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Agreeably to the resolution of yesterday the following letter is now dispatched to Sir Eyre Coote with copy of the letter of the 3^d June from Bombay.

Lieutenant General Sir Eyre Coote, K.B.
Commander in Chief Sea &c.

Sir

We have the honor to send for your perusal a letter which we received yesterday from the Select Committee at Bombay by the Mercury packet, and to request you will inform us what answer to make to the last paragras on the subject of their intended requisition to Sir Richard Dickson.

Your orders to Bombay may if agreeable to you be sent by the Mercury packet, which proceeds tomorrow (unless you should wish to detain her) for Trincomalee with dispatches to the Admiral, and from thence to Bombay.

We have the honor to be,
Sir

Your most obedient
Humble Servants
Macartney
&c Select Committee

Received the following answer.

To Sir Eyre Coote, enclosing letter from Bombay, and desiring to be informed what answer to make relative to their intended requisition to Sir Richard Dickson.

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21 June 1782

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To the Right Honble George Lord Macartney K^t
President and Governor &c Select Committee
Port St George

My Lord and Gentlemen,

I have had the honor to receive
your letter of this date, enclosing for my perusal copy
of a letter you had yesterday received from the
Select Committee of Bombay, and requesting to
be informed what answer to make to the last
Paragraph on the Subject of their intended requisition
to Sir Richard Puckerton

In my letter of the 10th Instant I
informed you of my having sent Instructions
to Lieutenant Colonel Humberston to put himself
under the orders of the Government of Bombay
and to cooperate with the Detachment of his Majesty's
Troops under his Command in whatever manner
that Government might think proper to direct.
The force he proposes in Europeans added to what
the Bombay Establishment can itself furnish,
I esteem as fully adequate to the service proposed
to be performed - The additional force of Europeans
which Brigadier General Goddard has estimated
as necessary for that Operation exceeds the number
now in the Army I have the honor to Command.

I have already advised the
Bombay Government of the orders I have sent to
Lieutenant Colonel Humberston, and I shall

embrace

requisition
From Sir Eyre Coote
thinks the European
Force under Colonel
Humberston and at
Bombay fully
sufficient for the
service proposed -

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th embrace the opportunity that now offers of transmitting them duplicate of my despatches on that subject.

I have the honor to be,
My Lord and Gentlemen,
Your most Obedient
Humble Servant,
(signed) Eyre Coote

Chautley Plain
21st June 1782.

22 Received the following letters by
his Majesty's Ship Combustion arrived from
Trincomalee

To the Right Hon^{ble} Lord Macartney, K^t B
Governor &c. - Select Committee

Right Hon^{ble} Lord & Hon^{ble} Sirs,

My last respects in answer
to your Lordships and your Honor's Letters of the
25th March was dated the 3rd of May, and sent by
a small boat, and by this opportunity a duplicate
of it. N^o 1.

I am now to inform your
Lordship and your Honor the Sir Edward Hughes
K^t B. has ordered me the further supply of
16,000 P^{as} Pagodas for the payment of the Troops here,
which sum I have received from Arthur Butcher Esq^r,
to whom I have granted a set of Bills in Triplicate
on your Hon^{ble} Board, dated the 30th Ultimo.

I have also drawn another set

From Capt. Donnan Esq^r,
including return of
Troops and Indents of
Horns, - receives 16,000
Paid from Sir E. Hughes -

President
and
Fort St
George

thereof

that

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^{ad} 22. Set of Bills of the same ^{date} on your Honorable Board
for the sum of 8946 ^{Rs. 4. 6} 1/4 56 in favor of the said
Arthur Butcher Esq. for captured Horses wanted
in this garrison. N^o 2.

The vouchers for payments made
since the beginning of this Expedition to the 30th
of April last, and the Honble Company's Account
current I have put under the cover of William
Hamilton Esq. pay Master General, but being
uncertain whether I am right in so doing I have
left the letter and Packet open for your pleasure.
N^o 3.

N^o 4 is a return of the Troops for the
months of March, April, & May, and N^o 5 contains
undry Indents of Articles essentially necessary
for the welfare of this place, which permit me
to request of your Lordship and Honor
to order as soon as possible.

I am happy in informing your
Lordship and your Honor of the consideration
resources the British Squadron has met with in
this place. His Majesty's Ship Monmouth has
made new masts, and the rest of the Ships have
repaired the damages sustained in the last
engagement, but what is more both sick and well
have been provided with fresh provisions all the
time.

However I think it my duty to
represent to your honorable board the ruinous
situation it has reduced this place to, and with
due submission shall take the liberty of mentioning
that

per bill
the same

under

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22nd, that nothing but Rice being brought here in plenty, and sold for a while at a very cheap rate can give it a chance of affording the like ~~and~~ resources in future.

Lieutenant Abbot is embarked on board his Majesty's Ship Monarca for the Presidency; but Captain Meek who came from Madras for his health, died the 31st ultimo. The Rodolphus, a Sloop fitted up here to carry Captain Sutton and his Officers to Europe, sailed from here 4th Instant.

The Governor Indianman sailed the 13th, and the Royal Charlotte Transport with General Meadows sailed the 16th. The French fleet remained at Battacola 10 leagues to the Southward of this, till the 2^d Instant when they sailed having buried a considerable number of their men. —

I have the honor to be,
Right Honble Lord and Honble Sirs,

Your most Obedient
and humble Servant.

P. D. Bonnier and

N.B. The original letters with all the Numbers referred to are enclosed in a Packet that goes in his Majesty's Ship Superbe for more security.

To the Right Honble George Lord Macartney
H.B. President and Governor & Select Committee
of Madras -

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Trincam
18th June
1782

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22nd My Lord and Gentlemen,

My last address to you was from this place dated the first of last month containing an account of a second engagement between his Majesty's Squadron under my command and the French Squadron under the command of Monsieur Suffren on the 18th April last, this was forwarded in charge of a Mr Greenly on a country Boat which I have good reason to believe arrived safe at Madras; from that time till now I have been labouring hard to repair his Majesty's Ships Month and repair the damages done the several Ships of the Squadron in the late Engagement, which were considerably greater than at first appeared, both of which I ^{have} nearly effected.

By good Intelligence from Batavia, a Dutch Port in Sunda about 20 leagues to the Southward of this Place, I am informed the French Squadron, in all 20 sail, anchored there the third of last month, where they landed 1400 men sick and wounded, and continued there until the 2^d of this month, when they sailed I suppose for Tranquebar or Porto Novo, it is said they buried about 700 men, but this seems to be exaggerated.

On the same day the French Squadron sailed from Batavia, His Majesty's Armed Transport the Royal Charlotte joined me here, and brought a poor supply of 32 Coils of Cordage, and 213 Barrels of powder for the Service

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22^d Service of the Squadron and 135 bags of Rice for the use of the Company's Garrison here, neither the San Carlos, Raikes, Resolution, nor the Rodney Packet, which left your Port the same day the Royal Charlotte did, have joined me, and I have much reason to fear, from the account the Commander of the Royal Charlotte gave me of their operations, that they would be in the tract of the Enemy going on the coast, if that was their destination, and therefore in much danger of falling into their hands.

On the 4th of this month I dispatched a Schooner named the Rodolphus, fitted for the purpose of carrying my Public dispatches, and Captain Sutton late of the Isis, a Prisoner, to England and with him the Officer of that Ship, his Evidences; On the 13th having had certain Intelligence that the French Squadron left Batavia, the Company's Ship Governor sailed hence for England, and on the 16th I dispatched his Majesty's Armed Transport the Royal Charlotte with the duplicate of my dispatches and to give a passage to General Medows and the Officers of his Staff to England —

Of the number of sick and wounded Men sent on shore from the Squadron at this place about 380 have died, the rest are in general pretty well recovered, except about 150 Men whose diseases would prove infectious on board, these I have now sent to the General Hospital at Madras on his Majesty's Ship the Combustion and as her fire room

wounded

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22^d room was taken down, and the materials thrown into the sea, in order to clear her for the accommodation of the Wounded Men after the last engagement, I must request you will give every assistance in your Power to Captain Clark who commands her, in fitting her again completely as a Fireship at the expense of his Majesty -

I am in good hopes the Squadron will be in condition to put to sea in three or four days, when I shall proceed to the coast, to see what the Enemy's Squadron is about, and conduct myself as I shall find their situation requires - at all events I must return to Madras soon, as both our Ammunition and Provisions are low, the first sooner than otherwise would be, owing to the duration of the late Engagement, and the latter to our having Victualled the Sultan and Magnanimo out of the other ships for their present expense, and the Rodolphus and the Rodolphus, and the Royal Charlotte for a Passage to England.

I have the honor to be,

My Lord and Gentlemen,
Your most Obedient

humble Servant,

signed/ Edw Hughes

Received the following letter from
Mr Prober to Mr Sullivan -

To

Superb in Trincomalee Bay
20th June 1782 -

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22^d To John Sullivan Esq^r

Sir,

I am directed by Lieutenant Colonel
Kumberston to inform you that he duly received
your letters of 22^d and 30th March, and 10, and 14th of
April, which he several times attempted to
acknowledge; from a very severe dysentery he
has labored under for these few weeks past, he
was totally unable to accomplish it, and has
therefore desired me to acquaint you that on
his finding Major Abernethy averse to active
measures, and that the reasons he assigned for
such conduct were not worth attending to, he
therefore determined to compeel the Major to
put the honorable company's troops under his
command, and to call him to account if he
refused.

In consequence of this the Major
on the 28th March beg'd leave to resign, and the
Colonel took the command in chief - The Country
to the Southward being over-run with Hyder's
Troops, the Colonel judged it necessary to put the
Army in motion to clear the Country of this
Banditti. by marching to Pannani and afterwards
to make use of that River for carrying his Stores &c
as far up as possible with an intention of proceeding
against Palacacherry by the same route which has
since been received from you. On the 30th March
Major Douglas with 6 companies of Europeans four
of Light & 3 field Pieces were ordered to march
to the Southward, and the remainder of the Army to
follow.

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Major

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to Bengal

Dispatched the following letter

To the Honble Warren Hastings Esq.
Governor General, &c. Council of
Fort William.

To Bengal.

Honble Sir and Sirs,

The Mercury Packet arrived here yesterday from Bombay with Dispatches from the Honble the Committee of Secrecy, and the Select Committee at Bombay, and we have now the honor to transmit those addressed to your Government.

Your Packet from the Committee of Secrecy will inform you of the vigorous preparations making by the French, and the measures they have adopted to recover their power and influence in India. - You will observe also the powerful assistance both in land and naval force, which his Majesty has granted to the Company, and which if applied to one uniform connected system, and that system supported by the joint exertions of a three Presidency, will we firmly hope enable us to overthrow our Enemies, and preserve these Invaluable Pop. Possessions to the British Empire.

We shall no longer stop you further on this subject, and enclose another Request with it. In the meantime I only beg leave to request your attention to the necessity of furnishing us with

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22^d resources to defray the great additional expense which these ~~additional~~ reinforcements will create; your last supply of six lacks is now in the Mint, and after the whole shall have been issued to the Troops, they will be 3 months in arrears.

Since the Army returned from Vittre in the latter end of January, we have supplied it with 38,240 $\frac{1}{4}$ bags of Rice, and 11,669 Bullocks, as per Agents' return annexed.

We are infinitely concerned at the account given by the Gentlemen of Bombay of the situation of the Troops at Fellichery and Calicut. The Admiral we fear cannot possibly assist them while the French fleet continues so formidable. By a letter from Sir Eyre Coote of which, and of our answer we transmit agree copies, we find he has sent orders to Colonel Humberston to remain on the Malabar coast, and put himself under the direction of the Bombay Government, this we conclude, has been done in consequence of instructions from you, and we hope it will enable the Select Committee of Bombay to carry your Plan into effect, tho' Sir Richard Dickerton should not arrive ^{then} in time to admit of their profiting by his assistance.

We believe we omitted to inform you of our having learnt from Colonel Horne ^{Col.} that Humberston in marching to attack the Paliacherry Pass, which leads to the

Coimbatore

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22nd bombitoor country) had fallen in with Muctam
Sahib the successor of Sardar Bawn) and that an
action ensued, in which the latter was killed &
his army entirely defeated. —

We transmit you copy of a letter
from Colonel Hornberston's Secretary to Mr John
Sullivan, which contains an account of that Officer's
late operations on the Malabar Coast.

We have the pleasure to inform
you that our attempt to throw provisions into Vlore
from hence as far as relates to that single object has been
attended with the completest success, as you will
perceive by the following extract of a letter from an
Officer in that garrison — "It will afford you
"great pleasure to hear that Ensign Buome with
"his escort arrived safe here this morning, without
"losing a Bag of Rice or any thing else — he delivered
"into this Garrison 1917 Cooly loads, and 150 Bullock
"loads of Rice, 81 Kegs of Arrack and Pork, 540 fine
"Sheep, and a number of Bullocks, not forgetting
"a Bag of Pagodas, this is a most complete business, and
"done under Hyder's Nose, he lies at Dobigur, but we
"do not care a fig for him now these three months."

We are persuaded you will share
in the concern we feel in relating to you the fate
of the detachment, which performed this important
service. They were attacked on their return by Idalla
and Pappoo Sahib, and fought from 8 o'clock till 12, when
a reinforcement with four guns arriving to the
assistance of Hyder's Troops, they were reduced to the
necessity

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22^d necessity of surrendering at discretion. Ensign
Burn and two Artillery officers who joined him
from Villore, are taken, but it is said they are
not wounded. — We now enclose you an account
which we have received from Sir Eyre Coote of the
misfortune which happened to the Grand Guard.
The army is returned to these environs for a fresh
Supply of Provisions, Bullocks, Horses, and Money,
with regard to Horses, we are induced to remind
you of our request on that Subject from a Paragraph
in the Company's Letter now received, directing us
to procure horses for 400 Dragoons which are part
of the Troops coming to India. We have furnished
Sir Eyre Coote with a copy of the letter to us from the
Select Committee at Bombay and requested of him
to inform us what answer to return to that
Paragraph which relates to their intended
requisition to Sir Richard Pakenham. By the
answer which we have just received from
Sir Eyre Coote, and of which we enclose a
copy, it appears that he does not intend to allow
any part of the reinforcement coming with
Sir Richard Pakenham to join the army on
the Malabar Coast. All the Europeans which
can be required in addition to those with
Colonel Thimberston to make up the number
estimated by General Goddard to be necessary
for the intended operation, might not perhaps
amount to more than one 6th. Part of the
expected reinforcements, a compliance &
therefore

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22. Therefore with the requisition of the Select Committee at Bombay would not, we should hope, materially ~~impair~~ that reinforcement, or injure any operations that may be necessary on this coast, and from the Bombay letter there seems reason to apprehend that the non-compliance may prevent the execution, or the success of the only plan, which in your opinion, as well as Dev's affords a prospect of a happy termination of the War - The Officer who is to command the Expedition having estimated 1500 Europeans as necessary would appear to be a sufficient reason for giving him that number, it seems worthy of consideration also, that there is a moral certainty that 1500 Europeans at the commencement of a campaign in this Country will not be 1000 in a few months afterwards, that General Goddard, if he succeeds, will have forts to garrison, that he will be at a distance from all reinforcement, and above all that he must reckon upon being opposed by Hyder himself and his whole force, who will spare no efforts to save the Country from whence he draws his prompt resources, and fatal experience has shown, that there is too much reason to fear it would not be in the power of our Army on this side to prevent his attacking General Goddard singly - If the determination of this matter had rested with us, we should not have been influenced by the comparative consideration of the number of Europeans now with the Army on this Coast, or which will be with

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22^d with it, upon the arrival of Sir Richard Bickerton, our only solicitude would have been to ensure success, where it can be obtained. As Sir Eyre Coote is fully possessed of your sentiments respecting the plan of attacking Hyder on the Malabar coast, as it is not possible for us to suggest anything in addition to what you have repeatedly urged in favor of it, and as we have no reason to think that our opinions have much weight with Sir Eyre Coote, we shall not trouble him further on the subject.

We think it proper to acquaint you that a Vackeel from Hyderally, by name Mahomed Usman, accompanied the Army to this place, and is now at the General's quarters. It has not been thought proper to communicate to us this circumstance, but we have undoubted information of the truth of it.

In consequence of your desire some time since that we would furnish you with ²tonnage to bring supplies of grain, we have engaged with Mr. Vicent's Corbett for Tonnage to the amount of 15,000 or 20,000 Bags, to proceed to Calcutta from Boringe.

We have the honor to be,

Honble Sir and Mrs,

Your most obedient

humble servants

(signed) Macartney & Co
Select Committee

P.S.*

P.S.*
We transmit you
copy of a letter, which
we have just received
from Sir Edward Hughes
by the Combustion fire
Ship - We understand
by a vessel arrived here
from Sounguebar that the
Transports, Rackets and
Resolution have fallen
into the Enemy's hands.
We are also under great
apprehensions for the
Jermouth - The Poddolphe
sprung a leak and put
back, but being unable
to make Trincomale again
she intended to proceed
to this place, and on her
way fell in with a
French frigate which
is her on shore off
amparachi - The
Lieutenant with Capt.
ston and the crew came
land to St. Thomas - Sir
Edward Hughes's Dispatches
were destroyed.

Fort George,
22 June 1782 -

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Received from Major's report of
the arrival of 260 Bullocks -

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Received the following return
from the Agent of Bullocks Deca sent to Camp.

Fort George 23^d June 1782.

Account of Bullocks Rice and Arrack sent
to the Army from 12th January to 23^d June 1782 -

Bullocks effective - - - - - 11,669 -

Rice in Bags of 6 Marcals each - Bags - 80,240 $\frac{1}{4}$

Arrack 413 Thirds and Hogheads - of Gall - 20,301 -

Now remaining in readyness
accompanying the Army when it
Marches -

Bullocks - - - - - 900 -

The Bullocks mentioned in the above account were
received as serviceable, the account of Rice and Arrack
is that which was delivered for the use of the Army,
exclusive of what was sent to Pulicat Deca and the
Rice which now remains on board the Chesterfield
to be in readyness for the Army; and in the account
of Bullocks now remaining, I exclude 100 Draught
Bullocks which are always wanted here, but
particularly so when parties of the Enemy approach
the Bounds.

Signed William Profs Agent

Agreed that a copy of the foregoing
return

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the
account
approach

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23^d return be sent to Bengal

Received the following letters.

To the Right Honble George Lord Macartney
President and Governor & a Select Committee
of Fort St George,

My Lord and Gentlemen,

I feel myself as highly honoured
by your letter of the 28th of March, as I was disappointed
in not receiving it till a few days ago, which should
not have prevented my taking the command in
the Field to attempt the relief of the Tanjore Country,
and a junction with Captain Scott's party, which
cannot move with the least safety at present
from Negapatam, had we the means in men or
money without entirely stripping this and the
Madura Countries of the very troops whereby they
have been hitherto protected, and kept much
freer of the Inroads of the Enemy, than other
countries have and without the whole of them
there was no prospect of rendering effectual
service. I have however resolved to march, even
without tents, notwithstanding I am well
informed the Enemy's force is superior to any
I can collect - It is easily foreseen the Western
Part of this and the Country of Madura will,
during my absence, be entirely open to the
Enemy's Incursions, a matter worthy of
consideration, particularly as a force near

5,000

entirely

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23. 5000 Men, remains at Baroor, they have been
all along kept in check by a party of our Troops, which
altho' not above 1100 men stormed and took
Upmungalum a few days ago in sight of a
large body of them, and which they could not
prevent. Some days before Venkat Subbia's arrival, the
old Renter had Marched with a small detachment
to collect the Balance of a tribute due by the Poligar.
the leading one Poochy Naick, settled with him
very amicably, but there is not time to complicate
that business at present, being under the necessity
of assembling the Troops. I am told the whole amount
would be 30,000 Rupees + two Bramins whom I
mentioned to have confined. by the advice and
consent of the Nabob's managers have paid a fine
of 6000 Arcot Rupees One half to the Nabob, and the
other to me on account of the company which
I proposed delivering to Mr. Andrews, who acts for
the Paymaster, but he refused to sign the receipt,
of which I send you the following copy—

Trichinopoly, June 11th 1782. Received from
Lieutenant Colonel Nixon for the use of the
Paymaster's Comptrol, the sum of three thousand
Arcot Rupees, which I have carried to the credit
of the company's account, being half of fine paid
by Brimmall Row, and Ram Row late mint
comitopolies at Porto Novo, for coming in a
blandestine manner to reside at Seringham,
and for having assisted the Enemy with money, the
other half of the fine went to the Nabob's

Manager

thousand
credit
paid

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23rd Manager by whose consent and advice it was
levied, I say, received the above three thous and
Rupees by one for the use of the Company.

We are now holding a court
martial on 4 Subadars, and 8 Sepoys of the 23rd
Battalion for mutiny, and confining their
Officers, their behavior has been most atrocious,
and will I hope meet due punishment.

I have the honor to remain,
My Lord and Gentlemen,
your most faithful and
Obedient servant,

I signed/ Eccles Nixon.

Trichinopoly
June 13th - 1782 -

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney K^t
President and Governor Sea Sea Sea

My Lord -

Upon our publickly informing
Captain Spraght of your Lordship's and the Committee's
having an intention to give us farther orders regarding
the Mutineers, he has deferred holding any general
Court Martial, until you are pleased to favor us with
your determination, which we should be glad of as soon
as you think it eligible to honor us with it.

I have my Lord, an application
to pay into our Treasury Ten thous and Rupees, at three
hundred and seventy for the current Pagoda - for
Bills on the Company at eight Shillings and six pence
the current Pagoda, as I know not whether these terms
are similar to those at the Presidency, I should be glad
to

your

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23rd to be honored with your Lordships instructions.

I am

My Lord

very respectfully,

Your most Obedient

humble servant

signed James Hodges

Masulipatam,
15th June, 1782—

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Agreed an advertisement as entered in
miscellany book, for letting for the present year the
districts of Setrun, Naglapour, Ouscutta, and Gomeran
-pundy, with the customs of Pulicat, agreeable to the
resolution in Committee the 20th Instant; the following
letter having been drawn up in answer to Sir Eyre
Coote's of the 10th Instant, it is now read and approved,
and ordered to be sent to him. Agreed also that a
copy of it with General Coote's letter of 10th Instant
be sent a number in the Packet per Rodney, and
that copies of both be sent to Bengal, and that
extracts of those passages that relate to the Resident
of Tanjore be forwarded to him without delay—

To Sir Eyre Coote in
answer to a letter
reprobating the conduct
of the Select Committee
in the severest terms,
expressing their
concern at having
incurred his displeasure,
excusing themselves,
and imputing the
of 3000 Bullocks to
Major Byrnes, and
Colonel Braithwaite's
detachment which
the General had
indirectly laid on
the charge of the
Presidency, and
lamenting that Sir
Eyre Coote should

Lieutenant General Sir Eyre Coote K.B.
Commander in Chief.
Sir,

We have had the honor to receive
your letter of the 10th Instant, and suppose you
could not be surprized at not finding a quantity
of

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so much as
undervalue his
services as to draw
a comparison between
his own and those
of the Committee
at the same time
expressing him that
pursuant to his
request, they design
to transmit his last
letter to the Court
of directors in a
separate number
and by the earliest
opportunity

24th of provisions at being left adequate to your wants,
as it was with your knowledge and concurrence
that we employed all the means of carriage we
possessed, in sending a supply of provisions to Pelou,
on your declaring the impossibility of then giving
that Garrison any assistance from the Army -

We are concerned to observe that
so many of your letters to this Government convey
open or implied censure upon our Conduct.
That censure has not excited in us the least desire
of Recrimination, because sensible of your ardent
exertions in the public cause, of which we have on
all occasions borne ample testimony. We have
ascribed to those Exertions every Successful Event, and
every unfavorable Circumstance to Accident or ill
Fortune -

The treasury, the Storehouses, the
remotest parts of the Country in our Possession
have been drained to give vigor and efficacy
to your operations; and your communications
of losses and Mischances have only redoubled
our efforts to retrieve them.

You think proper to suppose
that in relation to the means of carriage, we had
not made allowance or Provision for the common
accidents of Service, though every Report

you

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24th you have sent us has been attended with new and successful efforts on our parts to supply them; and though even we replaced, in the space of a few days, the number of 3000 Bullocks which were captured by the negligence of an Officer to whose charge they had been entrusted, who was dismissed from the Service by sentence of a Court Martial for that negligence, and which capture exceeded the common accidents of Service.

We give the highest credit to your Declaration, that you have not adopted any Arrangement for the sake of differing from this Committee, of which indeed you are a Member, not recommended a particular contract for the sake of ^{the cause of} favouring any individual.

For our parts We cannot be even liable to suspicion of wishing to differ from you, as the Terms for a contract which we adopted were approved by you, and as we rejected the others before we knew you had altered your Opinion -

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And as to Individuals, We have drawn we have drawn upon Us their malvolence for not gratifying their wishes at the Publick Expence.

After your recommendation of a Plan in decided Terms, You deem a further discussion

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24th discussion of it by Us as altogether superfluous, & that
our duty to our Employers confines us to the
adoption of such Measures only as to the best of
our own judgement and Discretion shall appear
conducive to the Public Service.

You have, Sir, a voice in our
deliberations when you think proper to attend
our meetings, But your opinion alone,
however respectable, is not to decide our conduct.

You charge us with responsibility
for every inconvenience or Injury the operations
of the Army may suffer, by any deficiency in the
carriage for Provisions, from the Moment we
declined following your recommendation,

We shrink not from responsibility, But in the
present Instance none will be laid upon Us by
our Superiors; but a great deal would, if we had the
misfortune to enter into Engagements which
neither the remittances from Bengal nor
our own resources would have enabled Us
to fulfill; after paying what was absolutely
essential for the subsistence of the Troops. and
before it can be reasonably concluded that the
Contract you proposed would have prevented
the Inconveniences or Injury which the
operations of the Army may have suffered

By

Remittance

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24th by any deficiency in the carriage of Provisions, it must be taken for granted, that the Contractor would have saved the 3000 Bullocks captured by the Enemy, as well as those which have ~~or~~ perished by fatigue, the Inclemency of the Weather, and the want of Pasturage and that he would have proposed greater means of preventing all such losses than the Officer appointed by You for that Purpose, with all the assistance of your countenance and authority. All which was the less probable, as in fact you received fresh supplies from Us in a shorter time, than the Contractor would engage to supply any loss whatever -

Before your last march from St Thomas's Mount, you expressly signified to Us, that for the Service then on foot, you required no more Bullocks, than had been sent to the Army, justly observing at the same time, that Bullocks should be still collected as far as might be practicable, which has accordingly been done -

You have therefore authorized Us to repeat that on your last march from this neighbourhood, your demands for Bullocks were fully complied with, nor does it appear from the number that have died from want

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24th of Pasturage, that you could have subsisted
more

We shall conclude this subject
by assuring you that we shall readily embrace any
plan within our means to accomplish, and which
shall appear to Us likely to answer, better than that
which is now proposed, by which however we have
already collected here about 1000 Bullocks, and
hope in a short time to supply the full number
being upwards of several thousands which have been
lately lost.

We can easily account for the
conduct of Mr. John Sullivan, of which you complain.
For that Gentleman had, it seems, erroneously
imagined that in the disposition of Troops and
succours of any kind sent by his Majesty to the
relief of the East India Company, the persons
entrusted with the government of their Possessions
and the management of their Affairs, should have
at least considerable influence, if not a deliberative
voice. He knew the perfect confidence that was placed
in him by this Government, and relying on the
sanction of His Majesty's Commanders in Chief, and
the known rectitude of his own Intentions, He
undertook to recommend, as so much time would
be lost before your Orders could arrive, a Plan
of

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24th of operations on the Malabar coast which appeared to him best calculated for putting a speedy termination to the War: on the first intimation of Jones and Sir Edward Hughes's dissatisfaction at such an interference in Mr. Sullivan, We wrote to that Gentleman to be particularly careful in any thing that might affect either yours or the Admirals Authority; and we shall repeat that caution, leaving to higher powers the further consideration of the offence he has given to the commanders in Chief, which however heinous it may be considered in respect to them arose not only from the purest motives of Loyalty and public Spirit, but the recommendation in which that offence consisted appeared to him to correspond with the sentiments of the Governor General and Council of Bengal, and as you have now ordered Colonel Humberston to obey the Bombay Government, which receives instructions from Bengal it is probable that so far from Mr. Sullivan's impeding such orders, the early advice he gave, if followed, will have accelerated their good Effects —

You have frequently Sir, by implication ascribed to us the misfortune which befel some of the Troops under the command of
Colonel

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24.th Colonel Braithwaite, and you now tell us that the cause of that misfortune is best known to ourselves - We beg you to be assured that you have been misinformed, for the cause of it is utterly unknown to us, We issued no Orders whatever to Colonel Braithwaite, subsequent to the capture of Negapatam; an authority was in October last delegated to our President, for particular reasons not unknown to you, in relation to joint Operations with the Admiral against the Dutch, and upon the capture of Negapatam and the Embarkation of the Troops for the Attack of Trincomalee in the beginning of January, that authority was immediately resigned by our President. It appears by a letter from you to this Committee, that the Orders sent to Major General Sir Hector Munro commanding the Southern Army were approved by you; It appears likewise that some of the Instructions he gave to Colonel Braithwaite were in consequence of Orders sent by you to that General; but we no more call in doubt the propriety of those Orders, than we ever did any other Military Arrangement you have made, whatever might have been the issue, for we know the injustice of judging from Events. As to the comparison you mention

from

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24th mention of our respective Endeavors in this & public cause, we cheerfully subscribe to the preference you claim, and only lament that you can so far undervalue your services, as to think they require being magnified at our expense,

We desire to conclude a detail unsought by us, with the repetition of our firmest determination to continue the most cordial cooperation with you in the support of the Company's Interests.

Let us liberally suppose that the Persons in considerable trust, the Commanders in Chief, the Government, the Resident of Tanjore, have not deceived the expectations that led to their appointment, and are equally actuated by their Zeal for the public Good; and let us at least for the present important moment, avoid any discussion tending to destroy that Harmony in our Councils, and that union of our Efforts, on which the fate of the British Interests in India is likely to depend.

We shall not fail to transmit your last letter a separate number in our Packet by the next dispatch, agreeable to your request

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Fort A. George,
24th June, 1782.

We have the honor to be
Sir

Your most obedient
humble servants,
Signed Macartney
Seca Select Committee

Dispatched the following Letter to Bombay with
the enclosures therein mentioned.

To the Honble William Hornby Esquire,
President and Members of the Select Committee at
Bombay.

Honble Sir and Sirs,

The Mercury Packet arrived here
the 20th Instant, and by her We have had the honor to
recieve your Letter of the 3rd Instant with enclosures
and a packet from the Honble Committee of &
Secrecy.

We observe with great pleasure
your determination to make a vigorous attack
upon Hyder Allis's possessions at Mangalore, and
as so very considerable a reinforcement is coming
with Sir Richard Bickerton, We should, if the
determination rested with us, most readily
consent to your detaining whatever numbers of the
King's Troops you might judge necessary to ensure
success to the expedition, but we are concerned to
inform you, that we have not been able to obtain
the

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24th The concurrence of Sir Eyre Coote. as you will perceive by the enclosed copy of his answer to the letter we wrote to him on the Subject.

We transmit you also an extract of a letter which we wrote to the Governor General and Council immediately on receiving the aforesaid answer from Sir Eyre Coote, and forwarded by sea with your dispatches.

You will observe by the extract that we have not omitted to offer to the consideration of the Governor General and Council the arguments which occurred to us in favor of your intended requisition to Sir Richard Pickett and we hope it may not be too late for them to send instructions on the subject.

Sir Eyre Coote has lately sent orders to Colonel Sturges to remain on the Malabar Coast, and act under your directions. We are deeply concerned for the apprehensions you express for the Troops under his command, and those at Tellicherry, and the other unfavorable events communicated in your letter to Bengal of the 30th Instant. circumstances not less unfortunate have attended our efforts to furnish Sir Edward Hughes with assistance from hence in Seamen and Military Stores - of the transports dispatched dispatched to Trincomalee, only the Royal Charlotte reached that place - the Rakus and Revolution and the company's Ship Yarmouth have fallen into the Enemy's hands.

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The San Carlos had a very narrow escape and is now here. Sir Edward Hughes expected to sail from Trincomale in three or four days after the date of his letter (the 20th Instant) and intended to proceed to the Coast, and see what the Enemy is about, and conduct himself as their situation requires.

The Grosvenor had sailed for Europe and the Royal Charlotte with General Meadows and his suite. The French fleet is said to be at Cuddalore -

Our army is returned to these environs for supplies of provisions, Bullocks and money -

We have the honor to be,
Honble Sir and Sirs,
Your most obedient

humble Servants,

signed / Macartney

Secy Select Committee

PS Our President has this moment received a letter from the Governor General, informing his Lordship of Peace being concluded with the Maharatta state, on which important event we offer you our sincere congratulations.

25th

Received the following letter from
Mr Hollond

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To the Right Honble Lord Macartney, K.B.
President and Governor & a Select Committee of
Port George.

My Lord and Gentlemen,

From Mr. Holland
informing the
Committee of his
departure from the
Nizam's court,
and of the under-
mentioned Resolution
of the Nizam.

I had duly the honor of your
Lordship's letter of the 9th ultimo, and should
have answered it immediately, but deferred it
in the expectation of being able at the same time
to inform you of my departure from this court;
the time however of my taking leave of his Highness
still remains to be fixed. conformably to your
Lordship's desire, I immediately forwarded
the dispatches that were enclosed for the Bombay
Presidency, and also copy of Sir Edward Hughes's
letter of the 1st May. I have since received four
dispatches for the Bombay Government from Mr.
Hodges at Masulipatam, and forwarded them
immediately.

Previous to the receipt of the
letter from your Lordship's letter of the 9th ultimo, I
had occasion from the renewal of the subject of the
late Treaty with Wallah Jaw, to mention the causes
that had rendered that arrangement necessary and
upon the subject being again mentioned at a visit
at the Durbar on the 9th Instant, repeated the
arguments which you have seen pleased to furnish
me, although our Government might on a superficial

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25, view appear liable to attacks on this Quarter, yet we have certainly throughout acted a very honorable part by the Nabob of the Carnatic, and he would have experienced very different treatment from any Prince of Hindostan -

His Highness's line of conduct is I believe entirely undetermined, he seems to be much embarrassed with the Maharattas, and to act in our support, independent of them, might expose his good faith to reproach, this Country to devastation, I am strongly of opinion that he is inclined to lean on us, but in taking this line he appears also to be powerfully restrained by inveterate suspicion and mistrust.

It was only yesterday that I received your Lordship's Order commands of the 30th April, a delay which the hircarras inform me was occasioned by their having fallen sick on the Road, I beg leave early to acknowledge with the most sincere sentiments of Respect the honor which your Lordship does me, in the favorable Opinion you are pleased to express of me and of the endeavors, unsuccessful as they have been, which I have employed in the conduct of the negotiation at this Court.

I have the honors be,

with great Respect,

My Lord and Gentlemen,

Your most obedient-humble servant

John Holland -

Hydrabad,
th
June 14, 1782 -

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25th Dispatched the following letter.

To John Holland Esq^r

Sir

We have received your Letter
of the 14th Instant.

We now enclose you copy
of a Letter to our President from the Governor
General - by which you will be informed that
a Treaty of Peace was signed on the 17th Ultimo
by Mr Anderson and Mahdajie Scindia the
Plenipotentiary of the Maharatta State, and
that nothing is wanting to make it valid, but
the ratification of the Principals of each State;
perhaps you may now think it eligible to
defer your departure from Hydrabad until
you shall have seen what effect this event
produces on the mind of the Subah, but in this
you will act entirely as your own prudence
may suggest, unless you should receive Instructions
on the Subject from the Governor General
and Council, to which you will in that case
pay the strictest attention.

We are

Sir,

Your most obedient

humble servants,

Macartney

&c Select Committee

To Mr Holland
acquainting him
with the Conclusion
of the Treaty of Peace
with the Maharattas.

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26th, Dispatched the following letter.

To Anthony Sadler Esq, Colonel Patrick Rofs, and
Captain Bartholomew Vigors.

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Right
Hon^{ble} the President and Select Committee to
inform you that they have been pleased to
appoint you a Committee for the Arrangement
and distribution of Quarters for Military Officers
and they desire you will meet from time to time,
and form such regulations and recommend to
them such measures as shall appear to you best
calculated to reduce the present very considerable
monthly expence charged to the Company for
house rent, and at the same time to furnish houses
or Quarters for all who, by the established Military
regulations, or particular Orders of the Hon^{ble} the
Court of Directors, have a Right to them.

I have the honors to be,

Gentlemen,

Your most obedient

Humble Servant

signed John Huddleston
Secy.

To Messrs Sadler
Colonel Rofs and
Captain Vigors,
informing them
that the Select
Committee had
appointed them to
form an arrangement
of Quarters for
Military Officers.

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Wednesday
26th June

At a Select Committee present
The Right Honble George Lord Macartney KB
President

Anthony Sadler Esq^r
Alex^r Davidson Esq^r

Lieutenant General Sir Eyre Coote absent
on Service, Major General Sir Hector Munro
indisposed - John Holton Esq^r Resident at
Hydrabad

Minutes of last Committee read and approved.
Read the following Letter and enclosures
received yesterday from Bengal.

To the Right Honble George Lord Macartney,
President &c Select Committee at
Fort St. George.
My Lord & Gentlemen,

Having this day received the
Treaty of Peace with the Maharatta State concluded by
Mr David Anderson with Madage Scindea on the
17th May, we take the earliest occasion to transmit
you a copy of it for your Information.

You will observe by the last or
article of the Treaty that it must undergo the
necessary formality of a Ratification by the Peshwa
and the Ministers at Poona on the one part, and
by

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From Bengal
enclosing the Treaty
of Peace concluded
between Mr Anderson
and Madage Scindia
which must be
ratified, and inter-
changed before it
can be accounted
valid

By this Government on the other, and be finally
interchanged between Madage Scindia and Mr
Anderson, before it becomes valid, and that it is
at present only communicated to us under an
Injunction of Secrecy, by Madage Scindia, who
has thought this decorum necessary to be observed
by him towards the Sovereign Authority, on whose
behalf he has acted, We therefore notify it at
present under these circumstances to you, to
Lieutenant General Sir Eyre Coote, and to Vice
Admiral Sir Edward Hughes, leaving it to you to
make such discretionary Use of the Information
in the present state of your Affairs, as you shall
deem necessary.

We have ordered a fair copy to be
drawn out in English and Persian for our signature,
and the Seal of the Company, which we shall forward
without loss of time to Mr Anderson, and as soon
as the formal Ratification and Exchange of the
Treaty shall have passed, we shall notify the
same to the President and Council.

We have the Honors to be,
My Lord and Gentlemen.

Your most Obedient
humble servants,

(Signed) Warren Hastings,

Edward Whelan

John M. Gheron

Translation

Fort William

the 3^d June 1782.

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Translation.

Treaty of perpetual Friendship and Alliance betwixt the Honorable English East India Company and the Peshwa Madhoo Row Pundit Pordhann, settled by Mr. Anderson on the Part of the Honble Company in virtue of the Powers delegated to him for that purpose by the Honorable the Governor General and Council, appointed by the King and Parliament of Great Britain, to direct and controul all the Political Affairs of the Honorable English East India Company in India, and by Maha Raja Subadar Madhoo Row Scindia, as Plenipotentiary on the part of the Peshwa Madhoo Row Pundit Pordhann, Ballajee Pundit, Nana Phurnavese and the whole of the Chiefs of the Maharatta Nation, agreeably to the following Articles, which shall be for ever binding on their heirs and Successors, and the conditions of them to be invariably observed by both parties.

Article 1st — It is stipulated and agreed to between the Honble English East India Company and the Peshwa, through the mediation of Madhoo Row Scindia, that all Countries, Places, Cities and Ports, including Bassein, &c. which have been taken from the Peshwa during the War that has arisen since the Treaty settled by Colonel Wpton, and have come into the Possession of the English, shall be delivered up to the Peshwa. The Territories, Ports, Cities, &c. to be restored, shall be

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be delivered within the space of two months from the Period when this Treaty shall become complete (as hereafter described) to such persons as the Peshwa or his Minister Nana Phurnavake shall appoint.

Article 2^d It is agreed betwixt the English Company and the Peshwa that Salsette and three other Islands, namely, Elephanta, Borringee and Hog, which are included in the Treaty of Colonel Upton shall continue for ever in the possession of the English. If any other Islands have been taken in the course of the present war - they shall be delivered up to the Peshwa.

Article 3^d Whereas it was stipulated in the 4th Article of the Treaty of Colonel Upton, "that the Peshwa and all the Chiefs of the Mahabaratta States do agree to give to the English Company forever all Right and Title to the City of Boroach, as full and complete as ever they collected from the Moguls or otherwise, without retaining any claim of Shout or any other claims whatever, so that the English Company shall possess it without Participation or claim of any kind." This Article is accordingly continued in full force and Effect.

Article 4th The Peshwa having formerly in the treaty of Colonel Upton agreed by way of friendship to give up to the English a Country of three Lacks of Rupees near Boroach, the English do now at the request of Madhoos Row Lande consent

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consent to relinquish their claim to the said country in favor of the Peshwa—

Article 5th— The country which Secajee and Luty Sing Luckhwan gave to the English and which is mentioned in the 7th Art. of the Treaty of Colonel Upton, being therein left in a state of suspension, the English with a view to obviate all future disputes, now agree that it shall be restored, ^{*} Luckhwan, and if it shall be a part of the Peshwa's territories, it shall be restored to the Peshwa.

Article 6th— The English engage that having allowed Ragonant Row a Period of four months from the time when this Treaty shall become complete, to fix on a Place of Residence, they will not after the expiration of the said Period afford him any support, protection or assistance, nor supply him with money for his expenses, and the Peshwa on his part engages that if Ragonant Row will voluntarily and of his own accord repair to Gnaha Raja Madhoo Row Scindia, and quietly reside with him the sum of 25,000 Rupees per month shall be paid him for his Maintenance, and no Injury whatever shall be offered to him by the Peshwa, or any of his people.

Article 7th— The Honble English East India Company and the Peshwa being desirous that their respective Allies shall be included in this Peace, it is hereby mutually stipulated, that each party shall make Peace with

* and it is hereby settled that if the said Country be a part of the established Territory of the Luckhwan, it shall be restored to the

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with the Allies of the other, in the manner herein after specified.

Article 8th The territory which has long been the established Jaghier of Secageer Eickwar, and Gutty Sing Eickwar, that is to say, whatever territory Gutty Sing Eickwar possessed at the commencement of the present War, shall hereafter forever remain on the usual footing in his possession, and the said Gutty Sing shall from the date of this Treaty being complete, pay for the future to the Peshwa, the tribute as usual, previous to the present War; and shall perform such services, and be subject to such Obedience as have been ^{long} established and customary.

No claim shall be made on the said Gutty Sing by the Peshwa, for the Period that is past.

Article 9th The Peshwa engages, that whereas the Nabob Hyder Ally Khan having concluded a treaty with him, has disturbed and taken Possession of Territories belonging to the English and their Allies, he shall be made to relinquish all such territories belonging to the English and their Allies, he shall be made to Relinquish them, and they shall be restored to the Company and the Nabob Mahomed Ally Khan. All Prisoners that have been taken on either side during the War, shall be released, and Hyder ally Khan shall be made to relinquish all such territories belonging to the English Company.

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Company and their Allies, as he may have taken Possession of since the 9th Ramzaan on the Year 1780, being the date of his Treaty with the Peshwa, and the said territorys shall be delivered over to the English and the Nabob Mahomed Ally Khan within six months after this Treaty being complete, and the English in such case agree, that so long as Hyder Ally Khan shall afterwards obtain from Hostilities against them and their Allies, and so long as he shall continue in Friendships with the Peshwa, they will in no respect act hostily towards him. —

Article 10. The Peshwa engages on his own Behalf, as well as on behalf of his Allies the Nabob Mirjam Ally Khan, Ragjee Boosla, Syna Sahib Soubah, and the Nabob Hyder Ally Khan, that they shall in every Respect maintain Peace towards the English, and their Allies, the Nabob Asoph ul Dowlah Bahadur, and the Nabob Mahomed Ally Khan Bahadur, and shall in no respect whatever, give them any Disturbance. The English engage on their own Behalf as well as on Behalf of their Allies the Nabob Asoph ul Dowlah, and the Nabob Mahomed Ally Khan that they shall in every Respect maintain Peace towards the Peshwa, and his Allies, the Nabob Mirjam Ally Khan and Ragjee Boosla Syna Sahib, and the English further engage on their own Behalf, as well as

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on the behalf of their allies, that they will maintain Peace also towards the Nabob Hyder Allybawn, under the Conditions specified in the 9th Article of this Treaty —

Article 11th — The Hon^{ble} East India Company and the Peshwa mutually agree that the Vessels of each shall afford no disturbance to the Navigation of the Vessels of the other, and the Vessels of each shall be allowed access to the Ports of the other, where they shall meet with no molestation and the fullest Protection shall be reciprocally afforded.

Article 12 — The Peshwa and Chiefs of the Maharastra State hereby agree, that the English shall enjoy the Privilege of Trade as formerly in the Maharastra or Territories, and shall meet with no kind of Interruption and in the same manner the Hon^{ble} East India Company agree, that the Subjects of the Peshwa shall be allowed the Privilege of Trade without interruption in the Territories of the English.

Article 13th The Peshwa hereby engages that he will not suffer any Factories of other European Nations to be established in his Territories, or those of the Chiefs dependant on him, excepting only such as are already established by the Portuguese, and he will hold no intercourse of Friendship with any other European Nations, and the English on their part agree that they will not afford Assistance to any Nation of Deccan or Hindostan, at enmity with the Peshwa —

Article 14

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Article 14th The English and the Peshwa mutually agree that neither will afford any kind of assistance to the Enemies of the other.

Article 15th - The Hon^{ble} the Governor General and Council of Fort William engage, that they will not permit any of the Chiefs, Dependents or Subjects of the English, the Gentlemen at Bombay Surat or Madras to act contrary, at any place to the terms of this treaty. In the same manner the Peshwa Madhoo Row Pundit Phudhau engages that none of the Chiefs or Subjects of the Maharatta State shall act contrary to them.

Article 16th The Hon^{ble} East India Company and the Peshwa Madhoo Row Pundit Phudhau having the fullest Confidence in Maharaja Sadas Madhoo Row Scindia Bahadur, they have both requested the said Maha Rajah to be the mutual Guarantee for the perpetual and invariable Adherence of both Parties, to the Conditions of this Treaty: and the said Madhoo Row Scindia from a regard to the Welfare of both States hath accordingly taken upon himself the mutual Guarantee. If either of the Parties shall deviate from the conditions of this Treaty, the said Maha Rajah will join the other Party, and will to the utmost of his Power endeavor to bring the Aggressor to a proper Understanding.

Article 17th It is hereby agreed that whatever Territories, Ports, or Cities of Guzerat were granted by Dagonant Row to the English, previous to the

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Treaty of Colonel Upton, and have come into their possession, the Restoration of which was stipulated in the 7th Art^{le} of the said Treaty, shall be restored agreeable to the terms of the said Article.

This Treaty consisting of 17 Articles is settled at Salby in the Camp of Maha Rajah Subadar Madhoo Row Scindia on the 4th of the month Jemad ul Laany in the year 1197 of the Hegira, corresponding with the 17th May 1782 of the Christian era by the said Maha Rajah and ^{Mr} David Anderson. A copy hereof shall be sent by each of the above named Persons to their Respective Principals at Fort William and Poona, and when both copies being returned, the one under the Seal of the Honble the East India Company, and Signature of the Honble Governor General and Council of Fort William shall be delivered to Maha Rajah Madhoo Row Scindia, Behadur, and the other under the Seal of the Peshwa Madhoo Row Punt Purodhann and the Signature of Ballajee Pundit Nana Phurnavese, shall be delivered to Mr David Anderson, this Treaty shall be deemed complete and ratified, and the Articles herein contained shall become binding on both the contracting Parties

Written in the Maharatta Character by Ragoo Bhow Dewan - in all 17 Articles on the 4th of Jemad ul Akher or 5th of Jyest Adeek in the Shukul Pattach, in the year 1182

Subscribed

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(Subscribed in the Maharatta Character
by Mahajee Scindia)

"Agreed to what is above written in
Persian"

(signed David Anderson)

Witnesses

(signed James Anderson)

William Blaine

A true Translation

(Signed) Jas. Anderson

Apt. to the Embassy

a true copy

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Appt Secretary

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney

President & Members of the Select Committee of
Fort George

My Lord and Gentlemen

About eight days ago, I had the
honor to receive your letter of the 15th March, and also
a copy of your letter to Captain Wetherston.

The Governor General and Council of
Fort William, fully informed of the alarming and
precarious situation of Affairs in the Carnatic,
repeatedly enjoined me in the strongest manner to
hasten the conclusion of my Negotiation with
the Maharattas - and invested me with full
powers for that purpose; It is now unnecessary to
explain

From Mr. Anderson
mentioning his having
concluded a Treaty
of Peace, and
expressing his wishes
that his Conduct may
be approved of by
his Superiors

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explain to you all the causes which notwithstanding
my most strenuous and unremitting Endeavors
operated for a long time to protract the Negotiation,
since every difficulty is at length obviated, and
matters are now brought nearly to a certainty. On
the 17th Instant a Treaty betwixt the Honble Company
and the Peshwa of the Maharatta State was
executed by Mahajee Scindia and Myself; and
Copies of it have been transmitted to our
respective Principals for Ratification, after which
it will become final.

From a Negotiation carried on
under the most discouraging circumstances with
a Nation remarkable for discernment, and an
insatiable disposition, it will not be expected
that Terms could be obtained very advantageous
for the Honble Company. If it is deemed of
importance that the Company should possess an
extensive Territory on the West Side of India, much
has certainly been sacrificed on the present occasion.
Yet considering the superior importance of your
Territories, and the imminent Danger which
threatened even the whole of the British Empire in
India, from an Union of the principal native
Powers with our European Enemies; I flatter myself
that my Superiors will not think, that I have
sacrificed too much, as the only means of
immediately obtaining peace with the Maharattas
and laying the foundation of an Alliance
against Hyder Ally Khan — if the Governor
General

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General and Council approve of the Terms of the present Treaty, they will doubtless transmit to you a copy of it, which will reach you as soon as this address - I shall therefore only say, that the general Principle on which our Agreement is formed, with some inconsiderable exceptions, is, that the English, the Maharattas, Hyder and Futty Sing Quikwar, shall be put on the footing on which they stood at the commencement of the War. And Mahajee Scindia though he could not openly enter into an immediate Alliance against Hyder Ally Khan, has in the most formal and solemn manner engaged that if that Chief, shall refuse to comply with the Terms prescribed in the Treaty, the Maharattas will unite with us in carrying on the war against him. When the Maharattas are once effectually relieved from the apprehensions they entertained of the English Power in the Neighbourhood of their Territories, it may reasonably be supposed that their old and inveterate Enmity against Hyder which this suppression is not extinguished, the losses which they have already sustained, and the further Danger which awaits them from his increasing Power, will recur to their minds with full force, and both interest and Inclination will I hope therefore unite to induce them to fulfil with punctuality and good faith the Engagement, which with every appearance

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appearance of Sincerity has been made by
Mahajee Sindia

I have the honor to subscribe
myself with the utmost Respect

Camp of Mahajee Sindia
Salvey 20th May 1782 -

My Lord & Gentlemen
Your most Obedient
humble servant
[signed] - D. Anderson

Select Committee June 26th 1782 -

Minutes of the Pres.
on the above

The President informs the board that before
the official accounts arrived of the agreement for a
Peace with the Maharattas being signed by the
Representatives of the Respective parties, Mr Hastings
was so good as to communicate the same to the
President, as also to Sir Eyre Coote. Nothing was
intimated like a desire to keep secret this public
event; and indeed the same intelligence was
conveyed here at the same time in other letters
from Calcutta in a manner which left no doubt
of its authenticity, and it was immediately spread
with universal joy throughout the Settlement,
so that the salute ordered by the General in
Camp, on the occasion, and by the President in
Garrison, added little to the Publicity of an event,
which is likely to be so advantageous to the
Company.

The President observes that the
Governor

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Letter from the th M^r - 1782 -

Governor General and Council expressly leave to this Committee to make such discretionary use of this information in the present state of the Company's Affairs, on the Coast of Coromandel, as shall appear necessary to this Presidency.

The discretion thus allowed seems to imply the likelihood and Expectation of some Use being to be made of it, and some measures taken in consequence of it. The Governor-General and Council are sufficiently aware, that before their Letters could reach this Place, and the knowledge of any steps taken by this Presidency in pursuance of the Treaty, could arrive at Rome, the Ratification of the Treaty by that Court, which is agreed to be matter of form only, must have already taken place. And on that account that Secrecy which was recommended, and in vain attempted to be observed at Calcutta, in relation to the Treaty, was not found necessary to be recommended here. It is not improbable therefore that the discretionary Use allowed to this Committee, may have alluded to the Hostilities prejudicial to the Company now existing in the Carnatic, and intended by this Treaty, to cease at farthest within Six Months. it would no doubt be a desirable circumstance to accelerate that Event, not only on Account of the distresses which every day of the continuation of the War increases, but because a cessation of Hostilities with Indian ~~has~~ may enable the Presidency to prepare

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the sooner and the more effectually for subduing or
resisting European and National Enemies. These
considerations led the President to summon, and submit
Them to the Committee, and desirous particularly
on so important an Occasion to have the Benefit
of the General's advice, the President acquainted
him of this intention, and requested his Attendance;
The General's answer and reasons for deferring
the Consideration of this Subject are now
laid before the Board. The General's opinion
has too much weight with the President, to
allow him to propose suddenly to the other
Members of this Board, any resolution which
might militate with it, but these accounts for
the occasion of his assembling Them together.

Lord Macartney presents his Compliments to Sir Eyre Coote

It is from the
Govt to Sir Eyre Coote
on the same subject
and requesting in the
name of the Comd^g
the favor of his presence
and advice

and has the honor to acquaint him, that having
received a Copy of the treaty lately signed by
Mahagee Sindia and Mr. Anderson, and of
which his Lordship understands that the
General has received a duplicate, it is proposed
to submit to the consideration of the Select
Committee tomorrow, what measures may be
proper to be taken by this Government on this
important occasion, on which account, Lord M^c
particularly wishes that Sir Eyre Coote will be
so good as to favor his Lordship & the Members
of the Committee with his presence and
advice

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I am Sir

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Sir

From Sir Eyre Coote
in answer to the above

Coote returns his compliments to Lord Macartney,
that he has received a letter from the Governor
General & Council, accompanying Copy of the
Treaty lately signed by Mahajoe Seisio
and Mr. Anderson; and would with pleasure
meet his Lordship & the other Members of
the Committee to consider thereof, did he see
either the necessity or propriety / whilst the
last act whereby the Treaty is to become
Valid, remains unperformed / of entering
further into the Subject, or taking any other
immediate measure in consequence, than
what was done yesterday, in the
Salutes fired in Garrison & in Camp, &
whereby a knowledge has been given to
both our Friends and Foes of a good &
understanding having taken place between
us and the Malabaras State, which is
all that in Sir Eyre's opinion can for the
present be done. To attempt any thing
further, Sir Eyre begs leave to observe to his
Lordship might tend to an Exposition
of the Terms which it would seem the
Governor General and Council wished
to avoid until the Treaty is completely
ratified.

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Minutes of the
Committee on the
Treaty with the
Marathas -

The Committee having attentively perused and considered the Letter from the Governor General and Council, accompanying the Copy of the Treaty agreed on between Mahajir Scindia & Mr Anderson, together with the President's Minutes on the Subject, and the Notes to and from Sir Eyre Coote, perfectly concur in the Sentiments expressed by his Lordship on the Subject, and his construction of the meaning and expectations of the Gentlemen at Bengal, in the latitude they have given the Committee to make such discretionary use of the Information in the present State of our affairs as they should deem necessary -

latitude

The Committee also perfectly agree with the President in the respect his Lordship pays to the opinion of Sir Eyre Coote, but - after the most serious consideration they are of opinion they would be liable to the Imputation of criminal Indifference and delay, if they neglect to take the utmost and earliest advantages of a Transaction so connected with the preservation, and prosperity of the Country committed to their care, as the late Agreement for a peace with the Marathas signed by persons authorized for that purpose - the above Letter from the Governor General and Council communicating that Event is not only a confirmation of our Authority to take every step suitable to our situation in consequence of it, but plainly

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As our apprehensions inspire an opinion in their
 parts that measures ought to be taken by us on
 the occasion, with a knowledge of the Event arrived
 by Salutes in Camp and Garrison, it may be
 considered as a fair and honorable proceeding, as well
 as expected by our Friends, to apprise such
 of our Enemies as are intended to be included in the
 Treaty, of the Conditions stipulated for them -
 such a Communication may lead to a speedy &
 cessation of hostilities, which the fatigue and
 sufferings of the Army render desirable, and
 which may enable us to prepare against other
 Enemies - The Committee are aware however,
 that in such a mind as Hyder Ally's, too apparent
 a solicitude to terminate the War with him
 may induce him to propose new and consequently
 inadmissible Conditions for that purpose, for which
 reason it is agreed that, before we come to any
 determination, a Letter be written to Sir Eyre
 Coote, stating our Sentiments on the subject,
 and that he be also requested in the Letter to
 acquaint the Committee whether from any late
 Events he has been able to judge if Hyder's
 present disposition towards peace, or whether
 he has received any kind of Information from
 or concerning him, by which he may form
 an opinion of his Intentions to abide by,
 or to reject the Treaty in which he is

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includes by his allies, or whether at some time happens between opposite armies, there has been of late any and what intercourse between his / Sir Eyre Coote's / Army and Hyder, by flags of Truce or otherwise.

The Committee most sincerely rejoice that the Destructive War in which the Company have been so long engaged with the Marattas & State, is at length terminated - The terms of the Treaty appears to us to be just and honorable, and being so are politically advantageous, as promising a long duration of Tranquillity, which is become absolutely necessary to the safety and Welfare of the Company's Affairs.

Read the following Letter and extract from the Committee of Works.

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney
President &c Select Committee

Fort St. George,

My Lord & Gentlemen,

We have the honor to lay before your Lordship an Extract from our Minutes containing a representation of the Chief Engineer on the Subject of Bricks & Churnam wanted for the Company's Works.

The Contract with Messrs. Stonings & Roebuck for Bricks & Churnam expires the

from the Com^{tee} of Works; who are informed by the Chief Eng^r that over 12 lacks of Bricks are in the hands of Mr. Garrison, who to complete the two lacks with the Parapets & crenels of the fort will require of 20 lacks, & as there are several other things which must be paid for, it is evident that the quantity of Bricks & Churnam is not sufficient for the purpose.

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15th October next, and we have requested them to supply Monthly till that time the quantity of Materials stipulated by their Contract, but from the perusal of a letter which we have received from their Attorney in answer to an application to know what they could deliver during the remainder of the period of their Contract, we have no grounds for depending on any supplies from them.

We have therefore to request your orders respecting the mode by which you would have those Articles provided in future.

We have the honor to be,
My Lord & Gentlemen,

Your most Obedt. &
Most Humble S^t,

(Signed) M^{rs} Davidson
Edm^d Saunders

Patrick Ross.

Extract from the Minutes of the Committee of Works
Dated, 22nd June, 1782.

The Chief Engineer requests the Committee there will be required for the Works to be carried on with all expedition and now in the hands of Mr. Garraw, 10 or 12 Lacks of Porticks; and to complete the new Line with its Parapets, & its m^{ore}, which with Current Repairs, makes a provision of

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20th Lacks immediately necessary - But as there are several other things, which he imagines it will be necessary to undertake as soon as materials can be got, he wishes a hundred Lacks of Brits with a proportion of Churnam & sufficient to lay them, may be immediately provided.

Attest Extract,

J. Balfour
Clerk to the Com^{tee} of Works

Agreed that the Committee of Works be directed, in case they cannot obtain from the Contractor for supplying Brits and Churnam the quantity stipulated by their Contract, to cause it to be provided as cheaply as possible, and debit the Contractors for the p^{er} Amount.

Minute thereon

From Capt. G. Smith requesting the pay of the food & wages under his Command in carrying letters to Madras.

Read Letters as entered in Miscellaneous Book from Captain George Smith 16th Instant, requesting that the poligars under his Command also are employed in carrying Letters may be allowed Batta.

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From Lt. Col. Smith requesting the pay of the amount of bonds granted him by the Chief & Factors of Tellicherry, in cash or in Batta or Bungal.

From Lieut. Thomas Smith 5th of 26th Inst, requesting payment of the amount of Bonds granted him by the Chief & Factors at Tellicherry for his warrant of pay & Batta when in service there.

From the Surgeon General enclosing a Certificate from Mr. Bamberger, Surgeon who expresses his wish to grant bond to the Queen India in quality of Surgeon provided

From the Surgeon General 26th June, advising that the Commander of the Queen was in want of a Surgeon for his ship, and that none of our

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provided he might
be allowed his Pay
till his arrival in
England & command
permitted to come
out with his family

From the Surgeon Genl
complaining of the
great delay in auditing
his bills the pay
of - with by that
means delay -

our Surgeons has expressed any Inclination to such
a service excepting Mr Bainbridge, who would
accept it provided he should be allowed his pay
until his arrival in England and return with his
family

From the Surgeon General 25th Inst. &
complaining that the great delay in auditing
his accounts would postpone the payment of
them.

Agreed that the policies under the
Command of Captain Smith be allowed Matter &
when actually employed and not otherwise -
that Bills on Bengal be granted to Lieut.
Smith for the amount of his Bonds, to be carried
to the debt of Bombay Presidency -

That Mr Bainbridge be allowed to
go to England in the capacity of Surgeon to the
Ship Queen without prejudice to his Rank, but
that he must settle the terms with her Comm^{rs}.
that the Surgeon General be informed of the
Bailance due to him, and that his accounts &
must be audited for whatever time the pay^t
of them may have been delayed - Agreed that Mr

Blackader be appointed a full Surgeon agreeably
to the recommendation of the Surgeon General

The President informs the Committee
that the Chief Engineer has complained that the
Kitchen of the Goal in the Black Tower leans on
the Wall of the North West Bastion, and may be
of

Mr Blackader is
app^d full Surgeon

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The Thicket in the
Goal to be removed.

of presence to it - agreed that the Sheriff be directed
to cause the Thicket to be pulled down & rebuilt
at the distance of 100 feet from the Redoubt.

Read the following Letter from the Commissary
of the Army.

To the Right Honorable Lord Macartney R. P.

President of Your Grace's Select Committee

at

Fort St. George.

My Lord & Gentlemen,

I beg leave to call your Attention to the
present State of the Doolies with the Army which
I have found by Experience are not sufficient for the
burriage of the Sick and Wounded, and as I learn that
it is impossible to procure more Dooly Boys, I take
the liberty to recommend to your Lordship that
there may be forty tilted Waggon as a light &
Construction, made with all Expedition, capable
of carrying six Men, & to be drawn by four Bullocks;
the Surgeon Major in Camp, has strongly recommend
this mode, and I flatter myself it will meet with
your approbation.

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I have the honor to be with respect
& My Lord & Gentlemen,

Your most Obedient
(Signed) W Jackson

Commissary to the Army

Agreed that Copy of the foregoing Letter be
sent to Sir Eyre Coote, and the proposal it contains
referred to his opinion.

Read

From the Commissary
to the Army, that the
insufficiency of Doolies
& Dooly Boys, & proposing
the Construction of forty
tilted Waggon, capable
of carrying six Men,
to be drawn by four
Bullocks, which is
highly approved of by
the Surgeon Major
in Camp.

Camp
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Minute thereon.

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Sydapout.

Read Extracts from the proceedings of the Committee of Assigned Revenue of the 1st and 2nd Instant - The first recommending that a Manor formerly paid by Jaspatty Ram Saiki the Manager of the Venkatagarry Rajah and Vendor of the District of Sydapout be not exacted during the War - also that an advertisement be issued for letting the Districts dependent on Pulticat - The second recommending certain divisions of the Districts belonging to the Aricot Province, and a particular allotment of them to the Mannik that have been appointed.

The Select Committee having attentively considered the proceedings of the Committee of Assigned Revenue now before them, entirely approve of the measures and Arrangements proposed, and it is agreed that they be accordingly desired to cause the necessary papers to be drawn out for carrying them into effect.

Minute thereon

Mr. Charles Smart
restored to his rank.

Agreed

Smart
Lieutenant Charles having been charged with Arthen Dunbar Esq^r with the care of the dispatches lately received from the Committee of Survey - the Committee are persuaded it must be the Intention of the Directors that he should resume his Rank on this Establishment - Agreed therefore that he be issued in General Orders as returned with his Rank.

Read the following Letter from M^r.

Assn.

My Lord

I have the honor to inclose to your Lordship

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From Mr Ram -
enclosing his acct
& requesting Bills on
Bengal for the amount.

Lordship my Draft on the Company for Diet
Money and Allowances from the first of
February to the last of June, for which I hope
your Lordship will be so kind as to procure
me Bills on Bengal. —

I have the honor to be with the
utmost respect

My Lord,

Your Lordships
Most Obedt and
Much obliged Servant
[Signed] G. Ram

Fort St George
23rd June 1792.

Granted

Agreed that the Balance of Mr George
Andrew Ram's Account amounting to Rs 9233⁴⁵—
be discharged by Bills on Bengal — The Sum
of Rs 32⁴⁵ being on account of his
Allowances, to be carried to the head of Civil
Paymaster, & the amount of Mr Ram's
Expences to the Southward being Payodas
199. — — — to the head of Superintendent
of the Nabob's Disbursements, — and 50 Payodas,
being his Salary for an half Year, due the
25th March last, to be carried to the head
of the Account Salary in the

Cash

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bird account.

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Received Town Major's Report of 208
Bullocks and 4 Horses Arrived from the Northward,
as entered in Miscellany Book N^o. 67.

27th Agreeably to the Minutes of Yesterday
the following Letters are Now Dispatched.

To General Sir Cyre Coote,

Sir,

Yesterday our President delivered in a
Minute of which we have the Honour to enclose You a
Copy ~

We agree perfectly with him in the
Respect he pays to Your Opinion. But that Respect would
not secure us against the imputation of Criminal Indifference
and delay, if we neglected to take the utmost and earliest
advantages of a Transaction so connected with the Preservation
and Prosperity of the Country Committed to Our Care, as the
late Agreement for a Peace with the Mahattas, signed
by Persons Authorized for that Purpose. The Letter from
the Governor General and Council on this Event, of which
we have the Honour to enclose to You a Copy, not only is
a Confirmation of our Authority to take every Step suitable
to Our Situation in Consequence of the Information there
Communicated, but plainly in Our Apprehensions implies an
Opinion on their Parts that Measures were and ought to be
taken by us on the Occasion. With a Knowledge of this Event
avowed by the Salutes in Camp and Garrison, it may be
Considered as a fair and honourable Proceeding, as well as
expected by our new Friends, to give Notice to such of our
Enemies

To Sir Cyre Coote enclosing
a Copy of the President's
Minute, & Copy of a Letter
from the Governor General
& Council on their Mahattas
Peace, & desiring to be
informed what Intercourse
he has had with Glydes
on the Subject -

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27th Enemies, as are intended to be included in the Treaty, of the Conditions stipulated for them. Such a Communication might lead to a speedy Cessation of Hostilities, which the fatigues and sufferings of the Army render desirable, and which might enable us to prepare against other Enemies. We are aware, however, that on such a mind as Hyder Ally's, too apparent a Sollicitude to terminate the War with him might operate so as to tempt him to propose new and consequently inadmissible Conditions for that purpose. Before we come therefore to any determination on this Subject, We Request that You will be so obliging as to let us know whether from any late events, You have been able to judge of his present disposition towards Peace, or whether You have received any kind of Information from or concerning him, by which we might form any Opinion of his intentions to abide or to reject the Treaty in which he is included by his Allies, or whether, as sometimes happens between opposite Enemies, there has been of late any and what intercourse between Yours and His by Flags of Truce or otherwise.

... .. In Pursuit of Facts within Your Knowledge, we are the more likely to Concur in Your Opinion of the Measures to which They should lead; a concurrence which will always give us great Satisfaction.

We have the Honor to be

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Your Most Obedient
Most Humble Servants
Macartney
W. Selous m^o

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Bills on Bengal granted
to Mr. De Souza.

Agreed that Bills on Bengal be
granted in favor of Mr. Antonio De Souza to the
Amount of Pagodas 5054. 2. 50 - 2400 Pagodas being
a Bill drawn by the Paymaster of the Army on the Military
Paymaster General, & the Remaining 2653. 38. 50 being
for Money Advanced the Chief & Council at Cuddalore -

To Charles Oakeley Esq.^r

Y.^r Members of the Committee
of Assigned Revenue.
Gentlemen,

To the Committee of assigned
Revenue, on the Division of
the Aricot Districts, & the
mode of keeping their
Accounts -

I am directed by the Right Hon^{ble}
the President and Select Committee to Acknowledge the
Receipt of Your Letters of the 19th and 26th Instant,
with Extracts from Your Minutes of the 17th and 24th
and to signify to You their Approbation of the Measures
You have Recommended -

The Select Committee have accordingly
Resolved, in Consideration of the Attachment which Ram
Maick has manifested to the Interests of the Company, to
Temit the Wager for the present, which and to leave the
Sumed in force -

Advertisements have been issued for
letting the districts dependent on Pullicat -

The Select Committee also approve of
the divisions You propose of the several districts of the Aricot
province, and desire You will Cause to be drawn out the
necessary papers for allotting them to each of the Amils
respectively -

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The Select Committee having hitherto
Omitted to signify to You their Opinion Relative to
the form of Keeping Your Accounts, I am now to
inform You that they approve of Your Recommendation
on that Subject in Your Minutes of the 30th May,
and have Accordingly Resolved that all Military
Expenses be Charged as usual to the Military Paym^t.
General, and Superintendent of the Mobbs' Accounts.

I have the honor to be,

Gentlemen

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Your Most Obedient
Humble Servant
John Huddleston
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To Francis Lind Esq^r
Sheriff of Madraspatnam.
Sir,

To the Sheriff on Removing
the Kitchen of the Jail in
the Black Town.

The Chief Engineer having Complaind
that the Kitchen of the Jail in the Black Town leans
on the Wall of the ~~the~~ Madoubt, I am directed to signify
to You the Order of the Select Committee that You Cause
the said Kitchen to be pulled down, and Rebuilt at the
distance of 100 feet from the Madoubt. -

I have the honor to be,

Fort St. George
27th June 1782

Sir
Your Most Obedient
Humble Servant
John Huddleston
Secy

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To Lieutenant General Sir Eyre Cote, K. B.
Commander in Chief &c.

Sir,

To Sir Eyre Cote, enclosing
Copy of a Letter from
the Commissary of the
Army -

We have the honor to enclose You Copy
of a Letter which We have Received from the Commissary of the
Army, and Request to be favored with Your Opinion on the
Recommendation Contained therein -

We have the honor to be,

Sir

Your Most Obedient
Humble Servants
Macartney
Lt. Stukely

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Despatched Letters as entered in Miscellany Book
to Captain George Smith, Lieutenant Thomas Smith, the Committee
of Works, the Surgeon General & Lieut. Hugh Moore of His
Majestys 98th Regiment Conformable to the Resolutions of
Yesterday on their several Applications -

Received the following Letters.

My Lord,

From Capt. Cuppage
Acknowledging Receipt
of Pay^{rs} 1000 sent him -
has 3 Months Provisions

I had the Honor to address Your
Lordship by the Return of the Detachment last Night,
which arrived here the 14th in the Morning without any Material
Loss, a Return of which I now send Captain Sydenham; the same
day I received Your Lordships' Letters of the 1st & 7th Instant,
the former with 1000 Pagodas for the use of the Garrison, & the
latter with 500 for the Officers, Prisoners with &c. &c. Your
Lordships

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I have the Honor to be,

My Lord,

Your Lordships Most
Obedient Humble Servant,
John Cuppage.

Wellow,
16th June, 1782

To

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To the Right Honble George Lord Macartney K. B.

President and Governor &c. Members of the Select Committee

of Fort St. George

My Lord and Gentlemen,

From Vizagapatam - have
not been able to procure
the Number of Dooley Boys
for the use of the Army -

We have been honored with Your
Commands under date the 7th Ultimo, and in Obedience
thereto every Effort in our power has been exerted towards
procuring the Number of Dooley Boys wanted for the use
of the sick Soldiers at Camp, but we are sorry to say our
most strenuous Endeavors have proved ineffectual -

We cannot account for the extreme backwardness in the People
of this District to join the Army otherwise than from
Apprehensions for their personal Safety - indeed there
may be another Cause, and that is the smallness of the
Pay offered, for altho' the Terms appear to be more advan-
tageous than were ever before allowed by Government, yet
it is very inadequate to what they can earn here by their
daily labor, because the Conveniences of life are much
more reasonable, and three or four Rupees will go much
farther in this Country than seven or eight at the Presidency.

We have also received Mr. Secretary Riddell's
Letter of the 7th Instant, acquainting us with the Return
of the French Squadron to the Coast -

We have the Honor to be with great Respect,

My Lord & Gentlemen,

Your most faithful H^{ts} Servants,

M. Williams,

Henry Crawford,

Chas. Maxtone,

F. M. Drake

Vizagapatam,
19th June 1782

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To the Right Honble Lord Macartney
President and Governor & Select Committee
of Fort St. George.
My Lord and Gentlemen,

From Masulipatam on
the Subject of an Application
from Mr. Holland for a
Guard to attend him
hither -

We have been honored with Your
Commands of the 15th Instant -

Mr. Holland Resident of Hyderabad,
having made Application to us for two Companies of Sepoys,
his usual Guard at the Court of the Subash, to attend
him hither, upon his Return, as those two Companies now
with him had refused to do so, from an apprehension
of being Compelled to enlist in the Company's Service,
and a great part of them having actually deserted -

We have judged it expedient to inform
him in Reply, that we thought we could not with
propriety Comply with his Application at this juncture,
when a French fleet is on the Coast, the Battalions of
the District reduced to their old Establishment, and
partly dispersed upon Service, without having first obtained
Your Sanction for so doing. Mr. Holland requested an
early Reply. We hope therefore for your speedy Orders
upon the Subject - a Reference to Mr. Daniell having
already occasioned some delay therein -

We have the honor to be with Respect,

My Lord & Gentlemen,
Your most Obedient Humble Servants
James Hodges
Thomas Barnard
Alex^r. Pringle

Masulipatam,
22nd June 1782

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To the Right Honble Lord Macartney K. B.
President and Governor G. G. V.

My Lord,

From Mr. Hodges, communi-
cating Intelligence of the
French fleet given him
by the Captain of a Danish

The Danish Ship Called the Count
Perastoof, Commanded by Captain Clements, last from
Tranquebar, Anchor'd in this Road late last Night, and
the Captain Writes Me the following intelligence. That
the French fleet were at Tranquebar, that they Opposed
his going into Madras, off where they have Cruizers for
intercepting of any Vessels.

We have My Lord, in Consequence of
Your Instructions to Us from the Military Department
of the 15th Instant, Left Captain Lynght to proceed with
the Mutineers after the form You were pleased to point
out.

I am,

My Lords.

Very Respectfully

Your Most Obedient
Humble Servant

James Hodges

Masulipatam,
22^d. June 1782

P. S. The Intelligence given Me by the Commander
of the Danish Ship, I have My Lord, forwarded to
the Chiefs and Residents Northwards.

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To the Right Honble George Lord Macartney K. B.
President and Governor &c. Select Committee.

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My Lord & Gentlemen

From Sir Eyre Cote concurring
in the Commissarys. Recommendation
of tilted Waggon,
to supply the Deficiency
of Doolies.

I have Received Your Letter of the
27th instant, enclosing Copy of a Letter addressed to You
by the Commissary of the Army, Representing the State of
the Doolies, their insufficiency for the Carriage of the
Sick and Wounded, and Recommending that the Deficiency
be Supplied by forty tilted Waggon of a light Construction
on which Recommendation You Request to be favored with
My Opinion -

If the Common Mode of Conveyance
by Doolies Cannot be furnished in proportion to the Occasions
of the Army, it becomes Necessary some other Should be
Adopted, and as the Alternative pointed out Appears
by the Commissarys Letter to have been Strongly Recommended
by the Surgeon Major, I think a trial certainly ought to
be Made, and for that purpose twelve or fifteen waggon
be immediately Constructed, which if found to Answer,
Orders can then be given for Making the Remainder.

I have the honor to be,

My Lord & Gentlemen,

Your Most Obedient
Humble Servant,
Eyre Cote

Choultry Plain
27th June 1782

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To James Daniell, Esq.^r
Chief Sec^y Council
of Masulipatam.
Gentlemen,

To Masulipatam Author-
izing them to receive
Money for Bills on England

We have Received Your Letter of
the 22^d. Instant, and Our President has laid before Us
a Letter to his Lordship of the 15th. from Mr. Hodges.

You have our permission to Receive
into Your Treasury untill the 1 October Next, any Sum
or Sums of Money in Madras Pagodas (allowing the
established Batta between the Madras & Current Pag^o.)
for Bills to be granted on the Court of Directors, on
the terms advertised here and at the Subordinate
Settlements, Vizt.

You will Comply with Mr. Hollands
Request if the Sepoys can be spared. The French fleet is now
at Cuddalore, and we are in daily expectation of hearing that
Sir Edward Hughes has fallen in with them in his way from
Trincemallee to this place.

The La Force frigate of 36 Guns is cruising off
this port.

We are,
Gentlemen

Your Most Obedient
Recomble Servants,

Macartney
W. Sutherland

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Mr Hollonds Request
to be Complied with.
the Military Paymaster
to Construct 12 or 15 Waggon

Agreed, the Gentlemen at Masulipatam
be directed to Comply with Mr Hollonds Request if the
Sipors can be spared, and that Orders be issued to the Paymaster
to Construct 12 or 15 Waggon, agreeably to the General's Recom-
mendation.

Jurney.

Received the following Letter, ^{from Mr. Jurney} with one
enclosed therein from Lieut. Ford, as entered in Miscellany
Book / desiring leave to go to Bengal for the Recovery of his
health, which has been much injured by the wound he
Received at the Attack of Chellumbrum.

To John Hudleston Esq.
Military Secretary.

From Mr. Jurney enclosing
Lieut. Ford's application to
go to Bengal.

Sir

I am Directed by the Commander in Chief
to Transmit to You the Accompanying Letter for the Honble
Select Committee from Lieut. Lieut. Thomas Ford.

I am

Sir

Your Most Obedient
Humble Servant
Wm Jurney

Fort St. George
the 27th June 1782

Agreed to

Agreed that Lieutenant Ford be permitted
to proceed to Bengal agreeably to his Request. Dispatched the
following Letter to the Resident at Tanjore, with Extracts of
Sir Eyre Coates Letter to the Committee of the 16th Instant, and
of our Answer of the 24th agreeably to the Minute of the
Last Date.

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John Sullivan Esq.
Resident at Tanjore

Sir,

We enclose You Extracts of a Letter
which We have lately Received from Sir Eyre Cootes,
and of our answer -

To Mr. J. Sullivan with
Extracts of Sir Eyre Cootes
Letter on the Subject of
his interference in matters
that Concern Sir Eyre &
recommending to him to
avoid it in future.

You will Observe that we entertain
the highest sense of the Motives which induced You to
adopt the Measure Complained of. but as it has given so
much Disatisfaction to Sir Eyre Cootes, We wish You
in future to avoid all Interference whatever in matters
that Concern his Separate Character, as the King's Commander
in Chief -

We Repeat to You our Assurances of
the most entire Conviction of the Uprightness of Your
Intentions, and of Your having been Actuated in this
Instance by the same Real and public Spirit that have
distinguished every other part of Your Conduct.

We are

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Sir,
Your Most Obedient
Humble Servants,
Macartney
Vice President

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Received the following Letter from Sir Eyre Cootes -

To the Right Honble George Lord Macartney K. P.

President & Governor &c. Select Committee

Fort St. George.

My Lord & Gentlemen,

I was last night honored by the Receipt of
your

From Sir Eyre Cootes on the
Subject of the Mahratta
Peace.

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28th Your Letter of Yesterday, enclosing Copy of the Governor General & Councils' Letter, advising of the Treaty of Peace lately Concluded with the Maharajahs by the respective Deputies Madajee Scindia and Mr. David Anderson, likewise Copy of the Right Honble the President's Minute Submitted to Your Committee on the Subject of these Advices -

I have Omitted the Occasion of Communicating to Your Committee all such Matters which were immediately Necessary for the information of Your Government, and which Required its aid to enable the Army to Act whether against Our European or Native Enemies - With Respect to any immediate advantage which by proper Steps might probably be derived to Our Affairs by the Information we possess of the Terms of the Peace, I am happy in knowing that I have left Nothing to the best of My Judgment undone which promises to lead to a speedy termination of the present Contest between Us & Hyder Ally in the Carnatic - Whatever Occurrences have happened of this Nature, I have Communicated at Large to the Governor General & Council, as the only persons who can decide on points of that kind, and in all of which I have acted strictly Conformable to the directions I have Received from them. It ever has been and still is My wish to furnish Your Committee with every Information that may give You Satisfaction, and afford You an Opportunity of Counting Your endeavors and of pursuing that eager and laudable desire which You have all along possessed of promoting the Public Service, and You may depend upon

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28th upon its being in every Respect My Inclination to
Continue this Attention and Respect towards You.

I have the honor to be,

My Lord and Gentlemen

Your Most Obedient
Humble Servant,

Cyre Cote

Choultry Plain,

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Minute of the Committee
on the Above Letter

It appears from the foregoing Letter that
Notwithstanding the Opinion expressed by the General in his
Answer to the President's Note / entered in the Minutes of
the 26th Instant / Measures have been taken by him towards
a Negotiation with Hyder Ally, which he does not think
it necessary to Communicate to this Government, but we are
at a Loss to Reconcile the General's having Received any
Directions for Such Measures from the Governor General
and Council, to the Latitude they have given us to Make
Such discretionary use of the Information of the Treaty
with the Marattas in the present State of our Affairs
as we shall deem necessary; to avoid however clashing with
any thing the General may have in View, and to prevent to
the utmost of our power all Appearance of disunion among
Us, it is Agreed to take no Step at present, except the sending
to the Governor General and Council a Copy of the foregoing
Letter from General Cote, and Communicating to them at
Large all that has passed upon the Subject -

Despatched by the Honble Company's Ship Dueson
the following Letter to Fort Marlboro with the enclosures therein
mentioned - The

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The Honble Edward Coles Esq^r

President &c Members of the
Select Committee at Fort Marlborough.

Honble Sir & Sirs,

To Fort Marlboro: enclosing
Lists of Military Stores &
Cloathing Shipped on board
the Queen Indiaman.

We have been favored with Your
Letters of the 12th February, 18th March, and 2^d April, and
Our President has Communicated to us a Letter to his Lordship
of the 3^d April from M^r. Coles -

We are extremely Concerned at the
accident which has happened to your Magazine and Laboratory
and have done all in our power to Contribute to your Relief -

Enclosed are a List and Bill of Lading
of Military Stores for your Settlement laden on the Honble
Companys Ship Queen - a further part of your Indent will
be Supplied from Masulipatam, and the Remainder we
have Requested the Governor General and Council to send you
from Bengal - We send you also Military Cloathing
as ^{off} enclosed List -

Agreeably to your Request, we consent to
M^r. Joseph Morton's remaining at your Presidency as
long as you may have Occasion for his Services without
prejudice to his Rank on this Establishment -

We shall Communicate to Admiral Sir
Edward Hughes what your President has Recommended
on the Subject of an Attack upon Batavia; but the general
Situation of our Affairs will not admit of such an
Undertaking at this juncture. A second battle was fought
between

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²⁰ Between the fleets the 12th April, the particulars of which are related in the Letter to Us from Sir Edward Hughes of which we sent You a Copy the 20th Ultimo. The French fleet is now at Cuddalore, and we daily expect to hear that Sir Edward Hughes has fallen in with them in his way from Trincamallee to this place.

Sir Eyre Cooté again engaged and defeated Hyder Ally the 2^d Instant Near Arnee.

We have the pleasure to Acquaint You That a treaty of Peace was Concluded with the Marattas the 17th Ultimo, and Signed by Mahadjee Scinda on the part of the Marattas and Mr. David Anderson on the part of the Company - all that Remains to Render it Valid is the form of Ratification by the principals of each State. The Substance of the Several Articles of the Treaty You will find in the enclosed Copy of a Letter from the Governor General to Our President.

Lieutenant Gordon an insane Officer embarked on the Queen, in Order to proceed to Europe for his Recovery, and as she is destined for China, and will probably have a long Voyage - We Request You will Order a passage for him on the first Ship that may be dispatched from Your Presidency -

The Dromedary packet arrived here a few days ago from Bombay with dispatches from the Hon^{ble} the Committee of Secresy, by which we find that a Reinforcement of Sea Ships of the Line and 2 frigates was ordered for India under the Command of Sir Richard Richertson, and Our Letters from the Select Committee at Bombay inform us that it had sailed from

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20th from Portsmouth the 6th February,

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

Your Most Obedient
Humble Servants,
Macartney
Lt. Col. & Co.

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P.S. The 10th July we enclose Extract of a Letter which
our President has just received from Tranquebar.

We now dispatch the Queen, and earnestly
request You will not detain her a Moment longer than may
be absolutely necessary.

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Received the following Letter from Vellore

My Lord,

From Captain Cuppage,
has received Pay^{mt} 1000 for
the use of the Garrison—
a great Deficiency in the
Rice sent from this Place.

Last Night I had the honor to receive
Your Lordships' Letter of the 7th Instant, with 1000 Pagas
for the use of the Garrison; which clears up the Money
I mentioned in My last. I sent Your Lordships the 15th, 16th
and 20th a List of the Money I have received since I
have had the honor to Command the Garrison; as also an
Account of the Rice &c. &c. received by the Detachment
under Ensign Byrnes, the Loads have not measured
near what they were sent to me for, upon an average the
Cooly Loads run to 9 Measures, of this small Measure,
and the Bullocks Loads 70. The Camp which I mentioned
in My last continues in the same place, it is mostly
Horse.

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29th Hon^r. Hyder with the Remainder of his Army is about three Miles on the other side of the Connyambaddy Pass; they are a great loss to Us, in putting an entire Stop to Cultivation, but Should they draw Near to invest the Place, it will Oblige Me to make a great alteration in our daily Consumption of Provisions, as it will be impossible to continue My Sepoys, Lascars, &c. on Dry Ratta^{do}, that instead of our Stock lasting to the 20th of August, it will do little more than half that time. I hope the General will not let them remain long here, and should they attack the hills, My force is by no means sufficient for the defence of the Whole. My People employed in bringing Money are not sufficiently recovered, & hope Your Lordship will send Others to Supply Us.

I have the honor to be,
My Lord,

Your Lordships Most
Obedient Servant,

(Signed) John Cuppage.

Dispatched the following Answer with 1000 Pag^{as}

To Captain Cuppage
Commanding at Vellore.

To Captⁿ Cuppage, sending
him Pag^{as} 1000. for the use
of his Garrison.

Sir, I have this Moment Received Your Letter of the
24th Instant, and I now Transmit You 1000 Pagodas,

I am,

Sir, Your Obedient Servant
Macartney

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Dispatched to the Governor General and Council
the proceedings of the Committee of Assigned Revenue with
the following Letter.

The Honble Warren Hastings, Esq^r
Governor General & Council
of Fort William.
Honble Sir & Mrs.

To Bengal, transmitting
the Proceedings of the
Committee of Assigned
Revenue, & Communicating
to them every Occurrence
on the Subject.

We have the Honor of transmitting to You the
Minutes of the Committee of Assigned Revenue.

The general Report made to the by that Committee
which we had the Honor to transmit to You in our Letter of
the 4th Instant, together with our Observations thereon, suffi-
ciently demonstrates the advantages to the Company and to his
Highness the Nabob from the Assignment of his Revenue. The
Minutes now transmitted will equally satisfy Your Minds
that in the Means pursued, effectuate the good Purposes of this
Assignment, and in the Manner of carrying it into execution,
that only the true Spirit and Meaning of that Agreement has
been constantly observed, but every delicacy consistent with the public
Service has been used towards his Highness the Nabob. You will
find by the first Minutes of the Committee, that it was the refusal
of his Highness the Nabob to effectuate the arrangement made
with You on the 2^d April 1781 in relation to his Revenues,
which forced the Negotiation from whence resulted the
Assignment of the 2^d December 1781, which since has had the
sanction of Your approbation. You well, we are conscious, at
the same time perceive the delays we suffered to intervene, and

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29 the extreme Reluctance we felt before we determined in consequence of the Representation of the Committee, and the absolute Necessity of the case to exercise the Power expressly given to appoint New Amildars. You will Observe the Necessity to which his Highness the Nabob drove us to direct those Amildars to proceed without his sanction after he had absolutely Refused to give it to them — Contrary to the express words of the Agreement, that he would give the usual Cowl to the Amildars appointed by the Governor — It is Obvious that if such Refusal of the Nabob were to prevent those Amildars from Acting, whom the Nabob had empowered our President to Appoint, that the whole Assignment would from that instant be defeated, as indeed every other arrangement has which his Highness had hitherto Made, either for the Satisfaction of public or private Demands, The former Amildars — Neither Remitted the Revenues to us, or would even transmit the Accounts of them, and in that Situation, even if his Highness had Not delegated his authority for Removing them and placing others in their Room, we should have found ourselves Obligated to take that Step in Compliance with Your express desire that we Should Not permit the unreasonable interposition of the local authority of the Nabob of Arcot or Rajah of Tanjore to prevent us from taking Care that the Produce of the Country be Collected & applied to its immediate defence. The backwardness with which, in Consideration to his Highness, we exerted the Authority by him delegated to our President, or obeyed the directions given by Your Board, enabled the Ministers and Servants of the Nabob Not only to divert for a time the Public Revenues from the public Service, but Served as a ground for demanding back the Management of the Country, being, by that diversion unproductive in our hands. It is sufficiently apparent that those Ministers
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^{As}
 29, and Servants who pressed on every side to fulfil the Treaty
 of Bengal of April 1781, agreed to the Assignment merely
 in the hope of being able to prevent its execution, or defeat its
 Object. We have however the pleasure to assure You now that
 the Public begins to feel the benefit of the Measures we have
 adopted, That some Revenue is already applied to the public
 Service, that the Obstructions to the progress and subsistence
 of the Army from the different Amildars while dependent
 on the ^{has} Nabob concerning which the General ^{has} so often remonstrated
 to the Committee, exist no longer, That the Amildars are
 protected against the interference or injustice of Civil or
 Military Officers residing in their respective Districts,
 and the People less liable to oppression from Amildars, who
 no longer holding on a precarious tenure, have an interest in
 the prosperity of the Inhabitants. Their advantages, of which
 the Company and his Highness the Nabob will alike ultimately
 partake, have not prevented the Ministers and Servants
 of the latter, who are affected by it, from working upon his
 Fondness for Authority, and his Jealousy of the interference
 of the Company, to make every effort for reversing the
 agreement he had made. We are informed that Intrigue,
 Artifice, and Falshood have been employed to give to our
 Proceedings and to those of the Committee of Assigned or
 Revenue such a Glaring as might induce You to overturn
 a System You have often and strongly approved: a plan
 is said to be regularly formed of throwing on Us such
 a Multitude of aspersions, that it may be taken for granted
 there must be some ground for accusation against Us. Out
 of a vast Number of False Tales, fabricated Letters, &c. it
 is imagined that a few at least may meet with Credit, and
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29th that few would indeed answer fully the purpose of imposition. On this Occasion we neither desire to avail ourselves of the suspicious appearance of such accusations, nor of Your Reliance on our Integrity, nor on Your Confidence in the Capacity or assiduity of the Members of the Committee of assigned Revenue, but wish to have a Communication of every argument urged against the Plan we have adopted, and every Charge asserted Against our Conduct in the pursuit of it, thus giving us an opportunity of justification if susceptible of it, before any opinion will be formed or Resolution taken upon Either by Your Board. In the Mean time We shall steadily pursue the Terms of the Agreement with his Highness, Observing towards him in all instances a delicacy and Respect that his Age, the Calamities of his Country, & the Delegation of part of his Authority render essential to his Happiness, and Accommodating Ourselves to his wants and his Situation, as far as can be made Consistent with our Duty to Our Employers, and with their and Your Instructions. We have Regularly paid him a Sixth part of the Net Monies which we have Received from the assigned Districts, Restraining Ourselves by the Motives just Mentioned from deducting the Sums which appeared to be diverted, since the date of the Assignment from the Treasury of the Company, by the Contrivances of the Durbar, when his Highness will have found the Inefficacy of his efforts to Overturn the Agreement, He will be less backward, than at present, in doing Justice to the Instruments and Manner of its Execution. We have had Occasion to Observe such Rapid Changes in the Sentiments he has expressed of the same Persons, That we can scarcely Consider his praises or his Censures to be prompted by affection or Resentment, but that they are the successive Weapons which he

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 29 he tries for the attainment of his Purposes. We have had
 our Turn of the Strongest Declarations of his Esteem, and
 we shall force him, if possible, to a Repetition of them,
 by a Continuation of our good Offices. It is justice towards
 him to take Notice that tho' the Period of our Management
 of his Highness's Revenues be in the Assignment expressly
 agreed to be for five Years, which indeed the Support of
 the Renters We have appointed for that Term renders
 essential, and that during that Period we are empowered
 to Retain for the Company Five Sixths Parts of the Net
 Revenue, Carrying the same to His Highness's Credit in
 the Company's Books, Yet it was understood that
 whenever the Expenses Occasioned by the present War
 should be reimbursed to the Company, The said Three
 Sixths Parts of the Net Revenues of the Country should
 thence forward be disposed of by us according to such new
 Arrangement, as should be settled between his Highness and
 the Company for the discharge of his Debts, or the Advantage
 of his Subjects. And our President gave to his Highness the
 Satisfaction of writing to him a Letter to this purport, ^{on}
 immediately after the execution of the Assignment. He was
 indeed ready to conclude with our President such new
 Arrangement, but as it could not take effect for a Consider-
 -able time, there could be no inconvenience, and it was thought
 in every Respect Right, to leave it to the Consideration of the
 Court of Directors. Their Constant desire indeed, has
 been to Secure the Pay of their Troops independently of the good
 will of the Nabob, and that no other Troops but theirs
 should be Suffered in the Country. These Points are effect-
 -tively gained by the Assignment while it lasts, and they will

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29 will probably have in View the same Objects in whatever System may Succeed it.

We have the Honor to be,
Honble Sir & Sirs,

Your Most Obedient
Humble Servants
Macartney,
Secy. Secy. Secy.

Fort St. George,
4 June, 1782 -

Agreeably to the Resolution of the 28th the following Letter is now dispatched to Bengal with the enclosures there-

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Honble Warren Hastings Esq.
Council - Bengal.

Honble Sir & Sirs,

We Received on the 4th Instant the honor of Your Letter Confirming the Accords, which had been sent over President, and to the Commander in Chief, of a peace with the Mahrattas - An event of which the Necessity and importance Could not be greater than the difficulty and the Moment in Accomplishing it in the present Juncture - The terms appear to us to be just and honorable, and being so, are politically advantageous, as likely to lead to a long duration of tranquility, which is become essential to the Company's Affairs in Hindostan.

As Sense of our duty to the welfare of the Country which was entrusted to Our immediate Care Naturally directed our Minds to the Consideration of what Measures, if any might be

To Bengal on the Mahratta
Peace & the Negotiation
with Hyder -

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30th be fit at present, to take in Consequence of this event, towards putting the most steady period to the War and to the distresses which still continue here. Nor could we suppose that we were to be entirely passive on this Occasion, after the discretionary use which You are pleased expressly to leave to us of our knowledge of the Mahratta peace, to take such Measures as our Situation Required. We Received likewise information, tho' not from the Commander in Chief, and we Accordingly wrote to You, that a Vachul or Messenger from Hyder Ally was at the General's Quarters. It was not impossible but that such a Circumstance might furnish us an opportunity of proposing an immediate cessation of hostilities or some other Measure productive of that Relief which, as You foresaw Our Situation in fact Required. The General was in Reading to March the Army, and It may be proper to Consider, whether if any thing Could prevent the Ratification of the Treaty at the Court of Poona, it might not be an Attack on His Ally, without giving him Notice of the stipulations in his favor, and leaving to him the option of accepting them. It occurred at the same time, that the appearance of a Negotiation with him on our part might increase the Mistrust entertained already of him by the French, which might redound to Our Advantage.

These Considerations led our President to assemble the Select Committee, and besides the usual Summons particularly to request the Attendance of the Commander in Chief, as one of the Members, by a Note, a Copy of which is enclosed N. 1. The General declined attending for the reasons given by him in his Answer N. 2. — that he did not see either the necessity or propriety (whilst the least Act whereby the

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30 The Treaty was to become Valid Remained unperformed of entering further into the Subject, or of Taking any other immediate measure in Consequence, than what had been done in the Salutes fired in Garrison and Camp. - and it appears by Our Presidents Minute on the Occasion, N^o 3. that he was in Consequence disposed to postpone for the present Any further Consideration of this Matter - we thought however we could not be so well, or too soon furnished with such a knowledge of Hyder's present disposition, as might Lead us to a just Determination in our Conduct towards him; and we therefore wrote without delay to the Commander in Chief, N^o 4 - for the Communication of such facts on this head as his Situation gave him an Opportunity of knowing. - By the General's Answer N^o 5 he avoids giving us any Kind of information, tho' he intimates plainly enough that Measures are taking by him for a negotiation with Hyder Ally, Contrary to the opinion he gives on this Subject in N^o 2. - and acquaints us that in so doing he acts in a Manner strictly conformable to your Directions, concerning which we apprehend there must be some misconception, as we are at a Loss to reconcile his receiving any Directions on the Subject to the Latitude you have given us, to make such discretionary use of the Information in the present State of our Affairs, as we should deem necessary. We trust that nothing but your wish to have the continuance of Sir Eyre Coote's Services for Repelling the invasion of Hyder Ally, led to the desire you communicated to us in March last, that he should be indulged. - contrary to all former practices, and Contrary to the Institution of this Government with the unparticipated direction of all Military operations to the utmost possible extent of his Wishes, independently of the Government, of which, while here, he is a part - For you have been pleased to express the highest approbation of the only
Military

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30th Military Operations, the attack of Negapatam and Trincomalee which we directed independently of Sir Eyre Coote. And it would appear from your Letter, that he did not even endeavor to prove our interference in any other Instance.

We are,

Honble Sir & Sirs,

Your Most Obedient
Humble Servants
Macartney,
W. Selkirk &c.

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Dispatched the following Letter to Mr. Biddle

To Mr. Biddle,

Sir,

I am directed by Lord Macartney to Acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter of the 25th Ultimo.

To Mr. Biddle on the Alliance proposed by him with Chitisham Jung.

His Lordship requests you will express his Concern Chitisham Jung that he cannot yet write to him as he would wish; as this moment no answer has been received to repeated Letters written to the Governor General and Council on the Subject of his propositions.

After the answer shall have arrived, Chitisham may be assured that there will be no unnecessary delay on the part of this Government which is sincerely desirous to embrace every opportunity of expressing the Company's attachment to his family.

Mr. Holland's having Hydrabad, Lord Macartney hopes can be of no prejudice to the Interest of Chitisham Jung as another Company's Servant from Bengal is appointed to succeed him as Resident with the Nizam.

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I am,
Sir, Your Most Humble Servant
John Huddleston
Secy.

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I Received the following Letter from Sir Eyre Coote.

To the Right Honble George Lord Macartney R.B.

President and Governor &c. Select Committee

Fort St. George

My Lord and Gentlemen,

From Sir Eyre Coote
commending Ensign
Darley to be appointed
acting Adjutant to the
11th Batta.

I beg leave to
recommend that Ensign John Darley be
appointed acting Adjutant to the 11th Battalion
of Sepoys in the room of Ensign John Campbell
deceased.

I have the honor to be

My Lord and Gentleman,

Your most obedient

humble Servant

Eyre Coote.

Head Quarters
Choultry Plain
1st July 1782

Agreed that the appoint-

Agreed to

ment recommended in the foregoing Letter do
take place accordingly.

The following Letter is sent by
Sir Eyre Coote to the President.

To Lieutenant General Sir Eyre Coote &c. &c.

Sir,

This day a Frenchman was
picked up going to Hyders Camp - he left
Pondicherry yesterday and informs me that the
Legion de Lauzan and Volunteers de Bourbon
embarked at Cuddalore for Negapatam - The
Legion de L'isle de France and Regiment
D'Austrasie

From Capt. Flint
with intelligence of the
French having embarked
some Troops for the
capture of Negapatam.

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st 1. D'Austrazie to proceed by land for the same place after ^{the taking of} which they are to go to Trincomalay - their whole Force consists of 2000 Europeans beside Coffres - Hyder's Army continued near Chumbur Gurry - most of his followers sent up the Ghauts - some heavy Guns and Six Stone Mortars from Arner are likewise gone that way.

Wandewash
26th June 1782.

I am Yr^o.

(Signed) W. Flint.

Bills on Bengal granted
in favor of L^t. Thos Smith

Ordered that a Set of Bills on Bengal in favor of Lieutenant Thomas Smith for Arcot Rupees 1871. 8. 40 being the Amount of a Bond granted him by the Chief and Factors of Tellicoerry for his Arrears of Pay.

From M^r. Consar the Vessels
at Coninga all engaged

Received letter from M^r. Frederick Consar (as entered in Miscellany Book N^o 1.) advising that the Vessels at Coninga are all engaged and that M^r. Hamilton would not have furnished him with money to make advances for the freight.

3. Town Major's Report of 2^d
Bullocks from the Northward

Received Town Major's Report of 650 Bullocks arrived from the Northward as entered in M^B N^o 2.

From Captain Omonds
acknowledging receipt of
Duplicate of the Secretary's
Letter of the 11th May

Received letter from Captain Omonds advising of the receipt of the Duplicate of the Secretary's letter of the 11th May as entered in M^B.

Received the following Letter from the Commissary of the Army with Muster of Bullocks as entered in Miscellany Book

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To the Right Honble Lord Macartney K.B.

President and Governor &c. &c.

Fort St George.

My Lord,

From Commissary of the
Army with Muster
of Bullocks

Conformable to the Orders of the
Select Committee signified to me in M.^r Secretary
Hudleston's Letter dated the 22.^d May Last I do
myself the honor of transmitting to Your Lordship a
Muster of Draft and Carriage Bullocks received in
Camp from the Agent from the 26.th Ultimo to the
3.^d Instant specifying the numbers, which are fit
and unfit for Service, the former I have delivered to
the Deputy Agent and the latter to be returned to
Madras. I have likewise delivered to the Commander
in Chief a Copy of the same Muster.

I have the honor to be with respect

My Lord

Your Lordship's most obedient

and humble Servant

W Jackson

Commissary.

Camp, 3.^d July 1782.

Thursdayth At a Select Committee Present
4. The Right Honble George Lord Macartney K.B.
President and Governor

Anthony Sadleir

Alexander Davidson

Lt General Sir Eyre Coote absent

on Service.

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Major General Sir Hector Munro
indisposed

John Holland Esq^r Resident
at Hyderabad

Minutes of last Committee read
and approved.

The Right Honble the
President lays before the Committee the following
note from His Highness the Nabol with the
answer ^{his Lordship} returned to it.

From the Nabol
requesting that Pagodas
9000 may be sent him on
account of his 16 part of
the Revenue.

His Highness the Nabol presents
his Compliments to Lord Macartney. The money
which Lord Macartney was lately pleased to send the
Nabol on account of the 6th Part of the Revenue
being all expended, His Highness particularly requests
his Lordship will oblige him by sending another
three thousand Pagodas for which His Highness
has the most pressing occasion. His Highness
sends his English Secretary M^r. Binny, and
hopes Lord Macartney will be so good as to
comply with his request.

Madras 2^d July 1782

From the President in
answer complying with
his request.

Lord Macartney presents his
Compliments to His Highness the Nabol, and will
always be happy to promote his Highness's wishes
to the best of his power. M^r. Freeman has now
the honor to attend His Highness with the
Money as desired.

Fort House, 3^d July 1782.

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The Residents appointed
to the Arcot Province
attend the Committee and
receive the Mocholas

The Men appointed to the
Aumaney management of the Arcot Province &c &c
Ragoram Pundit, Subarow and Ragavacherry, and
Ragorow Vachet to Venkatar Row Hunter of the Jaghires
of the Begum and the Amier-ul Omrah now attend the
Select Committee and the Mocholas are delivered to
them with the usual presents of Beete &c.^a

Read the following Letter from
the Resident at Ingeram with the letter to him
from Monsieur Perrot therein mentioned.

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney

President &c.^a Members of the Select Committee
Fort St George

My Lord and Gentlemen,

From the Resident at
Ingeram with the letter
to him from
M^r Perrot complaining of
his being wrongfully detained.

I had the honour to receive
your Commands of the 16th Instant in consequence of
which have detained M^r Perrot - he has addressed
to me a letter which I have the honour to transmit
herewith. I consider the promise in the beginning of
it as his Parole of Honour and shall treat him with
that humanity and tenderness You recommend.

Notwithstanding what M^r Perrot urges in his
vindication I have found no reason since I first
addressed you on the subject to alter my opinion,
with regard to M^r Perrot in any one particular,
and I must take leave to observe that I never
wrote to him or gave him any reasons for his
detention as he sets forth in his address.

I have the honour to be
With

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Ingeram

27th June 1782.

With great respect

My Lord & Gentlemen

Your most obedient
and most humble Serv^t

W^m Hamilton

To William Hamilton Esq^r

Resident at Ingeram

Sir,

I have received your letter informing me that you received Orders from Madras for detaining me here as being suspected to be a French subject. I do hereby comply with your request and give you my word that I will not go until you hear again from Madras about me.

Without representing to You the consequence of my detention in this very critical time without pleading the neutral and I may say the friendly Flag I am under without alledging even that the Vessel I command is really English Property, all which You are so sensible of. I shall only beg of You to acquaint the Honble Board that I am a Geneva born man, and that all the time I have been in India I always resided at Calcutta or at Serampoor in Bengal till the fatal day of my embarking on the *Natalia* a Danish Ship seized and plundered at Sea, and after being returned
taken

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taken again, plundered and kept at Calicut as English Property by Hyder Ally's Governor Sirdar Khan.

So far was I always of fearing to be suspected by the English as an Enemy, that at my arrival at Tranquebar (after 6 months detention at Calicut as an Englishman) I did not hesitate to apply to Admiral Hughes for the recovery of that Ship whenever she should fall into his hands. You saw the humane and generous answer of the brave Sir Edward. As I had suffered as an Englishman I considered myself as an Object of the English Protection. I afterwards sailed all along the Coast, went to Cuddalore Madras &c. without being suspected any where of being Enemy.

What may be the cause of my attracting now the attention of the English Government I am at a loss to guess: but I was here constantly under your eyes, did I ever behave in a suspicious manner. My Owner's Interest and business were always my only occupation.

M^r. M. Nicoll my chief Mate cannot speak a word of French, he is not of a Neutral Nation; I am much afraid of his sails without me for both him and the Ship.

Now Sir after having & properly weighed my reasons and my circumstances
give

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give me leave to ask ^{if you} if the making a Prisoner
of a Geneva man for fear of letting a poor
little Frenchman slip, if even detaining
the most true complete well constituted and
determined Frenchman can balance the evils
attending my detention grounded upon a mere
suspicion.

I make no doubt but the
Board when they favor my case with minute
of attention will be so kind as to give ^{you} Orders for
my delivery.

I am with respects

Sir,

Your most obedient
humble Servant

W^m Perrot
Captain of the
General Abbatie

Comprapottam

26th June 1782.

Consideration of the
above deferred till
the arrival of Sir
Edward Hughes.

Agreed that the consideration
of M^r Perrot's letter be deferred till the arrival
of Sir Edward Hughes, and that M^r Hamilton
be directed to intimate to him that no such
reason for his detention as he has mentioned in
his letter was assigned by this Committee.

Read Letter from M^r Chase as
entered in Miscellany Book complaining
of his having been captured by the Combined
Fleets whereby he suffered considerable losses
and requesting an allowance in consideration
of them.

Read

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Read Letter from the Committee of Assigned Revenue with Extracts from their minutes of the 28th June proposing a particular mode of keeping their accounts which is approved accordingly.

Read the following Letter from the Committee of Stores with their proceedings of the 29th June.

Fort St George 29th June 1782

At a Committee of Stores, Present
Lieutenant Colonel Patrick Rofs
Lieutenant Colonel John Kennedy
Bryan Scottney Esq^r

The Committee proceed to take into consideration the Indent from Chingleput when the Storekeeper's Letter is read wherein he informs us, that the cause of the monthly returns of Ordnance and Military Stores not having been transmitted as usual to the Presidency is in consequence of Orders received to the contrary since the commencement of the present Troubles in the Carnatic. lest the state of the

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Orders of the Select Comm^{rs}

the Garrison in respect to
Stores and Powder should
fall into the hands of the
Enemy.

The Committee observe
that no 24 Pounders are
included in the statement of
Stores for the Garrison of
Chingleput but think that the
two 24th indented for with
Trail Carriages may be lodged
there with advantage as a
central place for supplying the
Army in case Battering Cannon
should be at any time wanted.

It is agreed therefore
to recommend to the Right
Hon^{ble} the President and Select
Committee that they be sent
thither with a suitable
proportion of Stores; with
respect to the 10 Inch Mortars
and 6 Inch 6 Pounders required
they cannot at present be
spared; the remainder of the
Indent to be complied with
agreeably to the remarks
of the Commissary of Stores
thereon.

The Commissary

Approved

central

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Lays before the Committee
a list of Military Stores
received from Bengal &
Snow Speedwell together with
a list of the Deficiencies of
them as by the Invoice
received from Bengal on
board of that Vessel. These
deficiencies the Committee
observe are very great and
seem to have happened at
the same of packing, as the
Packages were in good order
and did not appear to have
been opened.

Orders of the Select
Committee

Copy of the list of
Deficiencies of Stores
to Snow Speedwell to be
sent to Bengal.

The Commissary
lays before the Committee
a list of Ordnance and
Military Stores laden on
board the Company's Ship
Yarmouth together with a
list of those which were
relanded from that Ship.

Agreed to request
of the Right Honble the ^{most} Hon^{ble}
President and Select Committee
their directions for preparing
a field Train in the room
of that supposed to have
fallen into the hands of
the

Approved

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the Enemy

The Committee

having examined two 18th

Garrison Trail Carriages,

received from the Contractor's

Yard find them finished equal

to Muster - Agreed that they

be received into the Honble

the Company's Stores.

Patrick Aps

John Kennedy

B. Scottney

List of Military Stores received from
Bengal Lt. Inow Speedwell

		Invisible	Unaccounted
Linnen Curwa	10 Bales - Pieces	1949	"
D. Gunah White	13 D. ... D.	1188	70
Gunpowder	100 lb Barrels	700	"
White Lead	Cags	4	"
Red Lead	D.	6	"
Europe double Cartridge Pouches		453	297
Corra Pouches		600	"
Artillery Pouches		50	"
Grenadier Pouches		11	14
Artillery Buff Shoulder Belts		25	"
Buff Shoulder Belts		360	140
Leather Slings for Muskets		960	40

Europe

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Serviceable Underminds

Europe Carbine double Cartridge Boxes	76	49
Iron Basket Swords	500	"
Sail Needles	1000	"
Sewing Needles	10000	"
Empty Copper Tubes 6 th Dr	470	"
Country Canvas	Bolts	50 "
Country Flannel Double	Yards	445 "
D ^o Single	D ^o	301 "
Patna Glue	Bags	12 "
Cotton Lines	Bales	7 "
Patna Blue Paint	Bags	21 "
Prussian Blue	Barrels	5 "
Cinnabar	D ^o	1 "
Verdigrise	Cags	2 "
Cotton Slings	Bales	2 "
Cotton Tape	D ^o	1 "
Cotton Thread Red and White	D ^o	2 "
Bengal Twine	D ^o	5 "
Europe Twine	D ^o	1 "
Wax Cloth	2 Bales	Pieces 100 "
Mamotees	10 Chests	1000 "
Turnkeys and Hammers 1 Box		1300 "
Pinchers for Fuzes	3 rd	4 "
Powder Horns		12 "
Buff Slings for D ^o		12 "

J. Bedford

Commissary Stores
List

1997 Fort S^t George 4th July 1782

List of the Deficiencies of Stores as per Invoice
received from Bengal & Snow Speedwell

Linens Curaw	Pieces	55
D ^o Gunah	D ^o	42
Copper Tubes Empty 6 Pounder		38

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Commissary General

List of Ordnance and Military Stores
sent on board the Yarmouth for the Southward
as per Colonel Morris's Indent

	Sent on Board	Relanded
Brass Guns		
6 Pounder	6	"
3 D ^o	6	"
Brass Howitzers		
5 1/2 Inch	2	"
4 1/2 Inch	2	"
Field Carriages with Limbers & Boxes		
6 P ^{dr}	6	"
3 D ^o	6	"
5 1/2 Inch	2	"
4 1/2 Inch	2	"
Round Shot fixed to Serge Cartridges		
6 P ^{dr}	666	"
3 D ^o	990	"
Shells fixed to Serge Cartridges		
5 1/2 Inch	70	
4 1/2 D ^o	172	

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	Sent on Board	Relanded
Quilted Grape Shot fixed to Serge Cartridges		
6 Pd	150	
3 D ^o	228	
5 1/2 Inch	28	
4 1/2 D ^o	48	
Copper Tubes filled		
6 Pd	2180	
3 D ^o	2100	
Serge Cartridges filled		
6 Pd	126	
3 D ^o	126	
5 1/2 Inch	42	
4 1/2 D ^o	42	
Serge Cartridges empty		
6 Pd	120	
3 D ^o	120	
5 1/2 Inch	42	
4 1/2 D ^o	40	
Portfires	780	
Sponges with Rammer heads		
6 Pd	18	
3 D ^o	18	
5 1/2 Inch	6	
4 1/2 D ^o	6	
Ladles with Worms		
6 Pd	6	
3 D ^o	6	
Field Tompions with Collars		
6 Pd		

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	Sent on board	Relanded
6 P ^r	6	
3 D ^o	6	
5 1/2 Inch	2	
4 1/2 D ^o	2	
Purchasing Handspikes	32	
Traversing D ^o		
6 P ^r	12	
3 D ^o	12	
5 1/2 Inch	4	
4 1/2 D ^o	4	
Drag Ropes		
6 P ^r	6	
3 D ^o	6	
5 1/2 Inch	2	
4 1/2 D ^o	2	
Lead Aprons	16	
Leather Buckets	16	
Leather Haversacks	22	
Cotton Match	16	
Country D ^o	8	50 50
Linstocks	16	
Claw Hammers	16	
Ponickers for Tubes	16	
Portfire Sticks	16	
Padlocks	28	
Tin Tube Boxes	8	
	8	
Gun Spikes round	16	

Jagged

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	Sent on Board	Relanded
Jagged	16	
Spring	16	
Helve	16	
Bengal Twine	Sk ^d 6	
Tarpaulins Turnbrel	6	
Gun	12	
Howitzer	4	
Turnbrels	6	1
Yokes Single for fixing	22	
Double fixed to Europe Traces	68	
Single Spare	22	
Double D ^o	44	
Rope Collars	22	
Bullock D ^o	44	20
Tide wooden	22	20
Yoke Pins	150	100
Tar	$\frac{1}{2}$ Dippers 6	6
Grease	Ditto 6	6
Priming Irons	16	
Steel Bits	16	
Europe Rope $2\frac{1}{2}$ Inch	Coils 2	
Copper Dredging Boxes	4	
Spun yarn	Rolls 12	12

List

2001

Fort S^c George 4th July 1782

List of Military ^{Stores} Laden on board the Ship
 Yarmouth for the Garrison of Trichinopoly
 Fort S^c George 14th June 1782

	Sent on board	Returned
Iron Guns 20 Pounder	8	
Brass Mortars 5 1/2 Inch	4	
Mortar Beds 5 1/2 Inch	4	
Quilted Grape Shot 26 Pd ^r	20	
20 d ^o	120	
16 d ^o	40	
14 d ^o	9	
5 1/2 D ^o	40	
4 1/2 D ^o	40	
3 1/2 D ^o	60	
1 1/2 d ^o	20	
1 d ^o	20	
Empty Hand Grenade Fuzes	2000	
8 Inch	200	
5 1/2 Inch	1000	
4 1/2 D ^o	2630	
Empty Copper Tubes 6 Pounder	500	
3 d ^o	480	
Sponges for Mortars 8 Inch	4	
5 1/2 d ^o	8	
4 1/2 d ^o	8	
Iron Pistols	Pairs 20	20
Laddes with Worms 26 Pd ^r	2	
Sponges with Rammerheads 20 Pd ^r	29	
18 D ^o	41	
16 d ^o	4	
14 d ^o	6	
12 d ^o	1	
6 d ^o	15	
4 d ^o	6	
5 1/2 d ^o	3	
4 1/2 d ^o	4	
3 d ^o	4	
2 d ^o	4	
5 1/2 Inch	6	

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2002 Fort St. George 4th July 1782

List of Military Stores laden on board the Ship
Yarmouth for the Garrison of Tanjore 14th June 1782

	Sent on Board	Returned
Saddles with Worms 24 Pdr.	6	
18 D ^r	7	
Bengal Cartridge Paper Chests	12	12
Live Fuzes 5 1/2 Inch	700	
4 1/2 D ^r	1000	
Hand Grenades	1100	
Portfires	1000	
Quick Match	Sk ^t	30

A List of Military Stores reloaded from the
Yarmouth which were sent on board for the Southward
and a part of Colonel Horne's Indent

Tumbril	1
Country Match Bundles	2
Cartridge Paper Chests	12
Drag Ropes Bundle	1
Spandyarn Bundles	3
Bullock Collars D ^r	1
Yoke Pins D ^r	1
Wooden Fids D ^r	1
Tar and Grease Dippers	12
Pistols Box	1

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Commy Stores

List of Deficiencies
in the Stores received
the Speedwell, be sent
to Bengal.

Agreed that Copy of the List of Deficiencies in the
Stores received by the Snow Speedwell Application
be sent to Bengal.

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Application having been made by the Officer Commanding His Majesty's 100th Regiment and by Major Douglas Commanding the four Additional Companies for Batta and other Allowances while on Service on the Malabar Coast and during their passage hither from thence - It is agreed that such part of them as were on Service at Calicut shall receive full Batta for the time they were employed and that all be made the same Allowances as the Company's Troops receive when sent on Service by Sea.

Batta to be allowed to such part of the 100th Regt as was on Service

The Gov^t Genl Council to be applied to for their assistance in procuring 400 Horses to mount the dismounted Cavalry requested from England

The Honble the Committee of Secrecy having in their letter of the 8th December last directed us to provide 400 Horses against the arrival of 400 dismounted Cavalry coming to India under the Command of Colonel Burgoyne, and our endeavours hitherto to provide Horses to supply the losses that have occurred in the Cavalry with the Army having been in a great measure unsuccessful It is agreed that application be made to the Governor General and Council for their assistance and that they be requested to endeavour to purchase the above number of Horses or as many of them as may be procurable and forward them to us by land.

Read the following Letter from L^{td} Col Nixon

To the Right Honble George Lord Macartney KB
President and Governor of

Fort S^t George

My Lord,

I received Your Lordship's Letter of

From L^{td} Col Nixon intended to march to Negapatam

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of the 2^d Instant by Vincata Soubiah, who arrived here this morning and entered immediately on the execution of his Office. The former Renter had a few days ago marched with a Party to the Poligar Countries to collect part of an Arrear due to the Company, which I hear was likely to be paid without trouble, what effect the arrival of the new Renter may have on this business we cannot foresee, the other Countries produce little ready money and his being a stranger in this may embarrass him a little at first, however as his appointment is a permanent one we may expect to be regularly supplied which has not for a long time been the case - he shall get every proper and necessary support.

I had some time acquainted Your Lordship of a Party of our Troops being blocked up at Negapatam by a great Force of the Enemy's, I hear between 7 and 10000 men, and wish greatly to be able to attack them, and am strenuously solicited to march into that Country, which I shall not defer longer than the river fills sufficiently to prevent the sudden Inruption of a large Army into that Country and till the Troops are paid one month. Notwithstanding I fear the drawing together the different Detachments we have out may lay both this and the Madurai Country open to the Enemy's Incursions from Pondicherry and Carre.

I have the honor to remain
Your Lordship's most faithful Serv^t
Eccles Nixon

Trichinopoly,
30th May 1782

P.S. The heavy rains which have unexpectedly fallen in this month burst open the Wall of the Fort on the South Face which was in a very decayed state and made

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made a breach of about 100 Yards. We were obliged to set about the repair of it without loss of time. I hope in a few days to have it compleat again - there are several other parts of the Fort also in a very tottering condition, which I am & apprehensive will require some repairs. Your Lordship may rest assured no unnecessary expence shall be incurred for this business. Many of the Cuddalore Invalids have arrived here, we wish to know whether they are to be put on the list of this Garrison, many of them are real objects

Trichinopoly 2^d June 1782.

Agreed that Raguram Soubaron and Ragavacherri the principal Amildars of the Arcot Province be ordered to accompany the Army and furnished with a letter to Sir Eyre Coote giving the names of the under Amildars appointed to the several Districts and desiring for them his protection and support.

Agreed to dispatch letters to the Northern Subordinacies representing our Distress for Money and the necessity of their sending in remittances as much as possible to the Presidency. Agreed also that Mr Daniell be desired to send a further Supply of Bullocks as far as three thousand.

The principal Amildars
of the Arcot Province to attend
the Army.

Letters to be sent to the Northern
Subordinacies to remit as much
money as possible.

Mr Daniell to be desired to
send a supply of bullocks.

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Fort St. George, July 1782.

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Agreeably to Resolution of this Date,
the following Letter to Sir Eyre Coote is now delivered to the
principal Amildars of the Arcot Province, Nagoram
Soubarou and Nagara Cheri, who are ordered to wait on
Sir Eyre Coote with it, and to accompany the Army - Duplicate
of the Letter, is dispatched to the General by Ellicarrahs.

To Lieutenant General Sir Eyre Coote.

Sir,

We have the Honor to acquaint you,
that our President has, with our Concurrence, and upon
the Recommendation of the Committee of assigned Revenue,
appointed by Virtue of the Powers given him, by the Nabob
of Arcot, the following Persons to be Amildars, of the
following Districts respectively.

1st Division

Vellour

Chunderquary

Gazulmunch

Tripetty

Chittoor

Santgurn

Amboor

Agrum Totty petta

The Jaghire of Ouelunda

The Jaghire of Keylessgur

The Jaghire of Arcot-gudda

The Jaghire of Sajuraw Gajuna near Vellour.

Nagoo Achance.

To Sir Eyre Coote, with
a list of the Amildars
appointed to the several
Districts. — & requesting
his Protection for them.

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1st Division of -

Wornamcoupan g^{ca}

Poona

Sholingaveram

Tucol

Coveripank

Qondapour

Murrenauk of Nymely

Milcherry

Poondy

Ouloon

Lahire of Myerundelgudda

Lalpetta

Anundal

Tomenoor.

Plagoo Achance

2nd Division

Trinamanellore

Anee

Belpoun

Wolapundel

Poloon

Calespauk

Chitpet

Trinomale

Aloomungulum

Mona loor petta

Santa Row.

buloot

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1st
4th

Changama

Cutcherry pollam

Cutchourchy

Pandicum shunkera pour

Melminguelum

Bagour

Syagur

Wal'gondapour

Elewanapoor

Mungloor

Cowoor

Gingee

Pennatoor

Annunt poor, penmala

Shewapatam

Wickervande

Arcoferlewandy

Tyicoolon

Trepaterandul

Treisamatoor

Trewananelloor.

Souta - Prow.

13th Division.

Town of Arcot and its Customs

Chulenmulloor

Dancrepauk

Velapauk

Mundyat.

Rajoran Pundit.

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Timery

Trevatoor

Tindewnum

Permacoil

Aspour

Werdawour

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Welleanellore

Towadee

Vencatumpetta

Palamcotta

Bowinguray

Terthaguray

Chellembrum

Mahmed Bunder Viz. Pato. Novo

Catmanargoddy

Werdachellum

Goperapoor

Trignoushtum

Tettygoddy

Woutcath

Serajud doulapoor

Wallajapetta.

Rajoran Pundit.

Those Districts have been hitherto for some Time past in the Hands of Hyder Ali; but as in Consequence of the late Agreement for a Peace with the Mahrattas, in which he is included, he may be inclined to evacuate them, or he may

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4th be forced to do so by your Arms, we have directed those Amildars to proceed, and to be in readiness to take into their Charge such of those Districts or such Parts of them, as shall not be withheld by the Enemy; and we think it our Duty to recommend those Persons to your Protection and Support, as far as the same can be afforded to them, consistently with other more important public Service.

We must observe to you, that his Highness when requested to give, pursuant to his Agreement, the usual Cowle to the Amildars appointed by the Governor, refused to do so; and we have since such Refusal ordered the Amildars to proceed without it, not only from the Necessity of the Case for rendering the Assignment effectual, but in Consequence of the positive Directions, of the Governor General and Council of Bengal, in effectuating the Assignment that we should not be deterred from proceeding, by the unseasonable Interposition of the local Authority of the Nabob. Our forbearance in this Particular had drawn upon us the Reproaches of the Governor General and Council, who have declared in their Letter of the 5th of April last, that no Consideration even of Delicacy should have restrained us, from availing ourselves of the Assignment with an Effect as complete as the Necessity which led to that Concession. We shall hope that his Highness will be soon convinced that his Interest and that of the Company are, as he formerly declared, the same; and that we shall find that the Exertion of our Duty will be as agreeable to him, as they are calculated for his real and permanent Advantage. —

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Fort St. George, July 1782.

Fort St. George
July 4th 1782. —

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4th

We have the Honor to be
Sir

Your most obedient
Humble Servants —
Macartney & ^{ca} Select Committee.

I agree that Lieutenant Simeon &
Stuart be granted Bills on Bengal. to the Amount of ^{Rs. 18,400} 618⁰, being for his Arrears of Pay, and for the Losses he &
sustained, in being captured by the combined Fleets of France
and Spain —

the
5th

Dispatched the following Letter to
Bengal, enclosing Copies of the Dispatches from the Committee
of Secrecy to this Committee, as also Copies of two Declarations
made on Oath, before the Mayor of this Place. —

To the Honble Warren Hastings Esq;
Governor General & ^{ca} Council of
Fort William.

Honble Sirs and Sirs!

As we understand that the Dispatches
from the Committee of Secrecy to your Government, lately &
received by the Mercury Packet, were forwarded by Sir Eyre
Coote on the Ship George, which Vessel may possibly have
been taken by the French Frigate said to be cruising to the
Northward.

We do ourselves the Honor to transmit
(you

To Bengal, with Copies
of the Dispatches from
the Committee of Secrecy —
requesting 400 Horses
may be provided for
European Cavalry —
on the Subject of Money
with Declarations &
respecting Provisions,
sent from Bengal to
Tranquebar —

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Fort St. George July 1782.

th 5th you Copies of the Dispatches addressed to this Committee, in Order to provide against the Inconveniences which might otherwise arise from such an Accident.

You will observe by these Dispatches, that we are directed to provide 400 Horses for a Regiment of dismounted Dragoons coming to India with the other Reinforcements, and as we have not the Means of providing them on this Coast, we request you will endeavour to purchase that Number, or as many of them as may be procurable, and forward them to us by Land.

We find that Horses from 14 to 15 Hands high, and about 4 Years old, are most approved by our Cavalry Officers.

It is not without Pain, that we trouble you again on the Subject of Money. — The Monthly Demands of the Army (exclusive of five Months arrears) are seldom short of two Lacks of Pagodas, an Expence to which all our Resources are far inadequate, without reckoning the Pay of this Garrison, and those of Chingleput, Poona mallee, and Tripassore, occasional Supplies of Money to Vellore, and current Charges; almost all of which are for the Support of the Army.

We transmit you Copies of two Declarations, made upon Oath before the Mayor of this Place, from whence it would appear, that Individuals at Calcutta have sent Vessels laden with Provisions to Tranquebar, by which Means our Enemies have derived from our own Merchants, that Assistance of

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5, of which we are ourselves here in the greatest Want.

We transmit you also an Account
received from our Committee of Stores of deficiencies on the
Stores received by the Speedwell.

Fort St. George
July 5th 1782.

We have the Honor to be
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient
Humble Servants—
Macartney & ^{ca} Select Committee

Agreeably to Resolution of the 4th
dispatched the following Letters.

To James Daniell Esq^r—
Chief of —
Sir, Masulipatam.

To Mr. Daniell requesting
he will use his exertions
to procure money, the Circars
being now the only ^{the} ~~the~~
Resources, — and to remit
as much as possible by Bills,
requesting likewise an
immediate Supply of Mulletches,
and to know whether he
could provide Horses. —

The Situation of our Affairs is now
such, as to make it absolutely necessary for us to realize
as much Money as possible at the Presidency.

The Monthly Demands of the Army
which exclusive of their Arrears of 5 Months, are seldom
short of two Lacks of Pagodas, — the Pay of this Garrison,
and those of Chingleput, Poonamallee, and Tripasore,
together with the Current Charges most of which
are military, have so exhausted us, that I am totally
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Fort St. George, July 1782.

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5th at a Loss how to provide for the Expences of the next Month, Our Treasury is open for Cash for Bills on England, but none is offered; we have little Hopes of further Supplies from Bengal, and no Money can be expected from the Assigned Countries before November, our only Resources therefore are the Circars, and for Assistance from them we principally depend on your Exertions.

I am aware of the Inconvenience that must attend the draining the Country of its Specie, and would have you therefore remit as much as you possibly can by Bills, provided they be drawn on solvent Persons here, not Creditors of the Company, or that if Creditors of the Company, you obtain an Obligation for the Bills being discharged in ready Money.

We are also in want of an immediate Supply of Bullocks, more being demanded by the Army, altho' it has been supplied with 12,000 since the 12th January, the Nellore Country is almost exhausted. I must earnestly request therefore that you will exert yourself, and send us without Delay 3,000 Bullocks, forwarding them as before to Angole, from whence they will proceed by Escort to Nellore.

Mr Gardner at Angole will also receive Orders to provide Bullocks, and you will be so good as to furnish him with an additional Supply of Money for that Purpose.

I wish much to know whether
you

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Fort St. George
July 5th 1782.

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5th you could purchase some Horses for us in the Circars, and in what Time, and at what Price 100, 200, or a greater Number, could be delivered at this Place, they should be from 14 to 15 Hands high, and rising four Years old —

I am

Sir,

Your most obedient

Humble Servant

Macartney

(signed)

To Morgan Williams Esq^r
Chief of Vizagapatam.

Sir,

To Vizagapatam,
requesting of the Chief
to use his Exertions to
get Money, and to
remit as much as is
possible by Bills.

To Ganjam on the same
Subject. —

The Situation of our Affairs at this Juncture, rendering it absolutely necessary, that we should realize as much Money as possible at the Presidency, I most earnestly desire that you will exert yourself to the utmost, to assist us in this Respect.

I am aware of the Inconveniencies that must attend the draining the Country of its Specie, and would have you therefore remit, as much as much as you possibly can by Bills, provided they be drawn on solvent Persons here, not Creditors of the Company, or that if Creditors of the Company,

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Fort St. George, July 1782

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5th you obtain an Obligation for the Bills being or
discharged in ready Money.

Fort St. George
July 5th 1782.

I am,
Sir,

Your most obedient
Humble Servant

(signed)

Macartney.

The same to the Chief of Ganjam

To William Hamilton Esq^r

President at Ingeram.

Sir,

To Mr. Hamilton at
Ingeram, desiring he
will inform Mr. Perrot,
that the Consideration
of his Letter is deferred,
till the Arrival of
Sir Edward Hughes.

I am directed by the Right &
Hon^{ble} the President and select Committee to &
acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter of the 27th June,
enclosing Copy of a Letter to you from Mr. Perrot, and
to desire that you will inform that Gentleman,
that the Consideration of his Letter is deferred, till
the Arrival of Sir Edward Hughes, but that we hope
his Detention, will not be of any long Continuance,

You are also to intimate to him,
that no such Reason for his Detention as he has &
mentioned in his Letter, was assigned by this Government.

Fort St. George
5th July 1782.

I have the Honor to be

Sir, Your most humble servant
John Hudleston
(signed)

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Dispatched Letters of this Date
to the Committee of assigned Revenue, and to the
Committee of Stores, (as entered in Miscellany Book)

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Received Letter from the Town Major
as entered in Miscellany Book, relating the Particulars
of the March of the late Convoy of Provisions to
Vellore.

Dispatched the following
Letter to the Committee of assigned Revenue.

To Charles Oakley Esq. & Co.

Members of the Committee of

Assigned Revenue.

Gentlemen!

I have the Honor to acknowledge
the Receipt of your Letter of the 30th Ultimo, with an Extract
from your Minutes of the 28th, and to inform you, that
the Right Honble the President and select Committee,
entirely approve the Plan you have recommended
for keeping the Books and Accounts of the Assigned
Revenue.

To Committee of assigned
Revenue, approving
of the Plan, recommended
by them, for keeping
their Books & Accounts

Fort St. George
July 6th 1782.

I have the Honor to be
Gentlemen,

Your most obedient
Humble Servant
John Hudleston
J. H.

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Received Letter from Capt. Souler, dated the 4th (as entered in the Miscellany Book) containing a Vindication of his Conduct respecting the Seizure of the Images of the Trivalore Pagoda, of which a Complaint had been given in, by the Bramins belonging to that Place.

Received the following Letter from Sir Eyre Coote, enclosing one to him from Colonel Braithwaite, with his Answer.

To the Right Honble George Lord Macartney.
R. B. President and Governor &c. Select Committee of
Fort St. George.
My Lord & Gentlemen!

I joined the Army on the 2nd at Noon, and marched on the 3rd in the Morning to Gundlupet, and on the 4th to my present Encampment, but in a very cumbersome Situation, owing to the very deficient State of our Carriage for Camp Equipage and Provisions:— In Order to carry the former, the Agent Mr. Kenworthy was obliged to send into Ponamallee a considerable Part of the Stores for the Europeans, and to bring off the Ground the whole, or as much of the latter as possible. I obliged the Followers in the Company's Pay, who do the most laborious Duties of the Army, to receive each thirty one Days Subsistence, (which

From Sir Eyre Coote, complaining of the bad State of Carriage for Provisions and Camp Equipage — uncertainty of the Situation of the Fleet, and of Hyder's Intention regarding the Mahratta Treaty. Suspend his Desire of distressing the Enemy, requesting Grain may be sent to Chingliput, and enclosing Letter from Colonel Braithwaite to him, and his Answer.

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th 7. which is of itself equal to a moderate Burthen for one + Person, and I put on every Tumbrill and Piece of Ordnance in the Lines, on some one, and on others two Bags of Rice each. The Coolies who have made their Appearance from the Presidency with Rice, have in Number fallen greatly short, of what I was given to expect should attend me, being only about 1400. - Notwithstanding my having submitted to all these distressful Inconveniencies, and exacted from this Army Exertions very incompatible with and highly injurious to the Duties and Services, which it is equally wished and expected of it to perform. - The early Prospect of being short of Provisions, with all its pernicious Effect, already stare me in the Face and bound my Views. Whilst both my Progress and Resolves receive an ~~an~~ unavoidable Check, as well from not knowing the Situation of our Fleet as from being yet ignorant of Hyder's Intentions upon the Conditions settled for him in the Mahratta Treaty, - either of which unascertained, my Desire of distressing our natural Enemy must remain in Suspence.

The sending of Grain to Chingleput is of the greatest Importance, I request therefore that every Means be used to deposit as speedily as + possible a large Quantity in that Garrison.

I do myself the Honor to enclose for your Information, Copy of a Letter, which I have received from Colonel Braithwaite with my
 Answer

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I have the Honor to be
My Lord & Gentlemen
Your most obedient
Humble Servant
(signed) Eyre Coote.

Camp near
Munnimangalam.
6th July 1782.

To his Excellency Sir Eyre Coote K. B.
Lieutenant General, Commander in Chief &c.
&c. &c.

Sir,

I have been lately honored with
your Excellency's Letter of the 3rd of May, with the
Contents of which, the Bramin mentioned in my former
Letter, was informed, and yesterday he conversed with
me on the Subject. He observed that formerly the
Mysorean was a great Friend to the English, and
the Nabob Mahomet Ally Cawn, assisted them to
take from the French all the Places they had in this
Country, and to drive them out, and advanced for these
Purposes very large Sums of Money, that in Consideration
for these Services & these Sums of Money, the Nabob
Mahomet Ally Cawn gave Bonds to the Mysorean,
and engaged to deliver up to him the Trichinopoly,
Madura, and Tennevelly Countries, that the Bahauder
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7th is at this Time in Possession of these Bonds & Engagements to which the Nabob Mahomet Ally Cawn's Signature is affixed, and which have in no Instance hitherto been complied with, that he considers the English and the Nabob Mahomet Ally Cawn to have lost their Words, and thereby to have caused the present ruinous War, & which chiefly has been occasioned, by the Non-compliance with the above Engagements, this, Sir, he desires me to write to your Excellency, saying that if you send any Answer, it will be well, as I then may perhaps be released to come to you, and return under your Orders to settle Matters, but that if you do not return any Answer, I shall not be ill treated on that Account.

I take the Liberty to write this as a private Letter, reciting Part of a private Conversation, as my Replies are not deemed necessary to make a Part of this Letter.

I have the Honor to be
with the greatest Respect
Your Excellency's
very obedient Servant
John Brathwaite.

P.S.

Since writing the above, the Bramin has informed me, and desires me to acquaint your Excellency, that the Bahaudee is also in Possession of Papers signed by Governor Saunders which bind him equally with the Nabob Mahomet Ally Cawn as above mentioned.

A true Copy Geo. Tyler, Secy.

Camp near
Dobey Guon.
June 29th 1782.

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To Colonel John Brathwaite.

Sir,

I have received your Letter of the 29th Ultimo. The Claims which the Mysorean has upon the Nabob Mahomet Ally Cawn and the English, may in themselves be very just, and might possibly have met with that Attention to which they appear to be entitled, had they been introduced to a Discussion at a Time when no intermediate Conduct of the Claimant or his Representatives could be alleged in its Nature or its Consequences, to have weakened the Force of them. Be this as it may, a late Treaty of Friendship and Alliance settled between us and the Mahrattas, and in which the Nabob Hyder Ally Cawn has been included, is the ground Work now of all Negotiation: The Business of which being once settled other Matters may then be taken into Consideration.

Camp near
Munnimungulur.
5th July 1782.

I am
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant.
(signed) Eyre Cootes.

A True Copy Geo. Tyler. Secy. Secretary.

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Dispatched the following Letter

to Sir Lyre Coote.

Sir,

We have received the Honor of your Letter of the 6th Instant, inclosing Colonel Braithwaite's Letter to you, and your Answer.

We are concerned to hear of the Difficulties which occur to you, it is our constant endeavour to obviate them. We have given Orders to send Grain to Chingliput as you desire, and hope the Danger of the Road will not prevent the Boats from proceeding.

We have perused your Correspondence with Colonel Braithwaite, perhaps it may furnish a favorable Opportunity of proposing a Cessation of Hostilities with the only Indian Enemy now remaining to us. — The calamities of the People, The Difficulties under which your Army labours, The Scarcity of our Resources, render such an Event desirable. — Our National Enemies might then think it prudent to retreat from this Coast, or we might be able to expel them from it, before their expected Reinforcements arrive. — The Observation you make in your Answer to Colonel Braithwaite appears to us very just, that the new Treaty with the Mahrattas including Hyder Ally must be the Ground Work of all Negotiation, and if that Event had not taken Place, the Treaty executed by Hyder Ally.

To Sir Lyre Coote lamenting the Difficulties that occur to him. — Have ordered Grain to be sent to Chingliput. — Have perused his Correspondence with Colonel Braithwaite, imagine it may prove a good Opportunity of proposing a Cessation of Hostilities with Hyder Ally. — and have ordered 20000 Pagodas to be sent to him.

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7. Ally himself in 1769 almost at the gates of Madras, ~~must~~ be considered as having adjusted all prior Claims of the respective Parties. — We have received no news from the Admiral since you left us.

We have the Honor to be
Sir Your most obedient
Humble Servants.
Macartney & ^{co} Select Committee.

P.S. The Military Paymaster has ^{re} communicated to us, your Paymaster's Letter to him, and we have ordered 20,000 Pagodas to be sent to you, out of 28,000 which is our whole Stock, we have supplied you with Pagodas since

Copies of the foregoing are now dispatched to Bengal, with the following Letter —

To the Honble Warren Hastings Esq.
Governor General & ^{co} Council of
Bengal.

Honorable Sir & Sirs.

We have the Honor to transmit you, Copies of a Letter and Enclosures which we have (just

Fort St. George
July 7th 1782.

To Bengal, enclosing
copies from and to Sir
Eyre Coote.

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to him. -

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July 7th 1782.

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Eyre Coote

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7th just received from Sir Eyre Coote, together with our Answer.

We are in hourly Expectation of important News from the Fleet, as in all Probability it must have fallen in with Monsiur Suffren in its Way to this Place.

Fort St. George
7th 1st August 1782

We have the Honor to be
Honorable Sir & Miss

Your most obedient
Humble Servants.

Macartney^{es} Select Committee.

Dispatched the following Letters,

To Mr. William Ross. Agent. —

Sir

To Mr. William Ross,
desiring he will use
his Exertions to deposit
Grain in Chingliput.

I am directed by the Right Honble the President and Select Committee to inform you, that they have received a Letter from the Commander in Chief, in which he requests in the most urgent Terms, that every Means may be used to deposit ^{as speedily as possible a large quantity of} Grain in the Garrison of Chingliput, as it is a Matter of the greatest Importance, the Select Committee therefore desire you will use every possible Exertion for that Purpose.

Fort St. George
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7 July 1782

I have the Honor to be
Your very obedient Servant.

(signed)

John Hudleston.

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To Edward Saunders Esq^r.

Civil-Paymaster.

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honble
the President and Select Committee to desire that you will
cause to be made as soon as possible twelve tilted waggons
of a light construction, each capable of carrying 6 Men,
and to be drawn by 4 Bullocks.

I have the Honor to be
Sir,

Your most humble Servant.

John Muddleston.

Fort St. George
7th July 1782.

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Received the following Letter from
Captain Cuppage at Vellore.

To the Right Honble George Lord Macartney
K. B.

My Lord.

From Captain &
Cuppage acknowled-
ging the Receipt of
1000 Pagodas, and
informing of the
Situation of the
Enemy.

I had the Honor to address your
Lordship ^{th 24 Inst;} acknowledging the Receipt of one thousand
Pagodas, for the Use of the Garrison. Hyder with
the greatest Part of his Army still remains on the
South Side of the Canny-ambaddy Pass, the Camps
about Seven Miles from us are much the same. I
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I don't know their Intentions, but I believe nothing else but the Convenience of Water and Grass, as they are mostly Horse they have given us very little Trouble, but are a great Detriment to the Place in Cultivation, and putting a Stop to Grain from coming to the Pettah, which has obliged me to put my Sepoys, Lascars &c on the Garrison Allowance of Rice, should I be obliged to continue, it will make a very material Alteration in our Garrison Stock. —

The Bearer delivered his Charge faithfully, and am confident your Lordship may continue to trust him.

I have the Honour to be,

My Lord,

Your Lordship's
most obedient Servant.

John Cuppage.

Vellore 29th
June 1782.

Received from Major's Report (as entered in the Miscellany Book) of 100 Nellore Bullocks & arriving this Morning.

The Right Honble the President informs the Committee that Vizeram Ranga the Rajah of Vizeragaram, had intimated to him^{his} Intention of visiting the Pagoda of Jagganaut.

Agreed in consequence that the Chief

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The G. of Vizagapatam he wrote to, to furnish the Rajah with a guard of Sepoys to attend him as far as Ganjam, and with every other Accommodation he may be in Want of, to shew that he is favored and respected by the Company.

Agreed that the Chief of Ganjam be also wrote to on the same Occasion and to the same Effect.

The Right Honble the President communicates to the Committee: a Letter he has received from Mr. Digby at Mr. Tranquar dated the 5th Instant. - Agreed that an Extract from Mr. Digby's Letter containing an Account of the late Sea Engagement be transmitted to Bengal and to the General.

Dispatched the following Letters of this Date.

To John Maxwell Stone Esq.
Chief of Ganjam.

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honble the President and Select Committee to inform you that Vizoram Range, the Rajah of Vizenagarum (having

To Ganjam, desiring the Chief will furnish Vizoram Range, with a Guard in his Journey to Jaggaonut, thro' their District, and to acquaint the Subah of Cuttack of this intended Journey

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Ith having intimated to the President his Intention to make a Visit to the Pagoda of Jaggernaut, they desire you will pay him all possible Respect and Attention in passing through your District, and furnish him with a Guard, and with every other Accommodation that may be agreeable to him, and that may tend to shew, that he is favored and protected by the Company, and as part of the Road from Ganjam to Jaggernaut lies through Countries belonging to the Mahrattas, the Select Committee think it will be proper, that you should write to the Subah of Cuttack, to apprise him of the intended Journey of Vizieram Ranga, and to request a Pass or Order, to obtain for him any Assistance he may require in the Villages subject to his Authority.

Fort St. George
9th July 1782.

I have the Honor to be,
Sir, Your most humble Servant.
(Signed) John Hudleston.

To, Morgan Williams Esq^r,
Chief of Vizagapatam.

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Hon^{ble} the President & Select Committee to inform you, that
(Vizagapatam)

To Vizagapatam -
desiring the Chief to
furnish Vizieram
Ranga, with a Guard
as far as Ganjam.

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th 9. Vizram Range having intimated to the President, his Intention to make a Visit to the Pagoda of Jaggermunt, they desire you will furnish him with a Guard of Sepoys to attend him as far as Ganjam, and with every other Accommodation, that may be agreeable to him, and that may tend to shew, that he is favored and protected by the Company.

I have the Honor to be
Sir,

Your most humble servant
John Hudleston.
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(Signed)

To the Honorable Warren Hastings Esq.
Governor General & Council of
Fort William.

Honorable Sir,

We have the Honor to inform you that our President has just received a Letter from Mr. Digby dated the 5th Instant at Tranquebar, of which the following is an Extract.

"The French Fleet appeared to the
" Northward this Morning about 8 O'Clock, preceded by
" two Frigates, as the Wind was strong from the Land,
" they were only a Breast of the Port by one, about
" three, one of their Line of Battle Ships carried away her

To Bengal, mentioning
an Extract of a Letter
from Mr. Digby giving
an Account of the late
Sea Engagement.

To Sir Hyde Coote
on the same Subject.

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th 9th her main and mizen Topmasts, nevertheless they
 " continued standing on close-hauled, until near
 " four, when the English Fleet laying off Negapatam
 " weighed, and we have just lost sight of both
 " Fleets apparently standing South-East, and distant
 " from each other 3 or 4 Leagues."

Fort St. George
 9th July 1782.

We have the Honor to be,
 Honorable Sir & firs,
 Your most obedient
 Humble Servants.

signed Macartney & ^{ca} Select Committee.

The same to Sir Eyre Coote.

To Mr. William Mouat,
 Surgeon-Major of the 98th Regiment.

Sir,

I am directed by the Right
 Honble the President and select Committee to inform
 you, that your Bill for Disbursements for the
 Use of the sick of a Part of his Majesty's 98th Regiment,
 has been laid before them, and they desire to know
 in consequence, what Number of that Regiment
 is now here, and how many sick are charged for
 in the said Bill.

I am

Sir, Your most humble servant

(signed)

John Hudleston.

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To Mr. William Mouat
 desiring to know, how
 many sick are charged
 for in his Bill.

Fort St. George
 9th July 1782.

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Fort St. George, 9th July 1782.

Thursday
9th July.

At a select Committee, present
The Right Honble George Lord Macartney
K.B. President.

..... Anthony Sadlier Esq.^r

..... Alexander Davidson Esq.^r

Lieutenant General Sir Eyre Coote, absent
on Service. — Major General Sir Hector
Munro, indisposed. —

John Holland Esq.^r Resident at the
Nizam's Court.

Minutes of last Committee
read and approved.

Read the following Letter
from Major Douglass.

To His Excellency Lord Macartney Esq.^r &c. &c.

My Lord!

An Application to the Pay Master
W. Saunders, for Batta, while absent from my Corps.
I find it necessary to explain to your Lordship, the
Reason for such a Demand.

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From Major Douglass,
requesting Batta, from
the time of his
embarkation for this
Presidency.

Fort St. George 9th July 1782.

When Captain Smith arrived with the Transports at Callicut, Colonel Humberston the Commanding Officer, thought it for the good of the Service, not to embark all the King's Troops for Madras, in consequence of which, I was ordered from the Camp at Tenor, to embark on board one of the 4 Transports with Dispatches for Sir Eyre Coote; having left a Horse, Baggage, Bullocks, Servants in Camp to take care of them, therefore presume I am as much on Duty as these Gentlemen I left, it being by Order of my Commanding Officer I came here, and till after the Monsoon impossible to join; I humbly request of your Lordship, to represent the Circumstances to the Committee.

I have the Honor to be, with great Respect
Your Lordship's
most obedient Servant.

(Signed)

Robert Douglas.

Major, commanding additional Companies.

I. Major Hutchinson was also sent to Bombay.

Agreed that Major Douglas be allowed his Batta as his Corps is in the Field, and he was sent to the Coast by his commanding Officer with public Dispatches.

Read the following Letter from
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8th July 1782.

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Fort St. George, 9th July 1782.

the Chief and Council of Masulipatam, with its
enclosure to them from Captain Lysaught.

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney,
H. B. Resident and Governor &c. Select Committee of
Fort St. George.

My Lord & Gentlemen!

We have been honored with
your commands of the 15th Instant, with a List of
Stores accompanying, which according to your
Orders, shall be sent upon the Sloop Adventure
to Fort Marlborough.

Herewith we transmit
your Lordship's copy of a Letter received
from Captain Lysaught, and we request you will
be pleased to send us Instructions relative to the
Disposal of those Sepoy Prisoners, he does not
intend bringing to a Court Martial.

We are respectfully
My Lord & Gentlemen,
Your most obedient, humble servants

(signed) { James Hodges
John Peter Boileau
" Thomas Barnard
" Alex. Tringle

From Chief and
Council of Masulipatam
enclosing a Letter
from Captain Lysaught
respecting the
Mutineers.

Masulipatam
30th June 1782.

Fort St. George, 9th July 1782.

To James Hodges Esq^r
 Sec^y Council of Masulipatam,

Gentlemen: I am favored with yours of the 21st Instant, as yet I have not been furnished with any particular Instructions from the Commander in Chief, relative to the late Mutiny and Desertion, he only informed me, as I before acquainted you, that he had perused my Letters to your Board on that Subject, and that he had thought proper to grant me a general Warrant for holding Courts-Martial, in consequence of which I ordered one to assemble; - My Intention is therefore to proceed in bringing the Ring Leaders in the Mutiny and a Jemidar who appears to have encouraged the Desertion amongst the Sepoys, to their Trials, as I cannot suppose it can be the Intention of the Right Hon^{ble} the President and Committee, that all the Prisoners in confinement, exceeding two Hundred in Number shall be tried. - In the mean Time, I request that you will be pleased to address the Committee on this Subject, to obtain their Orders for the Disposal of such of the Prisoners, as are not to be brought before the Court-Martial.

I have the Honor to be with Respect
 Gentlemen,
 Your most obedient Servant.
 (signed) Arth. Lysaght. -

nd
 Allore 22
 June 1782.

A true Copy
 Alex^r Pringle
 Sec^y

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Minute thereon.

Agreed that Copy of Captain
Lysaght's Letter, be sent to the Commander in Chief
and that he be requested to favor the Committee
with His Opinion what Measures it may be eligible
to pursue, with Regard to such of the Mutineers, as
he may not resolve to bring to a Court-Martial.

Read the following Letter from
Colonel Ross.

From Colonel Ross,
respecting the present
State of the Fortifications

To the Right Honorable George Lord Macartney
K. B. President & Governor; Select Committee of
Fort St. George.
My Lord & Gentlemen!

In Obedience to your Commands
by Mr. Secretary Huddleston, I have the Honor to
report to you, the State in which I find the Fortifications
of this Place, which I am happy the Abilities of Major
Maule, and the exertion made during my Absence
have enabled me to do with so much Advantage to
the publick and Satisfaction to myself, from the
very respectable State to which the Works are
now brought - The Defences of the North Front
of the Fort are considerably improved by the
Addition of two Lunettes and the carrying through
the former dry Ditch of the Ravelin, a Lunette
which now completes the Communication of Water
round

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round the Fort. — The Bastions, Out works, Ditches, Gallery, Covertway and Glacis of the North-west and South-west Fronts are in good Order and capable of any Defence expected from them. — The Draw-Bridges of the South-west Gateways should be completed directly. I find the whole of the South Front complete except a little Height wanting to the Parapet of the Curtain, and the Pallisades and Banquettes of the Covert way to the South East, these have for a length of Time remained unfinished, but I think it essential they should be put up without Loss of Time, as the Garrison cannot be deemed secure, while the Covert-way is open to assault. The whole of the East Line has I am given to understand for these several Months past, been finished to the Cordon, but that from the Want of Bricks and Chumam which has so long existed, there yet remains to complete it a small Quantity of Brick work, to bring it to its level near the North Sea-Gate, the Chumaming the Masonry at its Top level to prepare it for the Reception of the Earth to be filled in, and the Parapet extending along the whole Line. The Draw-Bridges to the Sea Gates are also wanting. The Cisterns I find are filled, though a Part of the back Wall of their Gallery is not yet chumamed, and the Floor of the Gallery, by two or three Courses of Masonry not yet brought to

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to the level originally intended. I learn of Major Maule that from the Necessity of the Times, the Cisterns were chunamed long before he thought the walls sufficiently dry, and that the Existence of the same Necessity has induced your Lordship y^{ca} to order them to be filled at an earlier Period than could have been wished, the moist State of the Chunam considered, but on Examination I find they fulfill their Purpose much better than could have been expected under such Circumstances.

Your Lordship y^{ca} will perceive that no great Exertions are required to complete entirely all that shall depend upon the Fortifications for the Defence of Fort St. George. The sea line a small Quantity of Materials only is required to finish. - And with Respect to the Pallisadoes, Draw Bridges y^{ca} resting with the Contractor for Repairs to carry through, I have leave to lay before you the following Copy of a Letter I wrote him on the Subject with his Reply, this Step I thought necessary as Major Maule informs me that repeated Orders had been sent without Effect for completing these Works out of Hands.

I trust that your Lordship y^{ca} seeing thus the Cause of Difficulty and Delay on the Part of the Contractor for Repairs, will be induced to fall upon such Measures as shall appear

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appear to you most likely to remove them.

The Necessity there is that a proper Lodgement should be provided in the Fort for an additional Quantity of Gun Powder has, I perceive, on the Minutes of the Committee of Stores, already been made known to your Lordship &c. The Surplus of what could be disposed of in the Fort was in the Time of Peace lodged in the Shed on the Island, and the Magazines in the Black Town, but its Security in these Places is in no Degree at present to be depended upon.

Your Lordship &c are fully apprized how necessary it is, that the Garrison Store of Grain should be securely lodged within the Fort. I would to this End beg leave to propose, that a Bomb Proof Granary, surrounding three Sides of the Fort Square be erected, and subdivided into small Godowns of such Dimensions as will render them capable of being well stowed, and their Space thereby disposed of to the best Advantage. At the same Time, the Quantity of Water for the Use of the Garrison, may be considerably increased by forming a Row of Cisterns beneath the Granary, and I take leave to assure your Lordship &c if it thus becomes a Part of the original Design, it will in no Degree incur an Expence, to be put in Competition, with that Satisfaction a Reservoir of Water during a Siege.

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in such a Climate as this must afford. With this View, and the erecting of two or three Powder & Magazines much wanted within the Fort, I have & recommended it to the Committee of Works to make an immediate Provision of one hundred Lacks of Bricks with a Proportion of Chunan sufficient to lay them.

The casing of the Parapets most exposed to the Weather is in want of Pointing. As this casing is very slight, being of Bricks laid in Clay, and only pointed in Chunan, for the Convenience of removing it with ease in case of Service, it will require to be kept constantly in good Order, to prevent the Parapets from shooting into the Ditch. As Works of so great an Extent as the Fortifications of Fort St. George must necessarily require a constant Attention to keep them in proper Order, I imagine it would be expedient to allot some Artificers and Sascars for that particular Service.

I have to express my very great Satisfaction in finding the North West and South-West Front in particular, and the whole Fort in general, rendered so much more secure than it ever yet has been, by the Removal of the high and dangerous Ground of Hoghill.

The Black Town Wall is by no Means in the State I could wish to see it, though much Labour and some Expence has been incurred, to improve temporary Works of Clay &c. The North East Angle should without a Doubt be completed according to the

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The original Design, and as the Expence of finishing the whole, after The Plan first proposed, will be but trifling compared to the Consequence and Utility of the Objects proposed by it; an Utility so thoroughly evinced under our present Circumstances; I have to express my Hopes that your Lordship & ^{cs} will concur in Opinion with me, that the first favorable Moment that offers for putting it in a State of Defence should be seized. Its Environs to the Northward are in general free from cover, but to the Westward the Pottery Kiln and Parcherry are Wils that ought to be removed without Loss of Time.

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I have the Honor to be
My Lord & Gentlemen
Your most obedient
& very humble servant
(Signed) Patrick Ross.
Lieut. Colonel & Chief Engineer.

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney
K.B. President and Governor & ^{cs} Select Committee of
Fort St. George.
My Lord & Gentlemen!

I have the Honor to enclose
you

From Colonel Ross
inclosing a monthly
Return of the Corps
of Engineers.

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G.O. 2nd February 1782. The Hon^{ble} the Court of Directors having been pleased to appoint M^{rs}ender Johnstone Esq^r a Major on this Establishment and Rank next under Major Hopkin, the said M^{rs}ender Johnstone is now appointed a Lieutenant Colonel to rank as such from 16th September 1781.

N.B. Colonel Johnstone did not reach the Presidency until the End of January or beginning of February 1782.

Mr Collins Tyson who brings from the India House, the Commission of Practitioner Engineer, dated the 31st January 1781, to take Rank next and immediate after Jacob Hening who returned to England on the Hastings, after we sailed from Praya Bay, having been on the intended Expedition against the Cape of Good Hope, is only arrived here lately, from which Circumstances he has been declared in Orders, the youngest Officer of the Corps, whereas I apprehend, he should be senior to Mr Jennings, whose Commission from the India House is only dated the 30th May 1781, - And to M^{rs}rs Guthrie and Watson who were appointed in the Country, long after Mr Tyson was embarked for that Service. Should your Lordship &^{ca} see it on the same Point of View I do, I hope you will please to order its being rectified.

Ensigns

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Ensigns James Robert Prescott,
and John Norris having applied to me for a Removal
from the Infantry to the Corps of Engineers, their
Education having been in that Line, I take leave
to submit the same to your Approbation, as I am
informed they are well calculated to make useful
Engineers. - Should their Appointment take
place another Subaltern may be spared for the
Southern and to assist Captain Johnstone at
Negapatam.

I have the Honor to be with Respect
My Lord & Gentlemen,

Your most obedient
and most humble Servant.

(Signed)

Patrick Ross.

Lieutenant Colonel & Chief Engineer.

Return of the Corps of Engineers and Assistant Engineers,
under the Command of Lieutenant Colonel Patrick Ross. -

	Lieutenant Colonel Chief Engineer	Major Engineer	Captain Engineer	Lieutenant Engineer	Ensign Master Gunner
Gone to Europe on leave.....	1	"	"	"	"
Doing Duty at Madras.....	1	1	2	"	3
Doing Duty at Negapatam.....	"	"	1	"	"
Doing Duty at Tanjore.....	"	"	"	1	"
In Camp.....	"	"	"	1	"
At Madras on Parole.....	"	"	1	1	"
Doing Duty in the Circar.....	"	"	1	"	"
Sent to the Presidency of Bencoolen..	"	"	"	"	1
Doing Duty at Vellore.....	"	"	"	"	1
Doing Duty at Pullicat.....	"	"	"	"	2
Sick at Madras.....	"	"	"	"	1
Total.....	1	2	5	3	8

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Distribution of the Corps of Engineers

Names	Rank	Date of Rank	Remarks
Patrick Ross	Chief Engineer	15 th September 1770	Madras
George Maule	Director Engineer	14 th December 1778	Madras
Thomas Gills	D ^o	8 th July 1781	at Home, not considered of the Corps
James Johnstone	Sub D ^o Engineer	17 th August 1778	Negapatam
George Banks	D ^o	14 th December 1778	Trichinopoly
John Byers	D ^o	15 th December 1778	Prisoner on Parole
William Gent	D ^o	11 th November 1781	Ganjam
William Percott	D ^o	31 st March 1782	Masulipatam
Charles Salmon	Sub D ^o Engineer	19 th July 1781	Tanjore
Simon Stuart	D ^o		Prisoner on Parole
John Wickers	D ^o	16 th September 1781	With the Army
Crisha Trappard	Pract. Engineer	1 st July 1780	Bencoolen
John Dean Kilgillback	D ^o	12 th October 1780	Nillne
Charles Parsons Egg	D ^o	13 th October 1780	Lik at Madras
George Prong	D ^o	12 th December 1780	Publicat
John Guthrie	D ^o	25 th September 1781	D ^o
Samuel Jennings	D ^o	Date of Rank not settled.	Madras
Robert Watson	D ^o	D ^o	Madras
William (Mills) Tyson	D ^o	D ^o	Madras

Assistant Engineers

Alexander Beaton Ensign of Infantry at Masulipatam

Patrick Ross
Lieutenant Colonel & Chief Engineer

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Minute thereon.

The Committee are well pleased with the Account Colonel Ross has given of the improved State of the Fortifications; with Respect to the Work necessary to complete them, the Buildings he has recommended, and the Measures necessary to put the Black Town Wall in a proper State of Defence, the Committee will very soon take those Points into Consideration. In the mean while, agreed that Colonel Ross be desired to express more precisely his Opinion respecting the Cisterns having been chunamed long before Major Maule thought them sufficiently dry.

The Committee approve the Distribution of Engineers recommended by Colonel Ross, and it is ordered accordingly. — Captain Johnstone however is to be considered as still belonging to Tanjore when his Services can be dispensed with at Negapatam. — Agreed also that Ensigns Prescott and Norris be removed from the Infantry, to the Corps of Engineers, and that the Secretary examine with Respect to the Rank of Mr. Tyson, and rectify the Mistake if any has been committed.

With Regard to that Part of Colonel Ross's Letter which relates to his Rank, the Court of Directors having positively forbid the granting Brevets, the Committee can only refer it to their Decision.

Received Letter from Mr. Botham (as entered in the Miscellany Book) advising

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From Mr. Botham
mentioning his
having engaged 8
Artificers, & praying
the Committee to
abide by a Promise
made them by him,
of supplying their
Families with 6th
Pagodas pth Month.

advising of his having engaged 8 Artificers for
the Service of Fort Marlborough, and requesting
that their Families here may receive half their pth
Monthly pay, which is agreed to accordingly.

The Secretary lays before the
Committee, Bills sent by the Surgeon's Mate of
his Majesty's 98th Regiment for Disbursements
for the Sick of a Part of that Regiment, amounting
to 78 Pagodas, and another Bill for Servants Wages
amounting to 39, 27.

These Bills and many other
Applications of the same Nature, evince the necessity
of some established Mode of adjusting the Accounts
and Charges of his Majesty's Surgeons, and induce
the Committee to adopt the following Arrangement
recommended by Mr. Purley the late Surgeon General,
and agreed to by the Surgeon of the 73rd Regiment.

In a Battalion of 800 Men, it is
supposed that on an Average 120 may be in the
Hospital, and the Surgeon is to draw 4 Panams
pth Day for each Man, which will amount to the
Sum of 342 Pagodas and 36 Panams monthly; by
this Standard therefore, each of his Majesty's Surgeons
is to regulate his Charges, drawing at the Rate
of Pagodas 342, 26 pth Month for 800 Men, and
in Proportion, if the Battalion or Regiment under
his Charge shall consist of more or less than that
Number, his monthly Bills to be always accompanied
by

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by a Certificate of the Number, under the Hand of
the Commanding Officer of the Regiment. The
Company are to find Beds and Quilts for the Sick,
and every Sick Man's Deduction for Victualling, is
still to be considered, and appropriated for that Purpose,
as the Surgeon shall think necessary to furnish, either
by himself, or any other Person he may chuse to nominate
for that Purpose. Agreed that this Arrangement
be made known, and proposed to the several Commanding
Officers of his Majesty's Regiment now here.

The President lays before the
Committee the following Papers.

To Edward Saunders Esq^r

Military Paymaster General at

Fort St George.

Sir,

I am directed by the Commander
in Chief to acquaint you, that he will immediately want
a further Supply of Money for the Use of the Army,
and desires that some for that Purpose be forwarded to
Camp by the first Opportunity. I am to request the
Favor of your Answer, as I may inform the General, whether
any Money may shortly be expected for the Payment of the
Troops.

I am Sir,

Your most obedient Servant.

(Signed)

J. Welch (Paymaster)

From Mr Welch
desiring a further
Supply for the Use
of the Army —

Camp at
Munnimungulum
5th July 1782.

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July 8th 1782.

Ballance in the Cash & Treasury in	}	Pagodas 22,000
Francs & Current Pagodas		
A. Rupees 7500, or		2000
Madras Pagodas 4000, at 10 th Cent		4400
	Pagodas	28400
Ordered to be issued this Day for Camp		20,000
Remains in the Treasury		8400 ^{rs}

Return of Bullocks reported by
the Deputy Agent to be with the Army on the 31st of
January together with the Number furnished by the
Agent since 1st January and the Number now under
his Charge.

Returned by the Deputy Agent
on the 31st January 1782. Draught Bullocks 3721
Carrriage Ditto ... 4558
8279

N.B. Of the above Number, 500 were reported
to be in a very bad Condition.

Deduct from the above Number 790 Bullocks
delivered to Captain Morehouse on the 26th and 28th
January, which were the first Bullocks sent to the
Army by the present Agent, and which should be
included in the above Account - after that Deduction
the Number of Bullocks which will appear to have
been with the Army before any Addition was made is. 7489

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Effective Bullocks sent to the Army from } 12,764
the 26th January to this Day.....

Total Bullocks which appear to have } 20,253.
been with the Army on 31st January, and
to have been supplied since that Time —

Bullocks remaining under Charge of the Agent.

Draught Bullocks.....	176
Carriage Ditto.....	276
Recoverable.....	100
Received this Day.....	396
Unrecoverable.....	400
Total.....	1348

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Signed William Ross, Agent.

Account of Rice, Bullocks, and Ammunition
sent to the Army, from the 12th of January to the
2nd July 1782.

Bullocks effective before the 23 rd June.....	11,669
Ditto ... Ditto... since ... Ditto.....	1101
Total Bullocks...	12,770

Rice in Bags of 6 Mercats each } before the 23 rd June. ————	88,240 $\frac{1}{2}$
Ditto..... Ditto..... since Ditto.....	7964 $\frac{1}{2}$
Total Bags.....	96,205

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Arrack delivered before the 23rd June.

413 Thirds of Hogsheads or Gallons.... 20,301

32 Ditto... Ditto delivered since.... 1733

Total Gallons 22,034

Bullocks

Remaining under Charge of the Agent.

Fitted for Service..... 113

Untrained that will be fit for Service..... 200

Recoverable..... 100

Unserviceable..... 546

Total Bullocks... 959

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3rd July 1782.

signed/ William Ross, Agent.

Bullocks with the Army the 1st December 1781, as per Deputy Agent's Return } 8085

Supplied from that Time to 2nd July 12,168-

Report of Garrison. Store-keeper.

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Rice in Garrison Store 49,867, 832, 286, 716

signed/ Alexander Brodie
Garrison Storekeeper

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Account of Cash received from Bengal, from
22nd June 1781, the Day of Lord Macartney's Arrival
at Madras, to 11th July 1782.

1781

August	22 nd	Received 2 Chests of Gold for Chasen Sicca Rupees	172413.13
		Ditto 2	for Nymph - 172413.13
	28 th	Ditto 2	for Coventry - 172413.13
November	2 nd	Ditto 5	for Nymph 431034.7.6 Sicca Rupees 948275.14.6 or 234884.25.35
December	12 th	Ditto 32 Chests Sicca Rupees for Resolution	258620.11.~
January	12 th	Ditto 13 D ^o	for Swallow 100000.~
	16 th	Ditto 22 Ditto	for Grosvenor - 172413.13
March	6 th	Ditto 22 Ditto	for Resolution 172413.13
	29 th	Ditto 22 Ditto	for Yarmouth 172413.13
		Ditto 22 Ditto	for Dartmouth 172413.13
		Sicca Rupees	1048275.15.~

or
A. Rupees 10482758.11.237.5 for 295669

May	5	Received 5 Chests of Gold for Resolution Sicca Rupees 517241.6 or P ^s 136329.15.20 Pagodas 686883.4.55
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Account of Cash advanced the Camp Paymaster
from 22nd June 1781, the Day of Lord Macartney's
Arrival at Madras, to 11th July 1782.

1781

July

14 Cash paid Mr. Welch 30,666.30.~

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1781.

July	28 th	Cash paid Mr. Welch.....	20,000, ..	P.
August	3 rd	 D ^o	500, ..	50,666 30 -
		 D ^o	25,000, ..	
	24 th	 D ^o	10,196, ..	
		 D ^o	4683, 16, 40	
		 D ^o	6719, ..	
September	30 th	 D ^o	40,000, ..	47,098 17 40
		 D ^o	10,000, ..	
		 D ^o	40,000, ..	
October	31 st	 D ^o		90,000 0 0
		 D ^o		60,000 ..
		 D ^o		11,201 33 -
November	30 th	 D ^o		20,000 -
December	31 st	 D ^o	5000, ..	
		 D ^o	6500, ..	
		 D ^o	70,000, ..	
		 D ^o	1000, ..	
		 D ^o	17500, ..	
		 D ^o	4449, 18, ..	
		 D ^o	6837, ..	
		 D ^o	10,000, ..	
		 D ^o	9600, ..	
		 D ^o	10,000, ..	
		 D ^o	15,400, ..	
		 D ^o	55,000, ..	
1782 January	2 nd	 D ^o	70,000, ..	211,281 18 -
		 D ^o	9500, ..	
		 D ^o	5000, ..	
		 D ^o	1,35,000, ..	

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1782 January...	2 nd	D ^o	10,000	
	4 th	D ^o	441, 27	2,29,941 27
February...	28 th	D ^o	60,000	
		D ^o	20,666, 30	80,666 30
March	31 st	D ^o	1603	
		D ^o	90,000	
		D ^o	9333, 15	
		D ^o	35,000	1,35,936 15
April...	5 th	D ^o	25,000	
	8 th	D ^o	30,000	
	10 th	D ^o	16,000	
	23 rd	D ^o	26,666, 30	97,666 30
May...	15 th	D ^o		1,37,666 30
June...	3 rd	D ^o	30,000	
	24 th	D ^o	43,000	
	30 th	D ^o	45,000	1,18,000
July...	10 th	D ^o		20,000
		Pagodas		13,0126 20 40

1781 An Account of Money remitted to the following Places by the Military Paymaster from 6th December 1781, to 16th July 1782.

December	th	Camp Paymaster	
	6	Cash remitted him	500
	20	D ^o	95,000
	24	D ^o	10,000
	26	D ^o	9600
	27	D ^o	25,400
	28	D ^o	55,000
	31	D ^o	70,000

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1781				
December	31 st	Paid the Sepoy Families.....	2847.3.	272,847 3
1782	January	5 th Cash remitted him.....	12000.	
	6 th	Ditto.....Ditto.....	2500.	
	24 th	Ditto a Bill drawn in Favor of M. Coxen, Pagodas — 10196	5561.12.60	
		in full.....		
	26 th	Ditto remitted him.....	135000.	
	27 th	D. a Bill drawn in Favor of Doctor Madrongale	445.27.	
	30 th	Ditto remitted him.....		
		D. paid Sepoy Families for December	4297.20.	169800 17 60
February	1 st	D. a Bill drawn in Favor of Lieutenant J. Northwick	316.22.32	
		D. D. of M ^{rs} Pelling & De Fries		
	18 th	Ditto remitted him.....	65000.	
	21 st	Ditto.....Ditto.....	5000.	
	25 th	Ditto.....Ditto.....	10666.24.	81297 29 48
March	27 th	Ditto.....Ditto.....	90000.	
	1 st	D. a Bill drawn in Favor of Captain Macallister	569.9.	
		D. D. of Captain Stevenson		
		D. D. of Captain Jourdan	484.36.	
	31 st	Ditto remitted him.....	35000.	
	1 st	Ditto a Bill in Favor of M ^{rs} Pelling and De Fries	568.6.30	127,172 9 30
		Ditto remitted him.....		
April	8 th	Ditto.....Ditto.....	25,000.8.	
	12 th	Ditto.....Ditto.....	30,000.8.	
		Ditto.....Ditto.....	16,000.	

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April	21 st	D ^o a Bill drawn in Favor of Captain J. Patter	700	"	"	"
	22 nd	D ^o advanced the dooley Boys	280	"	"	"
	24 th	Ditto remitted him	26,666	"	30	"
	30 th	D ^o paid Sepoy Families for January	4148	41	40	102,796 3 40
May	15 th	Ditto remitted him	137,666	"	18	"
	31 st	D ^o Families of Sepoys for February	4424	27	40	1,41,911 3 40
June	3 rd	D ^o Cash paid for a Bill drawn in favor of Mr. Bartholomew	88	14	0	
	21 st	Ditto remitted him	30,000	"	"	"
	24 th	Ditto Ditto	43,000	"	"	"
	30 th	Ditto Ditto	45,000	"	"	118,088 14 "
July	10 th	Cash ordered to be remitted	20,000	"	"	"
		Pagodas	1033	9	12 38 58	

State of certain Supplies furnished the Army

Number of Bullocks with the Army
on the when the Agents employ
was delivered over to Mr. William Ross in
January 1782

7489

Bullocks delivered by Mr. Ross to the
Army from January to July 1782

12764

Issues of Rice to the Army, by Mr. Ross
the Agent, from January 1782, to July 1782

96,205 Bags

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Issues of Arrack to the Army by
Mr. Ross the Agent, from January
to July 1782. } 22,034 Gallons

Cash as P^r. Account of Camp &
Paymaster from the 6th December 1781
to July 9th 1782. } 10,339 1/2 Pagodas

Present State of Funds
9th July 1782.

Number of Bullocks July 9th 1782 }
with Mr. Ross. } 1348

Rice in Garrison Store July 9th 1782, 49,867 Bags.

Cash in the Treasury, July 9th 1782, 8,400 Pagodas

The President acquaints the Committee
that immediately on receiving the above letter, from the
Paymaster at Camp, to the Military Paymaster here
demanding by the General's Order, a fresh supply of
Cash, in Addition to 118,000 Pagodas issued to the Army
a few Days before, a State of the Cash in the Treasury
was ordered to be made out, and the Amount was found
to be only 28,400 Pagodas, that in consequence, his
Lordship used his Endeavours, as on former Occasions
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to raise Money on his private Credit, but entirely without Success, and Mr. Tiernay the Paymaster of the Bengal Detachment, who was applied to, gave little Hope that Money could be raised in any way, perhaps it was neither very safe, nor prudent, to take much from a Treasury so reduced, and the Circumstance of 118,000 ₹ Pagodas, or four fifths of the whole Amount, having ₹ been issued a few Days before, may bring in Doubt the Necessity of it, that nothing however might be left undone, which it was possible to do towards complying with the General's Desire, the President ordered 20,000 Pagodas to be issued, leaving 3400 Pagodas for Fort St. George, the out Garrisons, and the hourly Call, for the Expences of supplying the Army with Provisions, and means of Carriage, of which Expences a Judgement may be formed from the above Statement of Bullocks, Rice, and Cash furnished the Army since the 1st January last. Agreed that Copy of the said Statement, together with Copies of the Treasury Note and the Report of the Garrison Stores be forwarded to Sir Lyne Coote, and that Copies of the same Papers, and of the Accounts of Cash received from Bengal, and of Cash issued to the Paymaster at Camp, from the 22nd June to this Time, be sent to the Governor General and Council.

The President lays before the Committee, the following Letters from the Amil, and Sheristadar of Nellore.

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soon be employed. — He has likewise ordered a Place to be prepared for a Catcherry, and seems only to wait for further Orders, to take the Management of the Country. — It is given out that when ^{these} Orders arrive, all the People employed by the Company are to be ^{be} confined, and this Report has been the cause of great Interruption in the Collections. — The Ryots are alarmed, and say that they had placed entire Confidence, in the Protection offered them by the Company and rented the several Districts for a Term of four Years, which had never been done before, having assured themselves that they should not be turned out of their Farms during that Time, that they had also supplied the Company with all the Bullocks they could, to gain the Favor of the Company, but now all that they had done was as much lost, for they were again to be subject to the Nabob's Government.

Your Servant also has agreed to rent this District for four Years, which was never done before and he has done it, only from a firm ^{very} Reliance on the Company's Protection and your Excellency's Favour. — He has no other Protector but your Excellency. — His Enemies here are ^{very} numerous, and he has no Hope of being relieved from his perilous Situation, than by your gracious Support. — May it please your Excellency, your Servant hopes to be informed, as soon as possible of the Truth or Falshood of the Reports that have been spread here. — If true
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be pleased to order me to repair to your Excellency's Presence immediately, I shall leave my Peshcar to transact the Business of the District.

Since the above Report has been spread Setteram is backward in discharging the Money he had embezzled, and which he had before agreed to pay, if there had been no such Report, a good Deal of Money might have been obtained from him, and many other Things would have come to light against him.

Former Rasmils used to appropriate to themselves all the Money and Presents given to them, I have not thought proper to take them, without your Excellency's Permission, and have kept in deposit all that I have received in that way since my Arrival, I hope your Excellency will send me Orders to permit me to take them for my own Use. I have and will exert myself to the utmost of my Ability, in forwarding the Interest of the Company.

I entreat your Excellency to Honor me with an Answer to this Address as soon as possible, that my Authority may be established, and that Confidence may be restored to the Ryats for carrying on the Affairs of this District, without Interruption.

From Ramagee, Sheristadar of
Mellore.

Dated 23rd Rejeb, or 5th July 1782.

Received ... 8 Ditto ...

From Ramagee, Sheristadar
respecting a letter said to
have been received by Meer
Kutub from the Nabob. —

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Yesterday Meer Cuttub ud Dien Cawn, said publicly before his own Dependants, that he had received a Letter from the Nabob, which informed him that the Country, was once more to be put under the Management of the Circar Servants; that he should have a Khelaat in two or three Days to resume his Office, and that he might in the mean Time be easy on that Account.

I find from the best Information, that such a Letter has actually been received from the Nabob, and it has had the Effect of spreading Confusion in the Affairs here, and alarming the Ryots, and the Collections have been interrupted.

May it please your Excellency, if this Report be true, be pleased to order your Servants to repair immediately to your Presence, but if it should prove false, be pleased to confer a Khelaat to Vincat Row the Painter, to confirm him in the Management of the Affairs here, in Order to restore Confidence to the Ryots, and that the Collections of Revenue may go on: unless Vincat Row receives such Confirmation from your Excellency, not a Dam can be collected from the Ryots. Your Servant represents this, from his sincere Wish for the Company's Interest.

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The Committee understand that the Declarations of the Nabob complained of in these Letters, are founded on the flattering Expectations his Highness asserts having received from his Agents at
(Bengal)

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Bengal, that the Assignment will be soon ordered by the Governor General and Council to be surrendered to him. - The Committee are sensible how little Ground there can be for such a Rumor, knowing as they do, the uniform Opinion the Governor General and Council have entertained, and communicated to them on the ~~the~~ Subject, their most earnest Advice that we should demand, and even insist on an exclusive Assignment. The Treaty they made with the Nabob in that View, the entire Approbation they expressed of the Assignment obtained by the President, their Directions not to suffer it to be defeated, their Disatisfaction at the Delay, which from Delancy to his Highness we suffered to intervene, on the effectual Execution of it; and lastly the Intentions and constant Aim of our Employers, that such Arrangements should be made, as would take the present force from the Presidency from its Dependence, so often disappointed upon his ~~the~~ Highness the Nabob. We trust also that in case of a Representation of any Abuse of the Assignment, such Representation will be communicated to us for our Answer before any Determination will be taken on it, by the Governor General and Council, but the Nabob may have the Weakness to flatter himself with less regular Proceedings on their Part, and every Doubt suggested to the People, of the Solidity and Permanency of our Authority, may lead to the necessity of exerting not only that Authority, but the actual Force of Government

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in Order to carry the public Measures into Execution.

Agreed to transmit to the Governor General and Council, Copies of the above Letter from Vellore, and to state to them our Sentiments on the Subject, it will be also proper to observe to them, on the Prospect of an approaching Peace with the Mahrattas, that the Conclusion of the War, will not immediately terminate the extraordinary Expence it has occasioned, nor open, or enlarge our Resources for some Time to the Degree of being able to subsist without their Aid, the Troops cannot either be disbanded, or suddenly removed out of the Presidency, they will expect not only their growing Pay, but their long subsisting arrears, and the very Arrangements of Peace, will occasion Expences and Advances.

Read the following Letter and Enclosures from the Agent

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney.
H. B. President and Governor of
Fort St. George.

My Lord!

Accompanying I have the Honor to lay before your Lordship, Returns of the Rice, Arrack &c sent from Tripassore to Vellore, what was lost on the March, and what was delivered there

From the Agent to the Army, inclosing Account of Provisions &c sent to Vellore, and of Rice &c supplied the Army from 15th June to 2nd July.

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The Coolies who went upon this & Service have received the Rewards which were promised to them, and such as returned wounded have been put under care of the Surgeons, and a Provision has been made for them until their Recovery.

The Loads of such Coolies as deserted from Tripasore have been left there and serve to increase the Stores of that Garrison. — All the & Bullocks and Carts which went to Vellore have been detained there by the commanding Officer.

In Consequence of Orders received from Sir Eyre Coote through the Grain Keeper, I employed such of the Bullocks under my care as were trained, and the Coolies who refused to go to Vellore, and from the 15th to the 21st of June sent 4522 Bags of Rice to the Mount, on the 21st of June, I was ordered to refrain from sending more Rice to the Mount, and to supply a sufficient quantity at Coimbat for the immediate Consumption of the fighting Men, and a Stock adequate to the Carriage of the Army; this Service was performed before the 2nd Instant, principally by Coolies, and by the Bullocks under my Charge, with very little Assistance from the Carriage attached to the Army.

On the 25th and 26th Ultimo, the Bullocks under my Charge were ordered to Camp, of 1294 sent thither, 199 were returned unserviceable
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from sore Backs which may easily be accounted for, as many of these Bullocks were lean when they were received from the Northward, and a Part of them had ^{been} almost constantly worked since the March of the Detachment to Tripassore on the 6th Ultimo.

Your Lordship from the Returns will see the exact Number of Bullocks which were received by the Deputy Agent as serviceable, together with the Quantity of Arack and Rice ^{of} ^{ca} which was supplied to the Army this Time.

I was directed by the Commander in Chief before the March of the Army to send as much Rice as I could to Chingleput - it was impossible then to comply with this Order, as all the Conveyance I could command accompanied the Army - On the 5th Instant I was directed to send 8000 Marcals of Rice with the utmost Dispatch to Poornamallee, and to continue sending Rice to Chingleput; I had before collected 1500 Coolies intending they should go to Chingleput, but in Compliance with the second Order, I changed my Design, and they went last Night to Poornamallee.

I have the Honor to be, with the greatest Respect,

My Lord,

Your Lordship's most obedient
& most humble Servant.

William Ross,
Agent.

signed

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Account of Provisions &c^a dispatched from Madras to Tripassore, and from thence for the Use of the Garrison at Vellore, together with an Account of what was returned, left, lost on the March, and delivered.

Sent Cooley Bags	3000	returned	left at Tripassore, lost, delivered
		1070	13 1917
Buttock Bags	320	153	17 150
Cart Dells	36	36	1 1
Heggs of Amack	6	2	60
D ^o of Salt Provisions	24		24
Carriage Buttocks	174	48	187
Draught D ^o	28	4	24
Carriage	10	4	10

Wm. Thompson
Agent.

Account of Buttocks, Rice, Amack &c^a supplied for the Use of the Army from the 15th June to the 2nd of July 1782.

Buttocks	Draught of Carriage sent	1294
	Returned unserviceable	199
	Received as serviceable	1095
Rice	Sent to the Mount	4522
	To Coombet	6574
	Served to the Followers in Madras	7262
	Total Bags	18,358

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Arrack ... Sent 102 Thirds and Hogshead or Gallons. 5,318

Double Carts 4

Tarpaulins large and small 37

Salt Marcells 360

(signed) William Ross
Agent.

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The Committee observe with great Pleasure, Mr. Ross's Diligence and Exertions, by which he fully justifies their having made Choice of him, to fill the Employ of Agent at so critical a Period.

The President represents to the Company the Danger of an approaching Scarcity of Rice, there being at present only 47,000 Bags in Store, and informs them that an Offer has been made to him of 15,000 Bags at 160 Pagodas P^y are, to be paid either in ready Money, or by Bills on the Court of Directors. The President is requested to purchase the Rice accordingly, and it is agreed that Bills on the Court of Directors be granted for the Amount.

The President lays before the Committee, the following Letters from Mr. Boyd.

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney
H. B. President and Governor of
Fort St. George.

from Mr. Boyd, mentioning
a prevalent Report, of
my Intention of sending
French Prisoners to
Bengal, in which Case
Monsieur Suffren is
determined to send all
English ones to the
Mauritius.

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My Lord!

I have the Honor of acquainting your Lordship with my present Situation, Prisoner on Board the La Fine Frigate, belonging to the French Squadron.

I have only to add, that it is alleviated as agreeably as its Nature will admit, by every Attention of polite Hospitality in the Part of Captain Salvart, Commander of this Frigate: - He is so obliging to convey this Letter to the Inspection of Admiral Suffren, by whose Permission I hope it may be transmitted through Sir Edward Hughes, and soon have the Fortune of reaching your Lordship.

I remain

My Lord,

with every Respect & Attachment

Your Lordship's most obedient

& faithful humble Servant

Hugh Boyd.

On board the
La Fine Frigate
Off Ceylon
14th April 1782

I have just received some Intelligence from Captain Salvart, which I take this Opportunity of transmitting to your Lordship. - He tells me, in consequence of a Report prevalent here, of its being determined on by your Presidency, to send the French Prisoners to Bengal; that it is the Determination of Admiral Suffren in that Event, crowded as his Fleet is with English Prisoners, to exonerate himself (immediately

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immediately from the Inconvenience, and to send them all, if no Opportunity occur for Mauritius, to some of the Fortresses of Hyder Ali.

This your Lordship observes is an eventual Resolution, if the above Report shall appear well founded. but at present I understand, there is little Certainty on the Subject; Admiral Suffrein as Captain Salvert informs me, not having yet had the Pleasure of hearing from your Lordship, in reply to his Letter; and having received from Sir Edm and Hughes an * indecisive Answer to his Proposal, for the Exchange of an Officer, taken a few Days ago by Accident; "that he (Sir Edm and) could not at present comply with the Proposition, but would with Pleasure, "when what he is waited for should be effected, the * "Arrangement of a Cartel, by the Presidency of Madras."
April 15th.

Your Lordship will permit me to mention to you the Names of the French Prisoners at Madras, when you know that Captain Salvert * interests himself much in their Situation. Monsieur Cazanove, a French Officer, taken in the Hospital Ship, and Mr Berlay, Master-Pilot taken, * commanding the Prize Asia.

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney
R. B. President and Governor of
Fort St. George.

From M.^r Boyd, on
the same Subject as
the above.

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My Lord!

d By the particular Kindness of Captain Salvert, Commander of this Frigate, of whose Kindness indeed, in every Instance I cannot say too much; I hope this will soon have the good Fortune of reaching your Lordship. — It is to acquaint you of my present, and of most unexpected future Situation. Taken a few Days ago by this Frigate, I have experienced the most obliging and friendly & Politeness, especially on this sudden Occasion which sends me to the Mauritius, for I have this Evening received Notice to that Effect from Admiral Suffren, and must proceed at Day break to Morrow. — I cannot but praise Mr De Salvert's Goodness by any Particular, but that in a very polite Answer to a Letter which I wrote to the Admiral, he mentions that he thinks he has Cause of Complaint in some late Instances, not only as to Sir Edward Hughes and the Commandant at Negapatam, but the Presidency of Madras also.

Knowing that such Opinion must arise from Misapprehension or Misfortune of some Sort, I am induced to mention it, in the Hope that it may be rectified, but without, as will easily occur to your Lordship, its being too particularly adverted to, and that possibly some public as well as private Inconvenience may thereby be prevented. In this Instance however I must do Justice to Monsieur (De

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De Suffrein's Liberality, and to me very unfortunate & Politeness, in stating, that he waves every Consideration of that Nature, and considers only the Service I might be of. — A polite, but fatal Mistake for me! —

Fully sensible of your Lordship's Disposition, I know that the Representation of a Fact of this Nature is sufficient, without Comment or Request. permit me however to add my Hope, that no public Circumstance of Delay may longer remain to prevent what your Lordship must be more perfectly aware of than I can be, as equally requisite on public and private Grounds — the Settlement of a Cartel. In that Event, or by any Means that may occur, I have the Pleasure of feeling even my present Situation a little qualified by the Persuasion with which I flatter myself, that your Lordship will not be undesirous of adopting the speediest Mode of relieving me from it. —

Mr. De Salent undertakes also the Transcription of a Billet from me, I cannot but repeat my Acknowledgement of his essential Civility and Attention, ^{and is worthy of my assistance in every manner in my power} he has favoured me with a Letter to the Governor of Bourbon. Monsieur Le Baron de Louville, and a Letter of Credit to his Correspondent there. — Of two Persons who are Prisoners at Madras, I know therefore that I need not say more than that he interests himself much in their Situation. — Monsieur Carzanove, Officer in the French Service, and Mr. Berlay, Master Pilot. — Adieu my
(Lord

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Off Ceylon
On board the
La Fiere Frigate
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Lord, and in every Situation of Occurrence, do me the Justice to be
assured, that I am, with the sincerest Regard and Attachment.

Yours most faithfully
Hugh Boyd. —

/signed/

The Committee are extremely concerned at the
Accident which has happened to Mr. Boyd; the Prudence, Zeal
and Ability with which he acquitted himself, in the
Discharge of the Trust confided to him, they hope will be
considered as giving him a Claim, to some future Mark of
the Company's Favor, and that Claim they hope will have
additional Weight, from the Misfortune which Mr. Boyd
has incurred, by his Readiness to assist and forward the
public Service.

Mr. Boyd having been at very
considerable Expence during the Time of his Embassy
to the King of Candy, and the Business consequent to it;
it is therefore agreed that he receive the same Allowances
as the Gentlemen deputed to the Rajah of Tanjore, in
February 1781, during Mr. Smith's Government, and
that the President do pay it from the secret Service
Money.

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th Agreeably to the resolution of this date the following Letter is now dispatched to Sir Eyre Coote with the enclosures therein mentioned.

To Lieutenant General Sir Eyre Coote K.B.

Commander in Chief of the Forces in India

Sir,

M^r Saunders the Military

To Sir Eyre Coote
stating the inadequacy
of the Public Treasury to
the demands of the Army
and mentioning the having
given Orders for issuing
20,000 Pagodas for the use

Paymaster of this Government communicated to our President two days ago a letter from M^r Welsh the Paymaster in Camp, demanding a fresh supply of Cash in addition to the 18,000 Pagodas issued when you were here a few days before. A State of the Cash in our Treasury was immediately ordered to be made out which appeared on Monday last as by the enclose account to be no more than 28,400 Pagodas. Our President whose often had resorted his private Credit to supply the Army wants was not able to succeed in this present exigency was not able to succeed on this present occasion and M^r Slesby the Paymaster of the Bengal & A detachment who was appointed gave little hope that money could be raised in any way. It was not & perhaps very safe or prudent to take much from a Treasury so reduced and exposed continually to other calls for public exigencies. We nevertheless gave Orders for issuing 20,000 Pagodas agreeably to your desire leaving the Balance of 8400 Pagodas in our hands who, without mentioning the demands for the Civil Establishment or for Fort St George and our Garrisons, are hourly called upon for the Expences which accrue from

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th 9. From supplying the Troops under your Command with Provisions and means of carriage of which you will form at once a judgment by an inspection of the enclosed Statement of Bullocks Rice and Cash furnished to the Army since the 1st January last

We shall continue our best & endeavours in providing Funds, and we shall continue to apply these Funds towards the support of the Troops, but we wish you to be aware of our difficulties and of the nature and precariousness of our resources. It is a considerable time, about one month since we have had any Remittances from Bengal, on which however we principally depend. We cannot be certain of the Success of the Governor General and Council, the Board in their intention to furnish us with Funds adequate to the necessities & or calls for them, and in the present juncture of a hostile Situation these Seas, such remittances may be interrupted. We have had assistance from the Circars but little more is to be expected from them for some time. And after surmounting many obstacles that were in the way of applying some of the Revenue of the unconquered Provinces of the Carnatic to the support of the War, new efforts are now making by His Highness the Nabob to interrupt and embarrass the public Service as you will observe in the instance of Nellore by the enclosed Extracts of Letters from the Amildar and Seristadar of that District. A Conduct so detrimental to His Highness's own real Interest must

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Ist must be founded on the same ill judged motives and pernicious advice which occasioned those + Obstructions to the Subsistence and Progress of the Troops under your Command which You so often met with and represented in your letters to this Committee.

We are attentive to the Difficulties which surround us in order the more easily to surmount them, but We think it right to state them exactly to you.

We have the honor to be

Y^r most obedient
humble Servants
Macartney
Sec^y Select Comm^{tee}

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Received the following Letter and enclosures from the Resident at Tanjore

My Lord

I beg to inform you this Ship merely to tell you that the Ordinaries are come with Letters from the Rana for your Lordship and General Coote. I am sorry I cannot on my part give the Agents equal Satisfaction, but I trust the Powers are on their way to me.

I have the honor to be with
the trusts

Your Lordship's faithful
John Sullivan
To

Tanjore
20th June 1782

From M^r J^r Sullivan
with copies of Letters
to Gen^l Coote, General Coote
and Mr^r Macartney, regarding
the invasion of Mysore Country

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To General Meadows

Sir,

I have the honor to send you Copy of a letter I received some days ago from Colonel Humberston. A Man just arrived from Palaiacherry informs me that the Detachment had again advanced, that on the 30th of May Raimagory fell to us and that on the 3rd of June the Enemy evacuated Mangarootah and our Troops took possession. The distance from Mangarootah to Palaiacherry is but twenty English Miles and the Enemy's Force is not equal to the Detachment under Major Campbell from Mangarootah to Combatoor is 35 English Miles and the distance of that place which must fall into our hands will be followed by the submission of all the Country between us and Coimbatore. The Road will at the same time be open to the pass of Sateemungalum which is only 10 Miles from the Town of Combatoor there will then be nothing to oppose them in their march to Srirangapatnam but the River of the Narmada which is not in a State to oppose them the stronger side of Mysore which is but 7 Miles S.W. of the Capital. Colonel Humberston has now 1700 Europeans 4000 Sepoys and a multitude of Irregulars. I hope You will soon see that our Force is not unconsiderable and if 4 or 500 men could be landed from the Ships now arrived from Europe, I will hazard all my hopes of our reputation that we are in possession of the Capital in less than eight months. I am sure this will be

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be an inviting picture to you. I beg you will
do me the favor, ^{to offer my respects to S. Hughes &} to communicate this Letter with the
one from Colonel Humberston to him - I will do
myself the pleasure of addressing him tomorrow.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient

humble Servant

(Signed) John Sullivan

Tanjore

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To Sir Edward Hughes K.B.

{ Sir

I wrote yesterday to General
Middles with a request that he would communicate
to you my letter and the copy of one to me from Colonel
Humberston. I have the honor to send you a second copy
of the Colonel's letter with the answer which I have
just dispatched to him. I desire of you and the
General to give this subject your serious attention -
I do not know Sirly of the sentiments, but I think it
they must be encouraged. I have suggested
that Sirly should dictate it is the line
I should prefer and therefore I urge now with
importance - Colonel Humberston's illness has been
most unfortunate. The season of the Year at Calicut
is unfavorable for such a disorder as he labors under.
I hope General Middles has not resolved upon going
home, he never can have a finer field to exert his
Talents on than the one now open to him - an
Expedition against Mangalore will be undertaken
from Bombay after the Monsoon. Hyder's Force
cannot

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I cannot bear a division - if he should leave the Carnatic the French must be overpowered - if he does not General Meadows would carry everything before him in Mysore, the Bombay Army would overrun Bidanore, and Colonel Horne if you can give him 500 Europeans would possess himself of all the Country on this side; General Bute would find his Cavalry enervated by desertion from Hyder and I am confident that he would soon reduce him to humble Supplication, but no submission must satisfy us. I write to you without reserve and in the belief that the Spirit which has usually actuated You in your various and successful attempts of Enterprize on shore. I have the honor to be with the greatest respect

Sir

Sanyore, 20th June 1782

Your most faithful

humble Servant

J^{no} John Sullivan

To Colonel Bamberston

Sir,

I have returned to acknowledge the receipt of Mr. Bamberston's letter of the 20th May in hourly expectation of hearing from Sir Eyre Coote the account of his success on the 2^d. It came to me last night and brought me a letter for You which tho' it came inclosed to me was by some accident sealed up and therefore I forward it without having taken a copy or knowing exactly what plan it may suggest to You. The Experience of every day

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Jth confirms me more and more in the opinion that nothing decisive can be effected in the Carnatic without Cavalry, and there is no hope of being able to collect any number of Horses. I cannot do better than give you the words of Sir Eyre's Letter upon this subject.

"there was nothing wanting to have enabled me on this occasion to ruin and disperse Hyder's Army but a respectable Body of Cavalry. one thing is certain that with such a Corps we should have captured the greater part if not the whole of his Cannon, what we did take was by Infantry alone." Under these circumstances the only prospect that opens to us for wounding the Enemy is by penetrating into his Country, and you only can do this with success; the words of Sir Eyre's Letter make you aware of the same opinion and give you the strongest hope that you will pursue the route by Samacerry - a man who arrived from the coast yesterday in eight days had assured me that on the 20th of May your detachment took possession of Samacerry, and that on the 3rd of June it moved to Mungaracottah which place was abandoned by the Enemy. This Man has related the particulars of your first and second Battle so accurately that I am inclined to give him Credit. Lieutenant Colonel Nicolson has now assembled 2000 Sepoys 300 Topazes and 150 Native Artillery and 400 good Cavalry with ten six Pounders. He will send five hundred good Sepoys and 50 Horse with 3 Guns ready when he comes here and with this Force he cannot fail to effect a junction with a Detachment

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I. Detachment we have near Negapatam of 1200
 Sepoys 150 Horse and Six Guns & Brunders - If
 the account from Pallicherry should be confirmed
 I am persuaded Colonel Nixon will employ this
 little Army against Caroor, by which means he
 will either ^{draw back} the Force that has gone
 from thence to oppose you or oblige Caroor to surrender.
 The capture of that place would enable us to cooperate
 more effectually with you, and the near of such a
 Force being in his neighbourhood would I am a
 confident assurance of your success from the Carnatic.
 My Letter of the 2^d of June will have told you
 that I am daily pressing for a Letter from Sir Eyre Coote to
 bring me a supply of Money, by which ample
 Supplies of Money could be secured for you, and a
 great Career must be gained. The Letter which I
 have reason to think approved the General's
 Instructions has unfortunately been lost. Mr. French
 Fleet is now at Trincomalee, and Sir James Hughes
 is hourly expected on the Coast.

Yours the Honors be
 Sir

Your most obedient
 faithful & humble Servant
 Signed John Sullivan

Received the following Letter
 from Mr. Robert Andrews.

To

Tanjore
 20th June
 1782.

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J^r

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney
President and Governor of Fort S^t George
My Lord,

From M^r Andrews
recommending that the
Nabob's Stores in this country
should be delivered to the
Company's Secretaries.

Upon the presumption of having
seen a letter addressed to Colonel Nixon from
which I understand that you have appointed me
acting Paymaster of this Garrison, no Letters from
the Honble Board personally addressed to me having
arrived, I beg your accept of my acknowledgments
for this mark of your favor and to acquaint You that
no endeavours on my part shall be lost in rendering
every Service to the Company and assistance to the person
whom you have appointed to the management of the
Country. I beg leave to mention to Your Lordship that
there are numerous Stores of all kinds kept locked up
by the Nabob's Paymaster and not issued I presume to
think it advisable that the Stores which the Nabob may
have deposited in this Garrison should be delivered over to
the Company's Secretaries ^{as the} Communication from
the Nabob's Paymaster is so very precarious that
it is impossible for the Articles wanted to be conveyed
here many of which are lodged in the Nabob's
Warehouses, that directions should be sent to the
Nabob's Paymaster for the delivery of all Stores in his
possession and such Settlement made with His Highness
for them as Your Lordship may think proper. The
present Centor Vincata Soubriah has met with many
Impediments thrown in his way by the late Aumils
others, the particulars of which he informs me he has
transmitted

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Ith transmitted to Your Lordship. The Revenues of the Country if proper management is used are far beyond the expences contracted by this Garrison I shall take the liberty of addressing Your Lordship again on the receipt of Your Government Letters but I thought necessary to mention this circumstance of His Highness's Stores as Troops now acting to the Southward, & it is absolutely requisite that an Order for the purpose should be immediately transmitted. I have to hope that a continuance of Your Lordship's favour will allow me to remain in my present station until the arrival of Mr. Pitt Rivers in London & meet with your approbation.

I have the honor to be

Your Lordship's most obed^t

humble servant

Robert Andrews

Trichinopoly

24th June 1782

I have the honor to dispatch the following answer to the letter of the 10th inst. & to the effect mentioned.

To Mr. Robert Andrews

at Trichinopoly

Sir,

To Mr. Andrews - the Phouger directed to deliver over to him the Rebels Stores on his giving receipts for them. During he will communicate every circumstance that may occur respecting the Collection of the Revenue.

I am directed by the right Honble the President and Select Committee to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 24th Ultimo to the President, and to transmit You a fifth Copy of a letter written and dispatched to You the 9th May and a copy of another letter subsequent

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10th subsequent to it.

Those Letters were addressed to You in consequence of M^r Park having informed the Right Hon^{ble} the President that You acted for him in his absence, but the Select Committee did not come to any resolution for appointing You acting Paymaster. They now however desire You will consider yourself as such until the arrival of M^r Park at Fort St George.

With regard to the M^{rs} Nobs's account kept up by his Phuzgar, the Select Committee think it proper and necessary and it was always intended that they should be delivered over to the Company's Bookkeeper, and a Letter is now written upon the subject to the Comptrol^r Officers at Fort St George in this kind. It is desired into your charge You will give the Phuzgar exact receipts for them specifying the quantity or number of each article, and the date on which they are delivered. Respectfully and respectfully that have been or may be offered thrown in the way of the Restor^r the Select Committee desire you will not fail to communicate to the Right Hon^{ble} the President whatever may come to your knowledge relative thereto.

I am Sir Your most humble Servant
John Huddleston
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Dispatched the following Letter with
the enclosures mentioned therein.

To

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Fort St. George 9th July 1782.

From Vencat Row. Sumil of
Nellore.

From the Sumit &
expecting the Management
of the Nellore District.

Dated 23rd Rejeb, or 5th July 1782.
Received ----- 8 Ditto.

I have this Day paid M^r. Turing two thousand Pagodas, for which I have taken his Receipt. I have settled the Prices of four hundred Bullocks which have been returned to M^r. Turing, and enclose you the Account, which I hope will meet with your approval. two hundred Bullocks may have been delivered to him, of which I shall shortly transmit you an Account.

I find that Meer Cuttub ud Dien Cawn received yesterday a Letter from the Nabor, which informs him, that he is to have the Management of the Nellore Country, in the manner he had before, that in two or three Days he will send Orders to take Possession in his (the Nabor's) Name, and that he is to take a particular Account of what has been collected all this Time by the Company's People.

Cuttub ud Dien Cawn, has published the Contents of this Letter, to all the People in this Town, he has sent for the Muttrudees, and People who were dependant on him, and told them that they may now be easy, for they should
(soon)