material Object of their political Conduct - under all these Circumstances I have no doubt but we shall stand justified to the Company for our Conduct. But at the same time it is absolutely necessary to act with Spirit and Vigor, to obtain Money from those Channels from whence it ought to flow, and by a determined Plan of Economy and reduction of all Expence, to endeavour to supply our Treasury, that we may never again be under the necessity of giving Gifts to the Company. To accomplish this necessary point I have no doubt of meeting with the Concurrence and ready Support of the Committee, and I propose that an Auditor of Accounts be immediately appointed; that he proceed to examine all Accounts military and civil for the last six Months, or if it should be thought too great a Task for one Person, that two be appointed, one to audit the civil the other the Military accounts, that all unnecessary extra Charges be struck off, and that they make a Report to the

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Committee and Council every fortnight of
the Progress they have made, and their Allowance
and Emolument in great Measure, depend on
the Reduction made by them in the monthly
Expenses - Should it appear extraordinary at
the commencement of a War to propose a
Reduction of our Military Force, it would
at this juncture undoubtedly be highly impro-
per and dangerous, but I do not hesitate to
give it as my Opinion, that our Establish-
ment is too great for our Resources, and
either a fixed and certain Revenue from
the Carnatic and Tanjore Countries, must be
allotted for the Payment of our Troops, or a
considerable Reduction must take place at
a more favorable Period. The Subsidy should
be in advance, not in arrears for the Payment
of what depends on him; but on the contrary his
Debt is accumulating, and the Company strongly
recommended to us in their Letters of the last
Season to call upon him for Payment, and not
to suffer the Claims of Individuals to interfere
with their Demands. We know not what
Steps our Enemies are taking; what Force
they have at the Mauritius, but we have
every Reason to believe that they are not
inactive, and that they will attempt some
Stroke to recover the Ground they have lost.

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We have no immediate prospect of support, and therefore must find resources amongst ourselves, and must pursue such a conduct as to provide against all difficulties and contingencies.

The Isles are covered with powerful Fleets of the Enemy, and altho. we have room to hope for the best, yet the event of an Engagement which depends on a variety of circumstances and even accidents is uncertain. what if the French Grand Fleet should oblige us to retire only for a Season where then will be our hopes of Reinforcements? shall we then with an empty Treasury be enabled to provide for the Occasions of a commencing War? or will the Nabobs generously then help us with our Wants? or shall ^{we} not be obliged to open a Treasury and draw Bills on the Company, at a time when they must feel every Bill as a Demand of their Blood. I hope never to sit my Name on any Account, to another Bill or them for the Expenses of this Presidency for I will venture to say, that a Supply from Bills of Exchange is the most unpopular Mode of Provision we can follow and that effecting Payment of the Nabobs Debt by any Means will be applauded —

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Before I conclude let me add that things
now a lull, a Calm before the Engines of
War are thoroughly set in Motion, which
points this out as the critical time for taking
our Measures, if after all it should appear in the
sequel not to have been necessary, there is no
harm in having endeavoured to supply our Treas-
ury; but if it should appear to have been a
wise and prudent measure, we shall have the
merit of saving the Company from Destruction.
The next consideration to supplying our Treasury
is to form such Alliances as may secure us from
any Attempts, if our endeavours with respect
to Momy should not succeed. The Council
General have strongly recommended our
forming a Treaty with Hyder, and have given
us full Powers to conclude one. Our Correspondence
with him has not been attended with that
readiness on his part which we expected from him,
but I am persuaded we should not lose sight of
the Object, and nothing will so effectually
bring it about as sending a Person to him,
a proper Person may be made use of, and
we shall be able to judge of his Intentions;
it is better to know him for an Enemy than
a doubtful Friend, and I must confess I shall be
under some apprehensions for our Detachment
now proceeding to Mahé, unless we are assured
what line of Conduct he means to observe.

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I have always been of opinion, that the not
keeping up a proper communication with the
Country Powers, has been a principal Error
in our Politics. The French have never neglect-
ed having an Agent at the different Courts
in Indostan, whose Representations have
often proved detrimental to our Interests,
and whose insinuations of our ambitious
Designs have operated to our Disadvantage.
I think it highly necessary that some proper
Person at this particular time should be sent
to the Nizam, as well as to Hyder, that we
may be fully acquainted with their Views
and Designs. To send one to Hyder is on many
accounts more particularly necessary; his
infirm State of Health makes his life every
moment in danger, nay it is asserted that
at any rate he cannot live many Months;
it is more than probable from the distressed
State his Possessions will fall into on his
Death, that his Son Tipu Sultan will look
to us for Support, the Situation of his Coun-
try renders him an natural Ally, a Barrier
against all Invasions, and being important
as a Friend he is dangerous as an Enemy.
I am happy to call the Committee's Attention
to the several Points I have mentioned whilst
we have the Assistance of the Knowledge and

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Abilities of Sir Eyre Coote, who is destined
to take a principal Share in the Manage-
ment of so considerable and valuable a part
of the British Empire, as our Possessions
in Indostan.

Thomas Rumbold

Sir Eyre Coote acquaints the
Committee that he shall agreeably to the
Presidents desire inform himself clearly upon
those Points which the President has recommended
to his Consideration, and that he shall be happy
in affording his Assistance for the Attainment
of any Points that may be judged important
to the Security of the Company on this Coast.

The Attachment of Hyder Ally
to the Interests of the French, which has been
manifested on several Occasions, and which
there is reason to believe may show itself more
conspicuously in case they should hereafter
be in a Condition to act against us with
any Probability of Success, renders it highly
necessary that we should be minutely informed
of his Motions in order that we may be prepared
to counteract them should they prove hostile
towards the Company. For this purpose it
is resolved that one of the Companys Servants
be sent to reside in a public Character at
the Court of Hyder Ally, and that a Letter

be

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be immediately written to Hyder informing him of this Appointment and requesting the necessary Supports.

The Committee
resolve that an
Auditor of acc^{ts}
be appointed to
audit all acc^{ts}
Civil & Military

The Committee are very sensible of the Utility of having one Person only charged with the Examination of the public Accounts of this Presidency. That this necessary Business has been entrusted to the Care of a Committee but it has been found that by dividing it among six or eight Gentlemen who occasionally meet to examine the Accounts, the Examination is not conducted with that Accuracy and Attention which might be expected from one Man appointed expressly for the purpose, with a Salary sufficient to excite his constant Diligence and Attention in the Prosecution of this one Object. Resolved therefore that an Auditor of civil and military Accounts be appointed with Instructions to examine and audit all Accounts Bills &c. and to begin with the Examination of the Accounts from the 1st May last continuing it regularly in future and making his Reports to the Select Committee or Council as often as may be necessary.

Mr Geo: Proctor
appointed Auditor

Resolved that Mr George Proctor be appointed Auditor of Accounts

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and Instructions prepared for him
accordingly.

Resolution in
regard to the
works of Pondicherry

The Committee being of opinion
that Preparations should be made without
Loss of time for the Demolition of the Works
at Pondicherry, it is resolved that the Comman-
ding Officer there be directed in Company
with the Commanding Officer of Artillery
and the Engineer, to examine the principal
Works and report to us their Opinion, what
Chambers, are necessary to be made and what
Quantity of Gunpowder will be sufficient to
demolish them, also the probable Expence
of constructing the Chambers.

Read the following Letter
from Mr. Pasley the Senior Surgeon.

Honble Sir & M^{rs}

From Mr Pasley
recommending a
Surgeon Major
to be appointed
to audit all field
charges -

As troops are at this
time preparing for an expedition to Mad^{ras}
and reflecting on the inconveniences the
Surgeon Department as well as the Service
sustained at the Siege of Pondicherry in
Charges exhibited by every Surgeon there
and even by Assistant Surgeons I think it
incumbent on me on this Occasion to present
to your Honor &c the necessity there seems
to be for an Appointment of a Surgeon
Major that a regular and a single
Channel

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Chargent might be furnished there which
all field charges should come - Wth Lucas
from his Seniority in the List of field
Surgeons from his abilities as a field Surgeon
and from the length of his Services there is
the proper Person for this Appointment
if your Honor gr^d approve of it with the
allowance of a Major annexed to the
Appointment. I have the honor to be
with much respect.

Fort St. George
the 14th Jan'y 1779

Honble Sir J^{ts} S^{rs}

Your most Obedient and
most humble Servant
Gilbert Parley

Mr Colly Lucas
appointed there

The Committee being of
Opinion that the Appointment of a
Surgeon Major if properly conducted may
be of considerable Use at this Period where
the Hospital Charges in the Field are
likely to be numerous and heavy. Agreed
on M^{rs} Parley's Recommendation that M^r
Colly Lucas be appointed Surgeon
Major with the Allowance of a Major.

Mr. Thos O'Brien,
S^t J^{ts} Thos. W Bell
K^{ts} J^{ts} J^{ts} appointed
Leads of Artillery

At the Recommendation
of Sir Eyre Court, the following Gentlemen
are

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are appointed Cadets in the Artillery
Corps.

Messrs Francis O'Brien

James Laoff

Robert Bell

James Jones

Thos. Pembold

Major Munn

Charles Smith

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^{17th} Write the following
Letter to Lieutenant Colonel Baillie.

To Lieutenant Colonel Baillie
Commanding at
Pondichery

Sir,

S. Co. Baillie to
examine & report the
number of chambers
& quantities of Gun
Powder requisite to
blow up the works
of Pondichery—

We assure you will in Company
with the Engineer at Pondichery and the commanding
Officer of Artillery, examine the principal Works
in the Fortifications of that place so far as may be
proper to enable you jointly to form an Opinion
of the Number & capacity of the Chambers necessary
to contain Gunpowder sufficient for their Demoli-
tion. This Opinion, together with an Estimate
of the Expense of making such Chambers must
be transmitted to us as soon as possible—

We are,

Fort St. George
17th Janry 1779

Sir,

Your Most Obedient Servants
Thomas Rumbold
of the list of committee

At a Select Committee Present
The Honble Thomas Rumbold Esq. Pres.
Sir Eyre Coote Charles Smith

Monroay
the 18th

General Monro absent on Service
Mr. Whitehill absent

Minutes

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Minutes of last Committee read.

The following Instructions
to Colonel Brathwaite who commands on
the Expedition to Maki are now read
and approved.

To Colonel John Brathwaite

Sir,

Para 1st

Instructions to
Col. Brathwaite

Having appointed you to
the Command of the Troops to be employed
on an Expedition against the French
Settlement at Maki, We shall now furnish
you with such Instructions as appear to
us expedient for this Service.

2^d

The Troops put under your
Command on the 1st Battalion & Regiment of
Europeans the 3^d 4th and 20th Battalions of Sepoys
and three Companies of Artillery.

3^d

This Force is directed to assemble
at Arjengo, and from thence We mean that
it shall be transported by Sea to Tellicherry.
In the March to Arjengo thro' the Travancore
Country, you will give strict Orders that the
utmost Regularity be observed by our Troops,
for as the Raja of Travancore has promised
in the most friendly and cheerful Terms to
secure

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secure them a free Passage and to supply them with every thing in his Power. We should be concerned were any Occasion of Complaint given to him or any of his People.

4th On your Arrival at Nagpore you will probably be able to gain exact Information concerning the Posture of the French at Mahr.

Should you receive any certain Accounts that the Garrison of Mahr hath been reinforced so far as to make it in your Judgment too hazardous to pursue the Enterprise with the Troops We have appointed for it, or should you have certain Intelligence of any French Ships being on the Coast superior in Strength to His Majesty's Squadron; in either of these Cases you are not to embark the Troops but remain at Nagpore until you can receive further Directions from Us.

5th We have requested Sir Edward Vernon to wait at Trincomaly till the 20th of this Month, and then proceed to Nagpore with the Squadron to assist in conveying our Forces to Mahr. We are much at a loss for Vessels to transport the Stores We mean to send from hence, but We shall embrace the first Opportunity of forwarding them. A considerable part of the Stores requisite for the Expedition have been already sent from Bombay, and

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We have no doubt of your being amply supplied with every Article in proper time, but should there be a want of any thing you will apply as early as you can to Bombay for it.

6th On your Arrival at Tellicherry We recommend to you the most vigorous Execution of the Force under your Command to possess yourself of Mooki with every other Port belonging to the French in that Neighbourhood - We enclose you the latest Intelligence We have received concerning the Strength of the Garrison at Mooki - also a Return of the Company's Troops at Tellicherry which may be employed in Addition to your Force if it

You are to consider the Detachment We have put under your Command as entirely under the Orders of this Presidency and as soon as the present Service is completed We trust that you will take the most effectual Measures for conveying the Troops back to Europe without the Loss of a Man - giving the Preference to the Europeans you will desire Sir Edward Vernon to afford you every Assistance in his Power, and if it be necessary for this Service detain the Ships which may be employed in transporting the Troops to Tellicherry or write to Bombay for Assistance

as

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as occasion may require.

8th

You will keep the Gentlemen at Bombay as well as ourselves constantly advised of your Proceedings, and be careful to communicate with Sir Edward Pakenham upon all Points relative to the public Service, and to take his Opinion and Advice in every Matter that respects the conjoint Operations of the Sea and Land Forces.

9th

We recommend to you in the strongest Manner to attend to the military Regulations in every Point of Expense, for We are determined to admit of no Charge whatever that is not fully warranted by those Regulations, or by the evident Necessity of the Service, and we assure you that it will afford us great Pleasure to find that you have carefully inspected into every Branch of the present Service and conducted it upon the most frugal Plan possible.

10th

Having ordered Lieutenant Colonel Brown the Commandant of Magoor's Regiment to proceed with the European Battalion employed on the Expedition, We desire you will give him leave to return to his Command as soon as the Service will admit.

11th

You will observe that the

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foregoing Instructions are framed on the Supposition that you will meet with no Impediment in the Execution of our Design, from any other Power, but the French, and We sincerely hope this may prove to be the Case, but as it is impossible to say at present how far Hyder Ally may be disposed to favor the Interests of our Enemy by strengthening or attempting to relieve the Garrison of Madras, or how far our Operations may be affected, by the war in which the Gentlemen at Bombay are engaged with the Maratta Government, We deem it expedient to communicate to you fully our Views upon both these Points, and to prepare you as well as We are able against every Event that may possibly happen in the Course of this Service.

12th We are inclined to think from the passive conduct of Hyder Ally during our Operations against Pondicherry, that he has no real design of supporting the French Interest at present, in Opposition to Us, indeed it seems unreasonable to suppose that Hyder if he had any such Intention would reserve it to be employed only when the French were driven to their last Stake, and beyond almost the Possibility of recovering even the Ground they have lost. Whatever appearance therefore he may assume in their favor, We are warranted

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warranted as every Ground to include that he will not break with us by openly assisting the French on the present Occasion, and as to every Secret Support that he may be able to afford them when directly or by means of his Tributaries in the Neighbourhood of Madras We think your Force is fully sufficient to encounter it.

13th Tho' We have such strong and convincing Reasons to believe Hyder Ally will in the present Situation of Affairs take no open and direct Part in favor of the Spanish, yet should he from any Motive that cannot now be discovered be induced to from the Conduct he has hitherto observed, and declare openly in their favor, and should you be of Opinion from that declaration or from his Actions that he means to oppose our undertaking with a sufficient Force to render the Success of it in your Judgment too hazardous, in that case We should have you immediately desist from the Enterprise, without exposing our Troops to the risk of a Defeat.

14th The same Line of Conduct must be observed with respect to the Marattas should they have leisure or Intimation to oppose you with any probability of Effect, which We

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We hope and believe will not be the case, but as the Gentlemen at Bombay are engaged in a War with the Ministers of Poona, for the Support of Ragunath Rao, and have sent their whole Force to conduct that Chief to Poona and place him in the Government, and as the Execution of these Measures may be productive of Consequences extremely interesting to the Company on that side of India, We think it expedient to mention what occurs to us at present on this Subject, that you may be prepared to act as Circumstances shall require.

15th If the Gentlemen at Bombay are successful in their Measures, We do not conceive that the Company's Possessions at Bombay or on the Malabar Coast will be in any Danger, but if their Troops meet with any Defeat, or Misfortune in their Progress to Poona, every thing may be exposed to risk, and Bombay itself left without Troops to defend it may become an easy Conquest even to such an Armament as may be fitted out from the French Islands.

16th The Protection of Bombay is an Object of the first Importance to the Company and should any Circumstances of the nature above mentioned, render it necessary for

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For the Gentlemen at Bombay to require
your speedy assistance to secure the safety of
that Settlement against any certain and
imminent Danger, We authorize you to grant
it, unto the Extent of your whole Force,
and if necessary to relinquish the present
Expedition for that purpose, but as nothing
but the most pressing Necessity, and that
to secure an Object of such great consequence
could induce Us to require in a Measure which
would deprive Us at this juncture of any
part of the Force intended to M^{ake}, so you
must keep it in your Remembrance, that
next to the Accomplishment of the Expedition
We consider the Return of the Troops to
this Coast (and particularly the Europeans)
as a point which deserves your first Atten-
tion and as a which must not give way to
any thing less than the Object We have
above mentioned.

14th In case of your Success
against M^{ah}, We recommend to you
if possible to avoid entering into any
Agreement for preserving the Fortifications,
as We wish to have them destroyed
immediately on your getting Possession of
the Place. Whatever Prisoners may fall
into your hands We would have lodged
at

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at Dellicherry until they can be sent
to Bombay

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We wish you Success and are
Sir,

your most obedient Servant
Thomas Rumbold
of the Secret Committee

A Letter to be written
to Bombay on the
subject of the Madras
expedition -

Resolved that a Letter be
written to Bombay informing the Gentlemen
there of the Particulars of the Force We
have ordered on the Expedition and requesting
them to co-operate in this Service to the
utmost of their Power, in regard to the
furnishing of Transports, as well as Provi-
sions for the Troops - acquainting them
also that as We have been hitherto disap-
pointed in obtaining Vessels to convey the
Stores We meant to send from hence, We hope
they will be able to increase the Preparations
of the several Articles specified in the List trans-
mitted with our Letter of the 7th Instant, that
there may be as little want as possible in
case We should be further disappointed in sending
away our Stores from hence.

A Letter to be written
to the Raga of
Travancore respecting
the troops to march
18th Jan 1779

Resolved that a Letter be
written to the Raga of Travancore acknowledging
the Receipt of his Letter to the President
as

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as entered in Country Correspondence. V^o
and acquainting him that in addition to the 3
Battalions of Europeans mentioned in the President's
Letter to him of the a Battalion of Europeans
and three Companies of Artillery have been
ordered to march to Arango thro' the Travancore
Country, - that We hope this will make little
Difference to him in regard to the necessary
Supplies of Provisions on their March, and
flatter ourselves from the Attention he has
hitherto shewn to our Requests, that he will
 exert his Endeavours not only to have the
Troops supplied on their Way to Arango, but
also during their stay there and until their
Embarkation, and that he will use his Influence
in procuring Vessels to transport them from
Arango.

As the Raja of Travancore has
on the present and on a former Occasion, when
Troops were marched thro' his Country, to Arango
manifested a great Degree of Friendship and
good will towards the Company, it is resolved
by way of acknowledgements for those services,
that a Present of a Dress, or some other thing
that may be acceptable be sent him in the
Name of the Company, and that he be
acquainted with our Intentions in this respect
in the Letter to be now written.

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Mr Huddleston
appointed to reside
at Hyder Ally's
court

The Committee having resolved
at their last Meeting to send one of the
Company's Servants to reside at the Court of
Hyder Ally, it is now resolved that M^r.
John Huddleston be appointed for this
Service.

Recd the following Letter
from M^r. Chauran.

Translation

To the Honble M^r Pumbold

Governor and President of the Council, of
Madras, and to the Gentlemen of the Committee
at Fort St. George

Gentlemen

From M^r Chauran
refusing to accept
the 600 Rupees
tender'd him for
his expenses.

I have received the letter, which
you did me the honor to write under date the 13th
Instant in answer to my two letters dated the 2^d of
this Month. Your Proposal to allow me only
six hundred Rupees for the Expence of transpor-
ting my Effects from Pondichury to this
place cannot be accepted. The Government of
Madras by the Articles of Capitulation is
bound to defray all Expences occasioned by
my Removal from my Office until my
Arrival in France. I have sent you the
account of those incurred in my Journey to
Madras from Pondichury with my Baggage
Servants &c. having also demanded from

Colonel

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Colonel Baillie Commandant at Pondicherry
to provide for these Charges - he answered that
he had not yet received your Orders. The beforementioned
Account amounted to 1487 Rupees which Sum Anna
and Tambro Writers of the Comptrolle had advanced
and (I repeat again) according to the Articles of
Capitulation they ought to be reimbursed by
You, and in that account alone I demanded it -
You ought Gentlemen to be convinced that such
an Account signed by a principal Officer
cannot in any Manner suffer an abatement
and I cannot forbear expressing to you
my Surprise, and also my positive refusal
to receive the beforementioned 600 Rupees.
I had a Disposition on your part not to
pay any thing would have much less
affected my feelings.

With respect to the Suback,
which you decline sending, and which I
requested only because I thought it due to the Office,
which I have the honor to hold from his Most Christian
Majesty I can only thank you for the Motives which
determined you not to send one, and I shall upon a
proper occasion quote my request of your answer to it.

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen,

Your very humble & loyal servant
Signed, Chevreaux

Repas
13th June 1779

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Memorandum

We do not see any cause for the
apparent offence taken by M^r. Chervan at the
offer we made him of 600 Rupees for the
Expence of conveying his Baggage to Madras.
It is true that sum did not come up to the charge
made by M^r. Chervan but we do not see
what obligation the Company are under to
pay the Expence of M^r. Chervan's Baggage
if the Quantity be immoderate, or the charge
of conveying it unreasonable 600 Rupees
appeared a handsome and sufficient Allowance,
considering all the Circumstances, and M^r. Chervan
in his present Letter has urged no Reason that
can induce us to increase it.

Read the following Letter
from M^r. Cavelier.

Translation,
To the Honble the Governor of
Fort St. George
Sir,

From M^r
Cavelier applying
for his pay as
Judge of the
Choultry court.

Not having received since the
Surrender of Pondicherry the Allowance made me
by the King as Judge of the Choultry Court, and
having waited from day to day upon a promise
from M^r. Chervan that as soon as he received the
order from the Council of Madras he would
advise me of it. This order at length arrived
but I was not then more advanced as by some
Omission

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Omission my name was not inserted in the List.
This obliged me to come to Madras, not having
the means of procuring Subsistence, nor any
other resource but my Appointments for living
in this Country. I flatter myself that in
consequence of the Certificates which I have the
honour to lay before you, you will not make
any difficulty in issuing an order for my
receiving my Appointments according to my
Rank, and allowance for lodging that I send
Money to my Wife to enable her to join me, that
We may wait here for the Ship which is to
convey us to Europe.

I am with respect,

Sir

St Thome

12th Jan'y 1779

Your most humble and
most obedient Servant

(Signed) Cuvelier
(Translation)

M^r. Deputy Commissary of the Marine Superintending
the Department of the Controller at Pondicherry, certi-
fies that M^r. Cuvelier is upon the Books of the Office for an
allowance of 2000 Livres of Pension as late Judge of the
Chancery from and including the eighteenth day
of last Month.

Certified by me Commissary Pondicherry 13th Nov 1778

General of the Marine (Signed) Duverge
late Intendant of the French Settlements in India
(Signed) Chavreau

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(Translation)

We the undersigned - Deputy Commissioners re-
siding at Pondicherry, certify
that M^r. Cuvilier late 2^d Judge of the Choultry
engaged, under the head of Subsistence Money,
an allowance of 2000 Livres Per annum and
that the said M^r. Cuvilier has been omitted in
the list sent to the Gentlemen of the Committee
at Madras, of those Persons employed in the
civil Establishment, who were to receive Subsis-
tence Money, and that the said Allowance is
due from the 19th October 1778.

Pondicherry 2^d June 1779

Certified

Signed Miriand

Bellicombe.

Agreed that Directions be given

His request granted

to Lieutenant Colonel Baillie to admit M^r.
Cuvilier upon the list of those to be subsid-
ed by the Company and to pay what is due
to him from the 19th October last.

Read the following Letter
from M^r. Bellicombe.

(Translation)

To the Honble Thomas Rumbold

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Governor and President and to the Gentlemen,
of the Committee at Madras,
Gentlemen,

Thomas M^r. Bellicombe

now reply to ours

respecting plans

I was this day honored with
the

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the receipt of your letters of the 5.th of this Month, and I hasten to answer it. I shall always punctually perform the articles of Capitulation of ~~Capitulation~~, and I think I have fully done so with respect to the 19th by having delivered to Colonel Baillie all Papers enclosed in the renomination of Public Papers. I declare to you Gentlemen that I have not at present any others but private ones belonging to myself.

M^r Dumas, the Chief Engineer, has delivered to Colonel Baillie the Plan of Pondicherry, and I gave to General Munro another of the Garrison and its Environs to the Distance of 800 Fathoms. Pondicherry being the only place belonging to the French, which is fortified in India it is certain that I cannot have any other plans to deliver to you.

I do not know what Papers you mean when you mention Military Papers, I have given to Colonel Baillie without his revising it, the Detail of the Pondicherry Regiment, and of the Artillery. I do not know of any other Papers relative to the Military.

With respect to those which relate to political Matters I do not imagine that you would include them among public Papers. After all, Gentlemen, I assure you

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that I have not any - You will readily believe
that when I observed your offensive Preparations
against Pondichery I took Precautions to
ensure the Safety of these Papers which I
did not chuse I should fall into your hands -

I have delivered over to Mr.
Patin the youngest one of the Commissaries
for the Company, a quantity of Registers
and Papers concerning that Company - you
can, Gentlemen, if you please, cause them
to be examined; if I did not send them, it
was to avoid the trouble of conveying them,
being firmly convinced that they were
totally useless to you.

I have the Honor to be,
Gentlemen,

Your most humble and
most obedient servant

(Signed) Bellefombe

Pondichery
9th Jan'y 1779

Recd the following Letter from
the Paymaster at Pondichery

To the Honble Thomas Rumbold Esq^r
G^l Members of the Select Committee

Honble Sir & Sirs

I shall be glad to be informed
if

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if I am to pay all Bills countersigned by
the Commanding Officer. I remain with
the greatest deference

Pondicherry
the 12th Juny 1779

Honble Sir & Miss,
your most Obedient
humble Servant
R. D. Munro
Paymaster

To pay all
bills countersigned
by the Command
ant -

As Colonel Baillie is enjoined
to countersign no Bills but what he has in express
Authority for, such as he countersigns must be
paid. To prevent however any Mistake or
Irregularity in this respect Colonel Baillie
must be enjoined to give the Sanction of his
Name to no Account that is not warranted
by our Orders.

Shad the following Letter
from Major Burghall

To the Honble President and Members
of the Select Committee

Honble Sir & Miss,

Dear Major
Burghall -

Understanding you are prepa-
ring dispatches for England, and being anxious to
write some certain Account of my Situation here
to my Family and Friends there, I should have

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happy to find an Explanation of my Motives
for removing myself and Family that are with
me from this Country may induce you to put
a more favorable Construction on my Conduct
than has been hitherto signified.

I shall always hope the best
from your Authority and Justice and endeavour
to deserve it.

I have the honor to remain,
Honble Sir & Sirs,

Fort St George
21st Jan^y 1779

your very respectful and
devoted Servant,

Geo. Burghall
Major & S^r Engineer

To which the Secretary is
directed to send the following Answer.

To Major George Burghall
Sir

To Major Burghall
in answer

I am directed by the President
and Select Committee to acknowledge the
Receipt of your Letter of the 8th Instant and
to acquaint you that they have already fully
deliberated upon your Case and written to the
Company concerning it. The Matter now rests
with them. They desire me to declare to you
once for all, that your quitting the Army at
Dondicherry

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Conducting at the time you did and your sending
a Letter to them requesting leave to retire with
your Family to England, could be considered in no
other Light than as a Resignation of the
Service - that they treated it in that Light,
and you made no Objection at the time, nor
until the Expedition to Pondicherry was
concluded - On all these Accounts they cannot
take any further Measures here respecting
you, and if there be any Circumstances you
wish to represent, they desire you will
address them to the Company.

I am

Sir

Your most Obedient Servant
Charles Baker

By

Thos. Aumbold

Charles Smith

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Dispatched the following
Letters

19th

To Mr Edward Vernon

Commodore and Commander in Chief
of His Majesty's Ships in India
Sir,

Letter to Sir Edward
Vernon

We are sorry to inform
you that We have not yet been able to
procure a conveyance to carry our Stores
to Sumatra, but We shall engage the
first Vessel that comes in, and We still hope
they will arrive at Rangoon in time to
accompany you to Maki.

We have been obliged to
march the whole Force intended for the
Expedition, overland to Rangoon, - from whence
We flatter ourselves with such Assistance as
you will be able to give, the whole may be
speedily embarked for Maki - We have
appointed Colonel Brathwaite to command
the Troops and directed him to consult with
you upon all points relative to the public
Service.

The success of this
Expedition will be productive of the
greatest Advantages to the Company and
Nation, and We have the fullest confidence
in

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in your zeal to cooperate with us to the utmost of your Ability, until the service be effectually completed

We are,

Sir,

Fort St. George
19th Jan'y 1779

your most Obedient Servant
Thomas Bumbold
of the Committee

To Mr John Forbese
Agent at

Sir,

Angengo

Letter No

Mr. Forbese

We enclose you a Letter to be forwarded to Bombay also a Letter for Sir Edward Vernon, who will probably be at Angengo when you receive this Dispatch or soon afterwards

We have been obliged to march our whole Force Europeans and Sepoys overland, for want of Convoys to send the Europeans by Sea. We hope from your zeal and Endeavours that there will be no want of Provisions, particularly as We have written this Night proposing to the Raja of Travancore in the Subject. We have also requested him to assist in procuring Vessels to transport the Troops to Malé

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The Gentlemen at Bombay
have written us of their Determination to lend
every possible Support to the Expedition
they have already dispatched the *Avenge* and
Bombay Boat with Stores to Tellicherry, We
hope these Vessels have been secured as Transports
to assist in conveying our Troops from Orissa,
and that those with what you may have
obtained from other Quarters will be sufficient.

We are,

Sir,

Fort St. George
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Your most Obedient Servant
Thomas Burnbold
of the Committee

To the Honble William Hornby Esq^r
President and Governor of the Committee
at Bombay

Honble Sir & Sirs,

Letter to Bombay

Enclosed is a Duplicate of our
Letter of the 7th Instant.

The Force which We have
ordered on the Expedition to Malé consists of,

1 Batt^y of Europeans 439

3 Companies of Artillery 150

589 Europeans

3 Battalions of Sepoys each 750 - 2250 Sepoys

The whole Force is now

marching

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marshing to Bangalore thro' the Travancore
Country under the Command of Colonel
Brathwaite, and We hope he will be at
Bangalore by the 10th or 15th Feb^y

We have been disappointed
in our Expedition of Vessels to carry the
Stores intended to go from hence. We shall endeavour still to procure a Conveyance to send them round to Bangalore, but as We can be at no certainty We request you will if it be in your power increase the preparations of the several Articles specified in the List enclosed in our Letter of the 7th so that the Expedition may be subject to no failure for want of Stores.

We request also that you will take every means in your power to supply our Troops with Provisions on the Malabar Coast.

In our Instructions to Colonel Brathwaite, We have directed him in case of Success against Mabi, to lodge whatever Prisoners may fall into his Hands at Tellicherry until they can be sent to Bombay. We have also directed him if possible to avoid entering into any Agreement for preserving the Fortifications, as We wish them to be destroyed as soon as can be after our Troops get Possession of the Place.

Colonel Brathwaite is ordered to correspond regularly with you, and we

tation

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request you will afford him every Assistance
and Information in your Power.

Fort St. George
19th Jan^y 1779

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs,
Your most Obedient Servants
Thomas Burnbold
J^r Sec^y Committee

Dispatched the following Letter.

20.

To M^r Joseph Baker

Sir,

Letter to M^r Baker
with a bill for
35000 Rupees.

We have appointed you to
act as Paymaster and Commissary to the Troops
ordered on the Expedition to Malé

For the Pay of the Troops
and other Expenses likely to be incurred on the
Malabar Coast, We shall consign to you
a Quantity of Rupees by the first Sea
Convoys, that offers for Discharge - We now
enclose you a Bill on M^r Church at Calcutta
for Rupees 35,000 which when received and so
be appropriated to the Expenses of your Depart-
ment

If you should be in want of
Money exclusive of these Supplies you must
endeavour to procure it for Draughts on Us -
or

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or if that be impracticable and you should be
able to obtain Money for Bills on Bombay,
you will draw on that Presidency for such
Sums as you shall absolutely want - but you
are to consider this as your last Resource,
and to be adopted only in case of urgent Necessity
and this Necessity must be mentioned to the
Gentlemen at Bombay as your Excuse in case
you should be obliged to pass any Bills
on them.

We strictly charge you to
adhere attentively to the Military Regulations
and to such Orders as We have issued relating
to the Expenses of the Expedition, for We are
determined not to admit a single Article
however trifling that is not warranted by
these Regulations and Orders, or by the evi-
dent Necessity of the Service.

Your Accounts must be regu-
larly closed at the end of every Month and
transmitted to the Presidency with all possible
Expedition.

We are,

Sir,

Fort St. George
20th Jan'y 1779

Your most obedient Servant
Thomas Rumbold
of the Committee

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At a Select Committee Present

The Honble Thomas Rumbold Esq. Presid.

Monday
the 25th

Sir Eyre Cooté John Whisehill

Charles Smith

General Munro absent on Service

Minutes of last Consultation read

Read the following Letter from

Colonel Baillie -

To the Honble Thomas Rumbold Esq.

Governor & President and the Gentlemen of the Schiefflin Committee

Fort St George

Honble Sir & Sirs,

Letter from
Col^d Baillie -

I explained to Mr. La Grenade what
related to him in the Honble Committee's Letter to me of
the 13th Instant and I have now the pleasure to
transmit his answer. He is a Man of Character here
and I believe there is little reason to doubt the
Arms being his own private Property. These,
with the Arms of many others, were put into the
Arsenal here, after the Surrender of the Place,
merely for Security, and to prevent their Sale
until your pleasure should be known.

I am with the greatest Respect,
Honble Sir & Sirs,

Yours
18th Jan 1779

your most Obedient and
most humble servant
W^m Baillie

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(Translation)

To Colonel Baillie

Sir

I propose in this Letter answering
the several observations which you made this
Morning in the name of the Gentlemen of the
Superior Council of Madras, on the Subject of the
Fire Arms which I deposited in the Arsenal of
this place a few days after its surrender.

There are 1877 Greenock
Firelocks of English and French form & of a
slight make, 8 Pistols, and 30 Buccinets.
I have these Arms from two Purchases made in
1776 - one of 1598 French Pieces from M^r Moravin
the other of about 2000 Firelocks of different
Sorts from M^rs^{rs} Bruleman and L^e Dean
Captain and Surgeon Surge of the Ship L^e
Severe. The Purchase money by agreement
with M^r Moravin being payable at the
expiration of a year I am unable to show you
his Receipts, my Agreement with M^rs^{rs} Bruleman
and L^e Dean being for ready Money I did not
ask them for their Invoices as they were not
necessary to me.

You will observe by M^r
Moravin's Receipts that I paid him for each

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Since 4 or 5 Pagodas - With respect to the others
I have the honor to inform you that I paid for

Each Grenadier Firelock - - - - - 11 Rupees

Each Firelock of a slight make - - - - - 22

Each Buccannons - - - - - 18

Each P.^r of Pistols - - - - - 14

This, Sir, is the real State
of the Affair. - I have neither a right nor a
wish to propose a Price for the Gentlemen
of the Superior Council at Madras. I am
convinced from their Equity, that I shall
have reason to be satisfied with what they
may please to decide upon this Occasion

I have the honor to be with
perfect Consideration,

Sir,

Pondichery
17th Jan'y 1779

Your most humble and
most Obedient servant

Lagnon

Ordered to lay on the Table
for Consideration.

Read the following Letter
from Mess^{rs} Lagnon, Moracin and Martin.

Translation

To the President and to the Gentlemen of
Council composing a select Committee for
the Administration of the Honorable India
Company's Affairs at Madras
Gentlemen

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Gentlemen,

Letter from
Messrs. Morison
to Genl. &
Martin on the
subject of the
French Co.

We have the honor to lay
before you the enclosed List of Persons attached
to the Service of the Liquidation of the India Compa-
ny Affairs entrusted to our Management. It consists
of 9 People to whom the Comptroller General of
the Finances allowed annual appointments amount-
ing to 24,600 livres, making 10,250 Repees, or
2924.26 Piceas. We have, Gentlemen, drawn
out this List conformably to our particular
Ideas of what is proper to be done in the present
Situation of Affairs. If you approve the
mode laid down, We shall have spared you
some trouble. But if on the contrary, it should
not meet with your approbation, you will
doubtless be pleased to favor us with the arrange-
ments which you may think proper to whol-
late on this Occasion. Of nine Persons mentioned
in the List, We wish that (with your Appro-
bation) seven should proceed to Europe as soon
as possible, and that Messrs. Martin, and
Blia depremont should alone remain at
Pondichery. This last disposition has been
made for two reasons, of which We shall
now inform you.

First, - to have in India, two Persons worthy of
confidence, in charge of the Papers of the
Company the preservation of which is highly
interesting to the forerunners of the

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court

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Number of Europeans as well as Natives—

Secondly - To give the Persons entrusted with such charge a commission which may enable them to transmit any current business, or also to finish the examination of some old accounts by which the Company will prove debtors for considerable Sums, which are almost all reversible to the People of this Country.

Upon the Performance of these two Objects, We could not Gentlemen make a better choice than in that of Messrs. Martin, and Colin de Grenant. It will not be too necessary to make their eulogium, but if you are pleased to acquiesce in our request, only until answers can be received from Europe, We will promise to assure you that they will by their conduct prove themselves worthy of the Charge - Besides, the Residence of the Gentlemen will not be productive of any Expense to your Treasury, as We shall authorize them to draw for the necessary Expenses upon the Company's Cash at Paris, until the Comptroller General may think proper to order otherwise.

We shall finish this Letter in requesting that you will be pleased to provide for the Passage to Europe as well as for the Subsistence from the 1st of October last until their Embarkation, for the seven Persons

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who are not to remain in India. There
will only be six to accommodate, Mr.
Chambers having at our request, included
Mr. Durozier in the List of Passengers on
the Brisson, which you have approved.
If the Portuguese Ship expected in the next
Month from China, arrive at Madras, Messrs.
Moracin and Lobache will be provided
with Passage on her, and Mr. Delagrèze
is also labouring to obtain accommodations
on the same Vessel. All this however
cannot of course take place without
your Approbation.

We have the honor to be with respect,
Gentlemen,

your most humble and
most Obedient Servant

Lafayette

(Signed) Moracin

Martin

Things being
referred to the
Liquidation of
the Indian Company
affairs

Pondichery
24th Dec. 1778

P.S. We enclose you the answer of
Mr. Bellecombe to a Letter, which We wrote
to him to inform him of our intended
Arrangements. We request the favor of
you to return this Letter, when you are
pleased to honor us with an answer to
the present Address.

Translation

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(Translation)

To the Commissaries for the Liquidation
of the India Company
Gentlemen,

I have received the letter which
you did me the honor to write with your despatches
for the Gentlemen of the Committee at Madras.
I cannot but approve the arrangements which
you propose and applaud the choice which
you have made of Mess^{rs} Martin and Blin
to remain in charge of every thing relative
to the Liquidation of the debts of the Company.
I have not any doubt but that the
Committee will approve of this mode,
if however there should be any difficulty
I will Gentlemen make it a request of my
own, if you think such a Measure necessary
to settle the business

I have the Honor to be with
perfect consideration.

Gentlemen,

Your most humble and
most Obedient Servant

Bellefombe

Liquidation

Pondichery

27th Dec^r 1779

(Signed)

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Liquidation de la Compagnie des Indes à Pondichery

Etat des appointements par Année

Salaires & honoraires
Réguliers & Extra
350^l par An
L'Inde

M. de			
Lagrenée	6.000	2.500	7.141 ²
Commissaires			
Moracien	3.600	1.500	4.282 ⁴
Martin	3.600	1.500	4.282 ⁴
Blin de Grincourt	3.000	1.250	3.576
Lestache	2.400	1.000	2.750
Employés			
De Lisle	1.500	625	1.782 ⁴
Nicholas de Prouve	1.500	625	1.782 ⁴
Liquay	1.500	625	1.782 ⁴
A Pondichery	24.600	10.250	29.204
Les appointements de M. de Martin et			
Blin, qui restent dans l'Inde	6.600	2.750	7.272 ⁴
Reste à payer par An	18.000	7.500	21.432 ⁴
Celui fait par mois pour les personnes qui vont en Europe	1.500	625	1.782 ⁴

A Pondichery le 19th Octobre 1778

Les Commissaires du Roi pour la Liquidation
de la Compagnie des Indes

Lagrenée
Moracien
Martin

Minutes &c. that the Appointements
The Committee are of opinion

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Laysine, Morauin, and Martin for aggraving the Affairs of the French India Company, cannot be admitted, as it seems calculated with a view to the keeping up an Establishment which it is the Company's Interest by every possible means to suppress: but with respect to the Papers and Accounts belonging to the French India Company, as those Gentlemen inform the Committee that the Preservation of them is highly interesting to the Fortunes of numberless Individuals both here and in Europe the Committee are willing to oblige them so far as to take the said Papers and Accounts under their Charge and keep them in safe Custody till called for.

In regard to the Subsidies claimed by the Gentlemen employed in the Liquidation of the French Company's Accounts, as Mr do not appear to be immediately in the Service of his most Christian Majesty, We are not, as We conceive obliged to make any Allowance to them on that Account.

Read the following Letter from L^d Colonel Bullin

To the Honble Thomas Rumbold Esq^r
President and Governor, and the rest of the
Gentlemen of the said Committee at Fort St. George
Honble Sir & Sirs

You have enclosed a List
of

From L^d Marilla
thous sent to
Tanjore

they

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of Stores to leave this Place to morrow
morning for Tanjore, agreeable to your orders,
by your Secretary, dated the 31st of December
in private hints it may be deficient, but
there are no more in Pondicherry

Mr. Bellecombe has requested
of me, to remind the Honble Committee of
his letter of yesterday, relative to Subsidian
for French officers, either to remain here,
go in the Brisson to the Isles of France,
or accompany him to Europe - and as
some of them are a good deal distressed for
cash, to beg as speedy an answer as more
important Matters will permit -

I am with the greatest Respect
Honble Sir & Miss,

your most humble
and Obedient Servant
W^m Baillie

Pondicherry
3rd Jan^y 1779

List of Stores to be sent from
Pondicherry to Tanjore
Gents

Field Officers	Complete	7
Officers	Serviceable	36
Ditto	Unserviceable	4
Private Men	Serviceable	16
D ^o 25 th 8 th	Unserviceable	3

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Private 10 Men ——— Repairable ——— 7
Bell ——— ——— Serviceable ——— 60
Europe Carvers — Bolts ——— 1 1/2
Wax Candles ——— ——— ——— 200
Coarse Rope 1/2 Inch coils ——— 10
Copper ——— ——— ——— 2
Musket Field Flints ——— ——— 4000
Drum Heads ——— Europe ——— 20
Lanthorns now in Store ———

Pondichery

W^m Baillie

3rd Jan'y 1779 The Committee have already written to Lt. Colonel
Mr. Bellcomb on the Subject of the last
Parag: in both Baillie's Letter —

Read the following Letter from
the Committee of Works.

To the Honble Thomas Rumbold Esq^r
President of the Select Committee of
Fort St. George
Honble Sir & Sirs

Letter from the
Committee of works
respecting Lascars

Upon the army taking
the Field against Pondichery, Twenty one
Sindals were promoted to the Rank of Syang,
and ~~many~~ four Lascars to that of Sindal
at the Recommendation of Major Stevens,
Captain Manrooy and other Officers ac-
quainted with their respective Merits; at
Pondichery three Sindals and 7 Lascars
were promoted for their good behaviour
there — so that now by the dismission

seven

were

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if the Lascars raised for the Siege of
that place, there will remain four
Supernumary Sprungs and eight one
Bindsals.

We request you will be
pleased to favour us with your orders
whether they are to have their Promo-
tion continued, or to be reduced to
their former rank.

We are with Respect,
Honble Sir & Sirs,

Your most Obedient
and most humble servants,

J. Perring

Low^d Saunders

Geo. Mause

C. B. Dent

Fort St George
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The Committee having it in
Contemplation to form the Lascars in a new
Establishment, the Sprungs and Bindsals
mentioned in the Letter from the Committee
of Works may be retained in the Service,
until further Orders.

Letter from George
read as follows.

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To the Honble Thomas Pumbold Esq^r
President and Governor of^r Members of the
Select Committee

Fort St George
Honble Sir & Sirs

On Receipt of your Commands

of the 11th Instant We informed Lichema Bunge
of your having thought proper to appoint
him to the Management of the Gunsoor Coun-
try and desired he would be so kind in pro-
ceeding to take upon himself that Charge in order
to secure what might remain of the large
Crop, he showed the utmost readiness to
conform in every respect with your orders,
at the same time he expressed his great
concern that your Honor &c^r had not
determined any thing decisively in his
favor, and requested in a very earnest
Manner to know, if it were really your
Intention to give him a part of your Country
repeating the Promises that had so fre-
quently been made to him to that effect.
We informed him he might rest assured
your Honor &c^r never meant to deceive
him; that he would certainly have a Part
of the Country, but that, what that
part might be, would depend on the degree
of Merit he might show in fulfilling
the Intentions of his present Appointment,
He

Letter from Lichema
Lichema Bunge
appointed to
Gunsoor

of

the

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he said he was satisfied with this assurance, that he would proceed into the Country ^{as} soon as he should be supplied with a sufficient Force, that his only Aim was to recommend himself to your particular favour, that he would do all that was possible to avoid any collisions, but that he understood that for the greatest part, if not the whole of the Troop had been taken away or destroyed, and therefore hoped, in justice to himself, that he would send a Person to examine and report the state of the Garrison that no blame might hereafter fall upon him unjustly, in consequence of which, the Chief has ordered a proper Person to accompany him for that Purpose

Let him a Barge set off from this Place yesterday on his way to Jamsoor.

We have the Honor to be with the greatest Respect.

Honble Sir & Miss

Your most Obedient

humble Servant

W^m Williams

R^d Mansell

J. Oakes

Jamsoor
28th Dec. 1778

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Read the following Letter
from Captain Edington.

To the Honble Thomas Pumbold Esq^r
Governor and President of Select Committee

Honble Sir & Sers,

I take the Liberty of addressing
you once more to request your serious atten-
tion for a few moments, not that I repent of the
Step I have taken, but to justify my conduct
to you Gentlemen, my honorable Employers and
to the world, by showing that I had no other
course left to follow than that of applying for
leave to resign the honorable Company's Service,
and I flattered myself until the other day that
the Resignation was accepted of, it would have
appeared in the same light to you Gentlemen
and that you would by removing the cause
prevented its taking place by granting me
what was my just right the Office of Adjutant
General, for which I have the Board's com-
mission, and to which the very manner whereby
I was deprived of it ought to recommend me, had
I no other claim to offer, being superseded
without fault on my part.

These considerations together
with my former letters to the Board are the
testament that Honble Body has been pleased
to

From Captⁿ
Edington to be
re-admitted —

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to subject me to prevented my writing you
Gentlemen till now, when I shall explain
in as concise a manner as possible the
circumstances that forced me to apply for
leave to resign the service, I repeat the word
forced, which it most certainly was, for when
an Officer cannot serve with honor as a Soldier,
and Subject of Great Britain, our regard to
his Character obliges him to resign, to have
acted otherwise in my particular situation
would have ^{been} to kiss the Rod & acknowledge the
ill treatment I had met with, nay more what
was to be continued on me, to be only what I
deserved, and that it was necessary for me to
wipe off the disgrace of former bad behaviour;
I provoke a disrespect of mine the best proof
to show I stood in no such need.

You know Gentlemen I had
seen every thing in my power, I had almost
said that man could do to be brought to a
fair and open Trial, disappointed of that
for an indefinite span of time, and which
from your decision I had no chance of in
less than two years, public Suspension
would have been charity to this, as by
that means I would have continued in
the service until orders from the Company
were received, I would have had an oppor-
tunity of representing my situation to my

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Friends, and if aggrieved no doubt suit with
the laws.

On Your granting my Request
to go ~~to~~ Service and to Command a Corps
of Grenadiers, I naturally concluded all insinuations
of future Prosecution against me were at an
end, nor did the Conversation I had the Honour
of holding with General Munro on joining
the Army the latter end of August give me
Reason to imagine any thing to the contrary,
for the truth of which I appeal to himself,
and here I beg leave to recapitulate the
most material part concerning me.

The General told me in
answer to my application for my old Post
that Lieut. Colonel Corby was to continue
in Office until the Siege was over, that he
did not know who the Governor intended to
recommnd for it, but on Recollection said
it was Captain Russell who had already
declined accepting it, was pleased to say
that from what he had heard of me he
believed me very fit for the Employ, and
concluded by telling me he would be glad
to serve me.

Altho much hurt to find
any one had got the Offer in preference to
myself, considering where a Commission is
in the Case by every military Rule I
presume

on

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set
presume even the Commander in Chief
has no right to set such Commission aside
unless through incapacity, at least his so
in His Majesty's Service, and I recollect
an instance in this, that Lieutenant
Malcolm, when Brigade Major to Colonel
Pleint the Colonel having applied for a
Brigade Major of his own recommending
the usage of the Army was referred to, when
Mr. Malcolm was confirmed, I nevertheless
put up with this fresh Grievance in
full confidence I should now meet with
Redress.

What then was my astonish-
ment on receiving the following letter from
my very warm, and no doubt from friend
Lieutenant Colonel Maclellan.

My dear Livingston

I have infinite caution in
telling you that my Application on the
Subjects wherein you spoke to me this
Morning has been by no means successful.
The General assured me in the most express
terms that in removing you from the Com-
mand at Palamcottah he had not in view
any other object than complying as far as
he could with what he conceives to be the
spirit of the Commission.

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The same Reasons must, till the Compress
pressure is known prevent his recommen-
ding you for the Office of Adjutant-General.

In communicating to you
intelligence of such a kind you will see
the best judge how far what I have to
add may be acceptable - The General
assured me in the strongest terms that
the moment that Bar which at present
prevents his taking an active part to
serve you is removed you will find him on
Colonel Masters's account as well as your own
most ready and willing to exert himself
in your behalf if you will point out
how his endeavours may be best applied -
As to myself I trust you will do me the
justice to believe that could I serve you
effectually and especially I should in
doing it be most amply & agreeably
rewarded.

Camp
2^d Oct^r

Yours most sincerely
A. Maclellan

Let any impartial Person
suppose himself for a moment in my case,
smarting from the Bruises he had received
in the execution of duty but no days
before, and conscious as I was of never having
deserved such treatment as had been heaped
upon

be

more

most

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upon me, what would such a course feelings
be on reading the word Bar with has appear-
ance of an end to it, would he not have
acted in the same manner I did on the
occasion, gone to the Commander in Chief
and by a respectful representation, rather
had his assurance that he would use his
influence with your Honors to remove this
unwarranted Bar, or if on the contrary, which
was the case, he was pleased to say
He could not consistently do otherwise
than express in Lieut. Colonel Mordaunt's
Letter - That he would try to send the 6th
Battalion to an agreeable place, but that
I could not be restored to the command of
it until orders from the Company were
received - That his reason for employing
me was because I was looked upon to be
a good Officer and might be useful on
the present occasion - What next way
one I say on being told this immediately
apply to resign a service in which he was
made a mere tool of.

I further observed to the
General that if these were the Boards
and his intentions it would have been but
fair to let me know what I had to expect
before they employed me - but notwithstanding
the impossibility of

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to ~~move~~ under these circumstances, on
Directions being given for a General Assault
on the 16th in the Morning, being then
recovered, I solicited and obtained the
Generals Permission to lead on the 1st
Battalion of Spongy Grenadiers the Corps
I commanded during the Siege, these
circumstances I presume the General must
recollect.

The following Observations
being pertinent to my purpose I also beg
leave to insert them here. why might I
not have continued in the Command of
Pulamcolah as well as Captain Lyssight in
that of Vizianagaram, no Captain being
ever sent to supersede him either in that
or of his Battalion, my eldest Lieutenant
could have commanded in my Absence as well
as his. Was I not as equal to the Command of
my own Battalion as that of Captain Duncans
which was offered me by the Commander
in Chief on my Arrival at Madras last
April. Was there ever an Instance before
that of mine of two Captains being returned
in the same Battalion of Spongy present fit
for Duty. What occasion was there for my
having a formal leave of Absence signed by
Your Secretary when going to join my own
Corps

Set

Duncan

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Corps, as there never was an order for my
remaining at the Presidency, and wherefore was
I obliged to refund my half Batta to the
Paymaster drawn by every other Officer of
the Corps - does it not appear by my
removal from Palamcottah that my
predecessor must be served rather
than compliance with the Comptrolers
Orders already fulfilled by your declaring
that no Court of Inquiry or Court Martial
could be held upon me - Whether is the
Command of a Battalion of Europeans upon
actual Service, or that of a Garrison when
no Danger is apprehended, looked upon by
your Honors of most consequence, if the former,
does not my having had that Command
obviate the Objections in your Secretary's
Letter of 17th July - does not the peculiar
Rights of a British Subject seem to him any
Inconvenient he may be in Possession of the
accused of a crime that might forfeit it
until he is found guilty, can it be in reason
then to deprive him of such when no crime
is alleged - Did the Comptrolers Displeasure
still held up as the only Cause for all my
Sufferings, and with my Resignation as I
now Captain Agnew is returned to his
Command of Vizianagaram since that
Period

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at 10. am I looked on as most to blame
in the Arrest of Lord Pigot being then
principal Staff Officer to the Commander
in Chief whom Orders I obeyed.

Having clearly shewed you
Gentlemen that my Conduct in quitting
the Service was on principles of the strictest
honor, free from Coercion, nor was it a
voluntary act, being urged to it by disre-
putability. That the Grievances I complain
of are heavy and call aloud for Redress—
you have each of you Gentlemen professed
good Will and a desire to serve me, nor can
it be in the nature of things you should
be my Enemies, having never given you
Cause, neither is it possible that the
Company's Affairs should require my
being made a Sacrifice of— Yet Gentlemen
you have not only deprived me of Bread,
and my future prospects in life, as far
as depends on you, but what is much
dearer to me, than of a Wife and Family—
Let me therefore intreat you Gentlemen
to reconsider your Proceedings regarding
me, when I flatter myself you will find
just Cause to reinstate me in the Service,
and by withdrawing me to the
Command of Palamabak together with
that

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that of the 4th Battalion of Sepoys or to
that of the Officer of Regiment General
enable me to return to it with brevity
which otherwise I could not do. The former
of these I would prefer indeed, particularly
by the report of that Battalions going
to be ordered on an Expedition to Madras
Sisa Corps I have taken much pains with
have had brevity by it, and have confidence
in it, and when the Service is over that I
may then relieve Captain Burrington
from a Command, that I presume Gen-
tlemen were using of you in my place
You would think you ought to have
been still in Possession of

From my Profession I
have been but little in the way of scrib-
bling to Gentlemen such as your Honors,
and therefore should I through zeal to my
own Cause, or inexperience, have been guilty
of any Impropriety in this Address, hope for
your forgiveness, for it is with truth I affirm
no man can have a greater and purer respect
for Government than

Honble Sir &c

Your respectful and
obedient humble servant
James Edington

Madras
25th Dec. 1778

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Not granted

The Committee having some-
time ago accepted Captain Ledinghams
Resignation of the Service and filled up
the Vacancy occasioned thereby they cannot
now consent to readmit with his Rank
in the Service upon any Terms.

Read the following letter
from Colonel Baillie.

To the Honble Thomas Purnbold Esq^r
President and Governor and the Gentlemen
of the Select Committee
Fort St. George
Honorable Sir & Sirs,

From Col Baillie

I am favoured with your
letter of the 5th Instant relative to Cham-
bers masonry to contain Gun Powder, for
the Demolition of the Works of this place
and an estimate of the Expence in making
such.

As this is a matter that
requires some time to determine, and perhaps
not ultimately to be done with precision
without experiment, in such a Soil as
Doricbury Bastions, are composed of. They
have with all Submission to propose
a Mode, which Captain Johnston agrees
with me in, to be the shortest & cheapest,
by

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by which the purpose can perfectly be effected.

The Barbicans have only a Double Surtlement, of Brick, and Chumason, which with small Chambers might, be thrown into the Ditch, or at least shaken to such a Degree as to be easily removed by hand, and the loose earth composing the rest of the Barbicans, could by bores in the common way with little expense, and great expedition, be thrown on top of it. This earth is of such a nature, that even the French themselves supposed to be remarkable Miners, failed in their Attempts to make Chambers for Mines, in the N.W. Bastion during the late Siege, as also in the Glacis of the Salient Angle opposite Thurot.

I have the honor to send accompanying a Plan of three of the Barbicans, with their Sections, as given to us by the French and to remain with the greatest Respect.

Honorable Sirs,

Persepolis
20th Jan^y 1779

Your most humble and
most obedient Servant

M^{rs} Baillie
bound to you on the Table

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Read the following Letter
from M. Robert Munro Paymaster at Pondicherry

To M^r Charles Bakerley
(Military Secretary)
Sir

From Paymaster
at Pondicherry

As the French Officers have made
application to me for the allowance of House
Rent, I shall be glad if you would lay this
Letter before the Select-Committee, that I
may know how to proceed.

I am,

Sir,

Pondicherry
the 20th Jan'y 79

your most obedient
humble servant
R. D^r Munro
Pay^r

Agreed to inform M. Munro
that he is not to allow House Rent to any of
the French officers at Pondicherry.

Read the following Letter
(Translation)

To the Gentlemen of the Superior Council
of Madras
Gentlemen,

From M^r Deglancey
on his allowances

The Chevalier Daiglancey Officer
sent to the Surveyor of the roads perquisites to
hope from your Justice that you will please
to

roads.

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to reimburse him the expenses of his Journey
from Doverbury to Madras, which amount
to about 175 Rupees, for Coolies, Palanquin
Boys &c &c, and also to add 40 Rupees his
Allowance for Subsistence, and likewise pay
for his House Rent. This moderate Pay is
given to him only until the orders of the Court
arrive for fixing a handsome sum, he had
already received the pleasing intelligence when
the Fort was of War received his papers.

(Signed) Le Chevalier Daiglancey

Minut Theron

Mr Daiglancey's Allowances
have been already settled, and nothing further
can be added to them.

Read the following Letter
from the Military Paymaster.
To Charles Oakley Esq^r
Secretary to the Fleet Committee
Sir,

From Military
Paymaster on
Off reckonings

According to the Directions of the President
and Fleet Committee, enclosed you will receive an Account
of the Allowances for Off reckonings due to the Captains
Commanding Battalions of Sepoys.

I am Sir,

Your most Obedient Servant
W^m Hamilton
W^m Duff

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An Account of Allowances for Officers & Men
due to Captains Commanding Battalions of Sepoys

18th Battalions from 1st May 1777. to
31st Oct. 78 at 500 Pay & Allowance — 13500. —
6 Battalions from 10th Dec. 1776
to 31st Oct. 1778 @ 500 Pay & Allowance — 5675. 42
5 Battalions from 22 April 77. to 31st
October 78 at 500 Pay & Allowance — 3805. 23. 40
2 Battalions from 12 Aug. to 31st Oct. 1778 — 222. 9. 40
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Enclosed

J^{no} W^m Hamilton
My Pay.

As soon as the Treasury will
admit, the above Account to be discharged

Read the following Letter
from Major Burghall.

To Mr Secretary Caskley
Sir

I was favoured with your Official
Letter of the 18th purporting to be the Select
Committee's answer to one I addressed to them on
the 8th Instant.

I am now to request you will
be

Thos Major
Burghall

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be pleased to inform me of their letters of the
9th and 18th Instant be referred on consultation
and by which of the Members of the Select
Committee those consultations were respec-
tively signed.

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I am Sir

Your most Obedient Servant
Geo. Burghall
Major & Director of Engineers

The Information required by
Major Burghall is improper and cannot be given
him.

Secretary's report
respecting fees
on Commissions

The Secretary reports to the
Committee that he finds much trouble and difficulty
in obtaining his established Fees on the commissions
granted to Military Officers. That a great number
of commissions have on that account remained with
him for a length of time and that he has
frequently sent commissions to the Paymasters of the
different Garrison in order that they might be
delivered to the Officers for whom they were made
out, very few have been taken up by this means
or even enquired for.

In consequence of this Report
it is resolved in future, that the Secretary do send
all commissions for Military Officers to the

those

signed.

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Military Paymaster General, receiving immediately
from him the established Fees on them - That
the Military Paymaster do distribute the said
Commissions and receive the Fees, and that he be
empowered to stop himself and to give Directions
to the Act. Paymasters to stop in their Hands the
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Charles Smith

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27th

Received the following Letter

To the Honble Thomas Rumbold Esq^r

President of the Members of the

Select Committee

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have the Honor to acquaint

You that I arrived here yesterday afternoon -

The Rajah being informed of my Approach sent his Duan Butchannah to receive me at the distance of about a Mile and a half from the Fort, who conducted me immediately to the Palace -

I found the Rajah sitting on a Bed supported by two People, in a class Room heated by a large Fire of blazing Wood, and to all appearance exceedingly secured by Locks - His Situation was such that I thought it proper to delay the Delivery of the Presidents Letter until this Morning when he received it with every proper Mark of Respect and expressing the highest Sense of Gratitude to the Company. but as he says he does not understand Persian it must be translated into the Malabarattus before I can enter on the Subject of its Contents. He has accordingly agreed to see me at the same hour tomorrow and it is my Intention to visit him daily until the Business be finished which you have pleased

Letter from
Gen. Munro -
arrives at Bangalore -

close

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to commit to my Charge

Bangore

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I have the honor to be,
Honble Sir & Sirs,

Your most Obedient and
most Humble Servant
Hector Munro

At a Select Committee Present

Wednesday The Honble Thomas Rumbold Esq. President
the 27th John Whitehill Sir Lysie Coote

General Munro absent on Service
Mr. Smith indisposed.

The Minutes of last Committee read
The President delivers in the

following Minute

The President's
minute regarding
the appointment
of a person to
the Masam's
court

The accompanying Intelligence
which I have received from the Camp of
Farrell Big Cawn through Sisseram House, by
means of his Wackell, I think necessary to lay
before the Committee, as it contains many Points
for their Information relative to the views of
the Soubah, and the Situation of his General
Farrell Big Cawn, and if transmitted to Bengal,
may be of some Service to the Governor General
and Council, in forming their political Plans,
particularly when the present Situation of the
Detachment from Bengal is considered. In a former
Minute

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Minute I gave my Opinion of the necessity of
having some Person to reside at the Subah's Court
during the unsettled State of Affairs, if no other
consequence was to arise from it, than our being
at a certainty of the views, and Intentions of the
Nizam, and to obtain such Intelligence as we
now only imperfectly receive by Chasem -
the Settlement of the Gondwan Circar, the
Payment of the Nizam's Tribute, the being
at some certainty with respect to to any
Intelligence the French may be carrying on -
are all Objects of importance, and therefore
some Person immediately to Hyderabad, as well
as to Myour Ally, appears to me absolutely neces-
sary for our Security, and which cannot fail
of meeting with the concurrence of the Governor
General and Council, as no Matters of consequence
will be concluded without their knowledge,
and approbation - I shall therefore propose to
the Committee that M^r. Holland be appointed
to proceed to the Nizam with all Expedition, and
that Instructions be drawn out accordingly for
his Conduct.

When Anwarud Dowlah
was acting under the Subah in full authority, he
promoted Farid Beg Bawa and promoted him
to

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to a high Rank and they were to one another
close Friends - But some of the Officers / or
principal Persons / that are with the Subah
often times falsely accused Accused Desolok
to the Subah, and by wrong Persuasions
brought at last Accused Desolok under the
Danger of his life, and Fazal Beg Cawn becoming
suspicious with regard to himself has for
these two years since declined going to the
Subah's Court - But though three or four
of the principal persons that are with the
Subah, always endeavour to blame Fazal Beg
Cawn, they are not able to overthrow him, nor to
manage affairs themselves. The Subah being
a sensible Man, knows well that those people
are not fit to act in his Affairs and never gives
ear to them, but employs the said Fazal Beg
Cawn in every matter of consequence, not
minding whether he comes to visit him or
not, and the Subah writes to Fazal Beg
Cawn the contents of the Letters which he
receives from different Places in order to
receive his Advice, and employs him without
any suspicion, the People who do not know
the Matter talk in public, as if the Subah
does not agree with Fazal Beg Cawn, because
he does not go to the Subah, but they are
mistaken - Colonel Goddard with some
English

last

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English Troops, set out from Bengal, and on their March they crossed the Narbunder River and are now three Cops on this side the said River. The Distance from Bombay to Poornah is 40 Cops. Three or four Battalions of Sepoys and some Soldiers and Officers having set out from Bombay with Chinto Nethal, the Duar of Nagobah, and have after four or five days March halted at a place where they find themselves safe near a Hill, and continuing in that place, are taking charge of the District situated round about them and also Possession of the Garrison, upon hearing this, the people at Poornah constantly write to the Subah, desiring him to come to their assistance, and the Subah is daily sending these Letters to Fazel Beg Cawn, ordering him to give his Opinion. The People at Poornah place a Confidence in Fazel Beg Cawn and write to him for assistance. This man must either assist the Poornah People, or join Nagobah and the English against the Poornah People. The Subah's Intention is to assist the Poornah People and to beat Nagobah, because the Subah has from the beginning protected the Poornah People against Nagobah being his Enemy. Secured by the Subah thinks, that if he protects the Chief at Poornah who is a Child his Advice will be followed. But if

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if instead of that Nagobah should be successful
who is a Man that can manage for himself
he will not be quiet, but always endeavour to
give trouble by remembering the late displeasure
and Enmity that was between them. Thirdly,
as the said Nagobah is now coming with the
Assistance of the English, and as the English
make themselves already Masters of all most
all the Countries with a full authority, the
Soubah thinks that they will never submit to
his order, and that therefore if Nagobah be put
in Power at Poonah, and the English should enter
into their Party, they will cause great Trouble to
him: He does not therefore choose to be a Friend of
Nagobah and the English - and the Soubah is of
Opinion that if he and the Poonah People join
together, the English will not be able to stand
against them - But Fazel Beg bawn thinks
that the Soubah is only carrying on the Business
relying in his Assistance - and the Annas that
are with the Soubah cant bear to see Fazel
Beg bawn in favor, which is the Reason why
he keeps himself more retired, without showing
his Authority - Besides this, as he has been some
time in the Service of the English and been obliged
to them; he always wishes for their Success, being
by the Protection of the English Composed in
High Rank under the Soubah, and as the English
protect it

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perfect Nagobah he is of opinion they will certainly one time or other put Nagobah into prison, and afterwards they may be able to cause trouble to his Master the Soubah and to him too. Though now the Soubahs Intensions lead him another way by not considering the Power of the English, he will at last repent of it. Shoufon Pazel Bey Cawn well considering what will follow is ready to bring the Soubah to a firm Friendship with the English by persuading him to it privately from day to day, and after this is performed to act under the Soubah in every thing according to the pleasure & Opinion of the English; this is the real Intension of Pazel Bey Cawn.

Governor Munro Co has in the R. of India. Mien sent a Letter to the Soubah which he has communicated to Pazel Bey Cawn in which the Governor mentions, that an Order was come from Europe to turn out all the French, that are in the parts of Indostan, and gave notice that on such a date the English Troops took Possession of Pondicherry and that the whole number of French who were there, being come under their Power, would be dispatched to Europe, and that he also already had ordered all their different places and Forts to be taken Possession of. The said Governor mentioned

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mentioned also that with regard to those French Troops, which are now in Candouradoe / or Guntur Civera, he had written to him the Subah; but that the Subah never sent a proper answer which displeased him very much - a copy of the Governor's Letter he has sent to Faiz Beg Cawn, ordering him "to let him know his opinion and Advice about it."

Before I came to this place Governor Pembroke was arrived at Madras, after that you acquainted me that the Governor had wrote a Letter to the Subah and on my arrival here I told it to Faiz Beg Cawn, but he knew nothing of it, though the Subah did usually send Copy to him of any Letter which he had received; - lately the Subah has sent a Letter to Governor Pembroke and soon received an answer, and the Governor has sent another Letter to the Subah, which he has answered immediately; and Copies of those Letters and answers are come to Faiz Beg Cawn - Besides Faiz Beg Cawn desired me to write to you under Hand, that the English will well know that Buzulit Jung has employed some French Troops at Guntur Civera to the Displeasure of the English and he said, he would tell me in a few days what the Subah's Intentions may be concerning it, and he desired me to beg you to enquire, whether the

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or.
Intention of the English to take Gundur Circar
as a conquest from the French or to turn only
the French Soldiers out of the said Gundur Circar,
and whether they are to take that Circar by
way of peace or friendship with the Subah,
or by force.

Colonel Goddard having with
his Troops set out from Bנגাল and crossed
Narbandat and halted at a place called Hiss-
singah Band in the Boopankh Country, within
three Leps of the said River, which place
belongs to the Pallant East, Mowntbars under
the Mogul. On that place the same Colonel
Goddard posted himself by the consent of
the said Pallants, that Country being situated
West and Southward of Hissingah Band, and
belonging to the Province of Poornah, but
the Country situated East and Northward to
Maudaga Bomsloh and the Borders join each
others Country. The said Colonel Goddard has
got as far as Hissingah Band without any
hindrance on the Road, and as there is 400
30 Leagues distance from that place to Bombay,
he must go to Bombay by a way near Poornah,
on this account he thinks it would be difficult
for him to get Provisions off. off in his March
because the Borders of the Bengal Country are
left very far behind - moreover he considered
that

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that in case the Troops belonging to Poonah, should come and surround him on the Muck, he will meet with danger, therefore he is daily writing Letters to Muddajee Bomsalah.

Three of the English Gentlemen have separately set out from Calcutta, and being arrived at Nagapore request Muddajee Bomsalah to join them and to assist them in getting to Bombay, by which means they said, they should be supplied with Provisions by his assistance from behind and that he might follow them with his Troops a few days march - but Muddajee Bomsalah concluded if he should do so, and join the English, having first protected Ragoobah and afterwards disappointed him, that if they should do so with him, he would not be able to secure himself, he did not therefore think proper to agree to Colonel Goddards Proposals. Tho' he cannot well refuse the desire of the English as he suspects they will make themselves Masters of all the Countries - Colonel Goddard for to give proper Satisfaction to Muddajee Bomsalah ordered one of the Gentlemen to go to him at Nagapore, who I believe is gone there by this time, such is the Situation of that Business, and the Colonel finds himself in Difficulties.

What Lord Pringle has desired me to write to you at large is as follows.

Y^{rs}

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If the English certainly intend supporting
Ragobah and to put him into Power, Farul
Bay Cawn says he can effect it easily. He says it will
be impossible for Colonel Goddard to go to Bombay,
because Muddage Bomslah cannot safely join the English
as long as Matters remain in the present Situation,
but if the Governor would take his Advice he says
he will promote a Friendship between the Subah
and English and then ^{cause} Muddage Bomslah to join
them, and will likewise get the Business of Poona
easily effected: the Manner and way of doing of
it is, he says must be as follows. If the Governor
will dispatch a detachment of four or five Batt^s
of Troops, and three or four hundred Soldiers, and
proper Officers under the Name of going to Poona
then he will come to Commanette by the time
the said Detachment will arrive at the Subah
Country. upon hearing of their marching the
Subah will ask Farul Bay Cawn's Opinion and
Advice about it. Then he will by good Words,
arguments and persuasions bring him to embrace
the Friendship of the English, and persuade also
Muddage Bomslah to join them. after that he will
accompany the English Troops and they will enter
Poona without any further Trouble.

In doing and performing so great
a Business the Company must then agree to the
Proposals which shall be made by the Subah
and Muddage Bomslah and if their Intention

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is to finish this Business, it must be done without any longer delay of time - and the promise must be made to him by the Company in great Secrecy and without letting it become publick - If the Business which could not be effected by the Gentlemen of Bengal and Bombay, is done easily by the Governor of Madras, his Name will be greatly esteemed - and if the Company desire to get the Gunpowder Secret, he says he will by all means for them in a Friendly way.

On the Receipt of this letter he so good as to speak every thing freely, and let me know whether it can be done or not. If the Governor of Madras undertake this, and dispatch the Troops it will be so much the better; but if he wont consent to it, and says that it must be done by the Gentlemen of Bengal, you will let me know accordingly.

By the favor of the Subah his Master Ismail Beg Cawn, says he is in high Rank. but on account of some Amours who are at the Subahs Court, and not his Friends, he does not go to pay his Visits to the Subah: yet the Subah has a great regard for him.

He cannot attempt to persuade the Subah to be in Friendship with the English until he knows their true

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true Intentions, but if once the Subah presses
his Word to the Persian People, he cannot
afterwards retreat. Wherefore on the arrival of
this letter you will let me know whether the English
Company consent to this proposal or not.

You may be sure that if the English
Troops can be sent, Daul Bey-bawn will be able to
do any thing easily and without doubt, and that
whatever advice he gives in secret, if that can
be brought about every thing will come into
good order. I have got the copy of the letter
which the Governor General wrote to the
Subah, likewise the Subah's answer in Persian
and send them to you.

Mr Holland
appointed
Ambassador
to the Subah

Agreeably to the President's
Recommendation at the Conclusion of his Minute,
Resolved, that Mr. John Holland be appointed
to proceed to the Subah's Court and that Instruc-
tions be drawn out for him accordingly.

Mr Henry
Taylor appointed
his assistant

Resolved also that Mr. Henry
Taylor be appointed an Assistant to Mr. Holland.

John Whiteley

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Sent the following Letter to
M^r. Chirreau.

To

Sir,

To Mr Chirreau
on the subject
of his charges

We have had the honor to receive
your letter of the 15th Instant - and are sorry to
observe from the contents that you seem to have
taken offence at the Offer M^r. made you of 600
Rupies to defray the Expence of bringing your
Baggage from Pondichery to this place.

Altho' the above Sum did not come
up to the Charge which you presented us, on
that Account, M^r. had no Intention by the offer
to hurt your feelings in the smallest degree, but
to grant you what appeared to us an equitable
Sum for the Expence of transporting your
Baggage, and we still think that what M^r.
offered was a reasonable and sufficient Consi-
deration, and as such ought not to have been
rejected. We do not consider ourselves by the Articles of
Capitulation obliged to defray this Expence, what we have
done is purely from Indulgence, and this being the case it is
certainly left to our own judgement to regulate the amount of
of the Expence and to curtail it, if it appear unreasonable.

We have the Honor to be,

Sir,

Your most Obedient humble servants
Thomas Burnbold of the Garrison

Fort St. George
27th July 1779

Sent

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29th

Read the following Letter

To Major George Burghall

Sir

Letter No

Major Burghall

Having laid before the Honble the President and Select Committee your letter to me of the 20th Instant, I am directed by them to acquaint you that the Information which you require in that letter being improper, it cannot be communicated to you.

I am

Sir,

Your most Obedient Servant

Charles Cakelley

Sir

Fort St George
29th Jan 1779

At a Select Committee Present

The Honble Thomas Bumbold Esq. President

John Whitehill General Sir Eyre Coote

General Munro absent on Service
Mr Smith indisposed.

Minutes of last Committee read

Read the following Letter
from General Munro.

Sir