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PREFACE

The work of press-listing, which was suspended in 1918, has been resumed on the special recommendation of the Committee on Archival Legislation appointed by the Government of India. The present volume is in continuation of an earlier one in the series (1763-75), which was published in 1918. In compiling the present list, which has been termed as descriptive list, some changes have been made in the form and in the contents. Firstly, the old tabular form of listing has been given up and in its place run-on form has been introduced to effect economy in space. The size of the publication has also been reduced. The reference to each document is given on the right hand side of the description thereof. The date of a letter, minute etc. and also the place from where a particular document emanated have been mentioned at the beginning of each entry. Exceptions as regards place names have been made only in cases where the letters have been issued from the Supreme Council at Fort William. Nothing besides the dates of the documents has been mentioned there. One improvement has been made in the present list. The nature of the document, whether it is an autograph letter or a minute etc., has been indicated immediately after its description. The autograph letters are mentioned as A.L.S. (autograph letter signed). Minutes, resolutions etc. have been mentioned as such. In the cases of letters issued by the Board, since these were invariably draft copies of such letters, nothing has been mentioned. The length of each document in pages has also been mentioned along with the nature of the document in each case. For the convenience of the scholars the enclosures to a particular document have been entered immediately after the main document, though in the proceedings volumes these have in most cases been recorded at the end of a particular day's consultations.

Something need be said here regarding the compilation of the descriptive list. In most cases the documents contained information on more than one particular aspect. In such cases these have been explained with the help of semi-colons. In recording the names of various persons, their military ranks and/or official designations have been mentioned only once at the very beginning and not repeated subsequently in the list. For example, Rear Admiral Edward Hughes (Commander-in-Chief of His Majesty's Naval Forces in India), Warren Hastings (Governor General of Bengal) have been so mentioned only where their names occur first. In the subsequent entries they have been simply mentioned as E. Hughes and W. Hastings. The same principle has also been followed in indentifying less known names. In the Index, which is mainly an index of personal and place names, full name and designation etc. of each person, wherever possible, have been given. In transliterating as well as in identification of Indian place names the *Imperial Gazetteer of India* and *Index to the Foreign and Political Department Records, Vol. I (1756-80)* have been mainly followed.

It is hoped that this Descriptive List will prove useful to the scholars, as it will give them an idea not only about the contents of the documents but also about their nature and length. Being in experimental stage we

are not unaware of the shortcomings of the present volume, but we hope the subsequent volumes will be free from them.

I express my thanks to the members of the Publication(2) Branch for the assistance rendered by them in compiling the list and seeing it through the press.

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INTRODUCTION

This volume contains a list of Secret Department records of the Fort William Board for 1776-80. Although the Secret Department as a distinctly organized branch of the Board's administration was created as late as on 23 September 1783,¹ yet nearly twenty years before that date, on 8 December 1763, the minutes, consultations and letters on military and political transactions were physically separated from the commercial and administrative records of the Public Department.² These separately kept records constitute the series in question.

The period covered by the list was characterised by certain elements of cruciality. Warren Hastings, the Governor General, faced buffets of diplomatic and military crises with inadequate finances, questionable control over the subordinate presidencies and constitutional inability to override a hostile council. Despite these adverse circumstances, the period saw the beginnings of British supremacy in India. War with the Marathas, hostile combination of the Marathas, Mysore and the Nizam, Haidar Ali's attack on the Carnatic sparking off the second Anglo-Mysore War, problems of the Carnatic and Tanjore, maladministration at Madras, inimical shadow cast by the French in the wake of the American War of Independence, aggravation of the plight of the Nawab of Oudh and controversies regarding the *Nizamat* of Bengal were among the highlights of the time.

II

Hastings and the Council

Hastings' initial problem, however, was his council. Philip Francis along with Lieutenant General John Clavering and Colonel George Monson formed a majority. The Governor General had a single faithful supporter in Richard Barwell. The majority were bent upon thwarting almost everything proposed by Hastings. During 1774-76, Hastings felt absolutely crippled in exercising his power as Governor General.³ Francis and his partisans influenced the Court of Directors to replace Nathaniel Middleton by John Bristow as Resident at the Court of the Nawab of Oudh. The majority, further, appointed Muhammad Riza Khan as *Najib Nazim* of Bengal. They deprived Munni Begam of all authority over the *Nizamat*. All these were done contrary to the wishes of Hastings. In March 1776 Hastings got so disgusted that he contemplated resignation and retirement. But the death of Colonel Monson on 26 September 1776 helped him to recover his control over the administration as he was able to tip the balance by the exercise of his casting vote. He was quick to hit back. Middleton replaced Bristow⁴. Thomas Graham was appointed Resident at Benares as Francis Fowke, a nominee of the majority, was removed from that office.⁵

1. Home Public Progs, Jul-Dec. 1783, pp.1311-13, 1453.

2. *Ibid.* O.C. 23 Sep. 1763 No. 16.

3. G.W. Forrest, *Selections from the State papers in the Foreign Department of the Government of India, 1772-85*, II, 279.

4. 2 Dec. 1776 No. 11 (p. 126); Progs., 13 Jan. 1777 No. 2 (p. 137).

5. 2 Dec. 1776 No. 13 (p. 126); 13 Jan. 1777 No. 18-20 (p. 139).

III

Nizamat of Bengal

Hastings could not bring about a lasting change in the *Nizamat* of Bengal. He did not even initiate the changes that took place merely to die out. They came in the wake of a representation from Nawab Mubarak-ud-Daulah. In February 1778, the Nawab, on attainment of majority, intended to assume full powers of the *Nizamat*. He also requested for Muhammad Riza Khan's dismissal.⁶ The question came up for discussion in the Board on 2 March 1778. Francis and Edward Wheler, as they commanded a majority because of Barwell's absence, forced the Board to resolve that the proposal be referred to the Court of Directors for decision.⁷ On 5 March, when Barwell attended the Board's meeting Hastings raised the question for reconsideration.⁸ Francis pointed out that the Nawab in his letter of 17 November 1777 had himself requested to entrust Munni Begam with the entire charge of the *Nizamat*.⁹ It was, according to Francis, an admission of incompetence on the part of Mubarak-ud-Daulah. Finally, on 5 March, the Board decided in favour of the Nawab's representation, not by argument but by the Governor General's casting vote.¹⁰

Mubarak-ud-Daulah's assumption of authority was followed by changes in the personnel of the *Nizamat*. Muhammad Riza Khan was dismissed. Sadrul Haq Khan was appointed as *Naib Nazim* and Raja Gurudas as *Diwan*. The allowances of Munni Begam and Babbu Begam were raised¹¹. But the arrangement was shortlived. The Nawab's incompetence and Munni Begam's love of power led to constant interference with the duties of the new *Naib Nazim* and deadlocked the administration. Hastings deeply resented the state of affairs. He asked both the Nawab and Munni Begam to refrain from obstructing the execution of Sadrul Haq Khan's official business. Before the system could settle down, it was scrapped altogether by the Court of Directors. In spite of Mubarak-ud-Daulah's protests Muhammad Riza Khan was placed again at the helm of affairs of the *Nizamat* of Bengal.¹²

IV

The Problems of Oudh

Oudh ran into a series of crises following the accession of Asaf-ud-Daulah. A new treaty with the Company compelled the Nawab Vazir to cede Benares, pay off the balance of subsidy left unpaid by his father and to make a payment of Rs. 2,60,000 *per mensem* to the Company¹³. He

6. 23 Feb. 1778 No. 15 (p. 224).

7. Progs., 2 Mar. 1778 (p. 224).

8. Progs., 5 Mar. 1778 (p. 225).

9. 5 Mar. 1778 No. 1 (p. 225).

10. Progs., 5 Mar. 1778 (p. 225).

11. 4 May 1778 No. 10 (p. 233).

12. *Calendar of Persian Correspondence*, V, 1677

13. C.U. Aitchison, *A Collection of Treaties, Engagements and Sanads*, I. XXXIX. 97—99.

was hardly in a position to discharge these financial obligations. His father's treasure was left with his mother (Bahu Begam) and grandmother (Sadr-un-Nisa Begam). He had to secure money from his mother for paying the Company's subsidy. His recurrent demands compelled Bahu Begam to come to a settlement in October 1775. According to its terms Bahu Begam was required to pay 30 lakhs of rupees to her son¹⁴. This, however, did not stop the bickerings between the mother and the son. The Board offered Bahu Begam a place of retreat in the Company's province after the settlement of her affairs with the Nawab Vazir¹⁵.

Troubles were also brewing in Oudh owing to changes in its civil and military administration. The arrogance of Murtaza Khan to whom the Nawab Vazir entrusted the entire internal administration of the kingdom caused widespread discontentment among the Oudh nobility and impelled some nobles to join Mirza Najaf Khan¹⁶. Almost similar was the effect of the Board's decision of subjecting the Oudh soldiery to the command of the British officers. Its avowed purpose was to secure peace within, repel attacks from outside and undo the deadly financial perils of the *Suba*¹⁷. But a number of army officers of Oudh failed to reconcile themselves with loss of command over their soldiers and subjection to the superimposed British officers. The change, further, forced some of the influential senior militarymen of Oudh to quit the Nawab Vazir's service. Among others, Anup Giri Gosain and Major A.L.H. Polier had to leave Oudh and were quickly drawn into the ranks of Mirza Najaf Khan, who was preparing to storm the Jat stronghold at Dig.

But the situation had something more serious to spell. A secret plot was hatched by Mirza Saadat Ali Khan, the Nawab Vazir's brother. The former's aim of destroying the regime was foiled by the plotters who assassinated Murtaza Khan in thoughtless haste¹⁸. The assassin was put to death by the Nawab Vazir¹⁹. Saadat Ali escaped and placed himself under Najaf Khan's protection. Asaf-ud-Daulah was disposed to forgive his brother and agreed to pay an annual allowance of one lakh of rupees if the latter consented to have residence at Fyzabad or any place in the Company's province²⁰. The Board agreed to provide Saadat Ali Khan with a place of residence anywhere in Bengal except Murshidabad and Calcutta, but held that the amount of allowance promised was inadequate²¹. Najaf Khan's protection as well as mutiny and desertions in the Oudh army encouraged Saadat Ali to maintain his rebellious attitude²². The Board continued to persuade Mirza Najaf to prevail upon Saadat Ali so that a rapprochement between the brothers could be effected²³. While Clavering contended that Najaf's non-compliance with the Board's repeated request

14. Aitchison, *op., cit.*, XL, 100-102.

15. 3 Jan. 1776 No. 6 (p. 2)

16. 29 Jan. 1776 No. 6 (p. 13).

17. 5 Feb. 1776 No. 5 (pp. 16-17), 26 Feb. 1776 No. 12 (p. 25), 4 Mar. 1776 No. 8 (p. 29).

18. 5 Feb. 1776 No. 8 (p. 17).

19. 29 Apr. 1776 No. 3 (p. 51) 2 May 1776 No. 4 (p. 52).

20. 6 May 1776 No. 4 (p. 54), 30 May 1776 No. 2 (pp. 65-66).

21. 6 May 1776 No. 5 (p. 54).

22. 29 May 1776 No. 7 (p. 63).

23. 24 Oct. 1776 Nos. 4-5 (pp. 115-116).

amounted to defiance of the same.²⁴ Bristow pointed out that the Mirza was impelled by his enmity towards the Nawab Vazir to behave in the way he did²⁵. Saadat Ali's attempt to capture Bayana was foiled by military defeat. Losing all hopes of Najaf Khan's support he gave up resistance and agreed to a settlement with his brother²⁶.

Before the Nawab Vazir could extricate himself from the troubles with Saadat Ali Khan, his troops in the Doab mutinied and demanded immediate payment of the arrears of their salary²⁷. The British troops were called in to quell the revolt. While the resistance broke down, it gave Hastings an opportunity of putting forward a new defence scheme for Oudh.²⁸ An entire brigade with Lieutenant Colonel Mathew Leslie as its commanding officer was transferred to the Company's supervision. Lieutenant Colonel Alexander Hannay was authorised to collect revenue from the districts of Oudh assigned for its maintenance²⁹. The new plan spelt a disaster for Oudh. The assigned districts did not yield revenue enough for maintenance of the brigade. But what it yielded was unbearable for the peasantry of that famished and drought-affected Suba³⁰. The Nawab Vazir asked for dismissal of the brigade. The Governor General, however, held that without the brigade Oudh would be exposed to the attacks of the Marathas³¹. He suggested retrenchment of Nawab Vazir's expenses. The Board refused to remit arrears of the Nawab Vazir's obligations to the Company. Oudh's finances, consequently, continued to stagger. An overstressed need for security, ironically enough, broke asunder its already enfeebled finances. It was worsted by a scheme that originally promised improvement.

V

The Maratha War

Contending claims to the Peshwaship caused a seven-year-war between the Marathas and the Company. It exposed at once the chronic tendency of disunion among the Marathas and the grave shortcoming of the ill-defined inter-presidency relations in the Company's government in India.

The war had its origin in a murder. Raghunathrao *alias* Raghoba usurped the Peshwaship in 1773 by assassinating Narayanrao. But Nana Phadnavis and Sakharam Bapu (Sakharam Bhagwant Bokil), the notables of Poona, set on the throne the infant Madhavrao Narayan, Narayanrao's posthumous son. Raghoba defeated the army of the regents. Instead of attacking Poona he went to Gujarat to seek the assistance of Fatehsingh Gaikwar. Holkar and Sindhia lined up with him. Nana Phadnavis, however, resorted to intrigues and induced a rift in the alliance. Holkar and Sindhia deserted Raghunathrao's cause.

24. 30 Oct. 1776 No. 6 (p. 118).

25. 30 Dec. 1776 No. 10 (p. 135).

26. 2 Jun. 1777 No. 4 (p. 174).

27. 6 Oct. 1777 No. 9 (p. 194).

28. 5 May 1777 No. 5, A-F (p. 169), 19 Jun. 1777 Nos. 9-10 (pp. 179-180), 7 Aug. 1777 Nos. 4-6 (p. 184), 11 Aug. 1777 No. 1 (p. 184).

29. 7 Aug. 1777 No. 4 (p. 184), 29 Sep. 1777 No. 1 (p. 193).

30. 13 Dec. 1779 No. D (p. 327).

31. Pogs., 15 Dec. 1779 (p. 327), 15 Dec. 1779, No. 6 (p. 328).

Raghunathrao looked to the Bombay Government for assistance. According to a treaty signed at Surat on 6 March 1775, the Bombay Government agreed to assist Raghunathrao if the latter, in return, ceded the island of Salsette and the port of Bassein to them and made an annual payment of 37 lakhs of rupees³².

The treaty of Surat was constitutionally questionable. The Regulating Act of 1773 had placed the subordinate presidencies under the superintendence of the Supreme Government in matters of 'concluding treaties, applying revenues and levying and employing forces.' The treaty, accordingly required authorization by the Fort William Board. The sum of 37 lakhs of rupees which Raghunathrao agreed to pay was payable to the Company and not to its Bombay Presidency.

Meanwhile the Bombay Government had ordered Colonel Thomas Keating to take field against the Poona Darbar. Keating defeated the Poona army at Arras and Fatchesingh Gaikwar joined forces with him³³. At this point the Fort William Board intervened. They declared the treaty of Surat null and void. A treaty was concluded with the Poona Darbar. By the treaty of Purandhar (1 March 1776) the British troops withdrew from the field. The Company gave up all the territory owned by the Marathas except Salsette. Madhavrao Narayan was recognised as the Peshwa. Raghunathrao had to renounce his claims to the Peshwaship. The Poona Darbar promised to pay him 3 lakhs of rupees annually if he agreed to live at any place beyond the Godavari river. The Darbar promised to pay an annual subsidy of 12 lakhs of rupees to the Company as well as the revenue of the Broach District³⁴. But the treaty was ineffective. The Bombay Government continued to adhere to the stipulations of the treaty of Surat. They were at cross purposes with the Board and the Poona Darbar in affording shelter to Raghunathrao³⁵. Another upsetting surprise was in store for the Board. The Court of Directors abrogated the treaty of Purandhar and recognized that of Surat³⁶.

The Poona Darbar was no solid rock of political authority and its inner conflicts came to surface at this moment of crisis. Moroba Phadnavis, Nana's cousin and Sakharam Bapu were secretly conspiring in Raghunathrao's favour. Holkar joined this clique. They appealed to the Bombay Government for help. The Bombay Council strongly recommended their case to the Fort William Board³⁷.

Hastings worked on perhaps a false alarm. The Board had been suspecting Nana Phadnavis of pro-French inclinations. It was deepened by the report of arrival at Poona of Chevalier de St. Lubin³⁸. His presence at Poona forced a change in attitude of the Fort William Board. They recognised Raghunathrao's title under the treaty of Surat.

32. Aitchison, *op. cit.*, VI, V, 21-25.

33. 5 Feb. 1776 No. 1A (p. 15), 12 Feb. 1776 No. 3 (p. 20).

34. Aitchison, *op. cit.*, VI, VI, 28-32, 1 Apr. 1776 No. 21 (p. 38), 16 May 1776 Nos. 1-5 (p. 58), 20 May 1776 No. 7 (p. 61).

35. 1 Apr. 1776 Nos. 15-16 (p. 38), 15 May 1776 No. F. (p. 58), 16 May 1776 Nos. 1-5 (p. 58), 20 May 1776 No. 7 (p. 61).

36. *Progs.*, 10 Aug. 1778 (p. 265).

37. 29 Jan. 1778 Nos. 1-2 (p. 244).

38. 23 Mar. 1778 Nos. 5-7 (p. 228), 15 Apr. 1778 Nos. 4-5 (p. 230).

Nana Phadnavis was prompt to overcome the opposition at Poona. Holkar was bribed off. Moroba Phadnavis was killed in engagement and Sakharam Bapu was taken prisoner. The Bombay Government declared war upon the Poona Darbar. The Bombay troops commanded by Colonel Charles Egerton were routed by a Maratha cavalry charge. The Bengal Army took the field with the most spectacular of the campaigns of the eighteenth century Anglo-Indian History. Colonel Thomas Goddard took the command and marched across North India to strike at the heart of the Maratha power³⁹. Ahmadabad fell to him⁴⁰. Holkar and Sindhia retreated to the Narbada river. General Carnac routed Sindhia's troops by a night attack. Major William Popham captured the fort of Gwalior⁴¹.

In 1780 the Board received the reports of an alliance between the Marathas, Mysore and the Nizam and their plan of concerted attacks on Calcutta, Bombay and Madras⁴². These did not, however, materialise.

VI

Haidar Ali

The beginning of another major military crisis came in the sequel of Haidar Ali's attack on the Carnatic in 1780. This valiant soldier mustered his strength by silently taking opportunity of confusion in the Maratha affairs after Madhavrao's death in 1772. He regained his lost possessions from the Marathas. He annexed Bellary in 1775, sacked Savanour in 1776 and by 1778 his kingdom was extended upto the Kistna river. Hastings did not see anything wrong in Haidar's reconquering his lost territory. But the problem came to a head when the Anglo-French war broke out in Europe in 1779. Haidar Ali sided with the French, and objected to the Company's occupation of Mahe⁴³. Both the Madras Government and Fort William Board made several fruitless attempts to appease him. In July 1780 he marched through the Chengama Pass into the Carnatic. A trail of devastation was left along his march⁴⁴.

The Government of Fort St. George was hardly prepared to meet Haidar's attack. Its army of 8,000 men commanded by Sir Hector Munro was stationed at widely separated places. He repulsed an attack of Tipu and a contingent of the Maratha cavalry. But Haidar interposed his troops between those of Baillie and Munro. On 6 September 1780 Baillie's troops were completely annihilated. Late in 1780 Arcot fell to Haidar⁴⁵.

VII

The Carnatic and Tanjore

In 1773, the Madras Government conquered Tanjore for Nawab Muhammad Ali of Arcot. Tuljaji, the ruler of Tanjore was thrown into prison. The Court of Directors sensed something shady into the matter and suspended Alexander Wynch, the Governor of Madras. Wynch was

39. 7 Dec. 1778 Nos. 1-5 (pp. 284-285), Progs., 21 Dec. 1778 (p. 285). 28 Dec. 1778 No. 9 (p. 288).

40. 20 Apr. 1780 Nos. 1-10 (pp. 339-341).

41. 11 Sep. 1780 No. 4 (p. 366).

42. 17 Jan. 1780 Nos. 1-6 (p. 330), 24 Jan. 1780 No. 9 (p. 332).

43. 13 May 1779 Nos. 3-4 (p. 306).

44. 21 Aug. 1780 Nos. 1-2 (pp. 361-362), 24 Aug. 1780 No. 1 (p. 363).

45. 22 Sep. 1780 No. 5 (p. 368), 2 Oct. 1780 No. 4 (p. 271). 29 Nov. 1780 No. 1 (p. 381)

replaced by Lord Pigot. The latter, as instructed by the Court, restored Tanjore to Tuljaji⁴⁶. This annoyed Muhammad Ali who also took exception to the Court's directly communicating with Tuljaji whom the former claimed to be his vassal.

Muhammad Ali's real problem was his debts. Like the Nawab Vazir of Oudh his subsidy fell in arrears. His private debts were mounting up and large assignments of land revenue could ill-afford to lighten this burden. Loss of Tanjore added to the problems of meeting his monetary obligations to the Company. He suggested two alternatives : either Tanjore should be given back to him or he should be exempted from all financial obligations to the Company. He also asked for appointment of a commission for settling certain disputes with Tuljaji.⁴⁷ The Board did nothing beyond asking Tuljaji to pay to the Nawab the amount the latter had defrayed on Tanjore and allowing the Nawab to repossess the districts of Marava and Sivaganga⁴⁸.

VIII

Affairs at Fort St. George

The Madras Government was an abode of corruption and incompetence. The Nawab of Arcot was forced by his financial plight and indebtedness to borrow money from the Company's servants at high rates of interest. This became a source of profit even for some members of the Council. Some of them were lending money to the Nawab at 60 per cent on the mortgage of the revenue of Tanjore.

Lord Pigot's appointment as Governor in December 1775 struck a note of discord in the presidency. He provoked a stiff opposition by his Tanjore deals and intention of doing away with corruption. The situation proved particularly challenging for him when Sir Robert Fletcher, Commander-in-Chief of the Madras Army, disputed the Governor's order appointing Colonel James Stuart to command troops at Tanjore⁴⁹. The Governor ordered arrest of Fletcher and suspension and arrest of two other members of the Council. He also refused to admit Paul Benfield's claim of 23 lakhs of rupees on the revenue of Tanjore for the money the latter had lent to Nawab Muhammad Ali. All these led to Pigot's personal misfortune. On 24 August 1776 the old Governor was taken prisoner by Lieutenant Colonel James Eidington and Captain Christopher Lysaught under the majority's orders. He was sent to St. Thomas's Mount as a captive and kept in the custody of Major Matthew Horne of the artillery. Pigot's reporting to the Board of his wrongful confinement was of no avail⁵⁰. On the contrary, the Board approved the action of the majority led by George Stratton and recognised their title and authority to govern the Presidency of Fort St. George⁵¹.

46. 22 Apr. 1776 Nos. 1, A, B (p. 49).

47. 7 Aug. 1776 No. 15 (p. 90).

48. 7 Aug. 1776 No. 16 (p. 90).

49. 10 Sep. 1776 Nos. 1-2 (p. 98).

50. 10 Sep. 1776 Nos. 5 (p. 98).

51. 10 Sept. 1776 Nos. 7-9 (p. 98), 23 Sep. 1776 No. 23 (p. 102).

On 31 August 1776 Stratton assumed office as Governor⁵². Tuljaji, the Raja of Tanjore, who fled to Negapatam at Pigot's discomfiture, came back to Tanjore on being assured of safety by Stratton⁵³. Nawab Muhammad Ali came out with a long list of complaints against the imprisoned Governor⁵⁴. Claud Russel and the minority of the Madras Council wrote to Edward Hughes, the Commander-in-Chief of the Royal Squadron, that the latter's presence at Madras was essential for restoring the lawful government there and also requested him to keep Pigot under his protection⁵⁵. Pigot, whose appeal was turned down by the Board, requested Hughes to secure his release⁵⁶. Stratton and his government opined that Pigot's release would mean both foreign and domestic troubles⁵⁷. The Government of Bombay were reprimanded by Stratton and the Fort William Board as they questioned the propriety of Lord Pigot's arrest⁵⁸. In May 1777 Pigot died in captivity and passed beyond all controversy and disgrace⁵⁹.

IX

There had been some matters of moment among the plethora of events of this period. The Board saw with satisfaction the destruction of the Jat power in Bundelkhand brought about by Mirza Najaf Khan, a reputed soldier in the Mughal army. It cleared a zone of troubles and uncertainty along the borders of Oudh. The Board's exorbitant demand of tribute from Raja Chait Singh of Benares had already been making the situation at Benares uneasy. The scare of French attack, reported Magh depredations in the south-eastern parts of Bengal, minor commercial disputes with the Dutch and the Danes and controversy on jurisdiction between the *Nizam* of Bengal and the Supreme Court of Calcutta were among the developments worth mentioning.

52. 23 Sep. 1776 No. 25 (p. 103).

53. 23 Sep. 1776 No. 30 (p. 104).

54. 11 Nov. 1776 No. 2 (p. 122), 11 Nov. 1776 No. S (p. 123).

55. 23 Sep. 1776 Nos. 28-29 (pp. 103-104).

56. 11 Nov. 1776 No. M (p. 122).

57. 11 Nov. 1776 No. 2 (p. 122).

58. 20 Jan. 1777 Nos. 3-4 (p. 142), 27 Jan. 1777 Nos. 1-2 (p. 145-146).

59. 16 Jun. 1777 No. 5 (p. 177).

ABBREVIATIONS

A.D.C.	.	..	..	..	..	Aide-de-Camp
A.L.S.	..	..	..	...	..	Autograph letter signed
B.S.	..	..	..	..	..	Body sheet
Brig. Gen.	..	..	..	...	..	Brigadier General
Capt.	..	..	..	..	..	Captain
C.-in-C.	..	..	..	...	..	Commander-in-Chief
Col.	..	..	..	...	..	Colonel
Cons.	..	..	..	..	..	Consultation
Gen.	..	---	---	..	..	General
Lt.	---	---	---	---	..	Lieutenant
Lt. Col.	---	---	..	..	..	Lieutenant Colonel
Lt Gen.	---	..	..	..	..	Lieutenant General
Maj.	..	---	---	---	..	Major
Maj. Gen.	---	..	..	..	..	Major General
Progs.	..	..	..	..	..	Proceedings

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1776, Jan 3. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 3 Jan., 1776

1775, Dec 21, Bilgram. Lt. Col. J. N. Parker (Commanding 3rd Brigade)) intimates to the Board that he will comply with the orders of the Board to return the presents given to him by Raja Chait Singh (Raja of Benares). (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

3 Jan., 1776, No. 1

Dec 11, Delhi. Majd-ud-Daulah (Abdul Ahad Khan, Minister of Shah Alam) intimates to Lt. Col. J. Cumming (Commanding 2nd Brigade) his intention to hand over to the British Qasim Ali Khan (son-in-law of Jafar Ali Khan, Nawab of Bengal) who has come to meet Shah Alam. (Translation)—3 pp.

3 Jan., 1776, No. 2

1776, Jan 3. Discussion in the Board on the above letter and resolution passed by them authorising J. Cumming to accept the offer of Abdul Ahad Khan. 3 pp.

Progs., 3 Jan., 1776

Jan 3. The Board authorise J. Cumming to accept the offer of Abdul Ahad Khan and keep Qasim Ali Khan under strong guard and also to convey through the minister Board's acknowledgement to the King (Shah Alam) for his favour. 2 pp.

3 Jan., 1776, No. 3

Observations of W. Hastings (Governor General), J. Clavering, G. Monson and P. Francis (Members of the Council) on the letter* (received 22 December 1775) from Bahu Begam (mother of Asaf-ud-Daulah) claiming her right to her husband's property. (Minutes)—8 pp.

3 Jan., 1776, No. 4

Jan 3. Discussion in the Board with regard to the action to be taken on the letter from Bahu Begam. 4 pp.

Progs., 3 Jan., 1776

Jan 3. P. Francis records his opinion on the alleged charges made by Bahu Begam against J. Bristow (Resident at Lucknow); submits a literal translation of the relevant passage of Bahu Begam's letter* which,

* Please see *Press List of Records belonging to the Foreign Department (Secret Dept)*, Vol. I p. 376

according to him, differs materially from the first translation. and suggests that an enquiry be made of both Bristow and Bahu Begam former to repudiate the charges and the latter to clarify certain points. (Minute)—2 pp.

3 Jan., 1776, No. 5

Jan 3. The Board direct J. Bristow to explain his conduct in relation to the charges made against him by Bahu Begam; instruct him to convey to Asaf-ud-Daulah (Nawab Vazir of Oudh) the mode of adjustment suggested by the Board for settlement of dispute for the property inform that the Begam has been assured that she will be given, if she desires, a place of retreat in the Company's province as soon as she fulfils her engagement with the Nawab. 4 pp.

3 Jan., 1776, No. 6

Jan 4. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 4 Jan., 1776

Mubarak-ud-Daulah (Nawab of Murshidabad) complains to the Board against a warrant issued by the Supreme Court against Toji Roy and his brother for a claim of Rs. 35,000 made against them by Sambhu Nath; points out that neither the plaintiff nor the defendants being the subjects or in the employment of the Company, the Supreme Court can have no jurisdiction over them.* (Translation)—2 pp.

4 Jan., 1776, No. 1

Jan 4. W. Hastings reports to the Board that he has made enquiries on the subject from the Chief Justice. (Minute)—1 p.

Progs., 4 Jan., 1776

E. Impey (Chief Justice, Supreme Court) states that it will defeat justice if the inhabitants of Calcutta, especially after the abolition of the Diwani Court, try to seek protection by entering the service of the Nawab after contracting debts. (Copy)—2 pp.

Progs., 4 Jan., 1776

Extract from affidavit from plaintiff (Sambhu Nath) stating that both the defendants are still inhabitants of Calcutta. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

Progs., 4 Jan., 1776

Jan 4. W. Hastings proposes that the Nawab of Murshidabad be informed that if the defendants are not legally subject to the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court, they may plead their exemption from the same Court. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 4 Jan., 1776

*The Persian date given in the document, i.e., 5th Zulfada of 17th Sun (Zulus) appears to be wrong as it corresponds to 4 January, 1776, whereas the letter in question was received on 2 January. The disparity of the date may be on account of misreading the figure written in words in Persian *Yakum* (1st) as *Panjam* (5th) 1st Zulfada 17 (Zulus) corresponding to 31 December, 1775 Please also see *Calendar of Persian Correspondence*, Vol. V, No. 5, p. 1.

***Jan 8.** W. Hastings assigns his reasons for objecting earlier to communicate the contents of Bahu Begam's letter to Asaf-ud-Daulah and Murtaza Khan (Minister of the Nawab). (Minute)—2 pp.

4 Jan., 1776, No. 2

Jan 8. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 8 Jan., 1776

1775, Dec 7, Fort St. George. The President and Council, Fort St. George, seek advice from the Board on the subject of removal of the French from Guntur; enclose copies of letters from Capt. A. Duncan (Commanding at Ongole) and T. Halcott containing intelligence of the defeat of Basalat Jang's (Nawab of Adoni) troops before the fort of Bellary. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

8 Jan., 1776, No. 1

Nov 30, Ongole. A. Duncan gives an account to A. Wynch (Governor of Madras) about the defeat of Basalat Jang's army. (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

8 Jan., 1776, No. 2

Nov 23, Ventapollam. T. Halcott gives an intelligence to A. Wynch on the same subject. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

8 Jan., 1776, No. 3

Abstract of the receipts and disbursements of the household of Mubarak-ud-Daulah for May and June 1775. 1 p.

8 Jan., 1776, No. 2**

Abstract of the receipts and disbursements of the household of Mubarak-ud-Daulah for July and August 1775. 1 p.

8 Jan., 1776, K. W. to 1†

Dec 8, Fort St. George. The President and Council, Fort St. George forward to the Board a copy of a letter from the Nawab of Arcot (Muhammad Ali Khan) accompanied by three papers of intelligence relating to Haidar Ali's (Ruler of Mysore) movement against Basalat Jang and his designs upon Cuddapah. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

8 Jan., 1776, No. 4

Muhammad Ali Khan informs A. Wynch about Haidar Ali's movements; seeks Company's aid for the protection of Cuddapah. (Received 4 December 1775). (Enclosure to above)—6 pp.

8 Jan., 1776, No. 5

*This is the date which occurs in the Original Consultation, though the minute has been recorded in the Proceedings of 4 January 1776.

**The letter from the Resident, at Murshidabad of which this was an enclosure, not recorded in the Proceedings. In the docket is written "to be entered after Cons. 8 January, No. 2". Wrongly stitched with Consultation No. 2. This should most probably bear No. A.

†The letter from the Resident not recorded in the Proceedings. In the docket is written to be entered after Cons. 8 January, No. 1". This should most probably bear No. B.

Nov 26, Cuddapah. Intelligence sent by the news writers at Cuddapah. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

8 Jan., 1776, No. 6

Nov 30, Adoni. Intelligence from Adoni. (Enclosure)—4 pp.

8 Jan., 1776, No. 7

Nov 22, Guti. Intelligence from Guti. (Enclosure)—4 pp.

8 Jan., 1776, No. 8

1776, Jan 8. The Board inform the President and Council, Fort St. George that they will reserve their opinions on the matters until they are furnished with further sentiments of the Council at Madras and instructions from the Court of Directors. 2 pp.

8 Jan., 1776, No. 9

1775, Oct 27, Murshidabad. W. B. Martin (Resident at Murshidabad) forwards to the Board accounts of the household of the Nawab of Murshidabad for the month of September 1775. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

8 Jan., 1776, No. 10

Abstract of the receipts and disbursements of the household of Mubarak-ud-Daulah for September 1775. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

8 Jan., 1776, No. C*

Nov 15, Murshidabad. W. B. Martin forwards accounts of the Nawab's household for the month of October 1775. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

8 Jan., 1776, No. 11

Abstract of the receipts and disbursements of Mubarak-ud-Daulah's household for October 1775. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

8 Jan., 1776, No. D*

Oct 4, Bombay Castle. The President and Council of Bombay intimate to the Board that the *Talbot* will be despatched to Bengal as soon as she is loaded; inform that the Council's reply to the complaints to J. Law de Lauriston (Governor of Pondicherry) will be transmitted to the Board soon; assure that both their conduct and instructions to their subordinates have constantly tended to promote a proper harmony with the different European factories on the western coast; intimate that Anquetil (A. de Briancourt, French Consul at Surat) has been informed that the Definitive Treaty of Paris excludes them from any privilege to hoist French flag at Surat. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

8 Jan., 1776, No. 12

Sep 23, Bombay. De Moncrif de la Grange (Chancellor of French Factory at Surat) forwards to the President and Council of Bombay a copy of a letter from A. de Briancourt regarding hoisting of flag at Surat (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

8 Jan., 1776, No. 13

Sep 11, Surat. A. de Briancourt requests permission from the President and Council at Bombay for hoisting of French flag at Surat. (Enclosure)—4 pp.

8 Jan., 1776, No. 14

*Please see footnotes against Ncs. 2 and K. W. to 1

Sep 28, Bombay Castle. Secretary, Bombay Government (G. Skipr); forwords to De Moncrif de la Grange a copy of Bombay Council's reply to A. de Briancourt. (Enclosure)—1 p.

8 Jan., 1776, No. 15

Sep 28, Bombay Castle. The President and Council, Bombay inform A. de Briancourt that they cannot permit hoisting of French flag at Surat, state that the matter will be communicated to the Court of Directors in England and their final decision on the subject will be intimated to him. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

8 Jan., 1776, No. 16

Nov 22, Bankipore. I. Sage (Chief of Patna Provincial Council of Revenue) informs the Board that he will strictly follow the instructions of the Board of Inspection in collecting information of all the foreigners arriving at Patna. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

8 Jan., 1776, No. 17

Nov 23, Bankipore. I. Sage assigns his reasons for giving passport to J. Osborne to proceed to Farrukhabad; assures the Board that he will strictly follow the instructions now being given to him. (A.I.S.)—2 pp.

8 Jan., 1776, No. 18

Dec. 8, Cantoments (Lucknow). J. Cumming informs the Board that Tukojirao Holkar (Commander of Indore Army) and Mahadji Sindhia (Chief of Gwalior) are stationed near Bundelkhand with a large army probably with the intention of joining Himmat Bahadur (Anup Giri, Gosain Chief in Shuja-ud-Daulah's service) whom Asaf-ud-Daulah proposes to turn out; states that they eventually intend to force the Nawab to retreat and either to retain the province themselves or to put Himmat Bahadur there independent of the Nawab; informs that the neighbouring chiefs are raising army and forming alliance to help each other against the Nawab Vazir and also seeking the help of Zulfakar-ud-Daulah (Najaf Khan, Minister of Shah Alam). (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

8 Jan., 1776, No. 19

Dec 18, Cantoments. J. Cumming informs the Board that the 1st Division of the 3rd Brigade under J.N. Parker has arrived at the cantonments and that the same Division will march out to-morrow (19 December) under the command of Maj. J. Stainforth. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

8 Jan., 1776, No. 20

Dec 18, Bilgram. J. N. Parker informs the Board that he has reached, Bilgram (18 December) from Allahabad. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

8 Jan., 1776, No. 21

Dec 20, Benares. F. Fowke (Resident at Benares) informs the Board that Raja Chait Singh is engaged in suppressing the seditious zamindars; gives a detailed account of the investiture ceremony of the Raja and presentation of *khilat* and *sanad* to him on behalf of the Company; also informs that the Raja has been reproached for not paying his tribute. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

8 Jan., 1776, No. 22

1776, Jan 8. The Board write to Sakharam Bapu (Sakharam Bhagwant Bokil) expressing their surprise at closing of the ports and intercepting of English vessels on the Malabar coast contrary to his profession of peace and friendship with the Company; inform that they have learnt that Col. J. Upton's (Envoy to Poona Durbar) march from Bhopal has been retarded for want of a passport which was promised; warn him that he has to face the consequences if he violates his promise and prepares for war against the Company. 3 pp.

8 Jan., 1776, No. 23

1775, Nov 25, Bhopal. J. Upton expresses gratification to the Board for writing to Sakharam Bhagwant Bokil; reports on the conditions in and around Jhansi, Kalpi, Bhopal etc., on his march to Poona and his delay in getting permission from various independent chiefs to travel through their respective territories. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

8 Jan., 1776, No. 24

1776, Jan 8. The Board inform J. Upton that the copies of the letters received from Madhavrao Narayan (Peshwa) and Sakharam Bhagwant Bokil together with Board's reply have been sent to him; direct him to conclude his negotiations as early as possible. 1 p.

8 Jan., 1776, No. 25

Jan 6. The Board inform J. B. Chevalier (French Governor of Chandernagore) that they will take the first opportunity of considering his and Law's letters and will transmit to him the Board's reply as soon as possible. 1 p.

8 Jan., 1776, No. 26

1775, Nov 20, Calcutta. W. Paxton (Assay & Mint Master) informs the Board that Asaf-ud-Daulah was unable to supply him with samples of different species of rupees received by the Company from the Nawab as they have all been recoined except a parcel of Benares rupees; submits a report of the comparative values of these rupees with Fyzabad *sikkas*. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

8 Jan., 1776, No. 27

Report of the comparative values of Fyzabad *sikkas* etc., and sundry species of rupees received by the Company from Asaf-ud-Daulah and recoined in the Mint at Fort William. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

8 Jan., 1776, No. 28

Dec 21, Calcutta. Report of the weight and assay of two *Muqaddar* or Benares rupees received by order of the Board. (Enclosure)—1 p.

8 Jan., 1776, No. 29

Dec 6, Mahdighat. J. Bristow transmits to the Board a statement of the expenses of the battalions of sepoys and matchlock-men of Asaf-ud-Daulah and a statement of his army; informs that the Nawab gives command of his army indiscriminately to his favourites with little regard to their abilities; intimates that the Nawab proposes to march towards Farrukhabad to-morrow (December 7). (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

8 Jan., 1776, No. 30

Statement of the expenses of Asaf-ud-Daulah's sepoy and matchlockmen. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

8 Jan., 1776, No. E

Statement of Asaf-ud-Daulah's army. (Enclosure)—6 pp.

8 Jan., 1776, No. F

Dec 13, Camp near Farrukhabad. J. Bristow gives an account to the Board of the relation of Asaf-ud-Daulah with Najaf Khan and the Gosains; informs that the Nawab Vazir by marching to Etawah will allay the jealousy of Najaf Khan with whom he may accommodate all his differences and have the opportunity of restoring his authority in the Doab; adds that this may also frighten the Gosains, and in case Mahadji Sindhia has real intentions of joining them, he will at least secure the rents of the lands on this side of Jumna; also encloses copies* of letters passed between the Nawab and Qasim Ali Khan. (A.L.S.)—11 pp.

8 Jan., 1776, No. 31

Dec 14, Camp near Farrukhabad. J. Bristow informs the Board that Asaf-ud-daulah has sent Mirza Hilali (Muhammad Khalil Khan) as his ambassador to Najaf Khan to arrange an interview between the two, but both are suspicious of each other and are not willing to visit other's dominion unless assurance of personal safety is given by the Company; gives an account of the discussion that he had with them when both paid a visit to him. (A.L.S.)—7 pp.

8 Jan., 1776, No. 32

1776, Jan 8. The Board approve of J. Bristow's presence at the meeting of Asaf-ud-Daulah and Najaf Khan and instruct him to interpose his good offices to create a good understanding and friendship between them, but forbid him in engaging the Company in any new treaty whatsoever with foreign powers, or in the guarantee of any treaty which they may enter into among themselves without obtaining the express order of the Board; transmit a copy* of the Assay Master's report of the exact value of Fyzabad *sikka* rupee and suggest that the account of the late Vazir and the present Nawab should conform to these rates. 2 pp.

8 Jan., 1776, No. 33

Jan 5. J. Clavering, G. Monson and P. Francis comment on the opinion of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court and state that the description in the affidavit does not, according to them, subject the defendants (Taji Roy and his brother) to the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court; suggest that it is sufficient to inform the Nawab (of Murshidabad) that the Company does not believe the persons he mentioned are subject to the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court, that the Judges are answerable for their conduct to the King (of England) and that the Board leave it to the Nawab to take such measures as he shall judge necessary for the support of his own dignity and the rights of the Nizamat. (Minutes)—4 pp.

8 Jan., 1776, No. 34

Jan 8. W. Hastings states that he does not find any cause to depart from the opinion he had already expressed; adds that the Judges have

* Not recorded in the Proceedings.

long since determined that every person residing within the bounds of Calcutta or any of the Company's factories is a British subject and answerable to the Supreme Court, but were it otherwise, he does not know of any right which the Board has to contest the powers of the Court; feels that it is the duty of the Board to assist and support them in exercise of their powers. (Minute)—4 pp.

8 Jan., 1776, No. 35

G. Monson states in reply to the Governor General's minute that the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court in civil suits is not by the word of the Charter made general in any place within these Provinces, but is confined to persons coming under a particular description; suggests that the Nawab be informed that the Magistrates of the Supreme Court are amenable for their conduct to the Courts of Justice in England. (Minute)—4 pp.

8 Jan., 1776, No. 36

Jan 8. Decision of the Board that the Nawab be addressed in the terms proposed by J. Clavering, P. Francis and G. Monson. (Resolution)—1 p.

Progs., 8 Jan., 1776

Jan 15.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 15 Jan., 1776

Jan 8. The draft of a reply to Mubarak-ud-Daulah proposed by the secretary conformably to the resolution passed by the Board at its last meeting, sent to the Persian translator. 2 pp.

15 Jan., 1776, No. 1

*Wednesday. The Persian translator (J. M. Dayly) informs that W. Hastings has suggested that the draft be circulated to the members of the Board to be worded as they think proper, and that the Governor General does not want the reply to go in his name. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

15 Jan., 1776, No. 2

J. Clavering, G. Monson and P. Francis approve of the letter to be written to the Nawab; state that they cannot understand how the Governor General refuses to write it in his own name against the orders of the Court of Directors. (Minute)—1 p.

15 Jan., 1776, No. 3

W. Hastings suggests a change in the draft reply as the letter was addressed to the Governor General and Council and the answer contains their sentiments. (Minute)—1 p.

15 Jan., 1776, No. 4

Observations of J. Clavering, G. Monson and P. Francis on the Governor General's minute; add that it is extremely improper to use the

*The date not given either in the Proceedings or in the Consultation.

name of the Board in such cases as it tends to lessen the authority of the Governor General in the minds of the Indian princes. (Minute)—1 p.

15 Jan., 1776, No. 5

W. Hastings states that the alteration he has proposed is necessary not only in form but of strict truth because it asserts an opinion which is not his, but that of the Governor General and Council collectively. (Minute)—1 p.

15 Jan., 1776, No. 6

J. Clavering states that the Governor General is directed by orders of the Court of Directors to correspond with the country powers in his own name; feels that in such a material case the Nawab should not understand that the Board is not unanimous in their opinion; P. Francis, G. Monson, R. Barwell and W. Hastings also record their comments. (Minutes)—2 pp.

15 Jan., 1776, No. 7

Corrected draft of the letter to Mubarak-ud-Daulah prepared on the basis of the observations made by the members of the Board and approved by the Governor General. 1 p.

15 Jan., 1776, No. 8†

*Jan 16. The Board inform the Chiefs of the Provincial Councils of Revenue of Murshidabad (E. Baber) and Dacca (C. W. B. Rous) about the appointment of Muhammad Riza Khan as the Naib Suba. (Circular)—1 p.

15 Jan., 1776, No. 9

Jan 25.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 25 Jan., 1776

1775, Sep 15. J. Clavering, G. Monson and P. Francis criticise the action taken by W. Hastings against Maharaja Nand Kumar; repudiate the charges of the Governor General that they influenced him to appear against the Governor, or contested the power of the judicature in his favour; criticise the policy of the Governor General regarding settlement of salt farms; contradict charges of dispossessing his *Bania's* son of zamindari of Bakerbund (Backergunge?) and ordering a prosecution against the Governor General; state that in most cases the *Banias* are constantly the ostensible men in whose names the farms or contracts are held by their English masters; add that the Governor's *Bania* stands foremost among them with enormous number of farms and contracts and a large amount of money; accuse the Governor General for disobeying the orders of the Court of Directors with regard to the appointment of guardians for the Nawab of Bengal (Mubarak-ud-Daulah); allege that the Governor's representation of C. Goring's (Member, Calcutta Provincial Council of Revenue) tyranny against Munni Begam (wife of Jafar Ali Khan) and others has not a single fact or proof to support it; criticise the action taken against F. Fowke; point out the contradiction in the policy which the Governor avowed to follow in relation to the neighbouring States (Oudh,

†The letter was actually sent on 18 January. Please see *Calendar of Persian Correspondence*, Vol. V, No. 22, p. 2.

*This is the date which occurs both in the Proceedings and in the Consultation though the circular letter was recorded in the Proceedings of 15 January 1776.

Benares) and the action actually taken by him against them. (Minute)—24 pp.

25 Jan., 1776, No. 1

Sep 15. J. Clavering, G. Monson and P. Francis criticize the management of revenue by W. Hastings; add that the persons responsible for the revenue administration strain and exhaust the country for the first year or two, establish their own fortunes and leave it to their successors to answer for the subsequent disappointment of the Company's expectations; comment on the accounts transmitted by the Governor General to the Court of Directors. (Minute)—14 pp.

25 Jan., 1776, No. 2

Dec 24, Camp near Farrukhabad. J. Bristow informs the Board that Asaf-ud-Daulah has marched towards Etawah; assures that he will give detailed information about the relation between the Nawab and Najaf Khan; encloses a paper* of intelligence relative to the Sikhs; informs that the Nawab has dismissed the Qiladar of Najibabad for suspected treachery. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

25 Jan., 1776, No. 3

Dec 29, Camp Kashmarra (near Etawah). J. Bristow forwards to the Board copies** of correspondence between him and Najaf-Khan; states that Najaf Khan has left Dig in consequence of the march of Asaf-ud-Daulah; adds that Mulla Rahim Dad Khan (former follower of Najaf Khan) has collected a large army and is virtually in possession of Dig; hopes that it is probable that in such a situation mutual interests will induce Najaf Khan and Asaf-ud-Daulah to come to an agreement; informs that Muhammad Elich Khan (formerly Prime Minister of Shuja-ud-Daulah) has extended financial help to Najaf Khan and will also assist him with a large army; apprehends that an assembly of a large body of Rohilla army under Rahim Dad Khan and his forming a league with Najaf Khan will be prejudicial to the Nawab; states that the Gosains are secretly inviting Mahadji Sindhia to take possession of the country; gives an account about the strength of the Sikh army which has attacked Zabita Khan (son of Najib-ud-Daulah) and the names of their chiefs. (A.L.S.)—6 pp.

25 Jan., 1776, No. 4

1776, Jan 3, Camp near Etawah. J. Bristow intimates that all his endeavours to reconcile Bahu Begam and Asaf-ud-Daulah have failed; invites Board's instructions on the subject; gives details of the Begam's allegations against the Nawab of ill treatment; states that all the charges are baseless and it is the Begam who has been guilty of violating her treaty with the Nawab; encloses copies of Begam's letter to him and his reply thereto. (A.L.S.)—8 pp.

25 Jan., 1776, No. 5

Copies of letter from Najaf Khan to J. Bristow (received 16 January 1776) and his reply thereto dated 30 November 1775. (Enclosures)—4 pp.

25 Jan., 1776, No. 5 A†

* Not recorded in the Proceedings.

** Please see No. 5(A).

† Enclosure to No. 4

Copies of letter from Bahu Begam to J. Bristow and his reply thereto. (Enclosures)—8 pp.

25 Jan., 1776, No. 6*

J. Clavering, G. Monson and P. Francis suggest that J. Bristow's letter of 3 January ought to be transmitted a separate number in the packet. (Minute)—1 p.

25 Jan., 1776, No. 7

Board's decision that a copy of the translation of Bahu Begam's letter be sent to the Court of Directors. 2 pp.

Progs., 25 Jan., 1776

1775, Dec 30, Bilgram. J. Cumming intimates to the Board that he has handed over the command of the troops to Lt. Col. G. Stibbert. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

25 Jan., 1776, No. 8

Dec 30, Bilgram. G. Stibbert informs that a general court martial was sitting when he arrived, but he is not empowered to approve it as the warrant for holding it was in the name of Lt. Col. P. Gailliez or in his absence in the name of J. Cumming; requests the Board to issue a special warrant in his name. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

25 Jan., 1776, No. 9

1776, Jan 18. Observations of W. Hastings on the relevant paragraphs of the General Letter from the Secret Department (15 January, 1776) regarding the authority of the Supreme Court on the subject of the Nawab of Bengal; states that the doctrine of the Judges amount only to a declaration that the Company as Diwan, and the servants employed by them, are subject to the authority of the Court, can be screened from its jurisdiction by pleading the orders of the Nawab; adds that if these points are not admitted, the Court is no protection to the inhabitants of Calcutta; suggests that the limits of the Supreme Court be clearly defined. (Minute)—3 pp.

25 Jan., 1776, No. 10

Jan 21. J. Clavering, G. Monson and P. Francis disagree with the observations of the Governor General recorded in his above minute; cite among other examples of embarrassments of the Board, the case of establishment of factory by the French in the Nawab's territory in contravention of the Treaty of Paris. (Minute)—6 pp.

25 Jan., 1776, No. 11

Jan 14, Bankipore. I. Sage gives an account to the Board about the movements and intentions of J. Pavesy, which he thinks are sufficient for his conviction; encloses an attested copy of the charges made against him by the *Amil*. (Copy)—3 pp.

25 Jan., 1776, No. 12

Jan 14, Bankipore. Attested copy of the charges made against J. Pavesy. (Enclosure to above)—4 pp.

25 Jan., 1776, No. 13

*Enclosure to No. 5.

Jan 29.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 29 Jan., 1776

Jan 25, Hooghly. J. Bacheracht (Dutch Commissary at Chinsura) seeks Board's permission for opium trade. (Translation)—4 pp.

29 Jan., 1776, No. 1

Abstract account of the *nazarana* paid by the Dutch factory at Patna from 1726 to 1774. *(Enclosure)—1 p.

29 Jan., 1776, No. 1(A)

1775, Jul 6, Patna. I. Sage and members of the Patna Provincial Council of Revenue report on the rights and privileges enjoyed by the Dutch and French East India Companies in saltpetres and opium trade in Bihar; transmit to the Board an account** of the origin of *nazarana* paid by the Dutch Company to the Nizamat of Bihar and the trade of that nation and of the French in salt, opium and cloth; also enclose abstracts† of accounts of *nazarana* paid by the two Companies between 1726 and 1774 and other connected papers.‡ (A.L.S.)—6 pp.

29 Jan., 1776, No. 2

Abstract account of the *nazarana* paid by the Dutch and French Companies to the Nizamat of Bihar from 1725-26 to 1731-32. (Enclosure)—1 p.

29 Jan., 1776, No. 2(A)*

1776, Jan 29. The Board inform the Dutch Commissary at Hooghly (Chinsura) that they do not consider that the Dutch Company possess any right to a free trade in opium; state that they are, however, willing to permit the Dutch Company to enjoy the same privilege in this regard as they did in the past. 2 pp.

29 Jan., 1776, No. 3

An account of the origin of *nazarana* annually paid by the Dutch Company to the Nizamat and Diwani of Bihar. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

29 Jan., 1776, No. 3(A)*

Jan 9, Bilgram. G. Stibbert acquaints the Board that further enquiry into the Paymaster's accounts of the Second Brigade as ordered by the Commander-in-Chief, is not possible as that will be more explanatory, or serve to give more light into the statement than has been transmitted to the Board; intimates that he has issued the accompanying General Order§ to avoid, in future confusion and irregularities in public accounts; encloses a copy@ of J. Bristow's letter giving an account of the political situation of Oudh. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

29 Jan., 1776, No. 4

*Enclosure to No. 2.

**Please see N. 3(A).

†Please see No. 4(A).

‡Please see Nos. 5(A), 6(A, 7(A) and 8(A).

§Please see No. 5.

@Please see No. 6.

Account of the quantity of saltpetra exported from the city of Patna from 1764 to 1774 by the Dutch and French factories. (Enclosure)*—1 p.

29 Jan., 1776, No. 4(A).

Jan 6, Bilgram. General Order issued by G. Stibbert commanding the troops in Oudh. (Enclosure)**—2 pp.

29 Jan., 1776, No. 5

An account of the saltpetre trade monopoly in Bihar given by Mir Ghulam Gilani. (Enclosure)*—1 p.

29 Jan., 1776, No. 5(A)

Jan 6, Camp Etawah. J. Bristow informs G. Stibbert about Asaf-ud-Daulah's march to Etawah; acquaints him with the general discontentment in Oudh on account of the change of ministers by the Nawab and placing Mukhtar-ud-Daulah (Murtaza Khan) in the sole management of his affairs; reports that some influential chiefs have deserted the Nawab and joined Najaf Khan. (Enclosure)**—4 pp.

29 Jan., 1776, No. 6

Account of two years' disposition of saltpetre for 1751-52 and 1752-53. (Enclosure)*—1 p.

29 Jan., 1776, No. 6(A)

Jan 29. The Board inform Capt. J. Browne that Maulavi Alimullah has been appointed to the charge of Faujdari Adalat of Jungle Tarai; instruct him to accord necessary assistance to execute his duties. 1 p.

29 Jan., 1776, No. 7

Parwanas issued by Maharaja Shitab Roy in 1766 concerning the trade of the French and the Dutch in opium and saltpetre. (Enclosure)*—4 pp.

29 Jan., 1776, No. 7(A)

Jan 29. The Board instruct the Chief and Council of Revenue of Murshidabad to advance such sums as shall be required by the Naib Suba (Muhammad Riza Khan) for the expenses of the Faujdari Court. 1 p.

29 Jan., 1776, No. 8

Account of the *nazarana* paid by the Dutch to the Diwan of Khalsa and Public Officers. (Enclosure)*—2 pp.

29 Jan., 1776, No. 8(A)

Jan 29. Observations† of W. Hastings and the members of the Council on the question of allowances to Munni Begam and Bahu Begam, and the proposal to liquidate the debts of both the Company and the *Nizamat* out of the savings shown (by Muhammad Riza Khan); resolutions of the Board directing the Naib Suba to reduce the pension of the Begams. 3 pp.

Progs., 29 Jan., 1776

*Enclosure to No. 2.

**Enclosure to No. 4.

†Observations were on 5 letters received from Muhammad Riza Khan and entered in the Persian Correspondence as received the 24 January, 1776, Please see *Calendar of Persian Correspondence*, Vol. V, pp. 3-4, Nos. 26 and 29.

Feb 1

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 1 Feb., 1776

Jan 22, Benares. F. Fowke intimates to the Board that Raja Chait Singh proposes to pay his tribute to the Company at the rate of 108 *machhlidar* rupees in exchange of 100 Calcutta *sikka* rupees on the basis of calculation furnished by him; reports that the Raja has requested him to represent to the Board the loss he is likely to suffer if he has to pay his annual tribute on the basis of coins of the weight and fineness specified by the Board; informs that he will hand over the administration of Jaunpur to Chait Singh as ordered by the Board; encloses an account of weights and measures used in the Districts of Benares and Ghazipur. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

1 Feb., 1776, No. 1

An account of the weights and measures used in the Districts of Benares and Ghazipur. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

1 Feb., 1776, No. 2

Jan 9, Benares. F. Fowke informs the Board that the proportion of *machhlidar* rupees deposited with him and in circulation is so small that Raja Chait Singh will be under absolute necessity to recoin the greatest part of the sum that he has to pay; intimates that his repeated warning to the Raja that regular payment of his *kist* to the Company will alone entitle him to enjoy the favour that he has already received from the Board did not have any effect on him; adds that the balance due from the Raja amounts to Rs. 4,40,152. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

1 Feb., 1776, No. 3

Feb 1. Order of the Board that the Assay Master be directed to inform the Board how many *masha* the copper coins sent by F. Fowke contain of the weight used in Calcutta Mint and also how many grains of English weight. 1 p.

Progs., 1 Feb., 1776

***Jan 31, Calcutta.** Assay Master's (W. Paxton) report on the above. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

1 Feb., 1776, No. 4

Feb 1. The opinion of W. Hastings regarding the adjustment of the tribute to be paid by Raja Chait Singh to the Company and the suggestions offered by him for consideration of the Board; comments of G. Monson, J. Clavering, P. Francis and R. Barwell on the suggestions of the Governor General. (Minutes)—14 pp.

Progs., 1 Feb., 1776

Feb 1. The Board inform F. Fowke that the standard of payment suggested for payment of tribute was not followed by Raja Chait Singh; direct him to inform the Raja that if the tribute is received in rupees of inferior standard, he has to pay requisite *batta* for the same; the Raja

*The Benares copper coins, it appears, were sent to the Assay Master before the meeting of the Board. The report of the Assay Master, though dated 31 January 1776, was presumably received after the meeting.

is given the option to pay the sum in monthly *kists* either in *machhlidar* rupees at Benares or in *sikka* rupees at Calcutta, the latter will secure him a premium of 2% for the remittance; inform that when the assent of the Raja is obtained and all the matters are adjusted with him, the Board will transmit proper deeds to be delivered to the Raja for his zamindari. 3 pp.

1 Feb., 1776, No. 5

Jan 18. J. Cumming expresses his doubts whether Abdul Ahad Khan sincerely wishes to deliver Qasim Ali Khan; does not, however, think it improbable that he will try to get rid of Mir Kasim (Qasim Ali Khan) as he has been intriguing at Delhi; adds that the Minister's own position is at present very critical as he is not on good terms with Najaf Khan and may ultimately turn to the English for protection in case of a reverse; suggests measures to seize this opportunity to capture Qasim Ali Khan. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

1 Feb., 1776, No. 6

Feb 1. Decision of the Board that the application of Karimullah (regarding the claims in the estate of Bulakidas in the name of his master, Qasim Ali Khan) be referred to the Company's council in the terms of the Governor General's propositions recorded in his minute* of 7 September 1775. (Resolution)—2 pp.

Progs., 1 Feb., 1776

Feb 1. The Board direct the Resident at the Darbar of the Nawab of Bengal (W. B. Martin) to pay the salary of Muhammad Riza Khan annexed to his office. 1 p.

1 Feb., 1776, No. 7

Feb 5. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 5 Feb., 1776

Jan 14, Bankipore. I. Sage reports that Maj. A. L. H. Polier, who was permitted by the Board to reside at Patna, has quit the province and gone to Fyzabad. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

5 Feb., 1776, No. 1

Abstracts of letters (30) to and from Lt. Col. T. Keating (Military Commanding Officer to assist the Peshwa) and the Council at Bombay relating to advance of loan to Raghunathrao; intelligence regarding the state of ministerial party; proposal to march from Surat to Cambay; suggestion for terms of peace with Fateh Singh (Gaikwar of Baroda); preparation for siege of Baroda; charge against him for continuing hostilities with the Marathas after ceasefire; Raghunathrao's terms of treaty; Raghunathrao's apprehension regarding Nizam Ali Khan's joining the ministerial party. ** (Enclosures)—19 pp.

5 Feb., 1776, No. 1 (A)

*Please see *Press list of Records belonging to Foreign (Secret) Department*, 1763-75, Vol. p. 322.

**Enclosures to No. 10.

Feb 5. The Board inform G. Stibbert that J. Bristow will be instructed to request Asaf-ud-Daulah to order A. L. H. Polier to quit his dominion immediately in conformity with the treaty; instruct him to communicate to Bristow any intelligence received about the movement and intention of Maj. Polier. 2 pp.

5 Feb., 1776, No. 2

1775, *May, Bombay Castle. The President and Council of Bombay direct T. Mostyn (Member of the Council) to proceed to Poona to ascertain the affairs and designs of Raghunathrao; instruct him to urge Raghunathrao to move speedily towards Poona to pay the monthly stipends to the Company's forces who are assisting him and inform him that the Company is not in a position to advance him any loan; instruct him to ascertain from T. Keating whether he has entered into any treaty with Raghunathrao and Fateh Singh and if so, under what conditions; authorise him to enter into any treaty or negotiation with any country powers and that the military commanding officer should be under his control, including in financial matters. **(Enclosure)—7 pp.

5 Feb., 1776, No. 2(A)

1776, Jan 10, Camp near Etawah. J. Bristow informs the Board that at the request of Col. G. Muir and Raja Chait Singh he has procured two orders† from the Nawab of Oudh to Subadar of Allahabad (Saiyid Maizuz Khan) to arrest Govindjit (Zamindar of Bijapur); adds that the Nawab has also issued a *parwana* agreeable to the command of the Board regarding the Kotwal of Jaunpur; encloses copies‡ of both the orders and the *parwana*. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

5 Feb., 1776, No. 3

1775, Sep 11, Bombay Castle. The President and Council at Bombay inform J. Upton that they will furnish necessary information regarding Raghunathrao and the Maratha State as soon as he writes to them. **(Enclosure)—2 pp.

5 Feb., 1776, No. 3(A)

Nov 29, Dec 2. Copies of letters under seal of Asaf-ud-Daulah addressed to the Subadar of Allahabad dated 5th and 8th of *Shawwal*.

1776, Jan 6. Copy of *parwana* from Asaf-ud-Daulah dated 13th of *Zilkada*, 1189 *Hijri*. (Enclosures)‡—4 pp.

5 Feb., 1776, No. 4

Abstracts of letters to and from T. Keating. (Enclosures)**—2 pp.

5 Feb., 1776, No. 4(A)

Jan 12, Camp near Etawah. J. Bristow informs the Board that he will impress upon Asaf-ud-Daulah the real reasons for appointment of British officers in his service, which he hopes will secure peace for the Nawab, place him above apprehensions from foreign attacks and improve his financial position; thanks the Board for appointing him as the Pay

*No date is given either in the Proceedings or in the Consultation.

**Enclosures to No. 10.

†Please see No. 4.

‡Enclosure to No. 3.

master for the English officers in the Nawab's army and requests that a Deputy Paymaster may also be appointed to assist him. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.
5 Feb., 1776, No. 5

Feb 5. Order of the Board that the Military Paymaster General be directed to furnish J. Bristow with a copy of the establishment of pay and allowances fixed for the officers and such other instructions as may enable him to keep his accounts.

Resolution of the Board forbidding the officers appointed to the Nawab's army to apply to his minister for any contingent expenses, which should in all cases be presented to the Paymaster (Bristow). 2 pp.

Progs., 5 Feb., 1776

1775, Oct 30, Surat. R. Gambier (Chief of Surat) informs the Council at Bombay that they have obtained by mistake a *sanad* from Fateh Singh for cession of Duballia instead of Bhatha, adds that T. Keating refuses to take further action with the Gaikwar to rectify this mistake; seeks Council's orders in this regard. (Enclosure)*—3 pp.

5 Feb., 1776, No. 5(A)

1776, Jan 21, Camp near Etawah. J. Bristow informs the Board that Sibghatullah Khan (Vakil of Nawab of Farrukhabad), who was arrested by Asaf-ud-Daulah, was later released; gives an account of the past relation between the Nawabs of Farrukhabad and Oudh; adds that Muzaffar Jang (Diler Himmat Khan) is virtually a tool in the hands of Mihrban Khan (Nawab's Diwan) who controls the administration of the state; encloses a copy of the treaty that took place at his initiative between Asaf-ud-Daulah and Diler Himmat Khan. (A.L.S.)—8 pp.

5 Feb., 1776, No. 6

1775, Dec 27. Copy of treaty between Asaf-ud-Daulah and Diler Himmat Khan under their seals dated the 3rd of *Zilqada* in the 17th year of the Reign, or 1189 *Hijri*. (Enclosure to above)—5 pp.

5 Feb., 1776, No. 7

1776, Feb 5. The Board inform J. Bristow that the Military Paymaster General has been instructed to furnish him with necessary papers and instructions to enable him to keep account as Paymaster of the English officers in Asaf-ud-Daulah's army; instruct him to forbid the officers in the Nawab's army to approach his minister for any contingent demands; direct him to address the Nawab that in conformity with the treaty with him he should immediately ask A. L. H. Polier to withdraw from his dominion and should similarly ask Najaf Khan to refuse Polier any employment if he asks for one. 4 pp.

5 Feb., 1776, No. 8

1775, Nov 24, Tellicherry. Commodore E. Hughes (Commander-in-Chief of H. M.'s Squadron in East Indies) informs the Board that the affairs with the Marathas remain the same as they were before the cessation of hostilities; adds that no other ship has arrived from Europe since the *Talbot*. (Copy)—2 pp.

5 Feb., 1776, No. 9

*Enclosure to No. 10.

Nov 17, Bombay Castle. The President and Council, Bombay forward to the Board copy* of a letter from T. Keating containing intelligence about the affairs of Raghunathrao and offer of friendship to him by Bijay Singh (Maharaja of Jodhpur); also enclose copies* of letters from R. Gambier and Keating regarding the possession of Duballia in violation of the Board's desire. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

5 Feb., 1776, No. 10

Feb 7. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 7 Feb., 1776

Jan 25, Camp near Etawah: J. Bristow informs that as directed by the Board he presented to Asaf-ud-Daulah Bahu Begam's representation to the Governor General; encloses a copy** of representation that he placed before the Nawab; states that the Nawab has informed that he has written to the Governor General on the subject; repudiates the charges made against him by the Begam; adds that his motive in entering into negotiation with the Nawab and the Begam was to procure money for the former at a time when he could not have taken the field without it. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

7 Feb., 1776, No. 1

Copy of the treaty between Najaf Khan and Asaf-ud-Daulah dated the 27th *Shawwal*, 1189 *Hijri* (21 December 1775); and copy of letter from Bala Rao (*Amil* of Kalpi) to J. Bristow. (Enclosure)†—2 pp.

7 Feb., 1776, No. 2

Jan 26, Camp near Etawah. J. Bristow intimates that he will pay strict attention to the standard fixed by the Board for the adjustment of *batta* on all sums received from the late Vazir (Shuja-ud-Daulah) and Asaf-ud-Daulah; encloses a copy of the treaty@ brought by Mirza Hilali (Muhammad Khalil Khan) on behalf of Najaf Khan; reports that Mulla Rahim Dad Khan, who has occupied Dig was himself beaten by Ranjit Singh (Raja of Bharatpur) and taken refuge with the King of Delhi; adds that Najaf Khan being assured of Asaf-ud-Daulah's non-interference has returned to the siege of Dig; states that the plan followed by the Nawab with the King is exactly in conformity with the Board's advice; adds that the only apprehension for the Nawab now is from the Gosains; reports that a large body of Maratha army under Bahirji Takpir (son-in-law of Mahadji Sindhia) and Babuji Holkar (adherent of Raghunathrao) is stationed near Kalpi; encloses a copy of a letter@ from Bala Rao complaining against him for not replying to his earlier letters. (A.L.S.)—8 pp.

7 Feb., 1776, No. 2†

* Please see Nos. 1(A), 2(A), 3(A), 4(A), 5(A).

** Please see No. 4.

† Enclosure to No. 3.

‡ In the Proceedings the number is 4. Original consultation is incomplete.

@ Please see No. 2.

Copy of representation presented by J. Bristow to Asaf-ud-Daulah
 *(Enclosure)—4 pp.

7 Feb., 1776, No. 4

Feb 7. The Board inform J. Bristow that their intention was merely to obtain from him the information relating to the particular charges made against him by Bahu Begam. 1 p.

7 Feb., 1776, No. 5

Jan 25, Benares. F. Fowke forwards bills for the amount paid by Raja Chait Singh, being the part payment of his tribute to the Company; states that he has informed the Raja that he will be credited only for the amount of the enclosed three bills at whatever rate of exchange to be fixed by the Board. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

7 Feb., 1776, No. 6

Accounts of money remitted by Raja Chait Singh as part payment of his tribute to the Company. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

7 Feb., 1776, No. 7

Feb 2, Hooghly. The Dutch Council at Hooghly express surprise at the Board's decision that the Dutch Company has no right to trade in opium; state that their Company has been trading in that commodity for more than a century and has got *farmans* and other grants from the Indian princes giving them unlimited freedom of commerce in all the products, including opium; add that this was also acknowledged by H. M's. Government in England and by the Court of Directors; assert that they cannot relinquish this undoubted right merely because the Board want to artfully deprive them of this at this juncture; state that they are also unwilling to accept the conditions fixed by the Board with regard to the quantity and the price of the opium. (Translation)—7 pp.

7 Feb., 1776, No. 8

Feb 7. The Board inform the Dutch Council that they cannot depart from their stand unless the Council at Hooghly furnish them with proofs that they possess even now the real exercise of the rights for free trade in opium; state that the grant of Diwani of the provinces give them the right to make such regulations as they consider proper; offer to make them a tender of the opium on the same terms which have been extended to the Company's own contractor at Patna. 3 pp.

7 Feb., 1776, No. 9

Feb 7. Decision of the Board authorising Muhammad Riza Khan to disburse pay of the Darogha and Judges and other servants of the Faujdari Adalat and likewise pay the incidental expenses connected with the Adalat; also authorize him to send vakils occasionally to the Sadar. (Resolution)—3 pp.

Progs., 7 Feb., 1776

Feb 7. The Board inform W. B. Martin that the *sanad* obtained from the Nawab (Mubarak-ud-Daulah) conferring the appointment on Muhammad Riza Khan was not properly drawn; enclose a revised draft

for the same and direct him to present it to the Nawab and to request him to grant it accordingly. 1 pp.

7 Feb., 1776, No. 10

Feb 7. The Board direct the Provincial Councils to issue proclamations throughout the districts under them requiring all the agents and dependants of the Diwani to pay due regard to the *parwanas* issued by Muhammad Riza Khan as Naib Suba; also instruct them to consider his signature as sufficient authority to them for paying all the bills for the expenses of the establishments. (Circular)—2 pp.

7 Feb., 1776, No. 11

Feb 12. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 12 Feb., 1776

Feb 3, Benares. F. Fowke forwards to the Board a bill* for the amount paid by Raja Chait Singh being part payment of his tribute to the Company. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

12 Feb., 1776, No. 1

Abstract of correspondence between T. Keating and the Government of Bombay. (Enclosures)**—2 pp.

12 Feb., 1776, No. 1(A)

Feb 3, Benares. Account of money remitted by Raja Chait Singh in part payment of his annual tribute to the Company. (Enclosure)†—1 p.

12 Feb., 1776, No. 2

1775, Sep 20, Seringapatam. Extract of a letter from R. Adam (Surgeon) to the Resident at Onore (Honavar). (Enclosure)**—2 pp.

12 Feb., 1776, No. 2(A)

Oct 31, Bombay Castle. The President and Council, Bombay report that T. Keating has proceeded to Surat and awaiting Board's further directives; inform that many principal officers of the ministerial party have quitted the Maratha confederacy and entered into an association to support Raghunathrao; enclose a copy‡ of the proposed treaty between Haidar Ali and the Dutch together with a copy‡ of a letter from the Resident at Honavar (W. Townsend) and also an extract‡ of a letter from the Surgeon (R. Adam) who had brought the treaty. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

12 Feb., 1776, No. 3

Oct 3, Onore (Honavar). W. Townsend sends intelligence to Council at Bombay regarding Haidar Ali's treaty with the Dutch East India Company. (Enclosure)**—2 pp.

12 Feb., 1776, No. 3(A)

* Please see No. 2.

** Enclosures to No. 3.

† Enclosure to No. 1.

‡ Please see Nos. 1(A), 2(A), 3(A), 4(A).

Letter* from the President and Council, Bombay to the Board(?)

12 Feb., 1776, No. 4

1775, Mar 30, Seringapatam. Proposed treaty between Haidar Ali and the Dutch East India Company. (Enclosure)**—3 pp.

12 Feb., 1776, No. 4 (A)

1776, Jan 5, Purandhar. J. Upton informs the Board that the ministers are against the chiefs signing individually to the treaty; encloses opinions of the ministers; suggests that this clause may be dispensed with as it is likely to present with many difficulties; assures that he will succeed in keeping open some separate articles in the treaty if the Board require them; adds that peace in the country will be established if the English withdraw their protection from Raghunathrao; encloses copies of letters from the Council† at Bombay and the Nawab of Carnatic, the latter giving information that the Nawab is sending emissaries to the Poona Darbar; reports that the people are in favour of the treaty; encloses the form in which he intends to draw up the treaty for approval. (A.L.S.)—6 pp.

12 Feb., 1776, No. 5

Jan 3. Debate respecting the Maratha chiefs signing the treaty. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

12 Feb., 1776, No. 6

Jan 3. Account of the rise and progress of the disturbances in the Maratha State. (Enclosure)—7 pp.

12 Feb., 1776, No. 7

1775, Nov 8. Muhammad Ali Khan expresses his desire to J. Upton to send ambassadors to negotiate with the Poona Darbar. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

12 Feb., 1776, No. 8

Form of the proposed treaty between the East India Company and the Maratha State. (Enclosure)—4 pp.

12 Feb., 1776, No. 9

Preamble to the above treaty as drafted by the Board. (Enclosure)†—3 pp.

12 Feb., 1776, No. 10

1776, Feb 12. The Board direct J. Upton to conform as early as possible to the general spirit of the Board's orders as circumstances will admit; authorise him to accept the ratification of the treaty by the Peshwa, his ministers and persons whose signatures are usually affixed to the treaties of the State; empower him to use his discretion in this connection; enclose a proper form of preamble@ to the treaty. 3 pp.

12 Feb., 1776, No. 11

*The Consultation is missing, nor is it recorded in the Proceedings. There is, however, a reference about the letter in the Body Sheet, the subject matter of which is not recorded therein.

**Enclosure to No. 3.

†Letter from the Council at Bombay not recorded in the Proceedings.

‡Enclosure to No. 11.

@Please see No. 10.

Feb 12. The discussion of the members of the Board on the question of cession of **Bassein and Salsette to the Company by Raghunathrao.** (Minutes)—9 pp.

Progs.. 12 Feb., 1776

Feb 14. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 14 Feb., 1776

The discussion of the members of the Board on the question of cession of **Bassein and Salsette to the Company.** (Minutes)—20 pp.

Progs., 14 Feb., 1776

Feb 15. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 15 Feb., 1776

Feb 15. The discussion in the Board on the question of cession of **Bassein and Salsette.** (Minutes)—11 pp.

Progs., 15 Feb., 1776

Feb 15. The Board authorise J. Upton to cede Broach and its dependencies in case the Peshwa's ministers are totally averse to surrender Bassein as a condition of the treaty; instruct that if this offer is also rejected, he should intimate to the Board immediately and await further orders from them. 2 pp.

*15 Feb., 1776, No. 1**

Feb 19. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 19 Feb., 1776

Feb 14, Bilgram. G. Stibbert forwards to the Board copies of a letter from J. Bristow requesting for two companies of sepoys to be sent to Saiyid Beg Khan (*Amil* of Partabgarh) to assist him in the collection and payment of *tankhwah* given by the Nawab of Oudh to the Company and Col. Stibbert's reply thereto complying with his request; seeks Board's orders for similar requests in future. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

19 Feb., 1776, No. 1

Jan 9, Camp near Etawah. J. Bristow requests G. Stibbert to send two companies of sepoys to Partabgarh. (Enclosure to above)—5 pp.

19 Feb., 1776, No. 2

*The Original Consultation also contains a draft in cypher of the same letter.

Jan 13. G. Stibbert's reply to J. Bristow complying with his request. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

19 Feb., 1776, No. 3

Feb 3, Camp near Bilgram. G. Stibbert sends to the Board intelligence about the movement of a large body of Maratha army under Bahirji Takpir towards Jainagar (Jaipur) and that they have extorted a large contribution from Prithvi Singh (Raja of Jaipur); states that they have been invited by Ranjit Singh to give relief to him on his being besieged at Dig by Najaf Khan; adds that several bodies of Maratha army are advancing towards Jhansi and Kalpi causing great trouble to Asaf-ud-Daulah's forces; reports that the Marathas have sent vakils to the Nawab's camp at Etawah demanding *chauths* for the provinces of Kora and Doab. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

19 Feb., 1776, No. 4

Feb 19. The Board approve the action of G. Stibbert in sending two companies of sepoys to Partabgarh to assist J. Bristow; authorise him to use his discretion to extend similar help to J. Bristow in future; acknowledge his letter of 3 February 1776. 1 p.

19 Feb., 1776, No. 5

Feb 18, Calcutta. R. Jarret and G. Foxcraft (Attornies to the Company) inform the Board that the Supreme Court has unanimously decreed that J. Pavesy should be released from his confinement. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

19 Feb., 1776, No. 6

Feb 19. The Board approve the plans proposed by Muhammad Riza Khan for the establishment and better regulation of the *Nizamat* and Faujdari Adalat. (Resolution)—3 pp.

Progs., 19 Feb., 1776

Feb 19. The Board request the Chiefs of the Provincial Councils at Murshidabad, Dacca and Calcutta to afford Muhammad Riza Khan all assistance and support for the implementation of his plans. (Circular)—3 pp.

19 Feb., 1776, No. 7

Feb 19. Decisions of the Board regarding payment of arrears of salary and loan to Muhammad Riza Khan; authority given to him to proceed against J. Sanson (Chief of French Factory at Mohanpur) for refusing to appear before Midnapore Faujdari Adalat. (Resolutions)—2 pp.

19 Feb., 1776, No. 8

Feb 26.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 26 Feb., 1776

Feb 11, Camp near Bilgram. G. Stibbert sends to the Board further intelligence about the movement and designs of the Maratha forces; gives

account about the engagements between the troops of Najaf Khan and those of the Marathas and Ranjit Singh. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

26 Feb., 1776, No. 1

Jan 23, Bilgram. J. Cumming forwards copies of the letters which he addressed to Abdul Ahad Khan for trapping Qasim Ali Khan, and seeks Board's approval on them. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

26 Feb., 1776, No. 2

Jan 10 & 20, Bilgram. Letters addressed by J. Cumming to Abdul Ahad Khan. (Enclosures to above)—3 pp.

26 Feb., 1776, No. 3

Feb 22, Murshidabad. W. B. Martin informs the Board that he has obtained from the Nawab the *sanad* confirming the appointment of Muhammad Riza Khan and delivered it to him. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

26 Feb., 1776, No. 4

Feb 18, Benares. F. Fowke informs that Raja Chait Singh has accepted the terms offered by the Board for the payment of his tributes to the Company; encloses copies of the *muchalka* executed by the Raja and the bills* of exchange. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

26 Feb., 1776, No. 5

Muchalka executed by Raja Chait Singh for payment of his tribute to the Company. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

26 Feb., 1776, No. 6

Feb 26. The Board direct F. Fowke to insist on Raja Chait Singh for bills of exchange of every monthly *kist* to be made payable in Calcutta within 51 days after the due date. 2 pp.

26 Feb., 1776, No. 7

Jan 28, Camp near Etawah. J. Bristow informs the Board that A. H. L. Polier arrived at Fyzabad and intends to proceed towards Etawah; seeks Board's instructions with regard to him. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

26 Feb., 1776, No. 8

Feb 9, Camp near Etawah. J. Bristow reports to the Board that Najaf Khan's siege of Dig is not going to be successful; encloses a copy of an intelligence which gives an idea of the spirit with which the war is conducted on both sides; informs that Mirza Muhammad Khalil Khan has returned to seek assistance from Asaf-ud-Daulah; adds that Zabita Khan (Rohilla Chief) is negotiating with the Sikhs and Najaf Khan with the intention of invading Rohilkhand; states that the Nawab Vazir has not yet taken any decision on Bala Rao's letter; adds that he himself has not neglected his negotiation with the Maratha chiefs and has asked for their terms for peace. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

26 Feb., 1776, No. 9

Intelligence from Dig. (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

26 Feb., 1776, No. 10

Feb 12, Camp near Etawah. J. Bristow reports to the Board about the disorders in the court of Asaf-ud-Daulah; gives an account about his pub-

*The bills were sent to the Treasury and not recorded in the Proceedings.

lic and private character and also an account about the motives and activities of the persons on whom the Nawab has bestowed the administration of his state; narrates the action he has taken to persuade the Nawab to improve the affairs of his state and maintain his relation with the Company. (A.L.S.)—12 pp.

26 Feb., 1776, No. 11

Feb 26. The Board direct J. Bristow to press Asaf-ud-Daulah to put the English officers in his army to take immediate charge of their respective commands to avoid delay in executing his plan for establishing a disciplined army; request him to send an account of the Nawab's revenues. 2 pp.

26 Feb., 1776, No. 12

1775, Oct 31, Bombay Castle. The President and Council at Bombay inform the Board that the charges levelled against the Chief and Council at Tellicherry by J. Law de Lauriston are without foundation; state that the only engagement formed with the Prince of Chirakkal was a contract for supply of pepper; add that Law has magnified this as treaty, intrigues etc. with the Prince and Haidar Ali, which he alleges has disturbed the French settlement at Mahe; enclose extracts from letters from the Chief and Council at Tellicherry; also forward an extract of a letter from the Resident at Vengurla containing a proposal made by the Raja of Sonda for delivering his country to the English on certain conditions, including cash payment; state that they cannot entertain the offer for want of money and ask for some financial help from the Board. (Copy)—3 pp.

26 Feb., 1776, No. 13

Extracts of letters from the Chief and Council at Tellicherry to the Council at Bombay. (Enclosures to above)—4 pp.

26 Feb., 1776, No. 14

Oct 6, Vengurla. Extract of a letter from the Resident at Vengurla to Bombay Council. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

26 Feb., 1776, No. 15

Dec 29, Bombay Castle. The President and Council at Bombay inform the Board that in the absence of a clear instruction from the Board they allowed the army to remain at Surat and Broach; add that separation of English forces from Raghunathrao at this juncture will expose him to immediate danger and defeat the purpose for which J. Upton was deputed to Poona; report that Raghunathrao has refused to allow the English army to station at Chikhli as that will ruin his cause; enclose a copy of the letter from Raghunathrao and extracts of letters from T. Keating on the subject; state that Mahadji Sindhia is making many overtures to Raghunathrao and at this stage a treaty with the latter will be more advantageous to the Company; enclose a copy of a letter addressed by them to J. Upton apprising him of the situation and request the Board to send directives to the Colonel; add that relinquishing of the territories ceded by Raghunathrao will be prejudicial to the Company and if Upton shows determination this will not prove any obstacle to the proposed treaty. (A.L.S.)—7 pp.

26 Feb., 1776, No. 16

Nov 28. Letter from Raghunathrao to the Council at Bombay. (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

26 Feb., 1776, No. 17

Extracts of letters to and from T. Keating and the Council at Bombay. (Enclosures)—3 pp.

26 Feb., 1776, No. 18

Dec 29, Bombay Castle. Letter from the Council at Bombay to J. Upton. (Enclosure)—6 pp.

26 Feb., 1776, No. 19

1776, Jan 3, Bombay Castle. The President and Council at Bombay inform the Board that they have withdrawn the factory from Sind; enclose a copy of the paragraph addressed to the Court of Directors and a narrative from A. Callander (Resident) on the origin and the present state of Pathan and Sind Governments; report that the Raja of Savantvadi and Rani of Kolhapur are not paying their dues as stipulated in the treaties with them; suggest use of force for recovery of dues from them; enclose copies of treaties with the two rulers. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

26 Feb., 1776, No. 20

1775, Nov 28, Bombay Castle. Extract of a letter addressed by the Council at Bombay to the Court of Directors explaining the reasons for closing the factory at Sind. (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

26 Feb., 1776, No. 21

Narrative of A. Callander on the state of Government, trade and revenue of Sind. (Enclosure)—12 pp.

26 Feb., 1776, No. 22

Articles of agreement between the East India Company and Khem Savant Bhonsla III (King of Savantvadi) concluded on 24 October 1766. (Enclosure)—6 pp.

26 Feb., 1776, No. 23

Articles of agreement between the East India Company and Jijabai (Rani of Kolhapur) concluded on 12 January 1766. (Enclosure)—6 pp.

26 Feb., 1776, No. 24

1776, Jan 3, Bombay Castle. The President and Council at Bombay report to the Board that J. Upton has arrived at Poona; enclose copies of letters received from T. Keating. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

26 Feb., 1776, No. 25

1775, Dec 24 & 28, Karod. Letters from T. Keating to the Council at Bombay. (Enclosures to above)—3 pp.

26 Feb., 1776, No. 26

1776, Jan 5, Bombay Castle. The President and Council at Bombay forward to the Board copy of a letter from J. Upton intimating his arrival at Poona. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

26 Feb., 1776, No. 27

1775, Dec 30, Purandhar. J. Upton informs the Council at Bombay of his arrival at Poona. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

26 Feb., 1776, No. 28

1776, Feb 26. The Board authorise the Council at Bombay to apply to E. Hughes for the whole or part of the squadron if they think that their presence will induce the rulers of Savantvadi and Kolhapur to pay their dues to the Company; do not, however, approve of any military action being taken against them unless they are morally certain of instant success. 2 pp.

26 Feb., 1776, No. 29

1775, Oct 31, Pondicherry. J. Law de Lauriston complains to the Board about the Company's encroachment on rights of trade of the French; asserts that their rights are founded like those of the English Company on the *sanads* and *parwanas* which are in their possession and also provided in the treaty of peace; states that the treaty gives them right to establish settlements wherever they like; adds that the same treaty also makes it obligatory on the part of the English to restore the factory at Manipore (Mohanpur?); states that they have been trading in salt and opium freely from the beginning and there is even a treaty in this connection between the three nations; complains about the conduct of the Chief and Council at Tellicherry against the French. (Translation)—14 pp.

26 Feb., 1776, No. 30

1776, Feb 29. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 29 Feb., 1776

Discussion of the Board on the plan* of J. Clavering for the disposition of three brigades. 10 pp.

Progs., 29 Feb., 1776

Jan 20. W. Hastings forwards to the Court of Directors his observations on the minutes** of J. Clavering, G. Monson and P. Francis in which the members had criticised his actions. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

29 Feb., 1776, No 1

Observations of W. Hastings on the minutes of the members of the Board. (Minute—Enclosure to above)—21 pp.

Jan 18. W. Hastings and R. Barwell send to the Court of Directors their plan for the establishment of Courts of Justice in Bengal. (A.L.S.)—20 pp.

29 Feb., 1776, No. 3

Jan 20. Comments of J. Clavering, G. Monson, and P. Francis on the observations of W. Hastings on their earlier minute (5 September

*Please see *Press List of Records belonging to the Foreign (Secret) Department*, Vol. 1, p. 341.

***Ibid.*, p. 369.

1775); state that the Governor General has not answered all the points raised by them in their minute; give their opinion on the appointment of Muhammad Riza Khan and Raja Gurudas (son of Nand Kumar); criticise the Governor General's actions in the management of revenues, payment of tributes to the King of Delhi, selling of Kora and Allahabad to Nawab Vazir (Shuja-ud-Daulah), Rohilla War etc. (Minute, No. 1)—39 pp.

29 Feb., 1776, No. 4

Jan 20. J. Clavering, G. Monson and P. Francis criticise the action of W. Hastings in the management of revenues; forward an account of the extra resources and disbursements of the Bengal Government, copy of an order of the Council sanctioning payment of some money to the Nawab of Oudh (Shuja-ud-Daulah), and an account of the amount paid by the Nawab for the maintenance of English officers in his army. (Minute, No. 2)—22 pp.

29 Feb., 1776, No. 5

Jan 17. Account of the extra resources and disbursements of the Bengal Government from 13 April 1772 to 19 October 1774. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

29 Feb., 1776, No. 6

Order of the Board to the Accountant General, Central Revenues (C. Croftes) authorising payment of money to the Nawab of Oudh, dated 7 February 1774. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

29 Feb., 1776, No. 7

Account of the amount paid by the Nawabs of Oudh for the maintenance of English officers in their army from May 1774 to April 1775. (Enclosure)—1 p.

29 Feb., 1776, No. 8

Mar 4. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 4 Mar., 1776

Jan 18, Dacca. The Provincial Council of Revenue at Dacca communicate to the Board the result of their enquiry concerning the factories and lands possessed or claimed by the French in their District. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

4 Mar., 1776, No. 1

Feb 5, Murshidabad. The Provincial Council of Revenue at Murshidabad intimate to the Board the result of their enquiry regarding lands and factories possessed by the French in their District. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

4 Mar., 1776, No. 2

1775, Oct 26, Patna. The Provincial Council of Revenue at Patna communicate to the Board the result of their enquiry concerning the factories and lands possessed by the French in their District. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

4 Mar., 1776, No. 3

1776, Jan 10, Burdwan. The Provincial Council of Revenue at Burdwan forward to the Board copies of letters from the Residents at Midnapore, Radhanagar and Khirpai factories giving information about the factories and lands possessed by the French in Burdwan District. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

4 Mar., 1776, No. 4

1775, Nov 23, Midnapore. Copy of letter from J. Peiarce (Resident at Midnapore) to the Provincial Council of Revenue at Burdwan. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

4 Mar., 1776, No. 5

Dec 16, Radhanagar. Copy of letter from J. Dynely (Resident at Radhanagar) to the Provincial Council at Burdwan. (Enclosure)—1 p.

4 Mar., 1776, No. 6

Nov 27, Khirpai. Extract of a letter from H. J. Chandler (Resident at Khirpai) to the Provincial Council at Burdwan. (Enclosure)—1 p.

4 Mar., 1776, No. 7

1776, Mar 4. Resolution of the Board requesting the Governor General to forward to the Naib Suba a list of the places where the French have factories and direct him to apply to the Nawab of Bengal to give effectual orders for the removal of sepoys stationed at different factories, excepting those at Chandernagore and its immediate dependencies. (Resolution)—1 p.

Progs., 4 Mar., 1776

Mar 4. The Board direct the Provincial Councils at Burdwan, Dacca, Murshidabad and Patna to make a more detailed enquiry about the number of flags hoisted at different French factories in their respective Districts, the names of the European Residents and Indian *Gumashtas* stationed at them and the number of sepoys employed at each factory; the Council at Burdwan was specially requested to make a detailed enquiry about the date of establishment of the factory at Mohanpur and the terms and conditions under which it was established. (Circular)—3 pp.

4 Mar., 1776, No. 8

Feb 19, Camp near Etawah. J. Bristow informs the Board that Asaf-ud-Daulah has expressed his satisfaction at the plan proposed by him for the establishment of British officers in the Nawab's army which, however, is being resented by the sepoys in the Nawab's army; states that the Gosains have resigned from the Government at the Doab; reports that Najaf Khan at his request has forbidden A. L. H. Polier to reside in his dominion. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

4 Mar., 1776, No. 9

Feb 19, Bilgram. G. Stibbert informs that as directed by the Board he has sent intelligence to J. Bristow about the movements and intentions of A. L. H. Polier; states that Polier on his arrival at Fyzabad was told that he was forbidden by the Nawab of Oudh to remain in his dominion. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

4 Mar., 1776, No. 10

Feb 19, Bilgram. J. Cumming transmits two letters* addressed to the Board by the King (Shah Alam) and Abdul Ahad Khan. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

4 Mar., 1776, No. 11

Feb 28, Murshidabad. W. Maxwell (Member of the Provincial Council of Revenue) forwards proceedings** of the Council and accounts of the household of the Nawab of Murshidabad. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

4 Mar., 1776, No. 12

Feb 28, Murshidabad. The Provincial Council of Revenue at Murshidabad transmit to the Board the accounts of the household of the Nawab of Murshidabad from 18 July 1765 to 15 May 1775 together with their comments on them. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

4 Mar., 1776, No. 13

Feb 28, Murshidabad. The establishment of servants employed by the Provincial Council of Revenue at Murshidabad.—(Enclosure to above).

4 Mar., 1776, No. A

Mar 4. The Board direct the Provincial Council of Revenue at Calcutta to arrange accommodation for the persons appointed to the Faujdaris and Thanadaris of the Districts under them and to make public their appointments. 2 pp.

4 Mar., 1776, No. 14

Mar 6. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 6 Mar., 1776

Feb 2, Purandhar. J. Upton informs the Board that he expects that a treaty honourable to the Company can be concluded with Poona Darbar, but finds that Bassein and Salsette are the only impediments to that treaty; states that the ministerial party will readily cede some country in the neighbourhood of Broach and Surat in lieu of them and also give the Company their share of collections in Broach pargana, defray the expenses of the war and give up all demands of *chauth* in every part of the Company's possessions; adds that cession of Salsette should be insisted by the Board failing which the treaty should be broken off; states that the Marathas are negotiating an alliance with the Nizam; encloses an account given by the ministerial party on the succession of the Gaikwar family to the command of Gujarat country. (A.L.S.)—6 pp.

6 Mar., 1776. No. 1

Establishment of the Gaikwars to the command of the Gujarat country. (Enclosure to above)—4 pp.

6 Mar., 1776. No. 2

Mar 5. W. Tayler (Member of the Council at Bombay) suggests to the Board that J. Upton should be directed to negotiate with Raghunath-

*The letters are not recorded in the Proceedings. Among the Abstracts of Persian Letters received there are mention of two letters, both dated 15 February 1776, received from the King and *Majd-ud-Daulah* (*vide Calendar of Persian Correspondence*, Vol. V, p. 5, Nos. 51 and 52).

**Not recorded in the Proceedings.

rao instead of the ministerial party for the proposed treaty; gives reasons for the same. (A.L.S.)—8 pp.

6 Mar., 1776, No. 3

Mar 6. Observations of W. Hastings and the members of the Board on the letters of J. Upton and W. Tayler and their decision that in case Upton has not already concluded a treaty with the Poona Darbar he should return to Bombay. If a treaty is concluded in the meantime without cession of Bassein and Salsette, Upton should offer them the terms of exchange suggested by the Board. (Minutes)—13 pp.

Progs., 6 Mar., 1776

Mar 6. The discussion in the Board on three letters* received from Muhammad Riza Khan dated 19, 23 and 28 February 1776; the decision of the Board that he be informed that as the Naib of the Nawab of Murshidabad he has to consult only his superiors for the administration of justice and can take suitable action against J. Sanson for violating peace in the country; order of the Board that the Resident at Murshidabad be informed accordingly. (Minutes)—2 pp.

Progs., 6 Mar., 1776

Mar 6. The Board direct W. B. Martin to put the control and administration of police at Murshidabad under the charge of Muhammad Riza Khan. 1 p.

6 Mar., 1776, No. 4

Mar 6. The decision of the Board that Muhammad Riza Khan be directed in reply to his letter** dated 28 February 1776 that he should dissuade Mubarak-ud-Daulah in the name of the Board from going in a hunting party in view of his present financial condition. 1 p.

Progs., 6 Mar., 1776

Mar 7. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 7 Mar., 1776

Feb 7, Purandhar. J. Upton reports to the Board that the negotiation for treaty has been practically broken off as the ministerial party is totally opposed to ceding Salsette; encloses a copy of the debate on the subject; states that if army is sent from Bengal to join those in Bombay they can yet conclude a treaty to the advantage to the Company; encloses a copy of a letter from the Council at Bombay and extract of a letter from T. Keating. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

7 Mar., 1776, No. 1

Feb 6, Poona. Debate at the Peshwa's Darbar. (Enclosure to above)—4 pp.

7 Mar., 1776, No. 2

*Please see *Calendar of Persian Correspondence*, Vol. V, pp 7-8, Nos. 67, 75 and 76.

***Ibid* No. 76

Feb 7, Bombay. The Council at Bombay request J. Upton to include their terms in his negotiation with the Poona Darbar. (Enclosure)—4 pp.
7 Mar., 1776, No. 3

1775, Sept 5, Makarpur. T. Keating informs the Bombay Government that Raghunathrao prefers to take help from the English rather than Nizam of Hyderabad and is waiting to cede some territories to the Company in return. (Extract—Enclosure)—3 pp.

7 Mar., 1776, No. 4

1775, Sep 5, Makarpur. T. Keating conveys Raghunathrao's terms of the treaty with the Company. (Enclosure)—4 pp.

7 Mar., 1776, No. 5

Mar 7. J. Clavering gives details about the military forces stationed in Bombay Presidency. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 7 Mar., 1776

Mar 7. The Board inform J. Bristow that negotiation with Poona Darbar has broken off and the Maratha Government are preparing for hostilities; direct him to instruct G. Stibbert to be in readiness to move and to ascertain from the vakils of Mahadji Sindhia and Tukojiराo Holkar in the court of Nawab of Oudh the real intentions of their masters with regard to Raghunathrao and also to correspond with neighbouring rulers explaining to them the object of the Company to maintain peace in the country; authorise him to utilise three battalions of army from the brigade stationed in Oudh to assist Sindhia and Holkar in case they agree to join the English. 10 pp.

7 Mar., 1776, No. 6

Mar 7. The discussion in the Board on the question of breaking of negotiation with Poona Darbar and their plan to meet the situation in the event of resumption of hostilities. (Minutes)—6 pp.

Progs., 7 Mar., 1776

Mar 7. The Board direct G. Stibbert to march towards Kora and to detach three battalions from the brigade to join the forces of Mahadji Sindhia and Tukojiराo Holkar in case they agree to support the cause of Raghunathrao. 2 pp.

7 Mar., 1776, No. 7

Mar 7. The Board direct the Council at Fort St. George to provide two battalions of sepoys to J. Upton to assist him against the ministerial party and to correspond with Nizam Ali, Haidar Ali and Murarirao Ghorpade to secure their assistance in favour of Raghunathrao; state that similar requests have been made to Mahadji Sindhia, Tukojiराo Holkar and Mudhoji Bhonsla. 4 pp.

7 Mar., 1776, No. 8

Mar 7. The Board direct E. Hughes to remain with his squadron on Bombay coast to assist the Presidency against the Maratha Government. 3 pp.

7 Mar., 1776, No. 9

Mar 7. The Board direct the Council at Surat to forward the enclosed letter to Raghunathrao in case the negotiation with Poona Darbar is broken off, otherwise to destroy it. 1 p.

7 Mar., 1776, No. 10

Mar 7. The Board assure Raghunathrao of full assistance to restore him with full authority to the seat of his Government at Poona. (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

7 Mar., 1776, No. 11

Mar 7. The Board authorise the Council at Bombay to give full support and assistance to Raghunathrao; recommend that all the forces in the Presidency should be put into operation for the purpose and assign the command of the army to Brig. Gen. R. Gordon with instructions to him to join Raghunathrao; direct them to contact E. Hughes and Fort St. George; assure them a grant of five lacs of rupees for meeting the expenses of war. 5 pp.

7 Mar., 1776, No. 12

***Mar 11.** The Board inform J. Upton that Bombay Government have been authorised to enter into treaty with Raghunathrao and offer him full assistance; give information about the directives given by the Board to Fort St. George and the Resident at Oudh to assist the Bombay Government in the prosecution of war and appeals made by the Board to the principal rulers in this regard. 3 pp.

7 Mar., 1776, No. 13

Mar 7. Observations of P. Francis on the authority given by the Board to Bombay Government to enter into treaty with Raghunathrao. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 7 Mar., 1776

Mar 11. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 11 Mar., 1776

Mar 11. The comments of W. Hastings and the members of the Board on the proposal of the Commander-in-Chief to send army and armaments from Bengal to Bombay. (Minutes)—4 pp.

11 Mar., 1776, No. 1

Observations of W. Hastings and members of the Board on the pay and *batta* of the detachment sent from Bengal to Bombay. (Minutes)—5 pp.

11 Mar., 1776, No. 2

Mar 11. Merchant ships chartered for sending troops, armaments, and provisions for detachment sent to Bombay. 3 pp.

11 Mar., 1776, No. 3

†Please also see *Calendar of Persian Correspondence*, Vol. VI, p. 9, No. 79.

*That is the date given both in the Proceedings and also in the Consultation though the letter is included in the Proceedings of 7 March 1776.

Mar 11. The decisions of the Board on the question of command of troops to be sent to Bombay, arms, ammunitions, provisions etc. to be sent along with them and the manner according to which the pay of the army is to be disbursed. (Resolutions)—4 pp.

Progs., 11 Mar., 1776

Mar 11. Observations of the members of the Board on the articles of treaty proposed by Raghunathrao and their decision to instruct Bombay Government to conclude a preliminary treaty with Raghunathrao agreeable to their decisions. (Minutes)—12 pp.

Progs., 11 Mar., 1776

Mar 11. The Board inform the President and Council at Bombay that they have sent army, arms, camp equipage etc., by sea; state that they are not inclined to accept the terms of the treaty proposed by Raghunathrao; transmit a copy of the sentiments of the Board on each article of the treaty and direct Bombay Government to conclude a preliminary treaty with Raghunathrao conformably to the conditions expressed therein and those contained in the Treaty of Surat; add that on receipt of this a definitive treaty will be concluded by the Board. 3 pp.

11 Mar., 1776, No. 4

Sentiments of the Board on the terms of the treaty proposed by Raghunathrao. (Enclosure to above)—7 pp.

11 Mar., 1776, No. A

The list of stores provided for the use of the detachment of soldiers ordered for Bombay. (Enclosure)—1 p.

11 Mar., 1776, No. 3

Mar 11. The additional paragraph proposed by J. Clavering to the above letter approved by the majority of the Board with notes of dissent by W. Hastings and R. Barwell. (Minutes)—4 pp.

11 Mar., 1776, No. 5

Mar 11. The Board inform J. Upton that he has been appointed Second-in-Command of the army that has been sent to assist Raghunathrao; authorise him to recruit, if necessary, sepoys to complete the battalion; state that the Commanding Officer at Oudh has been instructed to detach three battalions of sepoys to assist Mahadji Sindhia and Tukojirao Holkar if they agree to support the cause of Raghunathrao. 2 pp.

11 Mar., 1776, No. 6

Mar 14*. W. Hastings sends his note of dissent on the appointment of J. Upton for circulation to the members of the Board to be finally transmitted to the Court of Directors. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

11 Mar., 1776, No. 7

Note of dissent by W. Hastings on the appointment of J. Upton as Second-in-Command in Bombay army. (Enclosure to above)—8 pp.

11 Mar., 1776, No. 8

*That is the date given both in the Consultation and in the Proceedings though the document is recorded in the Proceedings of 11 March 1776.

Observation of J. Clavering on the Governor General's note of dissent. (Minute)—4 pp.

11 Mar., 1776, No. 9

Comments of G. Monson on the Governor General's note. (Minute)—3 pp.

11 Mar., 1776, No. 10

Opinion of R. Barwell on the Governor General's note. (Minute)—1 p.

11 Mar., 1776, No. 11

*Mar 15. Remarks of P. Francis on the Governor General's note. (Minute)—6 pp.

11 Mar., 1776, No. 12

W. Hastings desires that his enclosed reply to the above minutes be circulated to the members of the Board. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

11 Mar., 1776, No. 13

Reply of W. Hastings to the minutes of the members of the Board. (Enclosure to above—Minute)—4 pp.

11 Mar., 1776, No. 14

Mar 11, Calcutta. W. Tayler offers his services for carrying on negotiation with Raghunathrao on behalf of the Company. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

11 Mar., 1776, No. 15

Mar 11. The Board inform W. Tayler that having already communicated their sentiments to Bombay Government, it will be improper to charge him with separate responsibility to negotiate with Raghunathrao. 1 p.

11 Mar., 1776, No. 16

Feb 25, Camp near Etawah. J. Bristow reports to the Board that there was mutiny in the army of Asaf-ud-Daulah consequent on his dismissal of Mir Afzal's corps; states that he has failed to dissuade the Nawab to take any repressive action against the mutineers; gives an account about the engagement between the Nawab's troops and the mutineers, the latter being ultimately routed; adds that there is general discontentment among the army as they feel insecure about their salaries. (A.L.S.)—9 pp.

11 Mar., 1776, No. 17

Mar 1, Benares. F. Fowke forwards to the Board bills for the amount paid by Raja Chait Singh as part payment of his annual tribute to the Company. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

11 Mar., 1776, No. 18

Mar 25. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 25 Mar., 1776

Observations of J. Clavering on the question of obtaining intelligence regarding the commerce, number of forces and general strength of all the

*That is the date given both in the Proceedings and in the Consultation.

foreign companies in India and the reply of W. Hastings thereto. (Minutes)—7 pp.

Progs., 25 Mar., 1776

Apr 1. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 1 Apr., 1776

Capt. H. Briscoe (Officer Commanding the Battalion at Midnapore) informs the Board that J. Sanson has been arrested and handed over to the Darogha of the Adalat at Midnapore. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

1 Apr., 1776, No. 1

Abstract of correspondence between T. Keating and Bombay Government. (Enclosure)*—4 pp.

1 Apr., 1776, No. 1(A)

Apr 1. Observations of W. Hastings and the members of the Board on the letter of H. Briscoe. (Minutes)—2 pp.

1 Apr., 1776, No. 2

Correspondence between J. Upton and Bombay Government regarding the treaty with the Marathas. (Enclosure)*—23 pp.

1 Apr., 1776, No. 2(A)

Mar 22, Chandernagore. J. B. Chevalier protests to the Board for the sepoys of the English East India Company forcibly entering the residence of J. Sanson and arresting him in spite of his severe illness; forwards a formal protest** of the French Government and also a protest** from Sanson. (Translation)—3 pp.

1 Apr., 1776, No. 3

Sayajirao Gaikwar cedes Chikhli to the Company. (Enclosure)@—1 p.

1 Apr., 1776, No. 3(A)

Mar 22, Chandernagore. Protest of J. B. Chevalier against the arrest of J. Sanson. (Enclosure)‡—8 pp.

1 Apr., 1776, No. 4

Treaty between Raghunathrao on the one part and Fateh Singh and Sayajirao on the other. (Enclosure)@—3 pp.

1 Apr., 1776, No. 4(A)

Protest of J. Sanson for the sepoys of the English Company forcibly entering his residence. (Enclosure)‡—3 pp.

1 Apr., 1776, No. 5

Reply of the Poona Darbar on the requests made by J. Upton in favour of the Nawab of Arcot (Muhammad Ali Khan). (Enclosure)@—2 pp.

1 Apr., 1776, No. 5(A)

*Enclosures to No. 15.

**Please see Nos. 4 and 5.

@Enclosures to No. 24.

‡Enclosures to No. 3.

Mar 26, Calcutta. W. Hastings forwards the letter of J. B. Chevalier and the enclosures to the members of the Board together with a draft reply for their comments; observations of the members on the same and the Governor General's reply thereto. (Notes)—6 pp.

1 Apr., 1776, No. 6

Articles of agreement which Muhammad Ali Khan wanted J. Upton to include in the treaty with the Marathas. (Enclosure)*—2 pp.

1 Apr., 1776, No. 6(A)

Mar 27. J. P. Auriol (Secretary to the Board) forwards to the members of the Board the draft reply prepared on the basis of the suggestion made by P. Francis for their consideration; comments of the members of the Board on the same. (Minutes)—4 pp.

1 Apr., 1776, No. 7

Jan 8, Chetpat. Muhammad Ali Khan requests J. Upton to include in the treaty with the Marathas certain articles relating to his dominion. (Enclosure)*—3 pp.

1 Apr., 1776, No. 7(A)

Mar 27, Chandernagore. J. B. Chevalier protests against the action of the Board in sending a reply under the signature of the Secretary and returning his and J. Sanson's protests. (Translation)—4 pp.

1 Apr., 1776, No. 8

Observations of W. Hastings and the members of the Board on the letter of J. B. Chevalier. (Minutes)—8 pp.

1 Apr., 1776, No. 9

Mar 30. Comments of P. Francis on the Governor General's observations with regard to the letter from J. B. Chevalier. (Minute)—4 pp.

1 Apr., 1776, No. 10

Feb 7, Salisbury in Bombay Harbour. E. Hughes forwards to the Board an abstract of an intelligence brought by Capt. Pigott about the rude treatment by the French Government at Mauritius; informs that he has assured J. Upton full assistance in his mission to Poona. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

1 Apr., 1776, No. 11

1775, Oct 15. Extract of an intelligence by a letter from Table Bay at the Cape of Good Hope. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

1 Apr., 1776, No. 12

Oct 20. Extract of a letter from J. Petrie in Table Bay at the Cape of Good Hope. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

1 Apr., 1776, No. 13

1776, Mar 26, Calcutta. J. Petrie (Collector of Customs) sends an account** of the goods imported and exported by the French from January to December 1775. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

1 Apr., 1776, No. 14

* Enclosures to No. 24.

** The account was transmitted to the Court of Directors.

Jan 28, Bombay. The President and Council at Bombay inform the Board that J. Upton has reported about the progress of his negotiation with Raghunathrao; add that they had strongly urged to Upton to insist upon the ministerial party to accept their terms of the treaty; forward copies of their correspondence* with Upton and T. Keating. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

1 Apr., 1776, No. 15

Apr 1. The Board condemn the action of T. Keating and Raghunathrao in continuing the war after the cease-fire was declared; accuse Bombay Government for aiding Keating in the siege of Ahmedabad. 3 pp.

1 Apr., 1776, No. 16

Apr 1. Notes of dissent by W. Hastings and R. Barwell and approval by G. Monson on the above letter. (Minutes)—2 pp.

1 Apr., 1776, No. 17

Additional paragraphs proposed by J. Clavering to the letter to Bombay Government and observations of W. Hastings and members of the Board thereon. (Minutes)—3 pp.

1 Apr., 1776, No. 18

Feb 24, Purandhar. J. Upton informs the Board that the ministerial party have agreed to the terms of the treaty proposed by him, but they will write to the Board asking for an exchange for Salsette for which they intend to offer three lacs as revenue annually and some country near Broach or Surat. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

1 Apr., 1776, No. 19

Mar 25. Comments of W. Hastings and the members of the Board on the letter of J. Upton and the letter from the Board authorising Upton to conclude treaty with the ministerial party on the terms proposed by him. (Minutes and 1 letter)—6 pp.

Progs., 1 Apr., 1776**

Mar 1, Purandhar. J. Upton transmits to the Board for their approval a copy of the treaty of peace concluded by him with the Marathas. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

1 Apr., 1776, No. 20

Mar 1, Poona. Treaty of peace (bi-lingual) concluded between the East India Company and Poona Darbar. (Enclosure to above)—21 pp.

1 Apr., 1776, No. 21

Observations of W. Hastings and the members of the Board on the question of money, army and armaments proposed to be sent to Bombay Government in the event of war with the Marathas. (Minutes)—5 pp.

1 Apr., 1776, No. 22

Mar 27, Calcutta. Capt. H. Wedderburn (Master Attendant) informs that the *Indian Queen* sailed before the orders for disembarking the troops and relanding the treasures were issued by the Board; forwards bills of lading for the said ship and of the *St. Helena*. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

1 Apr., 1776, No. 23

* Please see Nos. 1(A) and 2(A).

** There is an Original Consultation also bearing No. 19.

Mar 3, Purandhar. J. Upton gives detailed account to the Board of the negotiation he had with the ministerial party in connection with the treaty concluded with them; forwards copies* of a *sanad* granted by Sayajirao Gaikwar and treaty concluded by Fateh Singh with Raghunathrao; informs that he has requested Bombay Government to send two persons to fix the boundaries of the countries ceded by the Marathas near or adjoining Broach; expresses regret for not inserting the article proposed by the Board for the Nawab of Arcot as the ministers apprehended that this might engage them in dispute with the English; transmits the reasons* advanced by the ministers on the subject, copy of an article* which Muhammad Ali Khan desires to be included in the treaty and a copy* of a letter addressed by him to Raghunathrao. (A.L.S.)—7 pp.

1 Apr., 1776, No. 24

Additional clause to be added to the treaty regarding Salsette. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

1 Apr., 1776, No. 24(A)

The decision of the Board on the 5th and 7th articles of the treaty. 2 pp.

Progs., 1 Apr., 1776

Comment of P. Francis on the proposal of the Poona Darbar that the former treaty between them and Bombay Government should be destroyed in their presence. (Minute)—3 pp.

1 Apr., 1776, No. 25

Observations of W. Hastings and the members of the Board on the minute of P. Francis. (Minutes)—14 pp.

Progs., 1 Apr., 1776

Apr 1. The Board inform J. Upton that they have omitted certain portions in the treaty and direct him to impress upon the ministerial party that since the present treaty will annul the previous treaty with Bombay Government, it will be offensive to them and useless to the ministers to destroy it; state that they do not think it advisable to accept the concession proposed to be made to the Company with regard to Salsette. 6 pp.

1 Apr., 1776, No. 26

G. Monson's note of dissent on the above letter. (Minute)—2 pp.

1 Apr., 1776, No. 27

Apr 1. J. P. Auriol forwards to the Court of Directors a copy of the treaty concluded with the Marathas. 1 p.

1 Apr., 1776, No. 28

Apr 1. Observation of J. Clavering on the reported issue of *habeas corpus* from the Supreme Court to bring up J. Sanson from the custody of the Faujdari Adalat and comment of W. Hastings on the same; the decision of the Board to make an immediate enquiry on the subject from the Secretary, Board of Revenue. (Minutes)—3 pp.

Progs., 1 Apr., 1776

* Please see Nos. 3(A), 4(A), 5(A), 6(A) and 7(A).

Mar 18, Benares. F. Fowke forwards to the Board the bill drawn up for Raja Chait Singh being the part payment of his tribute to the Company. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

1 Apr., 1776, No. 20

Apr 3.

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B. S., 3 Apr., 1776

Mar 7, Benares. F. Fowke transmits to the Board the information that he has collected respecting the commerce of the Benares District; adds that Raja Chait Singh has pointed out the impossibility of reducing his military establishment. (Copy)—8 pp.

3 Apr., 1776, No. 1

Mar 19, Benares. F. Fowke informs the Board that Raja Chait Singh has promised to clear off his dues soon. (Copy)—1 p.

3 Apr., 1776, No. 2

Apr 3. The Board inform J. Law de Lauriston that the right claimed by J. B. Chevalier to establish factories in any part of the Provinces under the authority of the *samads* and *farmans* cannot be admitted; accept the right of the French to the factories which they actually possessed at the beginning of 1749; state that the complaint made against the Chief and Council at Tellicherry for having interfered in the transactions between the Prince of Chirakkal and the French factory at Mahe is baseless. 15 pp.

3 Apr., 1776, No. 3

Mar 7, Calcutta. The Calcutta Committee of Revenue inform the Board that they have despatched express *parwanas* throughout their jurisdiction to ascertain the number of French factories or Residencies. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

3 Apr., 1776, No. 4

Mar 28. The Calcutta Committee of Revenue forward to the Board copies of *arzis* which they have received in reply to their *parwana*. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

3 Apr., 1776, No. 5

Arzi from Nandalal Sen, Ram Sankar Dutt and others complaining of the oppression by the French. (Enclosure to above)—7 pp.

3 Apr., 1776, No. 6

Arzi of Mahdi Nisar Khan (Faujdar of Hooghly) complaining of the oppression by the French. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

3 Apr., 1776, No. 7

Arzi of Salauddin Muhammad Khan intimating that there is neither a Frenchman nor a French factory in his zamindari. (Enclosure)—1 p.

3 Apr., 1776, No. 8

Krishna Charan Sarma (Naib of Santipur) informs that there is a French factory at Santipur. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

3 Apr., 1776, No. 9

Akbar Khan informs that there are no Frenchmen or factories in the Mahishadal and Tamluk Districts. (Enclosure)—1 p.

3 Apr., 1776, No. 10

Raj Chandra Roy, Kali Prasad and others (Zamindars) mention the places in their zamindaris where the French have factories. (Enclosure)—1 p.

3 Apr., 1776, No. 11

Apr 3. The Board direct Calcutta Committee of Revenue that some reliable persons be sent to Hooghly to enquire into the complaint lodged by the Faujdar of Hooghly and report a complete report of the enquiry be sent to them. 2 pp.

3 Apr., 1776, No. 12

Mar 11, Murshidabad. The Chief and Council at Murshidabad inform the Board that they will do their best to transmit any information about the French. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

3 Apr., 1776, No. 13

Mar 8, Burdwan. The Chief and Council at Burdwan inform the Board that they have circulated *parwanas* to their naibs to collect particulars above the French and French factories in their District. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

3 Apr., 1776, No. 14

Mar 9, Dinajpur. The Chief and Council at Dinajpur intimate to the Board the names of the Frenchmen and the places of their residence in the District under their charge. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

3 Apr., 1776, No. 15

Mar 13, Islamabad. The Chief and Council at Chittagong inform the Board that there is no French factory in the District under their charge. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

3 Apr., 1776, No. 16

Mar 25. J. B. Chevalier lodges a protest to the Board against the Faujdar of Hooghly for demanding duties for their trade. (Translation)—3 pp.

Progs., 3 Apr., 1776, No. 17*

1775, Dec 6, Chandernagore. J. B. Chevalier requests the Board for grant of land where the French can erect a factory, as the factory at Jagdia is to be removed from its present site. (Translation)—2 pp.

3 Apr., 1776, No. 18

Dec 29, Chandernagore. J. B. Chevalier solicits early reply from the Board to the above letter; requests that he may be intimated with the ultimate decision of the Board on the right claimed by him in opium trade. (Translation)—3 pp.

3 Apr., 1776, No. 19

*The Original Consultation is missing.

1776, Jan 5, Chandernagore. J. B. Chevalier requests the Board for an early acknowledgement of his letter. (Translation)—1 p.

3 Apr., 1776, No. 20

Apr 3. The Board inform J. B. Chevalier that he can approach the Nizam for the land where the factory at Jagdia can be removed and assure him of the assistance of the Board in the matter; state that they have called upon the Collector of Government Duties to explain the conduct of the Faujdar of Hooghly. 3 pp.

3 Apr., 1776, No. 21

Apr 8. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 8 Apr., 1776

Mar 1, Camp near Etawah. J. Bristow reports to the Board about the military and civil affairs of Asaf-ud-Daulah and on the affairs of the Doab; describes the troubles of the Nawab with the Gosains; states that the income of Rohilkhand hardly suffices to meet the expenses of the troops stationed there; adds that the reduction of military establishment and appointment of British officers to command his battalions are the only means by which the Nawab can retrieve his affairs; encloses a translation of a letter addressed by the Nawab to G. Stibbert in this connection. (A.L.S.)—19 pp.

8 Apr., 1776, No. 1

Translation of a letter from Asaf-ud-Daulah to G. Stibbert. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

8 Apr., 1776, No. A

Mar 3, Camp near Etawah. J. Bristow intimates to the Board that Asaf-ud-Daulah and his ministers have agreed to the raising of new corps at Bilgram under British officers; adds that Jhau Lal (principal favourite of the Nawab), who had tried to oppose it, has been disgraced and shorn off all civil and military powers by the Nawab; encloses a copy of the letter from the Nawab to G. Stibbert. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

8 Apr., 1776, No. 2

Asaf-ud-Daulah transmits to G. Stibbert a list showing the dispositions of several English officers and gentlemen appointed under him. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

8 Apr., 1776, No. B

Mar 10, Camp near Etawah. J. Bristow forwards to the Board intelligence* about the probability of a peace being concluded with the Marathas. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

8 Apr., 1776, No. 3

Mar 19, Camp near Etawah. J. Bristow informs the Board that Muhammad Khalil Khan is urging him to obtain the Company's guarantee to a treaty of alliance between Najaf Khan and Asaf-ud-Daulah; gives

* Intelligence report sent to the Persian Translator and recorded in the Book of News.

reasons why the minister is inclined to help Najaf Khan; adds that the reconciliation of Najaf Khan with Zabita Khan alarms the Nawab and he himself also wishes the Company to be a guarantee to the treaty; encloses intelligence* reports and copy of a letter addressed by him to G. Stibbert. (A.L.S.)—8 pp.

8 Apr., 1776, No. 4

Mar 19, Camp near Etawah. J. Bristow intimates to G. Stibbert that the minister has requested his assistance to quell a rebellion at Partabgarh. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

8 Apr., 1776, No. C

Mar 21, Camp near Etawah. J. Bristow informs the Board that the rebels at Partabgarh have been dispersed. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

8 Apr., 1776, No. 5

J. Clavering proposes that the arms asked for by Asaf-ud-Daulah for his new battalions may be supplied to him at a reasonable price. (Minute)—3 pp.

8 Apr., 1776, No. 6

Notes of dissent by W. Hastings and R. Barwell on the commander-in-Chief's minute and observations of P. Francis and G. Monson on the same. (Minutes)—4 pp.

8 Apr., 1776, No. 7

J. Clavering's reply to the objections raised by W. Hastings and R. Barwell. (Minute).

8 Apr., 1776, No. 8

Apr 8. Observations of W. Hastings, P. Francis and G. Monson on the minute of J. Clavering and the resolution of the Board that 5,000 old serviceable arms be fitted up and supplied to Asaf-ud-Daulah. (Minutes)—11 pp.

Progs., 8 Apr., 1776

Apr 8. The Board inform J. Bristow that orders have been issued for supplying arms to Asaf-ud-Daulah for the use of the new battalions raised by him; direct that the Nawab should be asked to exchange elephants for the arms supplied to him and also reduced his military establishment. 4 pp.

8 Apr., 1776, No. 9

W. Hastings reports to the Board that he has received from Asaf-ud-Daulah two letters† informing him that the Nawab has received a *farman* from Shah Alam conferring on him the *Vizarat* and requests to be favoured with the opinions of the Board whether it will not be proper to order a salute to be fired for such an occasion. 2 pp.

Progs., 8 Apr., 1776

Apr 8. The Board direct G. Stibbert that a salute should be fired in honour of Asaf-ud-Daulah for his having obtained the *Vizarat* with corresponding titles from the King (Shah Alam). 1 p.

8 Apr., 1776, No. 10

*Intelligence reports sent to the Persian Translator and recorded in the Book of News.

†Please see *Calendar of Persian Correspondence*, Vol. V, p. 10, No. 86.

Apr 5, Burdwan. The Chief and Council at Burdwan solicit instruction from the Board how they should act on the writ of *habeas corpus* issued by the Supreme Court for the delivery of J. Sanson. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

8 Apr., 1776, No. 11

Apr 8. The Board convey their instructions to the Chief and Council at Burdwan on the above subject. 1 p.

8 Apr., 1776, No. 12

May 7, Katwa. J. Cumming intimates to J. Clavering that the European soldiers will be able to undergo the troubles of a march upto Dinapore; adds that it will be advantageous to embark them there. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

8 Apr., 1776, No. 13

Apr 11. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 11 Apr., 1776

Report of the Secretary on the writ of *habeas corpus* which was issued on the Council of Burdwan to produce J. Sanson before the Supreme Court. (Note)—2 pp.

11 Apr., 1776, No. 1

Apr 2. Observations of the members of the Board in the Revenue Department regarding J. Sanson. (Proceedings)—18 pp.

11 Apr., 1776, No. 2

J. P. Auriol intimates that an order from the Supreme Court will be issued authorising the inspection of the writ. (Report)—1 p.

11 Apr., 1776, No. 3

Apr 9. The comments of the members of the Board in the Revenue Department respecting a writ of *habeas corpus* issued on the Council of Burdwan for production of J. Sanson. (Minutes)—10 pp.

11 Apr., 1776, No. 4

Mar 30. Copy of the writ of *habeas corpus* issued on the Chief and Council at Burdwan to produce the person of J. Sanson. 1 p.

11 Apr., 1776, No. 5

J. Clavering proposes that a letter be sent to the Court of Directors informing them about J. Sanson. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 11 Apr., 1776

Apr 9. The Board forward to the Court of Directors a copy of the writ of *habeas corpus* granted to J. Sanson together with their comments on the same. 3 pp.

11 Apr., 1776, No. 6

Narrative of the conduct of J. Sanson. (Report)—10 pp.

11 Apr., 1776, No. 7

The Board inform J. Law de Lauriston that the country power is responsible for all the proceedings taken against J. Sanson; protest against the attempt of the Commandant at Chandernagore to involve the Board as the principals in the proceedings against Sanson; complain against J. B. Chevalier for the tone of his letters. 7 pp.

11 Apr., 1776, No. 8

Apr 11. The Board direct J. Bristow to acquaint the military officers appointed to the service of Asaf-ud-Daulah that the command of the regiments is vested in the Captains, and the latter will distribute the pay of the officers and men under them. 1 p.

11 Apr., 1776, No. 9

Apr 11. The Board suggest to J. Bristow reduction in the establishment proposed for the troops in Asaf-ud-Daulah's service under British officers; request him to recommend to the Nawab the reduced scale of establishment. 2 pp.

11 Apr., 1776, No. 10

Apr 15. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 15 Apr., 1776

***Saturday, Calcutta.** W. Hastings directs the Secretary that the letter from J. Hyde (Judge, Supreme Court) may be circulated to the members of the Board for their opinion; suggests whether the proper expedient would not be to provide an apartment to J. Sanson in the new fort. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

15 Apr., 1776, No. 1

Apr 13, Calcutta. J. Hyde informs the Governor General that J. Sanson has been brought to his house under guard; requests that arrangement may be made to keep him in safe custody. (A.L.S.—Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

15 Apr., 1776, No. 2

Observations of R. Barwell, J. Clavering, P. Francis and G. Monson on the above. (Minutes)—1 p.

15 Apr., 1776, No. 3

The comments of W. Hastings on the minutes of the members of the Board. (Minute)—3 pp.

Progs., 15 Apr., 1776

Apr 15. J. P. Auriol enquires from T. Farrer (Standing Counsel to the Company) under whose instructions he requested time of the Court to make a return to the writ to *habeas corpus* for bringing up the body of J. Sanson.

* The date is not given either in the Proceedings or in the Original Consultation.

Apr 15. T. Farrer's reply intimating that he was instructed by R. Jarret (Company's Attorney) in consequence of a private letter from E. Stephenson (Chief, Burdwan Provincial Council). 1 p.

15 Apr., 1776, No. 4

The opinion of P. Francis on the Governor General's motion regarding the confinement of J. Sanson. (Minute)—3 pp.

15 Apr., 1776, No. 5

Comments of R. Barwell, G. Monson and J. Clavering on the Governor General's opinion and reply of W. Hastings thereon. (Minutes)—6 pp.

Progs., 15 Apr., 1776

Apr 2, Camp near Etawah. J. Bristow informs the Board that Asaf-ud-Daulah has resolved on putting under the command of the British officers seven battalions of sepoys; adds that the Nawab is desirous of employing a part of the cavalry officers in the command of his infantry, as he has not funds enough to raise more than two regiments of cavalry; refers to the deplorable state of arms of the Nawab's battalions. (A.L.S.)—8 pp.

15 Apr., 1776, No. 6

Apr 15. The Board inform J. Bristow that they approve Asaf-ud-Daulah's proposal to employ a part of the cavalry officers to the command of his infantry; direct him to send a statement of the Nawab's account with the Company together with a complete account of the subsidy. 3 pp.

15 Apr., 1776, No. 7

Apr 11. The Board forward an address to the Governor in Council at Fort St. George for despatch to the Court of Directors from Madras; enquire when the *Grenville* will sail for England.—1 p.

15 Apr., 1776, No. 8

Feb 18, Bombay Castle. The President in Council of Bombay forward to the Board copies of their correspondence with J. Upton regarding the proposed treaty with Poona Darbar; inform that their object in keeping the English forces with Raghunathrao was to expedite the peace with the ministers; state that it will be a great gain to the Company if the cessions of Fateh Singh were confirmed by the ministers; forward abstracts of T. Keating's correspondence; intimate that they have advanced Rs. 80,000 to Raghunathrao to save his army from disbandment. (A.L.S.)—6 pp.

15 Apr., 1776, No. 9

Abstracts of correspondence from T. Keating. (24 January to 14 February 1776). (Enclosures to above)—1 p.

15 Apr., 1776, No. A

Correspondence between J. Upton and the Bombay Government regarding proposed treaty with Poona Darbar. (Enclosures)—17 pp.

15 Apr., 1776, No. B

Mar 30, Benares. F. Fowke transmits to the Board bills drawn in favour of the East India Company as part payment of Raja Chait Singh's annual tribute. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

15 Apr., 1776, No. 10

Sanad granted to Raja Chait Singh by the Company for the zamindari of Ghazipur, Benares etc. (Translation)—4 pp.

15 Apr., 1776, No. 11

Apr 15. Patta granted to Raja Chait Singh for the zamindari of Benares, Ghazipur, Chunar etc. (Translation)—3 pp.

15 Apr., 1776, No. 12

Apr 15, Benares. Qabuliyat executed by Raja Chait Singh for the zamindari of Benares etc. (Translation)—3 pp.

15 Apr., 1776, No. 13

Apr 17. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 17 Apr., 1776

1775, Jul 18, Calcutta. J. Petrie suggests to the Board some measures for increasing the collection of *bakhsh-bandar*. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

17 Apr., 1776, No. 1

Jagannath Pal of Nasibpur and Debi Charan Sarma of Calcutta complain to the Collector of Customs against the Faujdar of Hooghly for forcibly collecting duties on various items; remarks of J. Petrie on them. (Petitions)—2 pp.

17 Apr., 1776, No. 2

Jul 19, Calcutta. J. Petrie gives details about the established practice of the Government about collection of custom duties on goods imported by the French, Dutch and Danish Companies in their own settlements. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

17 Apr., 1776, No. 3

Jul 21, Calcutta. J. P. Auriol requests J. Petrie to furnish to the Board certain information regarding the duties levied on the goods imported at the foreign settlements at Chandernagore, Chinsura and Serampore. 1 p.

17 Apr., 1776, No. 4

Jul 24, Calcutta. J. Petrie informs the Board about the practice followed in levying duties at the *bakhsh-bandar* on goods imported by foreign private merchants as distinct from foreign companies. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

17 Apr., 1776, No. 5

Complaint of the Faujdar of Hooghly to J. Petrie stating that a Danish ship has anchored at the English settlement without any authority and is trying to evade payment of duties. (Translation)—1 p.

17 Apr., 1776, No. 6

1776, Apr 6, Calcutta. J. Petrie forwards to the Board translations of two papers from the Faujdar of Hooghly regarding his disputes with the French; informs that he has despatched an express to Hooghly for the

accounts of *peshgi* advanced by the French on account of the duties. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

17 Apr., 1776, No. 7

Letter from the Faujdar of Hooghly regarding his disputes with the French. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

17 Apr., 1776, No. 8

Account of the losses of the *bakhsh-bandar* due to the malpractices of the French. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

17 Apr., 1776, No. 9

Apr 13, Calcutta. J. Petrie transmits to the Board with his remarks an abstract of the account of the duties received from the French Company. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

17 Apr., 1776, No. 10

Apr 13, Calcutta. Abstract account of duties received from the French Company at *bakhsh-bandar*. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

17 Apr., 1776, No. 11

Apr 10, Chandernagore. J. B. Chevalier requests the Board that the selection of site for removing the factory of Jagdia may be left to J.B.L. Desgranges (Chief of Dacca French Factory); enquires about the result of the complaint which he made against the Faujdar of Hooghly. (Translation)—2 pp.

17 Apr., 1776, No. 12

Apr 17. Resolution and decisions of the Board on the letter of J. B. Chevalier. 6 pp.

Progs., 17 Apr., 1776

Apr 17. The Board refer J. B. Chevalier to the Nizam for a grant of land in lieu of the factory at Jagdia; reply to the complaints against the Faujdar of Hooghly. 4 pp.

17 Apr., 1776, No. 13

Apr 17, Calcutta. Maj. J. Green (Commissioner of Stores) explains to the Board the reasons for delay in refitting of stands of old arms for the service of Asaf-ud-Daulat; intimates that there are in stores 21,000 serviceable stands of arms. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

17 Apr., 1776, No. 14

Observations of the members of the Board on the letter from J. Green. (Minutes)—2 pp.

Progs., 17 Apr., 1776

Apr 22. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 22 Apr., 1776

Feb 17, Fort St. George. The President and Council of Fort St. George report to the Board that as directed by the Court of Directors they have

set at liberty Raja of Tanjore (Tuljaji) and have put an English garrison into the fort; enclose copies of their letter to the Raja and his reply thereon; state that a Committee of Circuit has been formed to visit the Northern Sarkars. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

22 Apr., 1776, No. 1

Feb 2, Fort St. George. Lord G. Pigot (Governor of Madras) informs Tuljaji that he has been directed by the Court of Directors to restore him to the throne of his ancestors on certain conditions. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

22 Apr., 1776, No. A

Feb 13, Tanjore. Tuljaji expresses his joy and gratitude to the Governor of Madras at the prospect of his installation to the throne of Tanjore. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

22 Apr., 1776, No. B

Mar 29, Fort St. George. The President and Council of Fort St. George express their concern to the Board that there is little prospect of peace with the ministers at Poona; inform that they have ordered two battalions of sepoys stationed at Palamcottah and Madura to hold themselves in readiness to march to Anjengo; state that their revenues are sufficient to defray their current expenses, and request the Board to supply money to meet emergent expenses. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

22 Apr., 1776, No. 2

Apr 2, Fort St. George. The President and Council of Fort St. George inform the Board that they have resolved to defer the march of the battalions of sepoys to Anjengo pending receipt of further news from Poona; add that they have advised the Government of Bombay that a reinforcement from Madras will be sent, if necessary; state that Brig. Gen. R. Fletcher has offered his services to conduct the war with the Marathas. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

22 Apr., 1776, No. 3

Apr 22. The Board inform the President and Council of Fort St. George that under the positive orders of the Court of Directors they cannot send any sum to other Presidencies. 1 p.

22 Apr., 1776, No. 4

Apr 7, Camp near Etawah. J. Bristow informs the Board of the arrival of H. J. Chandler and Hill as his assistants. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

22 Apr., 1776, No. 5

Apr 9, Camp near Etawah. J. Bristow gives an account to the Board of the powers mentioned to have been delegated to the French; transmits further intelligence relative to the Sikhs and Zabita Khan; reports that the King (Shah Alam) apprehends an attack by the Sikhs and Zabita Khan and encloses copies of three letters* addressed by the King to Murtaza Khan and Bristow and copy of a letter* from Abdul Ahad Khan to the Resident; informs that Asaf-ud-Daulah is now fully convinced

* Please see *Calendar of Persian Correspondence*, Vol. V, p. 10, Nos. 87 and '88. Letters from Shah Alam to Murtaza Khan are neither available in the Persian Department, nor recorded in the Proceedings.

about the treachery of Gosain chiefs; gives intelligence about the concentration of troops by the Marathas at the borders. (A.L.S.)—23 pp.

22 Apr., 1776, No. 6

The Judges of the Faujdari Adalat, Hooghly complain to Mubarak-ud-Daulah that some prisoners are being detained by the Faujdar of Hooghly though orders have been issued for their release. (Representation)—2 pp.

22 Apr., 1776, No. 7

Orders from the Supreme Court intimating that they will hear an appeal on behalf of J. Sanson against an order of the said Court. (Notice)—2 pp.

22 Apr., 1776, No. 8

Apr 25. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 25 Apr., 1776

Apr 22, Calcutta. J. Hyde reports to the Governor General that J. Sanson has escaped from his house from the custody of the sepoys. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

25 Apr., 1776, No. 1

The proposal of J. Clavering for the defence of the territory of Asaf-ud-Daulah against the Marathas and the observations of the members of the Board thereon. (Minutes)—3 pp.

Progs., 25 Apr., 1776

Apr 25. The Board direct J. Bristow to propose to Asaf-ud-Daulah to remove the brigade stationed on the frontier of Rohilla country to the neighbourhood of Allahabad; advise him to give immediate notice to G. Stibbert, if the Nawab agrees to the proposal. 1 p.

25 Apr., 1776, No. 2

Apr 25. The Board acquaint G. Stibbert with the subject of the above letter and ask him to be in readiness to march. 2 pp.

25 Apr., 1776, No. 3

Apr 25. Resolution of the Board appointing B. Harwood, K. Murchison and W. Gowdie as Surgeons to the British officers who are stationed with Asaf-ud-Daulah's troops. (Resolution)—2 pp.

Progs., 25 Apr., 1776

Apr 29. Minutes of Consultation

B. S., 29 Apr., 1776

Apr 16, Camp near Etawah. J. Bristow informs the Board that Asaf-ud-Daulah was invested with *khilat* of Vizarat with great pomp; states

that seven battalions of infantry under Basant Ali Khan have been added to four battalions under the British officers to defend the country against the invasion by the Marathas; adds that Mahbub Ali Khan (Naib of Kora) has been ordered to march to Kalpi; explains why the Adjutant-General is unable to furnish a general return of the officers. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

29 Apr., 1776, No. 1

Apr 17, Camp near Etawah. J. Bristow forwards to the Board the accounts† of the cash in hand with him and Asaf-ud-Daulah's account‡ current with the Company; states that he has adjusted his accounts with the Nawab and settled the different *battas* conformable to the Mint Master's assay and the Brigade orders. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

29 Apr., 1776, No. 2

Apr 17, Camp near Etawah. J. Bristow reports to the Board the murder of Murtaza Khan and subsequent execution of Basant Ali Khan by Asaf-ud-Daulah's orders. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

29 Apr., 1776, No. 3

Apr 29. The Board's reply to J. Bristow deploring the fates of Murtaza Khan and Basant Ali Khan; state that Asaf-ud-Daulah should have endeavoured to investigate the causes of the murder of his minister before he had passed the sentence of death on the latter. 2 pp.

29 Apr., 1776, No. 4

1775, Dec 31, Camp near Etawah. Accounts of the cash in hand with the Resident at the court of Asaf-ud-Daulah. (Enclosure)*—4 pp.

Progs., 29 Apr., 1776

Dec 31, Camp near Etawah. Asaf-ud-Daulah in account current with the Company. (Enclosure)*—2 pp.

Progs., 29 Apr., 1776

1776, May 2. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 2 May, 1776

Apr 15, Fort St. George. The President and Council, Fort St. George intimate to the Board that they will countermand their orders for reinforcing Bombay Presidency with two battalions of sepoys, as peace has been concluded with the ministers at Poona. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

2 May, 1776, No. 1

Mar 24, Bombay Castle. The President and Council, Bombay intimate to the Board that J. Upton has concluded a treaty between the Company and Poona Darbar; add that they have given orders for the withdrawal of their troops and will also return the detachment of sepoys belonging to the Presidency of Bengal. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

2 May, 1776, No. 2

† Please see entries after No. 4.

* Enclosures to 29 Apr. 1776, No. 2.

Mar 6, Camp near Bilgram. G. Stibbert intimates to the Board that the officers appointed to Asaf-ud-Daulah's service have been detached to several stations for raising and forming several corps on the basis of the accompanying list; transmits for consideration of the Board a letter from Qasim Ali Khan seeking interview with the Colonel; states that Ranjit Singh has asked for help from the Marathas at Dig against Najaf Khan; intimates that peace and order have been restored among the troops of Asaf-ud-Daulah. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

2 May, 1776, No. 3

Stations appointed by Asaf-ud-Daulah for the officers attached to his troops. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

2 May, 1776, No. A

Qasim Ali Khan prays that a strict enquiry be made into his case and that the wrath of the Englishmen which has fallen upon him by the misrepresentations of his enemies be appeased. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

2 May, 1776, No. B

Apr 19, Camp near Bilgram. G. Stibbert gives detailed information to the Board about the assassination of Murtaza Khan and execution of Basant Ali Khan; encloses copies of two letters from J. Bristow. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

2 May, 1776, No. 4

Apr 16, Camp near Etawah. J. Bristow requests G. Stibbert to move army to Kora, as desired by Asaf-ud-Daulah, in order to prosecute the war against the Marathas if they decline the proposal of peace. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

2 May, 1776, No. C

Apr 17, Camp near Etawah. J. Bristow intimates to G. Stibbert the assassination of Murtaza Khan and asks him to be in readiness for any emergency which may disturb the peace of the capital. (Enclosure)—1 p.

2 May, 1776, No. D

May 2. The Board direct G. Stibbert not to send any detachment of more than 500 men for other services excepting what may be found necessary for the protection of the camp or for providing subsistence for the army. 2 pp.

2 May, 1776, No. 5

May 2. J. Clavering, G. Monson and P. Francis enquire under what authority the Governor General granted some military stores from the Company's magazine to Shuja-ud-Daulah. (Minute)—2 pp.

2 May, 1776, No. 6

W. Hastings asks the Secretary to supply him with a copy of the minute and accounts on the subject so that he may submit an explanation to the Court of Directors. 1 p.

Progs., 2 May, 1776

Apr 19. Gen. A. Dow (Commanding General) transmits to J. Clavering a bill drawn by Lt. R. Scott for conveying guns and stores from Chunar to Camp.

Apr 12, Calcutta. Lt. Col. G. Muir forwards to J. Clavering a return of four 18-pounders under the orders of Col. A. Champion. (Copies)—4 pp.
2 May, 1776, No. 7†

May 6. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 6 May, 1776

Mar 20 & 21, Purandhar. J. Upton forwards to the Board duplicate of the treaty with the Marathas and copies of letters* from Bombay Government and T. Keating and copy of his reply* to Bombay Government; states that the ministers will hardly agree to Raghunathrao's residing in the Company's settlements; adds that he will communicate to the Board the resolutions of the ministers relating to Raghunathrao's determinations; furnishes the English and Maratha names of the small islands in the Bay of Bombay ceded to the English by the treaty. (A.L.S.)—6 pp.
6 May, 1776, No. 1

Mar 30, Bombay Castle. The President and Council, Bombay transmit copies* of correspondence with J. Upton and state that the Colonel has differed very much with them in his interpretation of the Board's instructions respecting Bassein; add that he had acted very consistently with the private or verbal instructions that he received before he left Calcutta; state that on no account Salsette and Bassein be parted with; state that the stipulations made for Raghunathrao in the treaty are inadequate to his rank and station; apprehend that peace will not be of long duration and leave it to the Board to judge what may be the fate of Bombay Presidency if Raghunathrao succeeds in getting the expected assistance of the Nizam and Haidar Ali; forward copies of letters from T. Keating; conclude that it will be an ever lasting shame to the English nation if Raghunathrao is left at the mercy of his enemy. (A.L.S.)—8 pp.

6 May, 1776, No. 2

Copies of correspondence between J. Upton and the Government of Bombay regarding the treaty with Poona Darbar. (Enclosures to above)—15 pp.

6 May, 1776, No. A

Abstracts of correspondence between T. Keating and Bombay Government. (Enclosures)—3 pp.

6 May, 1776, No. B

May 6. W. Hastings states that he gave no private or verbal instructions to J. Upton and proposes that the Colonel may be asked to state

† The Consultation is incomplete.

* Please see Consultations 6 May, 1776, Nos. A. & B.

what were the instructions and from whom he received them; comments of P. Francis, R. Barwell, G. Monson and J. Clavering on the Governor General's observations.

J. Clavering seeks clarification whether the Government of Bombay was authorised by the Board to afford Raghunathrao an asylum within the Company's territories and, if so, whether that protection should continue; observations of W. Hastings and the members of the Board on the same. (Minutes)—13 pp.

Progs., 6 May, 1776

Apr 23, Camp near Bilgram. G. Stibbert intimates to the Board that a salute was fired on Asaf-ud-Daulah's receiving the *Vizarat* from the King; transmits a copy of the General Order issued by him in that connection. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

6 May, 1776, No. 3

Apr 24, Camp near Etawah. J. Bristow narrates to the Board the causes which might have led to the assassination of Murtaza Khan; intimates the changes effected by Asaf-ud-Daulah in his administration consequent on the death of his minister; states that the Vazir is anxious to remove his brother Saadat Ali Khan either to Fyzabad or to a place in the Company's territories on an allowance of one lac of rupees a year and enquires of the place in Bengal which the Board think proper for his residence. (A.L.S.)—33 pp.

6 May, 1776, No. 4

May 6. The Board inform J. Bristow that they concur with Asaf-ud-Daulah to his proposal of removing Saadat Ali Khan to Bengal; giving the latter the option to reside in any place there except Murshidabad and Calcutta; observe that the allowance proposed to Saadat Ali Khan seems to be inadequate. 3 pp.

6 May, 1776, No. 5

May 3, Chandernagore. J. B. Chevalier requests the Board for payment of the balance of the sum which they advanced from time to time to the Custom House at Hooghly; asks to realize on behalf of the French the amount due from their debtors; solicits that the Faujdar of Hooghly be instructed not to interrupt import of merchandise to Chandernagore as the duty is being regularly paid. (Translation)—8 pp.

6 May, 1776, No. 6

Account general of the factory at Chandernagore with the Custom House at Hooghly. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

6 May, 1776, No. 7

May 9. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 9 May, 1776

May 9. The Board inform the President and Council of Bombay that the spirit of their orders to them to grant Raghunathrao an asylum was

during the cessation of arms and that privilege cannot be claimed now as a treaty has been concluded with the Marathas; state that Fateh Singh has no right to cede any part of territory under him without the authority of the reigning Peshwa; add that a copy of the treaty with the Marathas will be furnished to the Government of Bombay by J. Upton. 8 pp.

9 May, 1776, No. 1(A)*

Additional paragraph of a letter to the Government of Bombay authorising them to afford Raghunathrao a sanctuary for himself and his domestics if he asks for the same. 1 p.

9 May, 1776, No. 1(B)

Observations of W. Hastings and the members of the Board on the interpretation of the orders of the Board to Bombay Government. (Minutes)—7 pp.

Progs., 9 May, 1776

May 9. The Board direct G. Stibbert to recall Capt. S. H. Showers from the service of Asaf-ud-Daulah without delay and join the First Regiment at Dinapore. 1 p.

9 May, 1776, No. 2

May 9. The Board intimate to J. Bristow that it has been necessary to recall S. H. Showers from the Nawab's service on account of his disrespectful behaviour to the Nawab; state that the Nawab should be intimated that he has been given the power to dismiss any of his officers guilty of similar charge without any reference to the Board. 2 pp.

9 May, 1776, No. 3

May 13.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 13 May, 1776

Apr 30, Camp near Etawah. J. Bristow intimates to the Board that Asaf-ud-Daulah in order to avoid all further disputes with Bahu Begam has transferred the balance due from the Begam to the Company; states that the Begam refuses to admit the whole of the Vazir's demand, and encloses copies of his letter and her reply in that connection; reports that Najaf Khan has stormed Dig and Ranjit Singh, who had escaped, has agreed to pay seven lacs of rupees to raise the siege. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

13 May, 1776, No. 1

J. Bristow forwards to Bahu Begam a statement of balance due to Asaf-ud-Daulah and the Begam's reply thereto. (Enclosures to above)—4 pp.

13 May, 1776, No. 4

Mar 1, Camp near Etawah. J. Bristow reports to the Board that Asaf-ud-Daulah's troops under British officers mutinied on account of their

*There is no Consultation bearing No. 1.

arrears of pay being not fully paid; narrates the steps he has taken in consequence thereof and transmits a copy of the return of the disposition of the officers in the Doab made by him; encloses for the approval of the Board a translation of the letter which he has advised the Vazir to issue to all the officers empowering them to retain or dismiss any man; states that the Nawab has asked him to enter into negotiation with the Marathas on his behalf. (A.L.S.)—16 pp.

13 May, 1776, N. 2

Disposition of the British officers in the service of Asaf-ud-Daulah (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

13 May, 1776, No. B

Translation of a circular letter from Asaf-ud-Daulah to the officers commanding army in his service. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

13 May, 1776, No. C

May 13. The Board advise J. Bristow to leave it to Asaf-ud-Daulah to adjust his claims with Bahu Begam, accepting only that part which she will willingly pay; approve of the advice given to the English officers in charge of the Nawab's troops to gradually remove the Indian officers under them; ask him to advise the Nawab to severely punish every officer or sepoy against whom a charge of mutiny is brought; instruct him to see that the most secure and honourable terms were obtained for the Vazir in his negotiation with the Marathas. 7 pp.

13 May, 1776, No. 3

May 4, Benares. F. Fowke forwards to the Board bills in part payment of Raja Chait Singh's annual tribute to the Company. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

13 May, 1776, No. 4

May 15. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 15 May, 1776

May 15. Observations of W. Hastings and the members of the Board on the letters* of Muhammad Ali Khan alleging despatch of military force to the Nawab's territory to arrest his men. (Minute)—11 pp.

Progs., 15 May, 1776

May 15. The Board request the President and Council of Fort St. George to transmit copies of their correspondence with Muhammad Ali Khan and Tuljaji relative to the Raja's restoration of his kingdom; ask to explain why the Company's troops were sent to Ariyalur within the Nawab's territory to arrest some of his officers; desire that copies of all treaties which are in force between the Government of Madras and any of the country powers be sent to them. 4 pp.

15 May, 1776, No. 1

Apr 17, Camp near Bilgram. G. Stibbert intimates to the Board that Asaf-ud-Daulah has asked for help of two or three battalions of sepoys

*Please see *Calendar of Persian Correspondence*, Vol. V, p. 16, Nos. 153 and 154.

for the defence of Kora province against the Marathas; encloses translations of the Nawab's application and his reply thereto. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

15 May, 1776, No. 2

Asaf-ud-Daulah communicates to G. Stibbert his place of operations against the Marathas and requests him to send two or three battalions of sepoys for the defence of Kora. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

15 May, 1776, No. A

G. Stibbert intimates to Asaf-ud-Daulah that the battalions of sepoys will be sent. (Enclosure)—1 p.

15 May, 1776, No. B

Apr 25, Camp near Bilgram. G. Stibbert intimates to the Board that peace has been restored in Asaf-ud-Daulah's kingdom and encloses copies of letters from the Nawab and the Resident in support of it; states that he has in consequence ordered the march of two battalions of sepoys under J. N. Parker to Kora, as requested by the Nawab; gives some accounts of the Marathas on the other side of the Jumna. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

15 May, 1776, No. 3

Asaf-ud-Daulah requests again to G. Stibbert that the battalions of sepoys may be sent to Kora without any further delay. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

15 May, 1776, No. C

Apr 22, Camp near Etawah. J. Bristow's letter to G. Stibbert on the same subject. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

15 May, 1776, No. D

Apr 25, Camp near Bilgram. G. Stibbert directs J. N. Parker to march to Kora with two battalions of sepoys. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

15 May, 1776, No. E

May 15. The Board censor G. Stibbert for allowing the Company's army to march to Kora against their positive orders in this regard; direct him to state the route they took. 2 pp.

15 May, 1776, No. 4

Apr 10, Purandhar. J. Upton informs the Board that the treaty concluded with the Marathas was both honourable and advantageous to the Company, and that this could not have been concluded if the English pressed for the cession of Salsette and Bassein; adds that Broach and the countries ceded to the Company in lieu of Bassein will yield nine and half lacs of rupees per annum in addition to twelve lacs granted towards defraying the expenses of war; states that Salsette and Bassein are the property of the Peshwa by inheritance independent of Ramraja (King of Satara) and as such this has been a great bar to him to obtain them by treaty; encloses copies of the letter* received from the Government of Bombay intimating that Raghunathrao has again claimed the protection of the English and of his reply thereto together with a letter@

*Not recorded in the Proceedings.

@Please see Consultation, 16 May, 1776, No. 1.

from the Peshwa; suggests that full directives be given to Bombay Presidency in this regard. (A.L.S.)—6 pp.

15 May, 1776, No. 5

Apr 8, Purandhar. J. Upton forwards to the Government of Bombay a copy of a letter from Raghunathrao seeking protection of the English. (Enclosure to above)—4 pp.

15 May, 1776, No. F

May 16.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 16 May, 1776

Madhavrao Narayan (Peshwa) protests to J. Upton against the action of the Government of Bombay in affording asylum to Raghunathrao in direct defiance of the terms of the treaty lately concluded between the English and the Marathas. (Two letters received on 17 and 23 safar, 1190 A.H.)—(Enclosures to Upton's letter dated 10 April 1776)—6 pp.

16 May, 1776, No. 1

May 16. J. Clavering proposes that a positive order should be given to the Government of Bombay not to afford any asylum to Raghunathrao within the Company's settlements. (Minute)—7 pp.

16 May, 1776, No. 2

May 16. Observation of P. Francis on the same. (Minute)—3 pp.

16 May, 1776, No. 3

May 16. Observations of R. Barwell, G. Monson and W. Hastings and further comments of J. Clavering on the same. (Minutes)—8 pp.

Progs., 16 May, 1776

May 16. Observations of J. Clavering and W. Hastings on the subject of the murder of Narayanrao (son of Madhavrao) under the orders of Raghunathrao. (Minutes)—3 pp.

Progs., 16 May, 1776

May 16. The Board direct the President and Council, Bombay not to give any asylum to Raghunathrao at Bombay or in any place within the Company's territories; express surprise that T. Keating should have proclaimed the peace having been established between the Company and the Poona ministers, instead of the Maratha State; direct that a proclamation be issued immediately to rectify the mistake. 4 pp.

16 May, 1776, No. 4

May 16. The Board request J. Upton to inform the ministers at Poona that they have given peremptory directives to the Government of Bombay not to receive Raghunathrao under Company's protection. 2 pp.

16 May, 1776, No. 5

May 20.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 20 May, 1776.

May 2, Fort St. George. The President and Council, Fort St. George forward to the Board a copy of the letter from the President and Council, Bombay. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

20 May, 1776, No. 1

Apr 15, Bombay Castle. The President and Council, Bombay inform the Government of Madras that they have decided to detain the Madras detachment as they apprehend further commotion in the Maratha State. (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

20 May, 1776, No. 2

Apr 10, Bombay Castle. The President and Council, Bombay report to the Board that Sadashivrao Bhau (Sukh Nidhan, who impersonated the "Bhau", the Maratha C-in-C) has escaped from prison at Ratnagiri and has been joined by several Maratha chiefs with a considerable body of force; add that he claims the Regentship of the Maratha State either singly or jointly with Raghunathrao; enclose copies of two letters from G. Dick (Resident at Fort Victoria) in this connection. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

20 May, 1776, No. 3

May 30, Fort Victoria. G. Dick informs the President and Council, Bombay that Sadashivrao Bhau has been acknowledged at Ratnagiri and several subadars have joined him and that Anandrao Dhulap (Naval officer of the Peshwa) is under his orders.

Apr 4, Fort Victoria. G. Dick gives to the Government of Bombay particulars of some events which have occurred since Sadashivrao Bhau has been acknowledged at Ratnagiri. (Enclosures to above)—2 pp.

20 May, 1776, No. A-1

Apr 22, Bombay Castle. The President and Council of Bombay give their comments to the Board on the treaty concluded between the English and the Marathas; state that they have not experienced any good effects from the treaty; transmit a copy of the report of the Commander of the *Terrible* giving an account of the harrasment made by the Maratha navy; enclose copies of two *sanads* granted by Fateh Singh to the Company regarding collection of revenues at Broach and neighbouring places, copy of a letter from G. Dick containing intelligence about Sadashivrao Bhau and copies of correspondence with J. Upton; state that the treaty being not honourable to the Company and the minister being not acknowledged universally by the Marathas it should not be ratified and request permission of the Board to enter into engagements with Raghunathrao. (A.L.S.)—8 pp.

20 May, 1776, No. 4.

Apr 4, Bombay. Account of the proceedings of the Maratha fleet as given by the Commander of the *Terrible*. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

20 May, 1776, No. A-2

Copies of two *sanads* granted by Fateh Singh to the East India Company (dated 12 October 1759) regarding the revenues of Broach. (Enclosures)—1 p.

20 May, 1776, No. B

Apr 13, Fort Victoria. G. Dick transmits to Bombay Government intelligence about Sadashivrao Bhau. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

20 May, 1776, No. C

Apr 22, Bombay Castle. The President and Council, Bombay direct S. Lofthouse (of the *Drake Snow*) to proceed to Calcutta. (Enclosure)—1 p.

20 May, 1776, No. D

Correspondence between J. Upton and the Government of Bombay regarding the treaty with the Marathas. (Enclosures)—8 pp.

20 May, 1776, No. E

Apr 24, Bombay Castle. The President and Council, Bombay forward to the Board for their direction a copy of the demand made by Sadashiv Pant (Vakil of Fateh Singh) on behalf of his master; intimate that Raghunathrao has acquainted that he has received promise of assistance from Nizam Ali Khan upon condition that the English will not assist the ministerial party; enclose copies of two letters from Raghunathrao on the subject; request that future remittances to Bombay Government should be sent in Patna *sanwat* rupees instead of *sikka* rupees; state that they have insisted upon Raghunathrao to return two guns which were lent to him by T. Keating. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

20 May, 1776, No. 5

Demands made by Sadashiv Pant on behalf of Fateh Singh Gaikwar (delivered on 18 April 1776). (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

20 May, 1776, No. F

Apr 7 & 9, Surat. Raghunathrao intimates to the Government of Bombay his arrival at Surat and requests them to return his jewels; informs that Nizam Ali Khan is willing to help him. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

20 May, 1776, No. G

May 20. W. Hastings proposes that the Board should decline to reply to the strictures passed by the Government of Bombay on the treaty concluded with the Marathas; observes that the Government of Bombay should be directed to abstain from any act of hostility against the Marathas; states that an assurance be given to Raghunathrao that the English will not join the ministerial party if he accepts the offer of assistance from Nizam Ali Khan; adds that Bombay Government should be instructed to restore the jewels to Raghunathrao. (Minute)—5 pp.

Progs., 20 May, 1776

May 20. Observation of P. Francis on the above minute of the Governor General. (Minute)—6 pp.

20 May, 1776, No. 6

May 20. Comments of R. Barwell, G. Monson and J. Clavering on the above subject. (Minutes)—8 pp.

Progs., 20 May, 1776

May 20. The Board inform the President and Council, Bombay that they do not consider it necessary to enter into any discussion with them on the terms of the peace lately concluded with the Marathas; direct them to strictly conform to the terms of the treaty; instruct that Raghunathrao be peremptorily asked to quit Surat and to retire out of the Company's territories; state that they deem it impolite to give Raghunathrao the assurance which he has demanded for the satisfaction of Nizam Ali Khan; desire that Raghunathrao's jewels be returned to him after deducting any advances that may have been made to him out of Company's Treasury; advise them to reject the pretensions of Fateh Singh to the restoration of a moiety in the revenues of Broach. 7 pp.

20 May, 1776, No. 7

May 22. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 20 May, 1776

Mar 31, Bombay (on board *Salisbury*). E. Hughes informs the Board that he intends to return to Madras with His Majesty's ships as peace has been concluded with the Marathas; states that he has directed Capt. Marlow of the *Coventry* to proceed to Mocha with the Resident; asks them to utilize the services of the ship, if necessary. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

22 May, 1776, No. 1

May 22. The Board convey their thanks to E. Hughes for his presence on the Bombay coast with His Majesty's fleet under his command; state that the services offered by him will be accepted, if there be any need for the same. 4 pp.

22 May, 1776, No. 2

Apr 22, Calcutta. The Calcutta Committee of Revenue suggest to the Board that one of the members of their own Committee should be deputed to make enquiries as to the grounds of complaints preferred by the Faujdar of Hooghly. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

22 May, 1776, No. 3

May 22. The Board authorise the Calcutta Committee of Revenue to depute one of their members for the above purpose. 1 p.

22 May, 1776, No. 4

Apr 16, Burdwan. The Chief and Council, Burdwan transmit to the Board copies of reports from different *zilas* regarding the French factories that have been established and still exist there; add that there is no French factory near Khirpai. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

22 May, 1776, No. 5

Letters, reports etc. from the Resident at Radhanagar (J. Dynely), Bipra Prasad of Mohanpur, Naib at Panchet (Ram Chandra Basu), Resident at Midnapore (J. Peiarce), Naib of Bishnupur (Rammohan Roy) and Naib of Birbhum (Betcharan Mazumdar) regarding the French factories in their respective districts. (Enclosures to above)—5 pp.

22 May, 1776, No. 6

Apr 15, Murshidabad. The Chief and Council at Murshidabad intimate to the Board the steps that they have taken to find out the number of French flags displayed in the Murshidabad Division; state that the French have a factory at Andulberia besides the factories at Sibganj and Handial. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

22 May, 1776, No. 7

May 22. J. Clavering submits to the Board a list of the French ships that arrived from Europe; reports that some people were attempting to establish a direct commerce between Denmark and India to the prejudice of the rights and trade of the Company; the decision of the Board on the same. (Minute)—7 pp.

Progs., 22 May, 1776

Account of the French ships which arrived in India in 1775. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

22 May, 1776, No. A

May 22. Observation of W. Hastings on the dismissal of Haji Abdullah. (Darogha of Faujdari Adalat, Chitpur). (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 22 May, 1776

May 22. Observations of P. Francis, W. Hastings, R. Barwell, G. Monson and J. Clavering on the subject of the trial of the Diwan of Bishnupur (Rammohan Roy). (Minutes)—5 pp.

Progs., 22 May, 1776

May 22. The Board direct the Chief and Council at Burdwan that Rammohan Roy be suspended from his office for offering obstructions to the work of the criminal court; add that he be ordered to proceed to Burdwan to answer to the charges against him. 2 pp.

22 May, 1776, No. 8

May 29. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 29 May, 1776

May 14, Fort St. George. The President and Council, Fort St. George inform the Board that Tuljaji has been restored to his Government; forward a copy of a letter from the Raja of Tanjore on the subject and extract from a letter from the Chief and Council at Mangalore to the Chief of Tellicherry; report the arrival of E. Hughes with His Majesty's ships, *Salisbury* and *Swallow*; state that W. Chambers has proceeded to Bengal to serve as principal interpreter and Persian translator to the Supreme Court. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

29 May, 1776, No. 1

Apr 12. Tuljaji expresses his happiness to the President and Council of Fort St. George at the justice shown to him by the Company; states that in the present condition of his country the placing of a garrison of English troops in the fort and city of Tanjore is very necessary; proposes to pay to the Company a revenue of four lacs of Pagoda rupees per

annum if he be furnished with more troops for the protection of his country; requests that grain may be purchased from him so as to enable him to defray the expenses of his Government without incurring debts. (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

29 May, 1776, No. 2

The Chief and Council at Mangalore report to the Chief at Tellicherry the arrival of a Spanish ship with arms and ammunitions. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

29 May, 1776, No. 3

May 10, Camp near Bilgram. G. Stibbert informs the Board that he will hold himself in readiness to march with the battalion to Allahabad should Asaf-ud-Daulah give his consent; states that it will be impossible for him to move with the troops till he gets a supply of at least twenty elephants from the Nawab; encloses a return of the elephants attached to the Third Brigade; explains the difficulties which he apprehends his English soldiers might face for the proposed march during the rainy season. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

29 May, 1776, No. 4

May 10, Bilgram. Return of the elephants attached to the Third Brigade with numbers wanting for carrying the camp equipage. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

29 May, 1776, No. A

May 22. The Board direct G. Stibbert to remain at Bilgram till the rainy season is over as Asaf-ud-Daulah is averse to removing his brigade to Allahabad. 2 pp.

29 May, 1776, No. 5

May 15, Lucknow. J. Bristow informs the Board that Asaf-ud-Daulah has consented to the exchange of elephants for arms to be supplied by the Board; states that the Vazir has reduced his army to a considerable extent. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

29 May, 1776, No. 6

May 16, Lucknow. J. Bristow intimates to the Board that the introduction of discipline in Asaf-ud-Daulah's army by appointing British officers thereto has not yet succeeded; encloses copies of letters from Lt. E. Blacker and Lt. W. McClary and extracts from a letter from Capt. J. Erskine containing information about indiscipline in the Nawab's army; states that Saadat Ali Khan is intriguing for the invasion of the Vazir's dominions. (A.L.S.)—10 pp.

29 May, 1776, No. 7

May 11, Secunder. E. Blacker intimates to J. Bristow that he was insulted by Lal Singh for not dismissing a subadar and a jamadar. (Enclosure to above)—5 pp.

29 May, 1776, No. B

W. McClary informs J. Bristow that the sepoys refused to march to Bind (Bhind) unless they got the arrears of the pay. (Enclosure)—1 pp.

29 May, 1776, No. C

May 5, Sambhal. Comments of J. Erskine conveyed to J. Bristow on the punishment to be meted out to the sepoys who disobey the orders of their officers. (Enclosure)—1 p.

29 May, 1776, No. D

May 29. The Board inform J. Bristow that their intention of removing the brigade to Allahabad was to secure the dominions of Asaf-ud-Daulah against the Maratha invasion. 1 p.

29 May, 1776, No. 8

Mar 27. W. Hastings asks for pardon from the Court of Directors for some unbecoming addresses which were sent to them; encloses his observations on the minutes of the majority of the Board. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

29 May, 1776, No. 9

Mar 27. Observations of W. Hastings on the minutes of J. Clavering, G. Monson and P. Francis criticising his administration. (Minute No. 1*—Enclosure to above)—16 pp.

29 May, 1776, No. 10

Mar 27. Observations of W. Hastings on the minute of J. Clavering, G. Monson and P. Francis on the same subject. (Minute No. 2*—Enclosure)—12 pp.

Mar 25, Calcutta. A. Dow forwards to the Board a complete abstract of the military charges from 30 April 1774 to 1 May 1775 and statements of balances in the different treasuries etc. (Copy)—10 pp.

29 May, 1776, No. 11

Apr 31. W. Hastings and R. Barwell forward to the Court of Directors with their comments the draft of an Act of Parliament for the better administration of justice in the Bengal Presidency drawn up by the Chief Justice at their instance; transmit a copy of a letter from E. Impey and other papers on the subject. (A.L.S.)—7 pp.

29 May, 1776, No. 12

Mar 28. E. Impey gives his remarks to the Governor General on the proposed scheme of an Act of Parliament for the better administration of justice in Bengal. (Enclosure to above)—6 pp.

29 May, 1776, No. 13

Mar 30. Observations of R. Chambers, S. C. Le Maistre and J. Hyde (Judges of the Supreme Court) on the above scheme. (Notes)—1 p.

29 May, 1776, No. 14

Sunday†. R. Chambers submits his particular objection to the Governor General against the establishment of a full and absolute provincial legislature without any negative power of rejection vesting on the Chief Magistrate. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

29 May, 1776, No. 15

Mar 21. J. Clavering, G. Monson and P. Francis submit to the Court of Directors some facts to establish the truth of their representation as

*Please see 29 Februar Nos. 4 & 5.

†The date not given in the Proceedings or in the Consultation.

to the total misgovernment of Bengal under the administration of W. Hastings. (Minute)—11 pp.

29 May, 1776, No. 16

May 24. Capt. C. Thornhill explains to the Board his reason for selling a ship named *Bengal Merchant* to E. Stevenson. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

29 May, 1776, No. 17

May 30. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 30 May, 1776

May 18, Camp Bilgram. G. Stibbert informs the Board that Asaf-ud-Daulah's sepoys, except those sent to Rohilkhand, have thrown off all obedience to the authority; states that the plea put forward by the mutineers is the arrears of pay due to them; encloses extracts from letters from Capt. J. Home on the subject; expresses regret for the Board's disapproval of his proposal to despatch a detachment to Kora which was considered absolutely necessary by both the Vazir and the Resident; encloses a copy of a letter from J. Bristow. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

30 May, 1776, No. 1

May 14, Etawah. J. Home reports to G. Stibbert that the regiment under him has threatened him with his life, if he fails to pay the sepoys in three days; requests that Rs. 32,000 may be sent to him to enable him to meet their demands. (Enclosure to above)—4 pp.

30 May, 1776, No. A

May 16, Etawah. J. Home intimates to G. Stibbert that the money asked for is no longer required as he has been able to raise the amount on loan; states that the English officers intend to make their escape to save their lives and requests that a party of 16 or 20 troops be sent to Etawah road to receive them. (Enclosure)—6 pp.

30 May, 1776, No. B

May 15, Lucknow. J. Bristow intimates to G. Stibbert that Asaf-ud-Daulah continues to withhold his consent to the movement of the brigade, as suggested by the latter. (Enclosure)—1 p.

30 May, 1776, No. C

May 19, Lucknow. J. Bristow intimates to the Board that he apprehends that Saadat Ali Khan and Najaf Khan intend to invade Asaf-ud-Daulah's dominions and that he suspects the fidelity of Mahbub Ali Khan; encloses copies of letters from Capt. R. Stuart (Commanding the 2nd Infantry Regiment in Asaf-ud-Daulah's service) on the subject; states that Bala Rao (brother of Govindrao Gaikwar) assures that no hostility will be committed against the Vazir and encloses a copy of a letter from Purushottam Pandit (Vakil of the Marathas) on the subject; points out that the proposal of the Nawab Vazir to raise six battalions under British officers, if given effect to, may save the situation; encloses copies of his correspondence with Saadat Ali Khan and adds that he is trying

to persuade him to accommodate with the situation; forwards a copy of a Proclamation issued by the Vazir under his instructions for enforcing discipline on the sepoys; submits that great inconvenience has been felt by the troops for not having arsenais and suggests that a Superintendent of arsenal be appointed. (A.L.S.)—13 pp.

30 May, 1776, No. 2

May 14, Bind (Bhind). R. Stuart gives description to J. Bristow of the mutinous conduct of the detachment of sepoys who refused to move towards Bind. (Enclosure to above)—14 pp.

30 May, 1776, No. D

May 14, Bhind. R. Stuart forwards to J. Bristow an authenticated copy of a letter received from Mahbub Ali Khan, reporting that the intention of Mahbub Ali is not above suspicion. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

30 May, 1776, No. E

May 10, Lucknow. Circular letter issued by J. Bristow to the European officers commanding the detachments of the Vazir's troops ordering that all persons connected with the rebellion incited by Saadat Ali Khan should be arrested. (Enclosure)—1 p.

30 May, 1776, No. F

Raja Purushottam Pandit gives an account to Kashiraj (dependent of Imam Bakhsh) of the contents of a letter from Saadat Ali Khan to Balaji Govind Pandit (Peshwa's Taluqdar in Bundelkhand) and reports that Mahbub Ali Khan has crossed the Jumna; requests that orders may be issued for his recall. (Enclosure)—5 pp.

30 May, 1776, No. G

Apr 24, 30 & May 6. Correspondence between J. Bristow and Saadat Ali Khan regarding latter's departure from Lucknow and Asaf-ud-Daulah's offer of a *jagir* and cash money provided he lives in the Company's territories. (Enclosure)—21 pp.

30 May, 1776, No. H

Parwana from Asaf-ud-Daulah to Muhammad Ali (Commandant in Battalion under Capt. C. Ware) issuing orders that severe punishment should be inflicted on those who are guilty of disobeying orders. (Enclosure)—1 p.

30 May, 1776, No. I

May 17, Farrukhabad. Lt. A. Balfour intimates to J. Bristow that he will pay implicit obedience to the orders of Asaf-ud-Daulah. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

30 May, 1776, No. K*

May 6, Benares. F. Fowke intimates to the Board that he could not deliver the *sanad* and *patta* for the zamindari of Benares to Raja Chait Singh as there were some errors in the *qabuliyat* and *muchalka* to be executed by the Raja. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

30 May, 1776, No. 3

*There is no Consultation bearing No. J.

May 14, Benares. F. Fowke forwards to the Board a translation of the dates of *kistbandi* and a statement of the English and Hindi dates by which the above mentioned errors can be detected. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

30 May, 1776, No. 4

Translation of the dates of the *kistbandi* annexed to the *qabuliyat* and *muchalka* annexed to J. P. Auriol's letter dated 26 April. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

30 May, 1776, No. L

English and Bengali dates of the *kistbandi* adjusted to the *Hijra* dates. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

30 May, 1776, No. M

List showing the dates on which the payment of monthly *kists* of Raja Chait Singh fall due to the Company. (Enclosure)—1 p.

30 May, 1776, No. N

Raja Chait Singh states that as he is paying his tributes regularly; the execution of *muchalka* may be dispensed with; requests that he may be allowed to pay tribute in *kists* according to the calculations stated. (Translation)—4 pp.

30 May, 1776, No. 5

Maharaj Misar (Vakil of Raja Chait Singh) intimates that he has paid 11 *kists* of the revenue and will pay one more *kist*; requests that *fraigh-khati* may be granted to him, and that he be invested with a *khilat* as was customary in the days of Nawab Shuja-ud-Daulah. (Petition-translation)—2 pp.

30 May, 1776, No. 6

May 29. The Board direct F. Fowke that a fresh *muchalka* be drawn up in the form sent before and that the English dates be inserted for payment of *kists*; add that the agreement be sent to the Board duly executed by Raja Chait Singh. 5 pp.

30 May, 1776, No. 7

Jun 3.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 3 Jun., 1776

May 29. The Board express their alarm to J. Bristow at the refractory and mutinous spirit of the officers and troops under R. Stuart and E. Blacker; recommend some measures for its suppression. 3 pp.

3 Jun., 1776, No. 1

May 29. The Board direct G. Stibbert that two new battalions be raised in the camp at Bilgram to bring the refractory soldiers Asaf ud-Daulah under proper control. 2 pp.

3 Jun., 1776, No. 2

May 20, Camp Bilgram. G. Stibbert forwards to the Board copies of letters from J. Bristow which give a full account of the mutinous behaviour of Asaf-ud-Daulah's battalions under the English officers; states that he has directed J. N. Parker to march to the Doab to support the Nawab's troops; requests that his action may be approved. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

3 Jun., 1776, No. 3

J. Bristow reports to G. Stibbert on the situation of Asaf-ud-Daulah's troops under English officers. (Enclosure to above)—4 pp.

3 Jun., 1776, No. A

J. Bristow forwards to G. Stibbert with his comment a letter from Asaf-ud-Daulah. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

3 Jun., 1776, No. B

Asaf-ud-Daulah requests G. Stibbert to send the two battalions that are stationed at Kora to the Doab to quell the disturbances there. (Received 20 May). (Enclosure—Translation)—1 p.

3 Jun., 1776, No. C

Jun 3. The Board inform G. Stibbert that they disapprove of the orders given by him to J. N. Parker to march to the Doab; direct that Parker be recalled. 3 pp.

3 Jun., 1776, No. 4

May 30, Calcutta. W. Bensley (Customs Master) intimates to the Secretary to the Board that the ship *Bengal Merchant* sailed from the port in August last; gives an account of the goods that were expected on her. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

3 Jun., 1776, No. 5

Jun 2, Chandernagore. J. B. Chevalier forwards to the Board a copy of a letter from J. Law de Lauriston. (Translation)—1 p.

3 Jun., 1776, No. 6

Jun 3. The Board inform J. B. Chevalier that they will soon reply to J. Law de Lauriston's letter. 1 p.

3 Jun., 1776, No. 7

May 6, Pondicherry. J. Law de Lauriston offers his thanks to the Board for the assurances given that he will be put in quiet possession of the factories which France actually possessed in the beginning of 1749; states that his right of establishing factories and lodges are founded on *farmans* and *parwanas*; expresses surprise that J. Sanson has not been recognised as the Resident at the factory at Mohanpur; intimates that the treatment meted out to Sanson is an affront to the French nation; comments on the privilege for trading in saltpetre and opium which the English claimed that they had acquired from Jafar Ali Khan. (Translation)—24 pp.

3 Jun., 1776, No. 8

Jun 3. The Board direct the Chief and Council at Burdwan that a member of their Board be deputed to Mohanpur to ascertain from some reliable persons several points relative to the establishment of French factories there. 4 pp.

3 Jun., 1776, No. 9

Jun 6.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 6 Jun., 1776

May 6, Purandhar. J. Upton intimates to the Board that the Peshwa has not yet been in possession of any of the parganas restored by the treaty; states that the ministers at Poona had very just cause of complaints; acknowledges receipt of the treaty executed by the Supreme Board; encloses copies of his correspondence with the Government of Bombay and other papers which will explain the cause of delay; expresses hope that he will be able to make the ministers assent to the alterations made in the treaty. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

6 Jun., 1776, No. 1

Apr 16, Bombay; Apr 22, Purandhar. Extract from a letter from the Select Committee, Bombay to J. Upton justifying their action in affording protection to Raghunathrao; Upton's reply thereto. (Enclosures to above)—4 pp.

6 Jun., 1776, No. A

Apr 26, Purandhar. J. Upton forwards to the Government of Bombay an extract from a letter from T. Keating and intimates that unless the articles of peace are carried into action, the Marathas will commence hostilities. (Enclosure)—4 pp.

6 Jun., 1776, No. B

May 4, Purandhar. J. Upton intimates to Bombay Government that Raghunathrao's army will be dispersed by Hari Pant Phadke (Maratha General) unless it is disbanded by Raghunathrao himself.

May 1, Bombay. Government of Bombay forward to J. Upton fresh orders for the restitution of the parganas in Gujarat to the ministers at Poona; intimate that the Chief of Surat has been directed to make remonstrances with Raghunathrao on the impropriety of his troops remaining so near to Surat.

Apr 27, Bombay. Bombay Government inform J. Upton that their troops have long ago separated from Raghunathrao's army. (Enclosures)—4 pp.

6 Jun., 1776, No. C

Apr 23. Raghunathrao informs the Government of Bombay that the rebels will make an attempt to fall upon him as they have learnt that Bombay Government will support his cause. (Enclosure—Extract)—1 p.

6 Jun., 1776, No. D

Apr 22. Part of conversation between J. Upton and Madhavrao Sadashiv (Peshwa's Clerk) on the part of the ministers regarding the Treaty of Purandhar. (Enclosure)—4 pp.

6 Jun., 1776, No. E

Apr 29. Message of Nawab Fazil Beg Khan Dhonsa (at the court of Nizam Ali Khan) stating that he will join with the Nizam's troops if the English are desirous of placing Raghunathrao in Poona; points out the

advantages that will accrue to the Company if Raghunathrao is restored to the Peshwaship. (Enclosure)—6 pp.

6 Jun., 1776, No. F

Apr 29, Purandhar. Substance of J. Upton's reply to the above message to the effect that it is too late now to make the above proposal as a treaty of peace has already been concluded with the Marathas. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

6 Jun., 1776, No. G

May 21, Lucknow. J. Bristow intimates to the Board that Asaf-ud-Daulah has importunately requested the assistance of a battalion of sepoys to quell the mutineers of W. McClary's battalions. (A.L.S.)—8 pp.

6 Jun., 1776, No. 2

May 27, Burdwan. The Chief and Council, Burdwan intimate to the Board that they have commanded Rammohan Roy to Burdwan to answer the charge of interfering with the jurisdiction of the Faujdari Courts; state that they have in the meantime appointed Ram Kant Majumdar to the charge of collections. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

6 Jun., 1776, No. 3

Jun 3, Chandernagore. J. B. Chevalier requests the Board that 500 chests of opium and 18,000 maunds of saltpetre may be allotted to the French Company. (Translation)—4 pp.

6 Jun., 1776, No. 4

Jun 6. The Board inform J. B. Chevalier that the quantity of opium which has been delivered to J. J. Panon (Chief of Patna French Factory) is not on account of any private or personal consideration for him but because he was the representative of the French nation at Patna, which the Board consider is equal to any that the French had received for many years. 2 pp.

6 Jun., 1776, No. 5

Jun 6. The Board direct the Chief and Council at Patna to ascertain the quantity of opium that was allowed to the French specially during the period when A. Carvalho was the Chief. 2 pp.

6 Jun., 1776, No. 6

Jun 10. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 10 Jun., 1776

May 8, Chandernagore. J. B. Chevalier forwards to the Board a copy of a letter received by him from the Faujdar of Hooghly and protests against his demand to pay enhanced duties on saltpetre at the rate of 10 per cent and on other articles at 4 per cent. (Translation)—5 pp.

10 Jun., 1776, No. 1

Mahdi Nisar Khan (Faujdar of Hooghly) claims from J. B. Chevalier Rs. 6,485-2-3 as the amount due on account of the duties at the Custom House at Hooghly; states that the French will have to pay a duty of 10 per cent on salt and 4 per cent on other articles of trade. (Enclosure to above—Translation)—3 pp.

10 Jun., 1776, No. 2

May 11, Calcutta. J. Petrie returns to the Board the translation of a letter from the Commandant at Chandernagore and an account of the duties paid by the French with his comments on the same. (A.L.S.)—7 pp.

10 Jun., 1776, No. 3

May 24, Camp Bilgram. G. Stibbert transmits to the Board copies of two letters received from J. Bristow and translations of letters from Asaf-ud-Daulah; reports that the Vazir requests the continuance of the Kora detachment for quelling of mutinous battalions and solicits Board's instruction on the subject; intimates that one of the Nawab's rebellious battalions stationed at Gattinpore (Ghatampur) was surprised by Capt. T. M. Graveley (Commanding 22nd Battalion of Bengal Army); states that S. M. Showers has been ordered to proceed to join the 1st Regiment at Dinapore. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

10 Jun., 1776, No. 4

May 19. J. Bristow intimates to G. Stibbert that he will obtain from Asaf-ud-Daulah repayment of the amount which was sent to Capt. J. Homes for payment of troops under him; points out the necessity of keeping the detachment under J. N. Parker in Kora for the protection of that province and the Doab; reports on the mutinous spirit of the Nawab's troops under the British officers. (Enclosure to above)—5 pp.

10 Jun., 1776, No. A

J. Bristow reports to G. Stibbert the critical situation of the Nawab's affairs due to the mutinies of the sepoys under the British officers; intimates that the Nawab has most pitifully requested that the detachment under J. N. Parker be not recalled and that a battalion be sent to Farrukhabad to surprise the mutineers. (Enclosure)—5 pp.

10 Jun., 1776, No. B

Asaf-ud-Daulah informs G. Stibbert that his officers will be ruined if the battalions stationed at Kora for the defence of the provinces are recalled. (Received 21 May). (Enclosure—Translation)—2 pp.

10 Jun., 1776, No. C

Asaf-ud-Daulah intimates to G. Stibbert that the commandants and subadars of the battalions under the English officers at Etawah and in the Doab have been creating disturbances; requests that an English battalion be sent early for suppressing the mutiny of the Indian officers and soldiers. (Received 21 May). (Enclosure—Translation)—2 pp.

10 Jun., 1776, No. D

May 21, Camp Bilgram. G. Stibbert intimates to J. Bristow that he will not recall the detachment under J. N. Parker from Kora as requested by Asaf-ud-Daulah; states that he cannot accede to the request of the Nawab for detaching a battalion to Farrukhabad and gives his reasons for the same. (Enclosure)—5 pp.

10 Jun., 1776, No. E

May 26, Lucknow. J. Bristow informs the Board that there is no apprehension for the personal safety of any of the Englishmen appointed to the Nawab's battalions; states that he has persuaded the Nawab to detach a party of horse after the mutinous battalions under C. Ware

(Commandant, 5th Infantry Regiment in Nawab's service) and Lt. E. Blacker, which resulted in the capture of the Commandant and Adjutant, the two authors of the mutiny; reports the execution of these ring leaders by the orders of the Nawab; gives account of the movements of several battalions under C. Ware, J. N. Parker and J. Home and Lt. F. R. Foley. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

10 Jun., 1776, No. 5

Apr 15, Benares. F. Fowke intimates to the Board that he has paid the bill of exchange drawn upon him by the Board; transmits bills of exchange drawn by Raja Chait Singh as part payment of his tribute to the Company; states that he has received from Sidi Budhan (*Qiladar* of Jaunpur) the accounts of the fort etc. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

10 Jun., 1776, No. 6

Account of money remitted by Raja Chait Singh in part payment of his annual tribute to the Company. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

10 Jun., 1776, No. 7

Jun 10. The Board intimate to F. Fowke that it is no longer necessary to make any further enquiries about the actual collections of the district of Jaunpur. 1 p.

10 Jun., 1776, No. 8

Jun 10. The decision of the Board on the three letters* received from Najaf Khan regarding his request for the continuance of his allowance of two lacs of rupees per annum; that he be asked to prove his obedience to the Company by employing British officers and to persuade Saadat Ali Khan to return to the obedience of the Nawab Vazir, or to accept any asylum in the British territories. 2 pp.

Progs., 10 Jun., 1776

Jun 10. The Board direct the Chief and Council at Patna that the *Kotwal* and his officers be placed totally under the orders of Muhammad Riza Khan; add that the *Kotwal* be forbidden to continue levying fines to defray the expenses of the *Kotwali*; ask them to advance Rs. 1,356 to the orders of the Naib Suba to meet the monthly expnses of the *Kotwali* establishment. 2 pp.

10 Jun., 1776, No. 9

Jun 13. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 13 Jun., 1776

May 23, Lucknow. J. Bristow intimates to the Board that Asaf-ud-Daulah has expressed his desire to get T. Goddard as the Commander of his troops who are placed under the English officers. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

13 Jun., 1776 No. 1

*Please see *Calendar of Persian Correspondence* Vol. V, pp. 1, 4 and 22, Nos. 6, 36 and 197.

Asaf-ud-Daulah repeats his request to the Governor General that T. Goddard may be deputed to him. (Copy)—1 p.

13 Jun., 1776, No. 2

Jun 13. Observations of W. Hastings, P. Francis, R. Barwell, G. Monson and J. Clavering on the request of the Nawab Vazir, and the Board's decision to permit T. Goddard to accept the offer; Capt. C. Martin's name recommended to the Vazir for appointment as the Superintendent of his arsenal. (Minutes)—3 pp.

Progs., 13 Jun., 1776

May 30, Lucknow. J. Bristow intimates to the Board that Asaf-ud-Daulah has not been able to persuade Saadat Ali Khan to agree to the proposal of fixing his residence in the Company's territories; states that he will endeavour to secure from the Nawab an increase of the *jagir* for Saadat Ali Khan; expresses the hope that there is every prospect of the termination of the mutinies under British officers and gives an account of the course of action adopted by J. Webber, A. Balfour and W. McClary; gives reasons which prevented Najaf Khan from invading the Doab; reports that Muhammad Elich Khan (Prime Minister of Shuja-ud-Daulah) has returned to the Vazir's dominions. (A.L.S.)—9 pp.

13 Jun., 1776, No. 3

Jun 1, Lucknow. J. Bristow transmits to the Board certain accounts and intimate that nearly five lacs of current rupees were paid to the Paymaster to the Third Brigade in May; states that he experienced great difficulty in counteracting the assignments which the Nawab Vazir had on the very lands appropriated to the payment of army subsidy; expresses a hope that he will be able to make a considerable remittance provided he gets the money due from the Nawab's mother. (A.L.S.)—6 pp.

13 Jun., 1776, No. 4

Mar 31. Cash in hand with J. Bristow. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

*Progs., 13 Jun., 1776, No. A

Mar 31. Account current of Asaf-ud-Daulah with the Company. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

*Progs., 13 Jun., 1776, No. B

Jun 1. Statement of the assignments of the army subsidy. (Enclosure)—1 pp.

*Progs., 13 Jun., 1776, No. C

Jun 13. The Board enquire of J. Bristow on what standard the *batta* inserted in his cash account of 31 March has been formulated; desire that the accounts for April should be sent as soon as possible; ask him to report the weight and fineness of a *Bangla sikka* rupee; intimate that they have permitted C. Martin to proceed to Lucknow to take upon himself the superintendence of the Nawab's arsenal; transmit a copy of a letter which the Governor General has written to Saadat Ali Khan. 4 pp.

13 Jun., 1776, No. 5,

May 28, Camp Bilgram. G. Stibbert reports to the Board the arrival of Muhammad Elich Khan and Basant Ali Khan by forced marches to

*The Original Consultations are missing.

†Please see *Calendar of Persian Correspondence*, Vol. V, P. 24, No. 204.

Kanauj; gives some details about Elich Khan; states that two more of the Nawab Vazir's battalions have been reduced and gives his remarks on the aforesaid reduction. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

13 Jun., 1776. No. 6

Jun 14, Benares. F. Fowke forwards to the Board bills of exchange in favour of the Company in part payment of the annual tribute of Raja Chait Singh. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

13 Jun., 1776, No. 7

Jun 17. . Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 17 Jun., 1776

May 28, Fort St. George. The President and Council, Fort St. George forward to the Board a letter received from the Government of Bombay addressed to the Board. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

17 Jun., 1776, No. 1

Apr 30, Bombay Castle. The President and Council, Bombay forward to the Board a continuance of their correspondence with J. Upton and intimate that they will take every possible step to remove Raghunathrao's army from the neighbourhood of Surat and to leave the ministers without any plea for complaint; request that they may be exempted from any responsibility of violating the treaty; state that the letter which T. Keating wrote to J. Upton was entirely without any authority or instructions from them. (Enclosure to above—A.L.S.)—2 pp.

17 Jun., 1776, No. 2

Apr 27, Bombay Castle. The Government of Bombay inform J. Upton that they have long separated their army from that of Raghunathrao; state that Raghunathrao has not been supplied with military stores; intimate that the ministers have not been in possession of places restored to them by the treaty due to their own fault; add that Fateh Singh has demanded the restitution of places ceded to him on the ground that the conditions of the treaty between him and Raghunathrao have not been fulfilled.

Apr 26, Purandhar. J. Upton reports to the Government of Bombay that the ministers are determined to assume a hostile attitude if the conditions of the treaty are not fulfilled; forwards an extract from a letter from T. Keating on the subject. (Enclosures to above)—6 pp.

17 Jun., 1776, No. A

Mar 16, Bombay Castle. The Government of Bombay inform G. Perrot (Factor at Broach) that he and J. Cheape have been appointed to meet the Maratha agents at Broach to determine the places and boundaries of the country ceded by the treaty to the English and ask them to make over to the Poona Government the places in Gujarat which have been restored to them. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

17 Jun., 1776, No. B

Mar 16, Bombay Castle. The Government of Bombay similarly request R. Gambier to execute the terms in the treaty. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

17 Jun., 1776, No. C

Apr 11, Broach. The Council at Broach report^d to the Government of Bombay that Raghunathrao's army is plundering Hansot pargana and that Broach is also threatened. (Enclosure—Extract)—1 p.

17 Jun., 1776, No. D

Jun 17. The Board intimate to T. Goddard that he has been permitted to accept the command of all the British officers under Asaf-ud-Daulah; enumerate the regulations laid down for his guidance. 5 pp.

17 Jun., 1776, No. 3

Jun 17. The Board intimate to J. Bristow that the signature of T. Goddard will in future be his authority for the payment of all contingent bills presented to him; direct that all claims and applications of the officers shall henceforth be made through Goddard. 1 p.

17 Jun., 1776, No. 4

Jun 2, Camp Bilgram. G. Stibbert communicates to the Board his reasons for detaching two battalions of sepoy to Kora in spite of the Board's order to the contrary; states that excepting the accompanying copies of the Board's instructions to J. Cumming and letter to P. Gailliez he had no other instructions when he took over the command; describes the route by which the detachment passed. (A.L.S.)—6 pp.

17 Jun., 1776, No. 5

1775, Oct 22, Cantonments, Bilgram. Instructions from the Board handed over by P. Gailliez to J. Cumming at the time of handing over the charge of the command. (Enclosure to above)—4 pp.

17 Jun., 1776, No. E

Jan 10. The Board direct P. Gailliez to recall all British subjects who are not in public service but are residing in the dominions of Asaf-ud-Daulah except F. Fowke, T. Motte and Scott. (Enclosure)—1 p.

17 Jun., 1776, No. F

1776, Jun 2, Camp Bilgram. G. Stibbert reports to the Board that the regiments under Capt. G. Hoggan and J. Erskine have adopted a peaceful attitude; ascribes the aforesaid attitude to the rank failure of the troops stationed in the Doab; encloses copies of letters from J. Bristow and J. Erskine on the subject; intimates the military movements of J. Home's regiment stationed at Etawah. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

17 Jun., 1776, No. 6

May 30, Lucknow. J. Bristow reports to G. Stibbert the mutinous attitude of the army stationed at Rohilkhand; requests help on behalf of the Nawab Vazir from the brigade. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

17 Jun., 1776, No. G

May 25, Camp Daranagar. J. Erskine narrates to J. Bristow the circumstances in which he has been placed and expressing a desire to escape. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

17 Jun., 1776, No. H

May 31, Lucknow. J. Bristow gives to G. Stibbert a short narration of the troops under J. Erskine and G. Hoggan. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

17 Jun., 1776, No. 1

Jun 17. The Board forward to G. Stibbert copy of a letter which they wrote to P. Gailliez and forbid him in the most peremptory manner from dividing the brigade. 2 pp.

17 Jun., 1776, No. 7

Jun 20. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 20 Jun., 1776

Jun 20. The Board direct J. Upton not to have any communication or correspondence either with Nizam Ali Khan or with any other foreign prince or power as that would excite the jealousy of the Maratha Government; ask him to communicate to the Board the circumstances under which T. Keating had written to him. 5 pp.

20 Jun., 1776, No. 1

Jun 20. The Board express a desire to the President and Council at Bombay that precautions may be taken to avert the hostilities between the Peshwa's army and those of Raghunathrao by effecting the removal of latter's forces from the lands near Surat which belong to the Company; intimate that J. Upton has obtained an order from the ministers for the restitution of the vessels under English colours which had been captured by the Marathas. 3 pp.

20 Jun., 1776, No. 2

Jun 24. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 24 Jun., 1776

Writ of *habeas corpus* served on Riza Quli Khan and Sardar Singh to bring up the body of Haji Abdullah (*Darogha* of Faujdari Adalat, Chitpur) before the Supreme Court. (Notification)—1 p.

24 Jun., 1776, No. 1

Jun 24. Observations of R. Barwell, P. Francis, G. Monson, J. Clavering and W. Hastings on the above subject. (Minutes)—9 pp.

Progs., 24 Jun., 1776

Jun 13, Benares. F. Fowke intimates to the Board that he has acquainted Raja Chait Singh that the Board have exempted him from executing the *muchalka*; adds that the Raja desires that the word *muchalkati* should be omitted from his *sanad* and *patta*. (A.L.S.)—4 p.

24 Jun., 1776, No. 2

Jun 24. The Board authorise F. Fowke to omit the word *muchalkati* in the *sanad* and *patta* that are to be granted to Raja Chait Singh as well as in the *qabuliyat* to be executed by the Raja. 2 pp.

24 Jun., 1776, No. 3

Jun 27. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 27 Jun., 1776

Jun 13, Fort St. George. The President and Council, Fort St. George intimate to the Board that their political situation has undergone no change except with respect to Tanjore; state that they will send copies of all their proceedings relating to Tanjore; report that large quantities of military stores have been landed at Pondicherry said to be for the use of Haidar Ali. (A.L.S.)—6 pp.

27 Jun., 1776, No. 1

Jul 1. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 1 Jul., 1776

May 18, Bombay Castle. The President and Council, Bombay intimate to the Board that Sadashivrao Bhau's power is daily increasing; transmit copy of a letter from the Resident at Fort Victoria which contains latest information about him; state that the Maratha agents have not arrived to take possession of the places to be given up to them. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

1 Jul., 1776, No. 1

May 11, Fort Victoria. G. Dick gives to the Government of Bombay detailed account of Sadashivrao Bhau. (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

1 Jul., 1776, No. 2

Jul 1. The Board direct J. Upton to withdraw from the Peshwa's court and to proceed to Bombay and remain there till further orders; ask him to see that the provisions of the treaty be strictly complied with by both the ministers at Poona and the Government of Bombay. 3 pp.

1 Jul., 1776, No. 3

Jul 1. The Board forward to the President and Council, Bombay a copy of orders from the Court of Directors issued in consequence of the capture of Salsette and Bombay Government's treaty with Raghunathrao; issue peremptory orders for the delivery of some districts to the Peshwa; instruct them not to retaliate any affront which they may receive from the ministers at Poona unless they are compelled to it in their own immediate defence; add that in such emergency the Board may be informed immediately. 4 pp.

1 Jul., 1776, No. 4

Jul 1. Observation of R. Barwell on the resolution of the Board on the above subject. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 1 Jul., 1776

Jul 3. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 3 Jul., 1776

May 27, Purandhar. J. Upton gives some details to the Board of the alteration proposed by the ministers at Poona in the articles of the treaty between the English and the Marathas; states that their principal motive is to continue the correspondence for negotiating an exchange for Salsette; adds that if the suggestion for deputing a vakil to Calcutta for this purpose is conceded by the Board, it will soften a number of disagreeable circumstances and restore a confidence with Bombay; forwards extracts of letters from Hari Pant Phadke on the subject; enquires to whom the Marathas are to pay 12 lacs of rupees towards defraying the expenses; forwards a copy of a note from Madhavrao Sadashiv (Peshwa's *mutasaddi* with the English) requesting for a passport for Sakhamram Bhagwant Bokil. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

3 Jul., 1776, No. 1

May 13 & 14. Hari Pant Phadke reports to the Peshwa that he gets no reply to his letters to the Government of Bombay; requests that the Government of Bombay be written to for separating the English army from that of Raghunathrao; intimates that he has despatched the *Sarkar's* agents to Broach for 3 lacs of rupees for the English. (Extracts of two letters dated 24 and 25 *Rabi-ul-awal*, 1190). (Persian with English translation—Enclosures to above)—3 pp.

3 Jul., 1776, No. 2

May 27, Purandhar. Madhavrao Sadashiv requests J. Upton to grant passport to the mother of Madhavrao Narayan (Gopika Bai) and Sakhamram Bhagwant Bokil to enable them to proceed to Benares for religious ceremonies. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

3 Jul., 1776, No. 3

Jul 3. The Board request J. Bristow to get passports for the mother of Madhavrao Narayan and Sakhamram from the Nawab Vazir to enable them to proceed to Benares and to forward the same direct to J. Upton. The same to F. Fowke for Raja Chait Singh. 1 p.

3 Jul., 1776, Nos. 4-5

Jul 3. The Board intimate to the President and Council, Bombay that J. Upton has been directed to settle the payment of 12 lacs of rupees by the Marathas stipulated for the expenses of war at the Bombay Presidency; request them to receive the payment of the same after granting a receipt. 2 pp.

3 Jul., 1776, No. 6

Jul 3. The Board inform J. Upton that they cannot consent to the alterations in the treaty as proposed by the ministers at Poona, which has

already been ratified by both the sides; intimate that the Maratha Government be informed that the Company are not willing to part with Salsette and other islands; direct that it may be so arranged with the ministers that the payment of 12 lacs of rupees be made at the Bombay Presidency; intimate that Asaf-ud-Daulah and Raja Chait Singh have been written to for the grant of passports to Sakharam and the mother of the late Peshwa for proceeding to Benares. 4 pp.

3 Jul., 1776, No. 7

Jul 8.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 8 Jul., 1776

Jun 14, Camp Bilgram. G. Stibbert intimates to the Board that he will recall the detachment at Kora; states that he will do his best to recruit and form six new battalions of sepoy should Asaf-ud-Daulah consent to it; reports the march of remaining five companies of J. Home's regiment stationed in the Doab under Lt. G. Mence (Commandant of 2nd Battalion of 4th Regiment in the service of Asaf-ud-Daulah) and the execution of the commandant of W. McClary's battalion. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

8 Jul., 1776, No. 1

Jun 22, Camp Bilgram. G. Stibbert transmits to the Board a copy of a letter from J. N. Parker reporting an engagement with Mahbub Ali Khan's troops which resulted in the victory for the English but not without much loss as will appear from the accompanying return of the killed and wounded; states that Parker had engaged himself in the aforesaid action without any orders from him; forwards extracts of his orders to Parker. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

8 Jul., 1776, No. 2

Jun 19, Aumooly. J. N. Parker reports to G. Stibbert what led him to risk an engagement with Mahbub Ali Khan's army. (Enclosure to above)—4 pp.

8 Jul., 1776, No. A

Return of the killed and wounded of the detachment of the 3rd Brigade under the command of J. N. Parker. (Enclosure)—1 p.

8 Jul., 1776, No. B

May 20, 26 & 31, Camp Bilgram. G. Stibbert warns J. N. Parker to be on his guard on account of the mutinous conduct of his army in the Doab and for the discontentment of Mahbub Ali Khan; issues instructions as to what he should do if Mahbub Ali marches towards Kora and crosses the Jumna. (3 Extracts—Enclosures)—3 pp.

8 Jul., 1776, No. C

Jun 23, Camp Bilgram. G. Stibbert forwards to the Board copies of letters from J. Bristow and Asaf-ud-Daulah reporting that the Nawab requests further detention of the Kora detachment to which he has not agreed; states that the Nawab cannot spare funds for raising six new

battalions of sepoy's at Bilgram; reports that 400 Maratha horses which Mahbub Ali Khan had with him at Kora had left him. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

8 Jul., 1776, No. 3

Jun 20, Lucknow. J. Bristow encloses a copy of a letter from Asaf-ud-Daulah setting forth the consequences which will ensue from the recall of the detachment at Kora; states that the Nawab is not in a position to spare fund for six additional battalions to the establishment he formed at Etawah, but he will be very glad to raise five battalions under his charge. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

8 Jul., 1776, No. D

Asaf-ud-Daulah expresses his regret to G. Stibbert that the two battalions with J. N. Parker have been recalled which, he felt, would be very much prejudicial to his interests; states that Mahbub Ali Khan will take the earliest opportunity of opposing the Vazir's authority; requests that the battalions under Parker be continued at Kora till the newly appointed *Amil* is established there. (Received 22 June). (Persian and English translation—Enclosure)—3 pp.

8 Jul., 1776, No. E

Jun 10, Lucknow. J. Bristow intimates to the Board that he had requested Capt. A. Hardy to order up 5 subadars and 25 jamadars; reports that the mutiny amongst the troops in Rohilkhand is over and that Din Muhammad (Commandant of the 2nd Battalion of Capt. G. Hoggan's Regiment) was at the bottom of the mutiny; states that Elich Khan has returned to Lucknow and has been appointed naib by the Vazir; adds that the Nawab is not in a mood to grant an increase of *jagir* to Saadat Ali Khan; reports that Najaf Khan is much distressed for want of funds to meet the demand of his troops. (A.L.S.)—11 pp.

8 Jul., 1776, No. 4

Jun 13, Lucknow. J. Bristow intimates to the Board that he has informed Asaf-ud-Daulah that his request of continuing the brigade in its present station has been complied with; encloses disposition* of the British officers under the Vazir; states that he has proposed to the Nawab the plan of the six battalions to be raised to G. Stibbert and that the Nawab is agreeable to raise only five battalions; dwells at length of the necessity of continuing the detachment under J. N. Parker at Kora; states that he will shortly forward the statements of the Vazir's army and revenue. (A.L.S.)—20 pp.

8 Jul., 1776, No. 5

Jun 23, Lucknow. J. Bristow intimates to the Board how Mahbub Ali Khan treacherously acted when he was ordered by Asaf-ud-Daulah to proceed to Kalpi for the defence of Kora against the Marathas; reports an engagement of Mahbub's army with that of J. N. Parker. (A.L.S.)—6 pp.

8 Jul., 1776, No. 6

Jul 6, Calcutta. W. Tayler strongly criticises the treaty concluded by J. Upton with the ministers at Poona; points out to the Board that the treaty concluded by the Government of Bombay with Raghunathrao was more

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advantageous to the Company and was conformable to the commands of the Court of Directors. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

8 Jul., 1776, No. 7

Jul 8. Comments of J. Clavering, P. Francis, G. Monson, R. Barwell and W. Hastings on the letter of W. Tayler. (Minutes)—6 pp.

8 Jul., 1776, No. 8

Jul 8. The Board enquire of W. Tayler under what authority he considers himself entitled to protest on behalf of the Court of Directors and the Presidency of Bombay against any act of the Bengal Government. 2 pp.

8 Jul., 1776, No. 9

Jul 10. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 10 Jul., 1776

Jul 10. The Board enquire of J. Bristow what measures he has taken to obtain the discharge of the families of the Rohilla chiefs and establishing a provision for their maintenance. 2 pp.

10 Jul., 1776, No. 1

Jun 20, Camp Bilgram. G. Stibbert explains to the Board why he directed J. N. Parker to quell and reduce two refractory and mutinous battalions of the Nawab Vazir in the neighbourhood of Kora; states that he has since recalled the detachment as ordered by the Board. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

10 Jul., 1776, No. 2

Jun 25, Camp Bilgram. G. Stibbert forwards to the Board a copy of a letter from J. Bristow and another letter* from Asaf-ud-Daulah soliciting a further detention of J. N. Parker's detachment at Kora; intimates that he has directed Parker to march leaving behind him in the hospital wounded men under the charge of a company of sepoy and a subaltern officer in the fort of Aligarh till they can be conveniently transported to the camp at Bilgram. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

10 Jul., 1776, No. 3

Jun 22, Lucknow. J. Bristow informs G. Stibbert that Asaf-ud-Daulah is well satisfied with J. N. Parker's conduct and has ordered the dismissal of the whole of Mahbub Ali Khan's corps and has appointed Mir Sulaiman as the Naib of Kora; states that the Nawab is still anxious that the detachment under Parker be allowed to remain at Kora. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

10 Jul., 1776, No. 4

Jul 10. The Board censure the conduct of J. N. Parker for his engagements with the forces under Mahbub Ali Khan without proper authority and direct G. Stibbert not to employ in future the Company's forces

* Not recorded in the Proceedings. Please see *Calendar of Persian Correspondence*, Vol. V, p. 23, No. 200.

without a previous requisition in writing from the Nawab; ask him again not to make any detachment from the brigade on any pretence whatsoever without the previous concurrence of the Board. 5 pp.

10 Jul., 1776, No. 5

Jul 10, Calcutta. W. Tayler intimates to the Board that he has been deputed to Calcutta by the Governor in Council of Bombay, who are the representatives of the Company on that side of India; states that the appointment of J. Upton to reside at Bombay and to treat publicly independent of the Governor in Council is a direct supercession of the authority of the Government of Bombay; informs that he is convinced from the actions and declarations of Sakharam Bhagwant Bokil that it is far from the intention of the ministers at Poona to preserve peace for any length of time. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

10 Jul., 1776, No. 6

Jul 10. The Board point out to W. Tayler that he has not so far been able to produce any evidence from the Company which has given him the authority to criticise an act of the Supreme Board; strongly criticise the appellation of the word 'rebels' to the ministers at Poona; state that the appointment of J. Upton to complete any negotiation with the Government of Poona should not be considered a supercession of the authority of Bombay Government. 6 pp.

10 Jul., 1776, No. 7

Jun 20, Patna. The Chief and Council, Patna inform the Board that they will pay an additional sum of Rs. 390 to the order of Muhammad Riza Khan to meet the expenses of *Kotwali* of Patna, as directed by the Board. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

10 Jul., 1776, No. 8

Jul 4, Chandernagore. J. B. Chevalier enquires of the Board whether any information has been obtained from Patna on the subject of supply of opium for the trade of the French nation; renews his request for the supply of 18,000 maunds of saltpetre. (Translation)—2 pp.

10 Jul., 1776, No. 9

Jun 24, Patna. The Chief and Council, Patna forward to the Board information with regard to the quantity of opium which the French have constantly received from Patna, especially during the Chiefship of A. Carvalho. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

10 Jul., 1776, No. 10

Jun 24, Patna. Account of the quantity of opium exported from Patna from the commencement of 1764 to the end of 1765, and an account of what has been exported from May 1774 to the end of 1775 by the French. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

10 Jul., 1776, No. A

Jun 24, Patna. Opium provided by A. Carvalho and J. J. Panon. (Chiefs of French Factory at Patna). (Enclosure)—1 p.

10 Jul., 1776, No. B

Jul 10. The Board point out to the Chief and Council at Patna inaccuracies in their report and request them to renew their enquiries on

the subject; state that it has been agreed to allow the French same quantity of opium as they used to get in the past years, and ask them to deliver to the French Resident at Patna 200 maunds of opium for the season. 3 pp.

10 Jul., 1776, No. 11

Jul 10. The Board request the Board of Trade that the Chief of Patna be directed to deliver to the French agents 18,000 maunds of saltpetre. 2 pp.

10 Jul., 1776, No. 12

Jul 10. The Board inform J. B. Chevalier that orders have been issued to the Chief and Council, Patna to deliver to the French agents 200 maunds of opium and 18,000 maunds of saltpetre. 2 pp.

10 Jul., 1776, No. 13

Jul 15. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 15 Jul., 1776

Jul 15, Calcutta. W. Tayler explains to the Board why he described the present Government at Poona by the appellation of 'rebels'; states that the work on which J. Upton is employed could have been carried out by the Government of Bombay. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

15 Jul., 1776, No. 1

Jul 7, Benares. F. Fowke forwards to the Board a certain sum in full payment of Raja Chait Singh's annual tribute to the Company. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

15 Jul., 1776, No. 2

Jun 30, Lucknow. J. Bristow intimates to the Board that Asaf-ud-Daulah is not now willing to settle on Saadat Ali Khan a *jagir* worth more than a lac of rupees; states that the Nawab has since changed his mind as to allowing his brother to reside in the Company's dominions; points out the advantages that might result in having Saadat Ali under the influence of the Company; enquires what provision is adequate for Saadat Ali in the opinion of the Board. (A.L.S.)—12 pp.

15 Jul., 1776, No. 3

Jul 15. Opinions of W. Hastings and other members of the Board on certain questions raised in the letter of J. Bristow regarding the allowance and residence of Saadat Ali Khan. (Minutes)—8 pp.

Progs., 15 Jul., 1776

Jul 15. Resolution of the Board on the Nawab Vazir's recommendation for appointing Capt. T. B. Pennyng and Lt. T. Edwards in his newly established corps. (Resolution)—1 p.

Progs., 15 Jul., 1776

Jul 15. The Board direct J. Bristow that Asaf-ud-Daulah should be advised to grant a pension of at least two lais of rupees per annum to

Saadat Ali Khan; inform that they do not entertain the proposal that Saadat Ali Khan should repair to the Company's territories without any stipulation for his maintenance; give the names of the officers who have been nominated to fill up the vacancies in the Nawab's service. 7 pp.

15 Jul., 1776, No. 4

Jul 22.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 22 Jul., 1776

Jul 7, Lucknow. J. Bristow intimates to the Board that he will proceed to Fyzabad to persuade Bahu Begam to pay the balance of money which is still due to her son and to settle finally the value of goods which have been delivered to the Vazir; states that he is trying his best to persuade the Vazir to settle matters finally with the Marathas; reports that Purushottam Pandit is at Lucknow for negotiating a peace with the Vazir; adds that he has demanded the cession of the Doab to the Marathas; encloses copies* of letters from the Peshwa and Purushottam Pandit on the subject. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

22 Jul., 1776, No. 1

Jul 22. The Board intimate to J. Bristow that he has exceeded their intentions by going to visit Bahu Begam at Fyzabad; direct him to desist from making any further application to the Begam if his mission proves futile; approve the advice given by him to the Nawab respecting the situation with the Marathas; ask him to prevail on the Vazir to confine his attention to his possessions on the north-east side of the Jumna. 3 pp.

22 Jul., 1776, No. 2

Jul 11, Bankipore. The Chief of Patna (I. Sage) intimates to the Board that Le Moin De Prencas, a Frenchman, has been arrested by Capt. P. Grant at Buxar for attempting a passage to the dominions of Asaf-ud-Daulah. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

22 Jul., 1776, No. 3

Jul 22. The Board direct the Chief of Patna that in future all Europeans arrested in consequence of their orders of 10 November be delivered over to the officers of the Nawab at Patna and that the Naib Suba should be informed accordingly. 1 p.

22 Jul., 1776, No. 4

Jul 13, Fort St. George. The President and Council, Fort St. George transmit to the Board by *Swallow* copies* of all their Proceedings relative to Tanjore and a copy of the treaty concluded in 1762 between Pratap Singh (late Raja of Tanjore) and the Nawab of Carnatic. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

22 Jul., 1776, No. 5

Jun 10, Bombay Castle. The President and Council, Bombay intimate to the Board that they have returned the detachment of Europeans under

* Not recorded in the Proceedings or in the Original Consultations.

the command of Lt. Taylor on the *Hodges* and request that a passage of this detachment may be settled with the commander; report that Raghunathrao's army is entirely disbanded; state that they have urged J. Upton to secure a suitable provision for Raghunathrao. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.
22 Jul., 1776, No. 6

Correspondence between J. Upton and the Government of Bombay from 27 April to 2 June 1776 regarding the Treaty of Purandhar. (Enclosures to above)—10 pp.

22 Jul., 1776, No. A

Jul 24. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 24 Jul., 1776

Jun 3, Purandhar. J. Upton forwards through Lt. J. Patterson the treaty duly executed by the ministers and articles* of obligation between the Peshwa and Gaikwar family and some other papers* connected with the treaty; states that the Peshwa is in possession of all the parganas ceded by Raghunathrao except Jambusar. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

24 Jul., 1776, No. 1

Jul 24. The Board direct J. Upton to return to Bengal by any route he likes and assure the Pashwa and his ministers of the Board's resolution to maintain the peace concluded with them; authorise him to accept any presents made by the ministers on behalf of the Company. 2 pp.

24 Jul., 1776, No. 2

Jul 29. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 29 Jul., 1776

Jul 16, Fyzabad. J. Bristow intimates to the Board that he will not give any positive answer to Saadat Ali Khan's letter† to him regarding his residence in the Company's territories until he gets further instructions from the Board; remarks on the *batta* on rupees current at different places in Oudh; intimates that he has referred all contingent bills to T. Goddard. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

29 Jul., 1776, No. 1

Jul 1, Chunargarh. T. Goddard intimates to the Board that he will hand over the command of Chunargarh to Capt. D. Morrison on 1 July and will proceed immediately to receive the Nawab Vazir's directions at Lucknow. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

29 Jul., 1776, No. 2

Jul 4, Camp Bilgram. G. Stibbert assures the Board that he will strictly abide by their orders not to divide the brigade on any account;

* Not recorded in the Proceedings or in the Original Consultation.

† Please see *Calendar of Persian Correspondence*, Vol. V, p. 27, No. 219.

intimates that the 15th and 16th Battalions of Sepoys which he had detached to Kora at the Vazir's request for the defence of that province, have returned. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

29 Jul., 1776, No. 3

Jul 13, Camp Bilgram. G. Stibbert transmits to the Board a copy of a letter from T. Goddard together with his reply and enquires whether he is to make over the charge of raising new battalions for the Vazir's service to Goddard; states that C. Ware's regiment which is detained at Kora should receive further instructions from Goddard. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

29 Jul., 1776, No. 4

Jul 9, Lucknow. T. Goddard reports to G. Stibbert that he has been invested by Asaf-ud-Daulah with the command of his forces under British officers and that he considers that the power of issuing orders for the regulations of the Nawab's troops is vested in him alone; enquires of his sentiments on the points. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

29 Jul., 1776, No. A

Jul 12, Camp Bilgram. G. Stibbert's reply to the above. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

29 Jul., 1776, No. B

Jul 29. The Board direct G. Stibbert to make over the charge of recruiting men for the Nawab's service to T. Goddard. 2 pp.

29 Jul., 1776, No. 5

Jul 29. The Board inform T. Goddard that G. Stibbert has been directed to desist from recruiting more men for the Nawab's service and to deliver up to Goddard the command of those already recruited. 3 pp.

29 Jul., 1776, No. 6

Jul 15, Benares. F. Fowke intimates to the Board that he has despatched to J. Upton two passports under the signature of Raja Chait Singh in favour of Sakharam Bhagwant Bokil and Gopika Bai. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

29 Jul., 1776, No. 7

Jul 17, Benares. F. Fowke intimates to the Board that Raja Chait Singh has refused to accept the new *sanad* and *patta* as they contain some erasures, and also declines to execute the *qabuliyat*. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

29 Jul., 1776, No. 8

Jul 29. The Board inform F. Fowke that the *sanad* and *patta* were made anew with the omissions which Raja Chait Singh himself solicited; direct him to take back from the Raja the temporary grant; and ask him to provide a *khilat* to the Raja on the completion of his annual payment for the last year. 3 pp.

29 Jul., 1776, No. 9

Jul 10, Bankipore. I. Sage reports to the Board the despatch of Le Moin de Prencas under a proper escort to Bengal, who was arrested at Buxar for attempting a passage into Asaf-ud-Daulah's dominions. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

29 Jul., 1776, No. 10

Jul 31.

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B. S., 31 Jul., 1776

Jun 14, Salisbury in Madras Road. E. Hughes intimates to the Board that peace with the ministerial party at Poona was proclaimed; expresses satisfaction at the fact that the presence of the squadron at Bombay during the negotiations with the Marathas was considered as partially helpful to its success; states that he has occasion to believe that the peace is established on a firm footing and that the treaty has been ultimately ratified by the Peshwa. (Copy)—2 pp.

31 Jul., 1776, No. 1

Jul 31. The Board intimate to the President and Council, Fort St. George that they will transmit their sentiments very soon on the proceedings regarding the restoration of the Raja of Tanjore; request that the *Grenville* may be detained if she has not already sailed for England.
1 p.

31 Jul., 1776, No. 2

Aug 5.

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B. S., 5 Aug., 1776

Capt. W. Campbell (Commanding Officer at Budge Budge) reports to J. Clavering that four ships with guns passed by Budge Budge and that the Captain of the last ship returned insulting replies when some questions about the ship were put to him. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

5 Aug., 1776, No. 1

Aug 5. The resolution of the Board issuing orders as to the steps to be taken in future if any ship passes by Budge Budge without giving replies to the questions put by the officer on the visiting boats placed at some distance below the fort at Budge Budge. (Resolution)—5 pp.

Progs., 5 Aug., 1776

Jun 30, Bombay Castle. The President and Council, Bombay intimate to the Board that they have returned the Bengal detachment by the *Hodges* and that they have decided to return the Madras detachment also; enclose a copy of a letter from J. Upton and a copy of their reply soliciting concurrence of the Board on their sentiments that Upton gives too much credence to the trifling complaints of the ministers and places little reliance on their representations; report that Sadashivrao Bhau has sent vakils to Bombay requesting assistance of the Government in overthrowing the authority of the ministers at Poona; report the arrival of a Spanish vessel at Mangalore with guns and arms for Haidar Ali; forward an extract from a letter from the Resident at Mocha respecting some Frenchmen who lately made their appearance at that place; state that they have called upon T. Keating to explain the attack

of Ahmedabad after the cessation of arms had taken place; transmit copies of letters of T. Keating on the subject. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

5 Aug., 1776, No. 2

Jun 13, Poona. J. Upton intimates to the Government of Bombay that he will hardly be able to make the ministers consent to the payment of Raghunathrao's allowance unless he complies with the conditions on which it was granted; enquires whether there is any truth in the report of Hari Pant Phadke that Raghunathrao has been received at Surat with a big force behind him; reports that he is informed that a man named Sadashivrao is raising disturbances in the Konkan country.

Jun 20, Bombay Castle. The Government of Bombay inform J. Upton that they hope that they will succeed in obtaining the stipulated allowance for Raghunathrao, forward an extract from a letter respecting the number of people received at Surat with Raghunathrao. (Enclosures to above)—3 pp.

5 Aug., 1776, No. A

Apr 25, May 26. Extracts from letters (2) from G. Horsley (Resident at Mocha) giving information regarding a party of Frenchmen who passed through Grand Cairo to Suez with the object of proceeding to India. (Enclosures)—3 pp.

5 Aug., 1776, No. B

Jun 21, Bombay. T. Keating explains to the Government of Bombay how two cannons came to be employed in the siege of Ahmadabad and why the siege was continued after the cessation of hostilities; encloses a copy of his letter to Raghunathrao on the subject. (Enclosures)—3 pp.

5 Aug., 1776, No. C

Aug 5. G. Livius (Military Storekeeper) reports to the Board the despatch of 5,000 muskets with accoutrements for the service of Asaf-ud-Daulah; forwards an invoice and a bill for boat hire from the contractor. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

5 Aug., 1776, No. 3

Aug 5. The Board forward to J. Bristow an invoice being the cost of muskets sent to the Nawab Vazir; instruct him to receive elephants from the Nawab in payment of the requisite sum. 2 pp.

5 Aug., 1776, No. 4

Aug 7. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 7 Aug., 1776

Aug 6, Chandernagore. J. B. Chevalier reports to the Board that the ships *Isle de France*, *Catherine* and *St. Anne* were unjustly fired at when they passed by the fort at Calcutta; enquires of the reasons why they were subjected to such treatment. (Translation)—3 pp.

7 Aug., 1776, No. 1

Aug 7. The Board explain to J. B. Chevalier why the aforesaid French ships were cannonaded; blame the French captains and intimate that the papers concerning the whole transaction will be sent when ready. 3 pp.

7 Aug., 1776, No. 2

Aug 6. Lt. Col. T. D. Pearse (Commander of Artillery) gives to the Board a narrative of the circumstances under which the French ships mentioned above were fired at when passing by the fort at Calcutta; encloses copies of the garrison and Board's orders and other papers on the subject. (A.L.S.)—12 pp.

7 Aug., 1776, No. 3

Extracts from the Garrison Standing Orders laying down some rules which foreign vessels are to observe while passing the new fort (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

7 Aug., 1776, No. 4

Extracts from the orders of the Board dated 15 October 1772 on the above subject. (Enclosure)—1 p.

7 Aug., 1776, No. 5

Names of the French vessels which were fired at while they were passing the fort at Calcutta. (Enclosure)—1 p.

7 Aug., 1776, No. 6

Aug 5. A. Kyd (Ensign of Engineers) reports to T. D. Pearse about a French ship which passed by Budge Budge without replying to some questions put to her by the commanding officer of that place. (A.L.S.—Enclosure)—1 p.

7 Aug., 1776, No. 7

Aug 5. F. W. Harris (Adjutant of Artillery) gives his report on the firing of guns at some French ships while passing by the fort at Calcutta. (Report—Enclosure)—4 pp.

7 Aug., 1776, No. 8

Aug 5. F. Gillies (Assistant Surgeon) gives his account regarding the part he took in attending the wounded men on the French ships which were fired at while passing by the fort at Calcutta. (Report—Enclosure)—1 p.

7 Aug., 1776, No. 9

Order issued by T. D. Pearse to Lt. B. Doxat to enquire why the French ship passed Budge Budge without giving an account of herself to the commanding officer of that place.

Aug 5. Report of B. Doxat giving the result of his enquiries on the above subject. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

7 Aug., 1776, No. 10

Letter (in French) from Capt. Bettrimieux (Captain of the *L'Isle de France*) to the Governor. (Enclosure)—1 p.

7 Aug., 1776, No. 11

Aug 5. Capt. E. Mackilwain (Captain of Artillery) states the circumstances under which he fired at the French ships which passed by Fort William. (Report—Enclosure)—3 pp.

7 Aug., 1776, No. 12

Aug 6. Sgt. J. McInch gives the result of his enquiry on some French ships which passed by the garrison of Fort William. (Report—Enclosure)—1 p.

7 Aug., 1776, No. 13

Aug 13*. T. D. Pearse reports to the Governor General that the sergeant who was employed on the duty of examining the ships passing by the garrison of Fort William visited the three French ships. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

7 Aug., 1776, No. 14

W. Hastings gives a list of complaints made by Muhammad Ali Khan against the English giving extracts from correspondence between the Nawab of Carnatic and the Government of Madras; suggests appointment of a commission for settlement of claims on Ramnad and Sivaganga between the Nawab and the Raja of Tanjore (Tuljaji). (Minute)—37 pp.

7 Aug., 1776, No. 15

Aug 7. The Board direct the President and Council at Fort St. George to strictly abide by their accompanying resolution; will hold them responsible as disturbers of the peace of the Carnatic should they deviate from them; characterise the whole proceedings of the Government of Madras as aggressive and hurtful to the dignity of the Nawab of Carnatic and unwarranted and repugnant to the spirit of the Company's orders; defer their opinion on the proposal for the appointment of a Chief and Council at Tanjore; demand an explanation why the *qila* of Woodiapally was forcibly entered by the Company's troops and why the inhabitants of the place were ill-treated; ask for a copy of the orders of G. Pigot to Capt. Tonym for escorting Naro Pandit (*Dabir* in the service of Muhammad Ali Khan) to Tanjore; direct that the Nawab be allowed to repossess the districts of Marava and Neelcota (Sivaganga). 17 pp.

7 Aug., 1776, No. 16

G. Monson states that if his health permitted him to attend the Council he would have been glad to join the Board in their sentiments on the above subject. (Minute)—1 p.

7 Aug., 1776, No. 17

Aug 12. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 12 Aug., 1776

Jul 28, Camp Bilgram. G. Stibbert intimates to the Board that he has conveyed to J. N. Parker the Board's sentiments on his conduct on the action between the detachment under his command and Asaf-ud-Daulah's troops under Mahbub Ali Khan; justifies his action and instructions to J. N.

* This is the date given both in the Proceedings and in the Original Consultation.

Parker; encloses a copy of a letter from the Nawab Vazir and extracts of his orders to Parker on the subject; assures the Board that he will pay strict attention to their orders not to divide the brigade on any account without the previous orders of the Board. (A.L.S.)—6 pp.

12 Aug., 1776, No. 1

Asaf-ud-Daulah conveys to G. Stibbert his satisfaction at the act of J. N. Parker for dispersing Mahbub Ali Khan's forces; requests that Parker and the whole detachment may be favourably mentioned to the Governor General and that the Colonel may be allowed to remain at Kora with two battalions in the interest of the Nawab's affairs. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

12 Aug., 1776, No. A

May 20, 26, 29 & Jun 3, Camp Bilgram. Instructions from G. Stibbert to J. N. Parker regarding the action to be taken against the rebellious forces of Mahbub Ali Khan (Extracts from 4 letters). (Enclosures)—6 pp.

12 Aug., 1776, No. B

Jul 17, Fyzabad. J. Bristow reports to the Board that Bahu Begam has after all consented to pay the Nawab Vazir five lacs of rupees in final adjustment of her accounts and that the Nawab has agreed to the terms. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

12 Aug., 1776, No. 2

Statements made by Bahu Begam and Asaf-ud-Daulah of their respective accounts to each other. (Enclosures)—2 pp.

Progs., 12 Aug., 1776, No. C*

Jul 29, Lucknow. J. Bristow intimates to the Board that Lt. R. Grant (A.D.C. to the Vazir) has received one lac of rupees from Bahu Begam and she has promised payment of another lac of rupees very shortly; remarks on the state of the army of Asaf-ud-Daulah and of Najaf Khan. (A.L.S.)—10 pp.

12 Aug., 1776, No. 3

Aug 12. The Board inform J. Bristow that they consent to his accepting the offer of Bahu Begam for payment of five lacs of rupees in final adjustment of her accounts, but make the Nawab Vazir liable for any undischarged amount. 2 pp.

12 Aug., 1776, No. 4

Aug 9. Deposition of W. Campbell giving the result of his enquiries regarding a certain French ship which passed by the fort at Budge Budge without giving an account of herself. (Affidavit)—2 pp.

12 Aug., 1776, No. 5

Aug 9. Deposition of J. Baxter (visiting Sergeant at the fort of Budge Budge) on the above subject. (Affidavit)—2 pp.

12 Aug., 1776, No. 6

Aug 12. Deposition of B. Doxat intimating that he has received certain orders from T. D. Pearse and giving the result of his enquiry on the

*Original Consultation is missing.

subject, with a copy of a letter from Pearse to Doxat. (Affidavit)—2 pp.
12 Aug., 1776, No. 7

Aug 12. Deposition of E. Mackilwain giving the result of his enquiries regarding certain French ships which passed by the fort of Budge Budge without giving any account of themselves. (Affidavit)—3 pp.
12 Aug., 1776, No. 8

Aug 12. Deposition of A. Kyd on the above subject. (Affidavit)—1 p.
12 Aug., 1776, No. 9

Aug 15*. Deposition of J. McInch on the above subject (Affidavit)—2 pp.
12 Aug., 1776, No. 10

Aug 14. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 14 Aug., 1776

Enquiry into the cause and circumstances which led to the firing at the French vessels which passed by Fort William on 5 August. (Report)—13 pp.

14 Aug., 1776, No. 1

Aug 14. The Board forward to J. B. Chevalier relevant papers answering his complaints that some French vessels were fired at while passing by Fort William; lay the blame on the conduct of the commanders of those ships; request him to warn his own men. 5 pp.

14 Aug., 1776, No. 2

Aug 14. The Board forward to the Supreme Court of Judicature copies of observations which the Court of Directors have made in their General Letter to the Board respecting the payment of salaries of the Judges; state that any reply which they wish to make will be readily sent to Europe. 1 p.

14 Aug., 1776, No. 3

Aug 14. The Board direct the Chief and Council of Patna to inspect the opium which is received from the Collector from time to time and to deliver the same to the persons authorised by the Board of Trade to receive it. 2 pp.

14 Aug., 1776, No. 4

Aug 14. The Board intimate to the Board of Trade that the Chief and Council of Patna have been instructed to deliver the opium which they receive from the contractor to the agents of the Board of Trade authorised to receive it. 1 p.

14 Aug., 1776, No. 5

*This is the date given in the Proceedings and in the Original Consultation.

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Aug 19.

B. S., 19 Aug., 1776

Jul 30, Camp Bilgram. G. Stibbert forwards to the Board a letter* from Saadat Ali Khan. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

19 Aug., 1776, No. 1

Aug 1, Camp Bilgram. G. Stibbert transmits to the Board copies of letters from J. N. Parker and other connected papers and a narrative of his (Parker's) proceedings during the course of his command at Kora in justification of his conduct in attacking the forces of Mahbub Ali Khan, giving his comments on them. (A.L.S.)—8 pp.

19 Aug., 1776, No. 2

Jul 29, Bilgram. J. N. Parker gives his justification to G. Stibbert in attacking the troops of the Nawab Vazir under Mahbub Ali Khan. (Enclosure to above)—9 pp.

19 Aug., 1776, No. A

Jul 31, Bilgram. J. N. Parker reports to G. Stibbert that he has received convincing proof of Mahbub Ali Khan's designs against the Vazir. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

19 Aug., 1776, No. B

Jul 29, Bilgram. Narrative of proceedings of J. N. Parker during the time he was in command at Kora with two battalions of sepoys. (Enclosure)—17 pp.

19 Aug., 1776, No. C

Jun 11, Lucknow. J. Bristow forwards to J. N. Parker a copy of a letter which he has written to A. Balfour on account of military movements of Saadat Ali Khan and the Gosains. (Enclosure)—1 p.

19 Aug., 1776, No. D

May 31, Kora. J. N. Parker informs G. Stibbert that he hopes that with the help of C. Ware's guns he will be able to cope with the army of Mahbub Ali Khan. (Enclosure)—1 p.

19 Aug., 1776, No. E

May 19, Lucknow. J. Bristow intimates to J. N. Parker that Asaf-ud-Daulah has asked G. Stibbert to get the help of Parker in quelling the mutinies raised by the battalions under English officers stationed at the Doab. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

19 Aug., 1776, No. F

Correspondence between J. N. Parker and Mahbub Ali Khan regarding the occupation by the former of the fort at Aligarh (4 letters). (Enclosures)—3 pp.

19 Aug., 1776, No. G

*Not recorded in the Proceedings or in the Original Consultation. Please see *Calendar of Persian Correspondence*, Vol. V, p. 27, No. 219.

Jul 31, Bilgram. Intelligence respecting the movements and designs of Mahbub Ali Khan from the time of his marching towards Kalpi until the battle of Bomowry. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

19 Aug., 1776, No. H

May 28, Kora. J. N. Parker intimates to G. Stibbert that the orders issued by the latter regarding his retreat to Cawnpore should be strictly complied with in case of necessity. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

19 Aug., 1776, No. I

May 29, Kora. J. N. Parker requests G. Stibbert that some military help may be given to enable him to drive off Mahbub Ali Khan from the country. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

19 Aug., 1776, No. K*

Jun 1, Lucknow. J. Bristow intimates to J. N. Parker that Lts. E. Clarke and E. Montague have been ordered to join him with their battalions. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

19 Aug., 1776, No. L

Jun 13, Kora. J. N. Parker intimates to G. Stibbert that Mahbub Ali Khan has not complied with the Vazir's orders; gives his reasons why he has occupied the fort at Aligarh. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

19 Aug., 1776, No. M

Jun 15, Kora. Jun 17, Bilgram. Jun 18, Bilgram. Correspondence between J. N. Parker and G. Stibbert regarding the alleged profession by Mahbub Ali Khan to obey the orders of the Vazir (3 letters). (Enclosures)—3 pp.

19 Aug., 1776, No. N

Aug 19. The Board intimate to G. Stibbert that in spite of J. N. Parker's defence they still consider his act in attacking the troops of Mahbub Ali Khan as unjust and unauthorised, and hold Stibbert immediately responsible for it; direct him to issue orders to the officers under him forbidding them to correspond directly with the Nawab Vazir. 4 pp.

19 Aug., 1776, No. 4†

Aug 12, Chandernagore. J. B. Chevalier intimates to the Board that the reasons set forth by them for firing the French ships are not likely to satisfy the Court of France; questions the right of the English to challenge any French ship; requests that in future French ships may be allowed to proceed unmolested. (Translation)—7 pp.

19 Aug., 1776, No. 5

Aug 18, Chandernagore. J. B. Chevalier intimates to the Board that he refuses to recognise any right of the English to stop the French vessels on the Ganges; points out the evils which are likely to follow from such a procedure; suggests that the points of contention be laid before the Courts of England and France for final decision. (Translation)—5 pp.

19 Aug., 1776, No. 6

Aug 22‡. The Board reply to J. B. Chevalier insisting on their right to challenge the French ships which pass by the fort at Calcutta; give

* There is no Consultation No. J.

† There is no Consultation No. 3.

‡ That is the date given in the Proceedings and also in the Original Consultation.

reasons for holding this right; lay blame on the French commanders for all the injuries which the French vessels received. 9 pp.

19 Aug., 1776, No. 7

Aug 19. The Board forward to E. Hughes their resolutions and copies of the proceedings of the President and Council of Fort St. George relative to the restoration of Tuljaji to the throne of Tanjore and also several papers concerning the accounts of the firing on some French ships by the English. 4 pp.

19 Aug., 1776, No. 8

Aug 5, Benares. F. Fowke transmits to the Board bills in favour of the Company in part payment of the annual tribute of Raja Chait Singh. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

19 Aug., 1776, No. 9

Aug 26. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 26 Aug., 1776

Aug 8, Lucknow. J. Bristow forwards to the Board some accounts of the Residency together with his comments on them; explains the difficulties in fixing standard *batta* on sums disbursed by him as Oudh *sikka* rupees are minted at different places over which the Government had no check; narrates the mismanagement of the mints by the Vazir, which makes it impracticable for him to ascertain the weight and fineness of *Bangla sikka* rupees; states that he has lost hope of realizing the dues of the Company from the Nawab Vazir due to latter's extravagance. (A.L.S.)—13 pp.

26 Aug., 1776, No. 1

Aug 5, Lucknow. Asaf-ud-Daulah's account current with the East India Company. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

Progs., 26 Aug., 1776, No. A*

Aug 5, Lucknow. Statement of assignments granted by Asaf-ud-Daulah to the East India Company. (Enclosure)—1 p.

Progs., 26 Aug., 1776, No. C*

Aug 9, Lucknow. J. Bristow informs the Board that he has procured from Asaf-ud-Daulah separate passports for Sakharam Bhagwant Bokil and Gopika Bai and letters assuring them protection and friendship and have forwarded them to J. Upton. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

26 Aug., 1776, No. 2

Aug 10, Lucknow. J. Bristow explains to the Board in detail the circumstances leading to the non-compliance of his request by Asaf-ud-Daulah to release the families of the Rohilla chiefs and to establish a provision for their maintenance; encloses a statement of the stipends granted by the Nawab to the Rohilla families. (A.L.S.)—12 pp.

26 Aug., 1776, No. 3

*The Original Consultations are missing.

Statement of the stipends granted by Asaf-ud-Daulah to the families of the late Rohilla chiefs. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

Progs.,* 26 Aug., 1776, No. B

Aug 10, Lucknow. J. Bristow seeks the approval of the Board on the appointments made by him in the Nawab Vazir's army. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

26 Aug., 1776, No. 4

Aug 11, Lucknow. J. Bristow intimates to the Board that he entertains great hope that Asaf-ud-Daulah will ultimately agree to Saadat Ali Khan remaining within the Company's territories; reports that dropsy effected by Elich Khan is likely to prove fatal. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

26 Aug., 1776, No. 5

Aug 26. The Board inform J. Bristow that they approve of the *tankhwahs* received on the provinces of Oudh, Kora and Allahabad for the payment of the army subsidy, but request him to make another application to the Vazir using the authority of the Board to obtain the best security for the remaining payments, otherwise the Nawab will be responsible for their payment; direct that Oudh *sikka* rupees, such as it was in the last year of the late Vazir's life, shall be the standard of all payments received on behalf of the Company and that other coins shall only be received as bullion and estimated according to their intrinsic value in Oudh *sikkas*; approve of the appointments made by Bristow in the Vazir's army; feel that it will be more to the interest of the Nawab to dismiss the Rohilla families from his court than to maintain them as his pensioners. 8 pp.

26 Aug., 1776, No. 6

Aug 26. The Board inform G. Stibbert that they have directed the Resident at Lucknow to appoint a proper shroff to ascertain and fix the *batta* on each coin received from the Vazir and to reduce it to Oudh *sikkas*, 3 pp.

26 Aug., 1776, No. 7

Aug 26. The Board ask T. Goddard to employ some effective method to check the unnecessary military expenses of the Nawab Vazir. 1 p.

26 Aug., 1776, No. 8

Aug 28. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 28 Aug., 1776

Aug 12, Camp Bilgram. T. Goddard reports to the Board that he apprehends that the united forces of Zabita Khan and the Sikhs may invade Rohilkhand; requests that the five newly raised battalions be placed under his charge immediately to enable him to train them properly to face the situation; informs that he will pay strictest attention

*The Original Consultation is missing.

to control the expenses of the Nawab Vazir's army; suggests some measures for the improvement of the Nawab's army. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

28 Aug., 1776, No. 1

Aug 28. The Board inform T. Goddard that they had ordered G. Stibbert to hand over the charge of the new battalions to him; commend the attention he has given to control the expenses of the Nawab's army; agree to his suggestion to abolish certain posts in the army; request him to complete the new regiment urgently. 4 pp.

28 Aug., 1776, No. 2

Aug 28. W. Hastings proposes some measures to prevent the possible alliance between Najaf Khan, the Sikhs and the Marathas against Asaf-ud-Daulah for consideration of the Board. (Minute)—5 pp.

28 Aug., 1776, No. 3

Aug 29. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 29 Aug., 1776

Aug 29. Observations of P. Francis, R. Barwell, J. Clavering and G. Monson on the Governor General's minute dated 28 August and W. Hastings' comments thereon. (Minutes)—12 pp.

Progs., 29 Aug., 1776

Aug 29. The Board inform J. Bristow that Maj. A. Hannay has been appointed to negotiate with Najaf Khan; request him to keep the nature of his appointment concealed. 1 p.

29 Aug., 1776, No. 1

Aug 29. The instructions given by the Board to A. Hannay. 8 pp.

29 Aug., 1776, No. 2

G. Stibbert* (?) informs T. Goddard that he has no alarming intelligence about the proposed invasion of the Vazir's dominions by Najaf Khan, but feels that it is only a report spread on purpose to hasten the motion of Najaf Khan whom the King long solicited to repair to Delhi; adds that Zabita Khan's force, which is not considerable, and a few Sikhs who may join him, are all that they have to apprehend. 3 pp.

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Sep 10. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 10 Sep., 1776

Aug 23, Madras. The majority of the Council at Fort St. George report to the Board the serious dispute between them and G. Pigot over the

*The name of the author of the letter does not appear in the Proceedings. The letter which is without any date also does not bear any number.

appointment of Col. J. Stuart to the command of Tanjore; enclose relevant papers on the subject. (A.L.S.)—8 pp.

10 Sep., 1776, No. 1

Aug 22, Fort St. George. Substance of the order drawn out by the majority of the Council regarding instructions to be given to J. Stuart which was snatched by Lord Pigot as soon as it was signed by G. Stratton and H. Brooke, two of the senior members. (A.L.S.—Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

10 Sep., 1776, No. 2

Charges delivered by G. Pigot against G. Stratton and H. Brooke. (Enclosure)—1 p.

10 Sep., 1776, No. 3

Aug 23, Madras. The majority of the Council at Fort St. George protest to G. Pigot against his action in suspending G. Stratton and H. Brooke; state that they are the only legal representatives of the Company in Madras Presidency. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

10 Sep., 1776, No. 4

Aug 29, St. Thomas's Mount. G. Pigot reports to the Board that he has been wrongfully imprisoned by the members of his Council. (A.L.S.—Enclosure)—6 pp.

10 Sep., 1776, No. 5

Aug 24, J. Stuart informs Maj. M. Horne that G. Pigot will be placed under his custody. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

10 Sep., 1776, No. 6

Sep 10. Observations of W. Hastings, P. Francis, R. Barwell, J. Clavering and G. Monson and the resolution of the Board acknowledging the Government of Fort St. George as constituted by G. Stratton, H. Brooke and others. (Minutes)—11 pp.

Progs., 10 Sep., 1776

Sep 10. The Board inform G. Stratton and his Council at Fort St. George that they acknowledge their title and authority for the administration of the Presidency of Madras and will afford them their aid and protection; narrate the hostile attitude taken by G. Pigot against the Nawab of Carnatic disobeying the express order of the Board; request them to keep the Board informed about the development in this regard. 8 pp.

10 Sep., 1776, No. 7

Sep 10. The Board inform G. Pigot that the rights and powers of the Governor and Council of any Presidency are vested by their original constitution in the majority of the Board, and that they acknowledge and support the title and authority of G. Stratton and his Council at Fort St. George; enclose a copy of the General Letter from the Court of Directors in support of their decision. 7 pp.

10 Sep., 1776, No. 8

Sep 10. W. Hastings objects to certain words in the letter to G. Pigot. (Minute)—1 p.

10 Sep., 1776, No. 9

Sep 10. The Board inform E. Hughes that the majority of the Council at Fort St. George have assumed the Government of Madras Presidency and that the Board have acknowledged their title and authority; request that he should afford his assistance and support to the actual Government. 3 pp.

10 Sep., 1776, No. 10

Sep 23. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 23 Sep., 1776

Sep 16. J. Clavering records his objections to certain paragraphs in the General Letter to the Court of Directors regarding negotiations with Najaf Khan. (Minute)—15 pp.

23 Sep., 1776, No. 1

J. Clavering gives his views on the proposed recognition of the Government formed by G. Stratton at Madras in opposition to G. Pigot. (Minute)—3 pp.

23 Sep., 1776, No. 2

Sep 15. W. Hastings gives his comments on the two minutes of J. Clavering mentioned above. (Minute)—2 pp.

23 Sep., 1776, No. 3

Sep 15. Observations of P. Francis and R. Barwell on the minute of J. Clavering regarding the affairs in Madras and the rejoinder of W. Hastings thereon. (Minutes)—3 pp.

23 Sep., 1776, No. 4

Sep 16. The Board inform the Chiefs of Masulipatam, Vizagapatam and Ganjam that G. Pigot has been removed from office and the majority in Council at Fort St. George have assumed the Government of the Presidency. 2 pp.

23 Sep., 1776, No. 5

J. Clavering observes that the General Letter that is being sent to the Court of Directors does not contain any intelligence about the commerce, number of forces and the general strength of the foreign companies in India contrary to the directives of the Court of Directors to send such intelligence regularly; reports that more French ships have arrived than usual and that the French are making hostile preparations; states that the Governor General is responsible in collecting such information. (Minute)—2 pp.

23 Sep., 1776, No. 6

Sep 19. W. Hastings replies that he has communicated the intelligence about the French forces in India to the Chairman of the Court of Directors; states that collection of intelligence in this regard is as much the duty of the other members of the Board as it is his. (Minute)—2 pp.

23 Sep., 1776, No. 7

May 11, Cape of Good Hope. J. Clavering gives intelligence about the French ships and army arriving at Pondicherry; reports that two Spanish frigates from Manila passed Cape of Good Hope on their way to Cadiz. (Minute)—2 pp.

23 Sep., 1776, No. 8

Sep 16. W. Bruere (Assistant Secretary) circulates to the members of the Board a letter with enclosures from J. Erskine to the Commander-in-Chief; states that the General has directed him to intimate to the Board that he does not approve of Erskine being empowered to act offensively against Zabita Khan. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

23 Sep., 1776, No. 9

Aug 19, Daranagar. J. Erskine forwards to J. Clavering copies of different conferences of the Sikh chiefs under the direction of Raja Rai Singh together with the case and proposals of Raja Nahar Singh (brother of Jawahar Singh, Jat chief); reports that the vakil of Rai Singh has informed that his master is very keen to enter into friendship with the English; informs that T. Goddard has asked him to prevail upon the Vakil to attend the Vazir's Darbar; states that the arrival to Raja Nahar Singh and the earnest desire of the Sikhs to enter into alliance with the English has thrown Zabita Khan into greatest consternation; adds that if he could get a *parwana* for a lac and half of rupees and permission to cross the river with his detachment he can make an easy conquest of the country. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

23 Sep., 1776, No. 10

Accounts of the several conferences of the Sikh chiefs under the direction of Raja Rai Singh, and of concluding an agreement with Asaf-ud-Daulah through Mukhtar-ud-Daulah (Murtaza Khan) and Surat Singh (naib of Rohilkhand) on the part of Asaf-ud-Daulah and Kaur Singh on behalf of Rai Singh.

Case and proposals of Raja Nahar Singh.

Agreement with Raja Nahar Singh.

News relative to Zabita Khan. (Enclosures to above)—12 pp.

23 Sep., 1776, No. A

Observations of W. Hastings, R. Barwell and P. Francis criticising the action of J. Erskine in carrying on direct negotiations with the Sikhs. (Minutes)—2 pp.

23 Sep., 1776, No. 11

Sep 17. The Board inform T. Goddard that J. Erskine acted with great want of caution in negotiating himself with the vakil of the Sikhs without his knowledge; forbid Erskine to cross the river to attack Zabita Khan. 2 pp.

23 Sep., 1776, No. 12

Sep 15. W. Hastings records his reasons for supplying military stores to Shuja-ud-Daulah. (Minute)—6 pp.

23 Sep., 1776, No. 13

Shuja-ud-Daulah requests W. Hastings to furnish him with 12 pieces of battering cannon or to be assisted by a company of artillery for his

operations in the Doab. (Received 17 December 1773). (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

23 Sep., 1776, No. 14

Aug 18, Lucknow. J. Bristow explains to the Board the reasons for his visit to Bahu Begam at Fyzabad; informs that the two battalions dismissed by the King of Delhi have been promised by General R. Barker to be readmitted into the Company's service; adds that Asaf-ud-Daulah is desirous of utilising them to raise two battalions for himself. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

23 Sep., 1776, No. 15

Aug 22, Lucknow. J. Bristow reports to the Board that Asaf-ud-Daulah, who had lost the province of the Doab to the Marathas at the time when his troops mutinied, is determined to cede the province to the Peshwa with whom he is negotiating a treaty of alliance though he has sufficient army to reconquer it; states that Najaf Khan declares his intention of going to Delhi shortly to form a plan in conjunction with Zabita Khan to attack the Vazir's dominions; informs that Vazir's army under the British officers being well organised, there is no real danger of any attack being made on his dominions; gives an account of the plan approved by the Vazir to defend his territories. (A.L.S.)—12 pp.

23 Sep., 1776, No. 16

Aug 25, Lucknow. J. Bristow intimates to the Board the death of Elich Khan. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

23 Sep., 1776, No. 17

Aug 26, Lucknow. J. Bristow gives to the Board an account of the principal men of the Vazir's court; informs that he has recommended the name of Surat Singh to the Vazir to succeed Elich Khan. (A.L.S.)—11 pp.

23 Sep., 1776, No. 18

Sep 4, Lucknow. J. Bristow intimates to the Board that Surat Singh has declined the *Niabat* offered by Asaf-ud-Daulah. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

23 Sep., 1776, No. 19

Sep 23. The Board inform G. Stibbert that muskets consigned to the Nawab of Oudh are intended for arming the battalions commanded by the British officers and to be delivered only at the requisition of T. Goddard. 1 p.

23 Sep., 1776, No. 20

Sep 23. The Board inform T. Goddard that they have instructed G. Stibbert to deliver the muskets to him on his requisition. 1 p.

23 Sep., 1776, No. 21

Aug 31, Salisbury in Madras Road. E. Hughes sends to the Board copies of correspondence between him and G. Pigot and the majority of the Council of the Fort St. George regarding their disputes. (A.L.S.)—7 pp.

23 Sep., 1776, No. 22

Aug 24, Madras, G. Stratton and the members of the Council Fort St. George intimate to the Board that they have refused to accept any

orders from G. Pigot; request the Board to recognise their Government. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

23 Sep., 1776, No. 23

Aug 29, Fort St. George. G. Stratton and members of the Council, Fort St. George inform the Board that they are in possession of the fort and the Government of Madras Presidency; give a review of the whole episode culminating in the arrest of G. Pigot; enclose relevant papers on the subject. (A.L.S.)—14 pp.

23 Sep., 1776, No. 24

Aug 26, Madras. Observations of G. Stratton and the majority of the Council on the unconstitutional behaviour of G. Pigot. (Minute—Enclosure to above)—4 pp.

23 Sep., 1776, No. B

Aug 23, Fort St. George. The President and Council, Fort St. George order J. Stuart to take command of Madras fort and army. (Enclosure)—1 p.

23 Sep., 1776, No. C

order suspension of C. Floyer, A. Palmer etc. (Members of the Council of Fort St. George). (Enclosure)—2 pp.

23 Sep., 1776, No. D

Aug 23, Madras. The decision of G. Stratton and the majority of the Council to take over the command of Madras fort, garrison and the Government. (Minute—Enclosure)—2 pp.

23 Sep., 1776, No. E

Aug 24. Order* of J. Stuart to M. Home to take possession of the person of G. Pigot. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

23 Sep., 1776, No. F

G. Stratton and the members of the Council, Fort St. George, who had ordered to remove G. Pigot to Chingleput, agree to retain him at St. Thomas's Mount on condition that he will not be allowed to receive any visitor (Enclosure)—2 pp.

23 Sep., 1776 No. G

Aug 28, Fort St. George. General Order from the President and Council, Fort St. George to the above effect. (Enclosure)—1 p.

23 Sep., 1776, No. H

Aug 30, Madras. Narrative of the particular that passed between G. Pigot and Lt. Col. J. Eidington (Adjutant General of the troops, Madras) on 27 August 1776. (Enclosure)—5 pp.

23 Sep., 1776, No. I

Aug 30, Madras. Account of Lt. G. Shaw (of 7th Battalion) on the discourse that happened on 27 August 1776 between G. Pigot and J. Eidington. (Enclosure)—4 pp.

*Please see also Consultation 10 Sep. 1776, No. 6.

Aug 29, St. Thomas's Mount. M. Horne informs G. Stratton that G. Pigot will consult with his friends in the presence of E. Hughes; states that if any thing material occurs he will immediately intimate to him. (Enclosure)—1 p.

23 Sep., 1776, No. L

Aug 29, St. Thomas's Mount. M. Horne seeks the permission of G. Stratton and the members of his Council whether he should permit G. Pigot to correspond with the Governor General in Council at Bengal. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

23 Sep., 1776, No. M

Aug 28, Fort St. George. G. Stratton and the Council inform M. Horne that they have no objection to G. Pigot representing his case to the Governor General in Council. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

23 Sep. 1776, No. N

Aug 24, Fort St. George. Proclamation by G. Stratton and the majority of the Council, Fort St. George declaring themselves as the legal administrators of Madras Presidency. (Enclosure)—4 pp.

23 Sep., 1776, No. P

Aug 30, Fort St. George. The list of the packets sent by the Council at Fort St. George to the Governor General in Council of Bengal. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

23 Sep., 1776, No. Q*

Aug 30, Fort St. George. G. Stratton and the Council at Fort St. George inform the Board that they have taken adequate steps to prevent G. Pigot and his friends to overthrow their Government; report that Lord Pigot has claimed from E. Hughes the protection of the King's flag; state that they have offered Pigot to reside in any factory in the Presidency or to return to England. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

23 Sep., 1776, No. 25

Sep 1, Fort St. George. G. Stratton and the Council at Fort St. George assure the Board that they will pay every attention to the resolutions of the Board on the proceedings relating to the Carnatic. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

23 Sep., 1776, No. 26

Sep 23. The Board renew their assurances to give assistance to the present Council at Fort St. George. 2 pp.

23 Sep., 1776, No. 27

Aug 26, Fort St. George. C. Russell and the minority of the Council at Fort St. George transmit to the Board a copy of their letter to E. Hughes explaining the position at Madras; state that the presence of the Commander-in-Chief at Madras is the only means by which the legal Government can be restored. (A.L.S.)—6 pp.

23 Sep., 1776, No. 28

Aug 28. C. Russell and the minority of the Council at Fort St. George transmit to the Board a copy of a letter that they addressed to E. Hughes

*Not recorded in the Proceedings.

and intimate that they have not heard the result of the representation of E. Hughes. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

23 Sep., 1776, No. 29

Aug 29, Fort St. George. C. Russell and the minority of the Council at Fort St. George inform the Board that after the threatening instructions given by G. Stratton to M. Horne, G. Pigot is not willing to move from the Mount and seeks the protection of E. Hughes; state that Pigot has been offered by Stratton a residence any where in the coast of the Presidency; report that the King of Tanjore has taken refuge at Nagapatam under the Dutch flag. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

23 Sep., 1776, No. 30

Sep 5, Benares. F. Fowke transmits to the Board bills in favour of the Company in part payment of the annual tribute of Raja Chait Singh. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

23 Sep., 1776, No. 31

Sep 30.

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B. S., 30 Sep., 1776

Sep 6, Fort St. George. G. Stratton and Council at Fort St. George assure the Board that they will take the first opportunity of assuring Tuljaji that they disapproved the appointment of a Chief and Council and a Resident at Tanjore and shall take every means to convince him that the management of his own affairs rests entirely with him; inform that they have recovered from the fort at Tanjore a great quantity of grain and guns which G. Pigot had kept concealed from them; state that they have dismissed the guard which Pigot had provided to Khair-ud-Din Khan, the rebellious son-in-law of the Nawab of Carnatic; explain why the Raja of Tanjore has sent no reply to a letter sent in pursuance of the decision of the majority of the members; enclose copies of a letter from E. Hughes and their reply thereto and other papers on the subject. (A.L.S.)—7 pp.

30 Sep., 1776, No. 1

Aug 29, St. Thomas's Mount. M. Horne informs G. Stratton and Council that he has readily given his word of honour to E. Hughes in reply to his letter that he will not deliver the person of G. Pigot until his return. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

30 Sep., 1776, No. A

Aug 29, St. Thomas's Mount. E. Hughes requests M. Horne not to give up the person of G. Pigot until his return. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

30 Sep., 1776, No. B

Aug 29, St. Thomas's Mount. E. Hughes requests M. Horne not to direct M. Horne to intimate to G. Pigot that his letters to England can be sent either in the Company's packet or transmitted under the charge of any servant of the Company. (Enclosure)—1 p.

30 Sep., 1776, No. C

Aug 31, Fort St. George. R. Sullivan informs M. Horne to report to G. Pigot that his despatches to England have gone. (Enclosure)—1 p.

30 Sep., 1776, No. D

Sep 1, Fort St. George. Sullivan requests M. Horne to inform G. Pigot that the Public Officers have given directions to furnish Pigot with the copies of the papers he has applied for. (Enclosure)—1 p.

30 Sep., 1776, No. E

Sep 4, Fort St. George. The members of the Council at Fort St. George give an account of the grain and arms found at the Tanjore fort on the basis of the report given by the Military Store Keeper. (Minute—Enclosure)—3 pp.

30 Sep., 1776, No. F

Sep 6, Fort St. George. G. Stratton and the Council at Fort St. George transmit to the Board copies of their correspondence with E. Hughes and also translation of a letter from Oppoo (favourite of the Raja of Tanjore) to Rudraji Pandit. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

30 Sep., 1776, No. 2

Aug 27. Oppoo gives an account of Tanjore to Rudraji Pandit. (Translation—Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

30 Sep., 1776, No. G

Sep 4, Fort St. George. G. Stratton and the Council at Fort St. George enquire of E. Hughes what security he can offer in removing G. Pigot from his present residence which will not endanger the peace and tranquillity of the Presidency. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

30 Sep., 1776, No. H

Sep 5, Salisbury in Madras Road. E. Hughes replies that his requisition was made in the name of the King, and as such no terms can therefore be admitted by him; repeats that M. Horne be ordered to give G. Pigot safe conduct to his ship. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

30 Sep., 1776, No. I

Sep 6, Fort St. George. G. Stratton and the Council at Fort St. George inform E. Hughes that they cannot comply with his request. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

30 Sep., 1776, No. K

Tuljaji expresses his happiness to G. Stratton and the Council for assuming the Government of Madras Presidency and places entire confidence in them. (Translation—Enclosure)—1 p.

30 Sep., 1776, No. L

Jul 1, Poona. J. Upton informs the Board that the ministers at Poona express great satisfaction at the assurance given by the Board to them; reports that Sadashivrao Bhau, who was in prison, has come up as a competitor at the head of an army; states that the ministers are trying to find out his identity, and if he is really found out to be Sadashivrao, are willing to give him his due share in the government; adds that if he succeeds to the governing power, his assent to the treaty will be necessary; transmits for Board's comments a copy of a letter from Madhavrao

Sadashiv requesting for a remuneration which is due to his post. (A.L.S.)
—4 pp.

30 Sep., 1776, No. 3

Madhavrao Sadashiv requests J. Upton to pay him his remuneration which is due to him as Peshwa's *mutasaddi*. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

30 Sep., 1776, No. M

Aug 24, Poona. J. Upton intimates to the Board that Nawab Fazil Beg Khan has dropped his plan against the ministers at Poona on his being told of the action that the Company would take on the matter; assures the Board that he will not correspond with foreign powers to arouse the jealousy of the Maratha government; encloses copies of his correspondence with T. Keating together with copies of the letters from the Government of Bombay and states that Keating's letter to him was not in reply to his letter but a request alleged to have been made by Raghunathrao; reports that Sadashivrao Bhau is gradually gaining ground; intimates Raghunathrao's departure from Surat; states that the Peshwa's consent has been obtained and sent to Bombay for the retirement of Raghunathrao to Benares with a stipend of five lacs, which he will surely refuse. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

30 Sep., 1776, No. 4

Apr 27, Purandhar. J. Upton objects to T. Keating encouraging Raghunathrao to reject the terms offered to him by Poona Darbar. (A.L.S.—Enclosure)—2 pp.

30 Sep., 1776, No. N

Jul 13, Poona. J. Upton tries to impress upon the Government of Bombay the necessity of implementing the treaty with Poona Darbar. (A.L.S.—Enclosure)—2 pp.

30 Sep., 1776, No. O

Jul 24, Bombay Castle. The President and Council at Bombay enquire of J. Upton what success he has achieved in obtaining an establishment for Raghunathrao from Poona Darbar; state that the ministers cannot entertain any grievance against them as they have returned the Bengal detachment; request that he should persuade the ministers to send their agent to settle the country of three lacs at Broach. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

30 Sep., 1776, No. P

Aug 7, Poona. J. Upton informs the Government of Bombay that if Raghunathrao had sent his vakil to him the conditions might have been made more agreeable to him; states that Raghunathrao's demands are too exorbitant, but he will endeavour to help him. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

30 Sep., 1776, No. Q

Docket recording that the Persian letter of Madhavrao Peshwa has been transferred to the Persian Department. (Enclosure)—1 p.

30 Sep., 1776, No. R

Aug 28, Poona. J. Upton forwards to the Board a copy of Bombay Government's letter intimating that they intend to retain all cessions which are not yet relinquished from the Supreme Government; states that this may lead to resumption of hostilities in which case it will not be safe

for him to remain at Poona; intimates that he will request the ministers to settle the payment of twelve lacs of rupees which are due to Bombay Government; reports that Moroba Phadnavis (cousin of Nana Phadnavis) may join the ministerial party though Sakharam Bhagwant Bokil, because of his enmity with Moroba, may bring in Sadashivrao Bhau if his identity is established; states that Raghunathrao is on his march to join Sadashivrao and the Poona Darbar are also preparing to face them; encloses a copy of his letter to Bombay Government regarding his proposed return to Bombay. (A.L.S.)—6 pp.

30 Sep., 1776, No. 5

Aug 20, Bombay Castle. The President and Council, Bombay inform J. Upton that under instructions from the Company they will retain all the cessions which are not yet relinquished to the Marathas. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

30 Sep., 1776, No. S

Aug 27, Poona. J. Upton informs Bombay Government that he has obtained Peshwa's *parwana* for releasing the *Aurora* with crew and cargo; express surprise at the decision of Bombay Government in retaining the cessions; enquires whether further orders from the Board or from him can effect any change in their decision; states that he has been ordered by the Board to proceed to Bombay to promote the accomplishment of such articles of the treaty as still remain to be executed. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

30 Sep., 1776, No. T

Sep 30. The Board inform the President and Council, Bombay that the treaty with the Marathas has been executed under the sanction and by the authority of an Act of Parliament and as such is not only binding on the Company's settlements but on the Company themselves; state that the Board will hold them responsible for all the consequences which may follow a break of it on their part; add that the financial and military positions of Bombay Government are not as satisfactory as may expose them to the immediate hazards of war. 6 pp.

30 Sep., 1776, No. 6

Sep 30. The Board inform J. Upton that they have instructed the Government of Bombay not to execute the measures which they resolved to take; request him to explain why Sadashivrao's assent to the treaty will be necessary. 3 pp.

30 Sep., 1776, No. 7

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B. S., 7 Oct., 1776

Sep 15, Farrukhabad. T. Goddard transmits to the Board the return of Asaf-ud-Daulah's troops giving details of the appointments of the officers under his command; states that the Nawab is averse to forming a grand arsenal and seems to betray a jealousy of the English intending to deprive him of all military powers; feels it absolutely necessary that

the charge of the Vazir's arsenal should immediately be given over to Capt. C. Martin; explains the reasons for suggesting certain changes in the appointment of officers under him; reports that Zabita Khan still persists in his declaration of invading Rohilkhand and is settling the matters with the Sikhs to assist him in the attack; adds that the Vazir who wants to meet the challenge is short of money; intimates that Najaf Khan is engaged in drawing the artillery from Dig and fortifying Agra. (A.L.S.)—6 pp.

7 Oct., 1776, No. 1

Sep 19, Farrukhabad. T. Goddard intimates to the Board that G. Stibbert has directed the five battalions of the Vazir's troops to be placed under his charge; requests that his allowances may be increased; renews his request for the appointment of an officer to take charge of the Nawab's arsenal; seeks Board's permission to select a Paymaster for his army. (A.L.S.)—6 pp.

7 Oct., 1776, No. 2

Oct 7. The Board's decisions on the various questions raised by T. Goddard in his letters. 2 pp.

Progs., 7 Oct., 1776

Oct 7. The Board direct J. Bristow to inform Asaf-ud-Daulah that the intention of appointing C. Martin was to regulate the whole of the Nawab's artillery, ammunition and other military stores which the Nawab will found essential for speedy supply of stores, ammunitions etc., to any part of his army and communicate the result to T. Goddard; inform that the appointment of Commissaries and Paymaster has been separated, the former left to the nomination of T. Goddard. 2 pp.

7 Oct., 1776, No. 3

Sep 22. Capt. J. Stone informs the Board of Ordnance that he has been ordered by G. Stibbert to sit as a member of the court martial at Bilgram. (Extract)—1 p.

7 Oct., 1776, No. 4

Oct 7. The Board inform G. Stibbert that detention of J. Stone and others is prejudicial to the interest to which they were originally appointed and direct him to send them immediately to Lucknow. 1 p.

7 Oct., 1776, No. 5

Oct 10. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 10 Oct., 1776

Oct 10. Comments of J. Clavering on the question of reorganization of Asaf-ud-Daulah's army proposed by T. Goddard and the Board's decisions thereon. (Minute)—3 pp.

Progs., 10 Oct., 1776

Oct 10. The Board inform T. Goddard that the post of the Adjutant General to the Vazir's artillery be abolished; request him to inform the

Nawab that in future he should not employ any of the English officers to posts other than those originally assigned to them without consulting the Board; inform that the offices of the Commissaries and the Paymaster are to be kept separate and authorise him to select the former leaving J. Bristow to appoint his own deputies for the latter; intimate that Bristow has been asked to inform the Nawab that C. Martin has been appointed to regulate Nawab's artillery also; decline to enhance his allowances; give their comments on the question of payment of salaries to the troops under his command. 7 pp.

10 Oct., 1776, No. 1

Sep 23, Lucknow. J. Bristow requests the Board to appoint a commanding officer for the Vazir's corps of artillery as suggested by T. Goddard. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

10 Oct., 1776, No. 2

Oct 10. The Board inform J. Bristow that they are unable to spare any officer to command Vazir's artillery; request him to inform the Board the exact mode in which the pay of the Nawab's troops under English officers is now disbursed. 3 pp.

10 Oct., 1776, No. 3

Oct 14. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 14 Oct., 1776

Sep 9, Poona. J. Upton transmits to the Board a copy of a letter from the Government of Bombay offering their co-operation to execute the treaty; states that the ministers at Poona still doubt the sincerity of the Bombay Government as will appear from the accompanying letter from the Peshwa; says that it will be better if he continues to stay at Poona till the treaty is fully accomplished to avoid the jealousy which might be created in the minds of the ministers; requests the Board to permit him to settle with Fateh Singh the matter regarding grant of any part of Gujarat country; seeks Board's advice as to the action to be taken in case Sadashivrao Bhau comes out successful in his endeavour. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

14 Oct., 1776, No. 1

Sep 4, Bombay Castle. The President and Council, Bombay inform J. Upton that they have decided to countermand their previous orders regarding retaining of cessions. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

14 Oct., 1776, No. A

Madhavrao Narayan informs J. Upton that the report that Bombay Government have raised a large army has created suspicion in the minds of the ministers at Poona; requests that a trustworthy person be sent to Poona in case he (Upton) goes to Bombay (Received 7 September 1776). (Translation with original in Persian)—3 pp.

14 Oct., 1776, No. B

Sep 8, Poona. J. Upton enquires from Bombay Government whether the purpose of their letter was meant to be enforced and followed through all its consequences, or was it revoked; encloses a copy of the Peshwa's letter to him for their information. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

14 Oct., 1776, No. C

Oct 14. The Board direct J. Upton to retire to Bombay immediately, but should depart with such caution as may not appear abrupt or unfriendly; send him a letter to be handed over to Sakharam Bhagwant Bokil; intimate to him that whatever revolutions happen in the Maratha state they are to abide by the treaty; direct that Sadashivrao's case should be dealt on the above principle. 4 pp.

14 Oct., 1776, No. 2

Aug 7, Bombay Castle. The President and Council, Bombay inform the Board that no bad consequence had occurred in receiving Raghunathrao at Surat; intimate that the treaty with the Marathas has been ratified and exchanged, but they are not without hope that J. Upton will prevail upon the ministers at Poona to assign an establishment to Raghunathrao. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

14 Oct., 1776, No. 3

Aug 20, Bombay Castle. The President and Council, Bombay inform the Board that the vessels taken by the Maratha fleet have not been returned; intimate that they have requested J. Upton to try to get back from the Marathas the cargoes of wrecked English ships; enclose a copy of a letter from A. Reid (Supercargo) giving an account of how the *Aurora* was wrecked by the Marathas and the treatment received by his crew from them; state that Sadashivrao Bhau who, according to their report is genuine, is preparing to march to Bassein *en route* to Poona at the head of a big army; transmit copies of message and letter from Sadashivrao in which he explains his designs and expresses a strong desire of being joined by Raghunathrao; solicit authority from the Board to enter into treaty with Sadashivrao or Raghunathrao, or with both jointly in case the latter succeeds in his efforts; report that Raghunathrao has suddenly retired from Surat and enclose extracts from letters from the Chief of Surat on the subject; forward copies of correspondence with J. Upton; inform that they will retain Jambusar and other possessions under instructions from the Court of Directors. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

14 Oct., 1776, No. 4

Aug 6, Bombay. A Reid gives an account to Bombay Government of the treatment of the crew and disposal of the cargo by the Marathas after the wreck of the *Aurora*. (Enclosure to above)—5 pp.

14 Oct., 1776, No. D

Aug 12, Bombay. Message from Sadashivrao Bhau brought by Abdul Ghani professing friendship with the English; stating that he will act jointly with Raghunathrao to take up the Government of the Maratha state on behalf of Narayanrao's infant son.

Aug 19. Sadashivrao Bhau requests the Chief of Surat to assist Gopal Dhanda (his representative) to meet Raghunathrao at Surat. (Enclosures)—2 pp.

14 Oct., 1776, No. E

Correspondence between J. Upton and Bombay Government. (Enclosures)—1 p.

14 Oct., 1776, No. F*

Jul 10, Surat. The Chief of Surat intimates to the Government of Bombay that no vakil of Hari Pant Phadke has come to Surat; states that Raghunathrao has assured him that he has discharged several of his followers. (Enclosure—Extract)—2 pp.

14 Oct., 1776, No. G

Aug 9, Surat. R. H. Boddam (Chief of Surat) reports to the Government of Bombay that Raghunathrao has quitted Surat and has proceeded towards Broach; states that he has earlier warned Raghunathrao that his departure to Broach would raise an alarm in the country and would expose him to personal danger and would involve the Company in difficulties with the Poona Darbar. (Enclosure)—5 pp.

14 Oct., 1776, No. H

Oct 14. The Board report to the Government of Bombay their decision regarding the cession of territories; inform that they have directed J. Upton to complete any condition of the treaty which still remains to be executed if the Poona Darbar demand it at the request of Sadashivrao Bhau, but not to enter into fresh treaty with anybody so long as the Maratha government exists; request them to appoint an agent to the Poona Darbar to complete the execution of any condition of the treaty. 4 pp.

14 Oct., 1776, No. 5

Sep 28, Ganjam. The Chief and Council at Ganjam inform the Board that they have recognised G. Stratton and his Council as the lawful rulers of Madras Presidency. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

14 Oct., 1776, No. 6

Sep 30, Vizagapatam. The Chief and Council at Vizagapatam inform the Board that they have acknowledged the new Government of Madras. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

14 Oct., 1776, No. 7

Sep 19, Lucknow. J. Bristow intimates to the Board that he will endeavour to transfer the *tankhwahs* of Rohilkhand though the Vazir has been averse to it; states that the Vazir has appointed Hasan Riza Khan as his naib. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

14 Oct., 1776, No. 8

Oct 14. Observations of J. Clavering on the question of appointment of a Quarter Master General for Asaf-ud-Daulah's army and the comments of W. Hastings, P. Francis and R. Barwell thereon. (Minutes)—3 pp.

Progs., 14 Oct., 1776

*Please see Consultations, 30 September, Nos. N, O, P, Q, S, T.

Oct 17.**Minutes of Consultation.***B. S., 17 Oct., 1776*

Oct 17. W. Hastings proposes that an application be made to the Raja of Berar (Mudhoji Bhonsla) for the grant of a piece of land near Palmyras Point in Orissa for the purpose of erecting a fort for the protection of ships. (Minute)—3 pp.

17 Oct., 1776, No. 1

Oct 17. The Board report to Mudhoji Bhonsla that many English ships are plundered and their crews are ill-treated by the zamindars of Kanika and Kujang, who do not acknowledge any government though they are nominally subject to his authority; request him to grant some land to the Company for the construction of a building for the safeguard of the coast, direction of the vessels in their passage and for protection of the lives and cargoes of the vessels that may be wrecked in that coast for which they will pay necessary rent. 4 pp.

17 Oct., 1776, No. 2

Sep 25, Fort St. George. G. Stratton and Council at Madras request the Board to obtain the opinion of the Supreme Court upon the legality of their authority on the administration of Madras Presidency; inform that they will send an account of the receipt and disbursements together with the general political situation of the Presidency. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

17 Oct., 1776, No. 3

Oct 17. The Board forward to the Supreme Court an extract from a letter from the President and Council at Madras for their opinion 4 pp.

*17 Oct., 1776, No. 4***Oct 21.****Minutes of Consultation***B. S., 21 Oct., 1776*

Oct 19, Fort William. The Judges of the Supreme Court inform the Board that they have not sufficient materials before them to form any judgement on the affairs of the Madras Presidency. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

21 Oct., 1776, No. 1

Oct 21. The Board transmit to the Madras Government a copy of the letter from the Judges of the Supreme Court. 1 p.

21 Oct., 1776, No. 2

Sep 6, Salisbury in Madras Road. E. Hughes forwards to the Board an account of what has been passed between him and the majority of the Council at Madras regarding G. Pigot. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

21 Oct., 1776, No. 3

Correspondence* between the Government of Madras and E. Hughes regarding the request of G. Pigot to give him the protection of the King's flag. (Enclosures to above)—4 pp.

21 Oct., 1776, No. 4

Sep 8, Salisbury in Madras Road. E. Hughes forwards to the Board copies of further correspondence between him and Madras Government respecting his requisition of the person of G. Pigot. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

21 Oct., 1776, No. 5

Sep 6, Fort St. George. The Government of Madras express their inability to E. Hughes to comply with his request. *(Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

21 Oct., 1776, No. 6

Sep 7, Salisbury in Madras Road. E. Hughes questions the right of the majority of the Council at Madras of removing G. Pigot. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

21 Oct., 1776, No. 7

Sep 14, Bombay Castle. The President and Council, Bombay inform the Board that they have sent the *Eagle* under the command of J. Hall to receive whatever treasure that the Board may give and enclose a copy of the instructions given to the commander of the ship; state that they have countermanded the orders issued by them for retaining the possession which have not so far been transferred to the Marathas; enclose copies of notes of dissent of two of the members of the Council (D. Draper and R. Gordon) and copies of minutes of other members of the Council on the subject; report that Raghunathrao is negotiating an alliance with the Portuguese and enclose a copy of the letter from him; inform that the ministers at Poona have proposed to raise the stipend of Raghunathrao after he quitted Surat; express their resentment at the Board's proposal to send J. Upton to Bombay; state that the Maratha agents for settling the accounts of three lacs of rupees arrived very late which would mean considerable loss to the Company; add that J. Upton has not so far settled the accounts of twelve lacs as stipulated in the treaty. (A.L.S.)—6 pp.

21 Oct., 1776, No. 8

Bombay Castle. Opinion of W. Hornby on the resolution of the Council of Bombay regarding the proposal of returning of the Maratha possessions. (Enclosure to above—Minute)—2 pp.

21 Oct., 1776, No. A

Bombay Castle. Opinion of J. Carnac (Member of Bombay Council) on the same. (Enclosure—Minute)—2 pp.

21 Oct., 1776, No. B

Brig. Gen. R. Gordon (C.-in-C., Bombay) records his comment against the resolution of the Board. (Enclosure—Minute)—2 pp.

21 Oct., 1776, No. C

Aug 28, Bombay. D. Oraper (Member of Bombay Council) conveys his note of dissent to the Council. (Enclosure)—6 pp.

21 Oct., 1776, No. D

*Please also see Consultation 30 Sep. 1776, Nos. H, I and K.

Bombay. T. Mostyn (Resident at Poona), R. Gordon and N. Stackhouse (members of Bombay Council) record their notes of dissent on the resolution of the Board. (Enclosures—Minutes)—2 pp.

21 Oct., 1776, No. E

Bombay. Opinion of A. Ramsay (Member of Bombay Council) on the same. (Enclosure—Minute)—4 pp.

21 Oct., 1776, No. F

Aug 6, 22, 27, 30 & Sep 4, Poona & Bombay. Correspondence between J. Upton and the Government of Bombay regarding the treaty with the Marathas. (5 letters). (Enclosures)—6 pp.

21 Oct., 1776, No. G

Aug 25. Reghunathrao intimates to the Government of Bombay that after quitting Surat he has had several meetings with the Portuguese. (Enclosure)—1 p.

21 Oct., 1776, No. H

Sep 15, Bombay Castle. The instructions of the Council at Bombay to J. Hall, commander of the *Eagle*. (Enclosure)—1 p.

21 Oct., 1776, No. I

Sep 7, Camp Bilgram. G. Stibbert gives further justification to the Board for detaining the Kora detachment and explains the circumstances under which J. N. Parker attacked the forces of Mahbub Ali Khan. (A.L.S.)—6 pp.

21 Oct., 1776, No. 9

Sep 13, Camp Bilgram. G. Stibbert transmits to the Board a copy of a letter from T. Goddard informing that the Commander-in-Chief has issued orders for delivering to the command of Goddard the five battalions raised for the service of Asaf-ud-Daulah. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

21 Oct., 1776, No. 10

Sep 9, Farrukhabad. T. Goddard intimates to G. Stibbert that he has received orders from the Commander-in-Chief that the command of five battalions of sepoys of the Vazir's settlements be handed over to him. (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

21 Oct., 1776, No. K

Oct 21. The Board strongly censor the conduct of G. Stibbert. 3 pp.

21 Oct., 1776, No. 11

Sep 30, Farrukhabad. G. Stibbert reports to the Board that Asaf-ud-Daulah has invested on him the authority to hold court martials for offences committed by the sepoys under the British officers and enquires whether copies of their proceedings be sent to them; requests that a Judge Advocate be appointed for the purpose. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

21 Oct., 1776, No. 12

Oct 21. The Board approve of the authority reposed on G. Stibbert for the appointment of general court martials for the trial of the troops in the Nawab's army. 1 p.

21 Oct., 1776, No. 13

Sep 25, Benares. F. Fowke intimates to the Board that he has invested Raja Chait Singh with *khilat* consisting of the same articles as in the previous case and has informed the Raja that the continuance of the indulgence would depend on his own punctuality in completing the payments and adhering to other conditions on which he holds his zamindari. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

21 Oct., 1776, No. 14

Oct 5, Benares. F. Fowke transmits to the Board bills in favour of the Company in part payment of the annual tribute of Raja Chait Singh. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

21 Oct., 1776, No. 15

Oct 14, Calcutta. The Sub-Treasurer forwards to the Board an account of the sums received in the Treasury for bills remitted on account of Raja Chait Singh's tribute from 4 July 1775 to 4 July 1776. 2 pp.

21 Oct., 1776, No. 16

Farighkhati granted to Raja Chait Singh. 1 p.

21 Oct., 1776, No. 17

Oct 21. The Board forward to F. Fowke a *farighkhati* (dated 11 September 1776) regarding the liquidation of Raja Chait Singh's tribute to the Company. 1 p.

21 Oct., 1776, No. 18

Oct 24. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 24 Oct., 1776

Sep 15, St. Thomas's Mount. G. Pigot justifies to the Board his conduct in relation to Tanjore and Muhammad Ali Khan; requests that copies of Nawab of Arcot's complaints and copies of correspondence between J. Clavering and the Commander-in-Chief of Madras may be transmitted to him. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

24 Oct., 1776, No. 1

Oct 8, Masulipatam. The Chief and Council of Masulipatam inform the Board that they have acknowledged the authority of the new Council of Madras. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

24 Oct., 1776, No. 3*

Oct 24. W. Hastings suggests that instructions may be sent to A. Hannay to urge Najaf Khan to prevail upon Saadat Ali Khan to leave his court and offer him an asylum in the British territories if he has any objection to return to his brother's dominion. (Minute)—2 pp.

24 Oct., 1776, No. 4

*There is no Consultation bearing No. 2 either in the Proceedings or in the Original Consultations.

Oct 24. The Board send instructions to A. Hannay on the above lines.
2 pp.

24 Oct., 1776, No. 5

Oct 10, Camp Bilgram. G. Stibbert intimates to the Board the death of Capt. E. Butterfield near Kora; informs that the arms intended for the Nawab Vazir will be sent to T. Goddard at Farrukhabad. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

24 Oct., 1776, No. 6

Oct 8, Farrukhabad. T. Goddard expresses surprise at the action of J. Erskine and inform the Board that his reply to him was identical to that sent by the Board; assures the Board that he will try to prevent any foreign expedition except where the safety of the Vazir's territories is concerned; suggests that the Rana of Gohad (Chhatar Singh) should be offered protection against possible attacks by the Marathas; informs that the King of Delhi having failed to obtain any assistance from the English, may join the Sikhs; gives an account of the state of the Nawab's army; solicits Board's orders on the appointment of E. P. Murray. (A.L.S.)—6 pp.

24 Oct., 1776, No. 7

Oct 24. The Board instruct T. Goddard to cancel the appointment of E. P. Murray and to abolish the office of Deputy Adjutant General also.
2 pp.

24 Oct., 1776, No. 8

Sep 11, Hooghly. The Director and Council at Hooghly (Dutch) complain to the Board for not answering to their letter regarding the opium trade; request that the orders may be issued to deliver to their representatives at Patna 900 maunds of opium at the price agreed to earlier; protest against usurping the rights and privileges of the Dutch East India Company. (Translation)—4 pp.

24 Oct., 1776, No. 9

Oct 23. The Board inform the Dutch Council at Hooghly that they cannot change their earlier decision unless the Council can furnish proof of the rights and privileges claimed by them; state that they have directed the Chief at Patna to deliver 900 maunds of opium. 3 pp.

24 Oct., 1776, No. 10

Oct 24. The Board direct the Chief at Patna to deliver to the agent of the Dutch East India Company 900 maunds of opium. 2 pp.

24 Oct., 1776, No. 11

Oct 28. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 28 Oct., 1776

Oct 28. The Board forward to G. Pigot extracts from letters from the Nawab of Arcot; state that they cannot furnish copies of letters of

J. Clavering as the Commander-in-Chief has not communicated those to the Board. 2 pp.

28 Oct., 1776, No. 1

Correspondence between G. Pigot and Muhammad Ali Khan (6 letters). (Enclosures to above)—13 pp.

28 Oct., 1776, No. 2

Oct 28. The Board intimate to the President and Council at Fort St. George that they have sent to G. Pigot copies of all the specific charges contained in the letter of the Nawab of Arcot. 1 p.

28 Oct., 1776, No. 3

Sep 17, Benares F. Fowke transmits to the Board an account of the fort of Jaunpur from 10 July 1775 to 25 June 1776; gives particulars of the fort and the villages appertaining to it and solicits Board's instructions regarding them. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

28 Oct., 1776, No. 4

Benares. Accounts of revenue collections of Jaunpur and disbursements made by Nisar Ali Khan (*Qiladar* of Jaunpur fort) from 10 July 1775 to 25 June 1776. (Enclosure to above)—12 pp.

28 Oct., 1776, No. 4(A)*

Oct 28. The Board direct F. Fowke to immediately deliver the fort of Jaunpur to Raja Chait Singh. 1 p.

28 Oct., 1776, No. 5

Oct 30. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 30 Oct., 1776

J. Clavering proposes that W. Maxwell, D. Anderson and J. Grant be directed to give an explanation for omission in their accounts, the account of Rs. 1,50,000 received by S. Middleton (Resident at Murshidabad) from Munni Begam. (Minute)—1 p.

30 Oct., 1776, No. 1

Oct 30. The Board enquire of W. Maxwell, D. Anderson and J. Grant the cause of omission of the account of Munni Begam. 1 p.

30 Oct., 1776, No. 2

Sep 7, Murshidabad. W. Maxwell, D. Anderson and J. Grant enquire of the Board whether the accounts and records required by Muhammad Riza Khan should be delivered to him. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

30 Oct., 1776, No. 3

Oct 30. The Board direct W. Maxwell, D. Anderson and J. Grant to hand over the papers immediately to Muhammad Riza Khan. 1 p.

30 Oct., 1776, No. 4

*Not recorded in the Proceedings.

Oct 30. J. Clavering observes that he has no objection to communicate to the Board the letters which he had written to R. Fletcher (Commander-in-Chief of Madras), but the letters referred to by C. Pigot were private letters and taking official note of these will mean a breach of confidence. (Minute)—1 p.

30 Oct., 1776, No. 5

Oct 30. J. Clavering opposes the proposal to enter into any negotiation with Najaf Khan as he has openly defied the offers made by the Board earlier; suggests that it may be ascertained either from Asaf-ud-Daulah or from J. Bristow whether the claim made by Najaf Khan that Saadat Ali Khan was staying with him at the request of the Vazir himself is correct. (Minute)—4 pp.

30 Oct., 1776, No. 6

Oct 30. W. Hastings objects to write to Asaf-ud-Daulah, but agrees to ascertain the fact from J. Bristow. (Minute)—1 p.

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Oct 30. The Board request J. Bristow to ascertain the truth regarding the residence of Saadat Ali Khan at Najaf Khan's court. 1 p.

30 Oct., 1776, No. 7

Jun 24, Calcutta. The Committee of Revenue, Calcutta forward to the Board the report of J. Shore who was deputed by them to examine the state of the affairs represented by the Faujdar of Hooghly regarding encroachments by the French. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

30 Oct., 1776, No. 8

Jun 24. J. Shore reports to the Committee of Revenue, Calcutta that encroachments by the French were made with the intention of fortification of Chandernagore and that they have acquired by degrees all the ground within it; states that in the absence of any records it was difficult for him to ascertain the boundaries of Chandernagore and verify other facts. (Enclosure to above—Report)—4 pp.

30 Oct., 1776, No. 9

Report of J. Shore on various points of enquiry. (Enclosure)—13 pp.

30 Oct., 1776, No. 10

Oct 30. The resolution of the Board to the effect that J. Chevalier be informed of the encroachments made by the French on the lands adjoining Chandernagore and other places which were either forcibly taken from the zamindars or purchased from them contrary to the custom of the province. 2 pp.

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Nov 4.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 4 Nov., 1776

Sep 8, Salisbury in Madras Road. E. Hughes informs the Board that he has intimated to the Government of Madras that he will act according

to the instructions of the Board; states that he will proceed to Trincomali soon to avoid the approaching change of monsoon. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

4 Nov., 1776, No. 1

Plan of W. Hastings for supply of provisions to garrison at Fort William in the event of an attack. (Minute)—4 pp.

4 Nov., 1776, No. 2

W. Hastings gives further details on the above plan. (Minute)—3 pp.

4 Nov., 1776, No. 3

Abstract computation of the garrison which may be allotted for the defence of the Fort William in case of an invasion as a basis for regulating the provisions of a depot of the military stores. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

4 Nov., 1776, No. A

Estimate of the necessary articles of provisions towards forming a depot for a garrison in India. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

4 Nov., 1776, No. B

Estimate of articles necessary for forming a depot of provisions for European troops in garrison at Fort William supposed to consist of 2,500 men. (Enclosure)—1 p.

4 Nov., 1776, No. C

Estimate of articles necessary for the same for native troops composed of 13,000 men. (Enclosure)—1 p.

4 Nov., 1776, No. D

Aggregate of stores proposed to be kept up. (Enclosure)—1 p.

4 Nov., 1776, No. E

Aggregate of stores proposed to be kept. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

4 Nov., 1776, No. F

Nov 4. Observations of P. Francis on the minutes of W. Hastings; encloses an extract from a letter from the Court of Directors to the Select Committee dated 23 March 1770. (Minute)—15 pp.

4 Nov., 1776, No. 4

Oct 17, Farrukhabad. T. Goddard transmits to the Board for their approval a general return of Asaf-ud-Daulah's forces referring to the economy that he has effected in each department; submits for the Board's consideration his proposal to augment the battalions of W. McClary and A. Balfour to that of regiments, the one to be stationed at Kora and the other at the Doab, where they will be able to keep the rebellious zamindars of those districts in obedience, observe vigilance on the transactions of foreign powers and protect the peace and tranquility of the Vazir's dominions. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

4 Nov., 1776, No. 5

Nov 4. Observations of W. Hastings, P. Francis and R. Barwell on the proposal of T. Goddard and the Board's decision that the opinion of the Commandar-in-Chief on the subject may be obtained. (Minutes)—2 pp.

Progs., 4 Nov., 1776

Oct 19, Chunargarh. A. Hannay transmits to the Board a copy of a letter received by him from Najaf Khan; States that his action in dismissing R. Madec and the other French from his service indicates that he will fulfil his promises with respect to the fate of Samru. (W. Reinhardt). (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

4 Nov., 1776, No. 6

Oct 12. Najaf Khan informs A. Hannay that W. Reinhardt was not at present in his army; requests him to pay a visit to know for himself the state of affairs in his court and inform the Board about his friendship with the English. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

4 Nov., 1776, No. 7

Nov 4, Calcutta. J. Clavering sends the undermentioned minute to the Board, which he could not attend due to ill-health. (Note)—1 p.

4 Nov., 1776, No. 8

Nov 4, Calcutta. J. Clavering states that the expediency of a subsidiary treaty with Najaf Khan seems to be entirely unnecessary either for the protection of the Vazir's dominions or those of the Company; says that if the Board thinks it necessary to depute A. Hannay to Najaf Khan the Court of Directors may be informed immediately. (Minute)—4 pp.

4 Nov., 1776, No. 9

Nov 4. Observation of W. Hastings on the minute of J. Clavering and the decision of the Board not to rescind their original resolution on the subject. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 4 Nov., 1776

Nov 4. The Board inform A. Hannay that it will be highly improper for him to go to Najaf Khan's court while W. Reinhardt remains in his service. 1 p.

4 Nov., 1776, No. 10

Aug 10. J. Clavering gives his private opinion to R. Fletcher on the question of the decision of the majority of the Council at Madras. (Extract received along with the letter from G. Pigot dated 15 September 1776)—2 pp.

4 Nov., 1776, No. 11

Nov 7. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 7 Nov., 1776

J. Robinson, C. Croftes and D. Killican (principal merchants of Calcutta) give their opinions on the question of supply of stores. (Report)—2 pp.

7 Nov., 1776, No. 1

Nov 7, Calcutta. W. Larkins (Sub-Accountant) lays before the Board some accounts regarding the garrison provisions of Fort William. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

7 Nov., 1776, No. 2

Nov 11.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 11 Nov., 1776

Oct 16, *Salisbury* in Madras Road. E. Hughes forwards to the Board copies of his correspondence with the Government of Madras and G. Pigot. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

11 Nov., 1776, No. 1

Sep 30, *St. Thomas's Mount*. G. Pigot appeals to E. Hughes for redress against G. Stratton and his Council at Madras and for his release. (Enclosure to above)—6 pp.

11 Nov., 1776, No. A

Sep 30, *Salisbury* in Madras Road. E. Hughes forwards to G. Stratton and the Council at Fort St. George the letter from G. Pigot for their consideration. (Enclosure)—1 p.

11 Nov., 1776, No. B

Oct 1, *Fort St. George*. G. Stratton and Council at Fort St. George return to E. Hughes the letter of G. Pigot. (Enclosure)—1 p.

11 Nov., 1776, No. C

Oct 1, *Salisbury* in Madras Road. E. Hughes informs G. Pigot that he has forwarded his letter to the Council at Fort St. George for their consideration; adds that he has detained his ship a few days for chance of receiving any letter from the Board. (Enclosure)—1 p.

11 Nov., 1776, No. D

Oct 2, *Salisbury* in Madras Road. E. Hughes forwards to G. Pigot a copy of the reply received by him from the Council at Fort St. George. (Enclosure)—1 p.

11 Nov., 1776, No. E

Oct 7, *St. Thomas's Mount*. G. Pigot requests E. Hughes to inform G. Stratton and the Council at Fort St. George that they will have to face the consequences if they permit R. Fletcher to proceed to Cape of Good Hope. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

11 Nov., 1776, No. F

Oct 8, *Salisbury* in Madras Road. E. Hughes forwards to the Council at Madras a copy of G. Pigot's letter above. (Enclosure)—1 p.

11 Nov., 1776, No. G

Oct 8, *Salisbury* in Madras Road. E. Hughes informs G. Pigot that he has forwarded a copy of his letter to the Council at Madras. (Enclosure)—1 p.

11 Nov., 1776, No. H

Oct 9, *Fort St. George*. G. Stratton and Council at Fort St. George inform E. Hughes that they take objection in receiving the letter from G. Pigot through him. (Enclosure)—1 p.

11 Nov., 1776, No. I

Oct 10, Salisbury in Madras Road. E. Hughes informs the Council at Madras that he has sent the letter from G. Pigot as the latter had no other means to reach the Council. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

11 Nov., 1776, No. K

Oct 11, Salisbury in Madras Road. E. Hughes forwards to G. Pigot copies of his correspondence with the Government of Madras. (Enclosure)—1 p.

11 Nov., 1776, No. L

Oct 14, St. Thomas's Mount. G. Pigot requests E. Hughes to enquire from the Council at Fort St. George whether it would be decent to keep Nawab's black cavalry instead of Company's troops for him; expresses concern over the precarious financial position of Madras Government. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

11 Nov., 1776 No. M

Oct 15, Salisbury in Madras Road. E. Hughes forwards to the Council at Fort St. George a copy of the above letter. (Enclosure)—1 p.

11 Nov., 1776, No. N

Oct 15, Salisbury in Madras Road. E. Hughes informs G. Pigot that he has forwarded a copy of his letter to the Council at Madras; adds that any reply received from them will be communicated to him by his Secretary as he is leaving Madras. (Enclosure)—1 p.

11 Nov., 1776, No. O

Oct 15, Fort St. George. The Council at Madras inform E. Hughes that the purpose of keeping a small number of black cavalry was explained to G. Pigot. (Enclosure)—1 p.

11 Nov., 1776, No. P

Oct 16, Fort St. George. E. L'Epine (Secretary of E. Hughes) transmits to G. Pigot a copy of the answer from the Council at Madras. (Enclosure)—1 p.

11 Nov., 1776, No. Q

Oct 19, Fort St. George. G. Stratton and Council at Fort St. George express their satisfaction at the Board's approval of their action against G. Pigot; transmit copies of correspondence between E. Hughes and G. Pigot and between M. Horton and the Madras Government; inform that Horton had to break open the lock of the treasury on Pigot's refusal to hand over the key; report that from the content of some of the papers intercepted by them from Tanjore, it appears that Pigot still looks upon himself as the legal representative of the Company at Madras; enclose a copy of the reply received from Muhammad Ali Khan conveying his sentiments against Pigot in case he was released; state that keeping Pigot in India will mean domestic as well as foreign trouble; seek Board's opinion on the subject. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

11 Nov., 1776, No. 2

Oct 9, St. Thomas's Mount. M. Horne informs the Council at Fort St. George that G. Pigot has refused to hand over the key of the treasury. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

11 Nov., 1776, No. R

Oct 10. Muhammad Ali Khan informs the Council at Fort St. George in reply to their enquiry that G. Pigot was personally hostile to him. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

11 Nov., 1776, No. S

Oct 15, Fort St. George. The Council at Fort St. George instruct M. Horne to remove the black cavalry from the St. Thomas's Mount. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

11 Nov., 1776, No. T

Oct 16, St. Thomas's Mount. M. Horne informs the Council at Fort St. George that he has despatched the black cavalry to Madras; states that he has been trying to give all comforts to G. Pigot. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

11 Nov., 1776, No. U

Nov 11. The Board inform G. Stratton and the Council at Fort St. George that at the present dilemma they chose rather to suspend than to deliver a direct answer to their question as they are not at the moment competent to judge it. 4 pp.

11 Nov., 1776, No. 3

Nov 7, Murshidabad. W. Maxwell, D. Anderson and J. Grant inform the Board that they have delivered Mubarak-ud-Daulah's accounts and other papers to the Naib Suba; explain the reasons why they had not included the amount of Munni Begam in the account; enclose the general treasury account of their establishment. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

11 Nov., 1776, No. 4

Nov 1, Murshidabad. General treasury account of the establishment of W. Maxwell, D. Anderson and J. Grant. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

11 Nov., 1776, No. W

Oct 25, Lucknow. G. Stibbert informs the Board that detention of J. Horne and W. McClary was not prejudicial to the interest of the Vazir's army; explains the reasons for detaining them. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

11 Nov., 1776, No. 5

Sep 2, Calcutta. W. Pye (member of the Board of Burdwan) transmits to the Board copies of reports and declarations of various persons with regard to the factory established by the French at Mohanpur and their criminal administration; states that no *sanad* was granted to the French to establish a factory there. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

11 Nov., 1776, No. 6

Aug 8, Calcutta. Particulars of the examination of Radha Charan Bose (French *Gumashta* at Mohanpur). (Enclosure to above—English & Bengali)—4 pp.

11 Nov., 1776, No. 7

Aug 11, Mohanpur. Particulars of examination of Shamsheer Khan (zamindar in the service of the French at Mohanpur). (Enclosure—English & Bengali)—6 pp.

11 Nov., 1776, No. 8

Aug 13. Particulars of examination of Bansidhar Choudhury, Sukhdeb Maity etc. (Enclosures—English & Bengali)—6 pp.

11 Nov., 1776, No. 9

Aug 14, Mohanpur. Report of Santo Gorey (*Dalal*). (Enclosure—English & Bengali)—4 pp.

11 Nov., 1776, No. 10

Aug 14, Mohanpur. Report of Santo Gorey (*Dalal*). (Enclosure—English & Bengali)—4 pp.

11 Nov., 1776, No. 11

Complaint of Bansidhar Choudhury against J. Sanson addressed to the *Darogha* of Midnapore containing declarations of several persons. (Enclosures—English & Persian)—27 pp.

11 Nov., 1776, No. 12

Jun 14, Calcutta. J. Petrie requests to the Board that the affairs of the French duties at Hooghly be enquired once again as the papers furnished by them in support of their claim for trade are not quite convincing; encloses translations of certificates of *parwana* from Ali Vardi Khan (Nawab of Bengal) and of the *parwana* and other papers, which he adds gives the rights to the Dutch private merchants and not the French. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

11 Nov., 1776, No. 13

Copy of the rates respecting private merchants at Hooghly; certificate regarding the *parwana* from Ali Vardi Khan in favour of the Dutch private merchants; and *parwana* from Ali Vardi Khan. (Enclosures to above)—4 pp.

11 Nov., 1776, No. X

Particulars of enquiry made regarding the French trade in Hooghly. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

11 Nov., 1776, No. Y

Jul 25, Patna. The Chief and Council at Patna inform the Board that they cannot furnish any further account about the opium provided by the French at Patna; enclose in support of their previous assertion that A. Carvalho sold part of his opium to Englishmen under whose signatures it passed to Bengal, copies of certificate from R. Hunter who purchased opium from Carvalho and a declaration of Ramchand Pandit providing the commodity on behalf of the French chief. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

11 Nov., 1776, No. 14

Declaration of Ramchand Pandit (French Agent at Patna) under his seal showing the quantity of opium provided by him for A. Carvalho from 1768 to 1771. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

11 Nov., 1776, No. Z

Jul 22, Patna. Certificate of R. Hunter who purchased opium from A. Carvalho. (Enclosure)—1 p.

11 Nov., 1776, No. AA

Dec 2.**Minutes of Consultation.***B. S., 2 Dec., 1776*

J. Clavering gives his comments on the minute of W. Hastings of 4 June; states that by the omission of the name of Saadat Ali Khan in the instructions to A. Hannay the resolution of the Board does not now remain as it originally stood and therefore ought either to be rescinded or enforced; challenges the statement of the Governor General that Najaf Khan's letter is by no means a proof of his disaffection to the Company or disinclined to comply with their requisitions; suggests that the Governor General should declare the reasons for which he wants to enter into a treaty with Najaf Khan. (Minute)—5 pp.

2 Dec., 1776, No. 1

Observations of J. Clavering on the proposal of T. Goddard to increase the battalions under W. McClary and A. Balfour. (Minute)—3 pp.

2 Dec., 1776, No. 2

Observations of J. Clavering on victualling the garrison at Fort William. (Minute)—3 pp.

2 Dec., 1776, No. 3

Dec 2. J. Clavering suggests some additions in the General Letter to be sent to the Court of Directors regarding the proposed alliance with Najaf Khan; observations of R. Barwell on the same. (Minutes)—3 pp.

Progs., 2 Dec., 1776

Observations of P. Francis on the above. (Minute)—1 p.

2 Dec., 1776, No. 4

W. Hastings records his opinion regarding the proposal to set up an establishment at Balasore for the protection of ships wrecked on the coast of Orissa. (Minute)—1 p.

2 Dec., 1776, No. 5

Account of the ships wrecked on the coast of Orissa. (Enclosure to above)—4 pp.

2 Dec., 1776, No. A

Nov 26. P. Francis requests the Board to intimate to the Court of Directors the despatch of the treasure by J. Bristow. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

2 Dec., 1776, No. 6

Nov 25. W. Hastings records his observations on the objections raised by J. Clavering on the proposed alliance with Najaf Khan; comments on the opinion expressed by the Commander-in-Chief on the question of appointment of a Quarter Master General for the Vazir's army and upholds the decision of the Board thereon; justifies the appointment of N. B. Halhed as Commissary-General; criticises the General for condemning his plan for laying up provisions for the Fort William; gives his comments on the observations of the Commander-in-Chief on the question of accounts of Krishnakanta Nandi (*Bania* of the Governor General) and remission allowed to the King of Nadia (Krishna Chandra); records his

appreciation for late G. Monson; expresses regret that his actions in regard to the administration of the country were always criticised by the members of the Board. (Minute)—13 pp.

2 Dec., 1776, No. 7

W. Hastings proposes that J. Bristow be recalled from the court of Asaf-ud-Daulah and that N. Middleton be restored as the Resident to that place; P. Francis seeks some clarifications on the subject. (Minutes)—2 pp.

Progs., 2 Dec., 1776

Dec 2. P. Francis records his objection to the Governor General's proposal to recalled Bristow. (Minute)—3 pp.

2 Dec., 1776, No. 8

Observations of P. Francis, R. Barwell and J. Clavering on the question of recalling of J. Bristow and the statement of W. Hastings that his proposal to recall Bristow is not because the latter had any shortcomings but because he wants to rectify the injustice done to N. Middleton. (Minutes)—21 pp.

Progs., 2 Dec., 1776

Dec 2. The note of dissent by P. Francis on the resolution passed by the Board regarding the recall of J. Bristow. (Minute)—17 pp.

2 Dec., 1776, No. 9

W. Hastings suggests that J. Bristow be directed to send to the Board an account of all advances made and money paid directly by the Nawab Vazir or through the Resident to any person for raising and maintaining the military establishment under the British officers; moves that F. Fowke be recalled from Benares. (Minute)—3 pp.

2 Dec., 1776, No. 10

Dec 2. Comments of P. Francis and J. Clavering on the above motions of the Governor General. (Minutes)—4 pp.

Progs., 2 Dec., 1776

Dec 2. The Board direct J. Bristow to hand over the charge of the office of the Resident to N. Middleton as soon as he reaches Lucknow; ask him to send to the Board an account of the advances made and the money paid directly by the Vazir or through him for raising and maintaining the military establishments under the command of the British officers. 2 pp.

2 Dec., 1776, No. 11

Dec 2. The Board direct T. Goddard to send an account of the advances received by the officers under him for raising and maintaining the military establishments of the Vazir. 1 p.

2 Dec., 1776, No. 12

Dec 2. The Board inform F. Fowke that the office of the Resident has been annulled and direct him to return to Calcutta. 2 pp.

2 Dec., 1776, No. 13

Dec 5.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 5 Dec., 1776

Dec 5. W. Hastings proposes that R. Johnson (Storekeeper of Fort William) be asked to complete his account of provisions for garrison at Fort William. (Minute)—3 pp.

Progs., 5 Dec., 1776

Dec 1, Balasore. R. Marriot forwards to the Board a copy of a letter from the commander of the French ship *Normande* giving an account of the ships lost at Palmyras Point; states that the rulers of Balasore and Kujang to whom he wrote on the subject did not give any reply. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

5 Dec., 1776, No. 1

Capt. Charanton (Commander of the French ship *Normande*) informs R. Marriot the circumstances under which his ships were wrecked at the coast of Orissa and subsequent arrest and ill-treatment of his crew by the Raja of Kujang (Krishna Chandra Sandi). (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

5 Dec., 1776, No. 2

Dec 5. The Board inform the Council at Fort St. George that they have addressed Krishna Chandra Sandi to release the crew of the *Normande*; request that in case force is to be employed against the Raja they should keep a body of troops ready to attack him from the opposite direction. 2 pp.

5 Dec., 1776, No. 3

Dec 9.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 9 Dec., 1776

Dec 2, Murshidabad. The Chief and Council at Murshidabad forward to the Board a copy of a letter from the French Resident addressed to the Superintendent of Adalat claiming certain privileges of the French nation; request the Board for their command on the subject. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

9 Dec., 1776, No. 1

Nov 29, Saidabad. Renault de Chilly (French Resident at Murshidabad) addresses to the Superintendent of the Adalat (W. Maxwell) Claiming the privilege of the French to try *rai-yats* within the French jurisdiction. (Enclosure to above—Translation)—2 pp.

9 Dec., 1776, No. 2

Dec 9. The Board direct the Chief and Council at Murshidabad not to give any reply to the French Resident; and that in case they found it

necessary to give any assistance to the Adalat, they should do so only at the requisition of the proper officer. 2 pp.

9 Dec., 1776, No. 3

Oct 26, Purandhar. J. Upton forwards to the Board copies of correspondence with the Government of Bombay and of letters received from the Peshwa containing information about the measures taken by him to fulfil the obligations of the proposed treaty; informs that the Peshwa has agreed to make over some parganas in lieu of the country of three lacs and adds that fresh estimation can be made as agreed upon by the Commissaries on each side if the value of the parganas to be ceded by the Peshwa exceeds three lacs; states that the ministers have agreed to mortgage Jambusar till such time they are able to pay the stipulated amount to the Company; reports that Sadashivrao Bhau is in possession of the whole country between Bombay and Poona and that the ministers are planning to attack on his main army; informs that Moroba Phadnavis has left Poona and will either join Raghunathrao or Sadashivrao. (A.L.S.)—7 pp.

9 Dec., 1776, No. 4

Sep 5, Broach. The Commissaries appointed by the Government of Bombay submit their report to the Council at Bombay on the settlement of the country of three lacs near Broach. (Enclosure to above)—6 pp.

9 Dec., 1776, No. A

Sep 21, Bombay Castle. The Council of Bombay inform J. Upton that they have already intimated to him that they had countermanded their orders regarding retention of territories in consequence of the commands of the Court of Directors; state that the ministers have no right to challenge their authority to receive vakils from Sadashivrao; give an account of the several clauses of the treaty which have not been properly honoured by the ministers at Poona; express their disapproval to accept the territories which the ministers propose to offer in exchange of the country of three lacs. (Enclosure)—4 pp.

9 Dec., 1776, No. B

Oct 26, Purandhar. J. Upton forwards to the Board a copy of the letter from the Government of Bombay with his remarks. (Enclosure)—5 pp.

9 Dec., 1776, No. C

Oct 19, Purandhar. J. Upton forwards to the Government of Bombay a copy of a letter from Madhavrao Narayan relating to the manner according to which the Peshwa proposes to fulfil the unexecuted parts of the treaty.

Letter from Madhavrao Narayan in Persian with English translation (received 18 October 1776). (Enclosures)—6 pp.

9 Dec., 1776, No. D.

Madhavrao Narayan sends his proposal to J. Upton regarding settlement of the country for three lacs and mortgage of Jambusar in lieu of the stipulated sum to be paid to the Company (received 18 October 1776). (Enclosure—Persian with English translation)—4 pp.

9 Dec., 1776, No. E

Dec 9. The Board inform J. Upton that they approve of his proposal to the mortgage of Jambusar and the Peshwa's collection in and about Surat for the payment of the Company's dues. 1 p.

4 Dec., 1776, No. 5

Dec 9. The Board inform the Council at Bombay that they have approved the proposals of J. Upton with regard to taking over of some territories from the Marathas in settlement of the country for three lacs and mortgage of Jambusar in lieu of the Company's dues from them. 3 pp.

9 Dec., 1776, No. 6

Nov 19, Camp Bilgram. G. Stibbert transmits to the Board two invoices of Sunday Chests of treasure sent from Lucknow by J. Bristow. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

9 Dec., 1776, No. 7

Dec 12. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 12 Dec., 1776

Dec 12. J. Clavering forwards to the Board copies of letters received from Capt. P. Delafield (A.D.C. to C.-in-C.) giving an account of the mutinous state of his battalion at Midnapore. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

12 Dec., 1776, No. 1

Dec 9, Midnapore. P. Delafield gives an account of the mutinous state of his battalion at Midnapore. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

12 Dec., 1776, No. 2

Dec 10, Midnapore. P. Delafield gives further account on the above subject. (Enclosure)—4 pp.

12 Dec., 1776, No. 3

Dec 11, Midnapore. P. Delafield recommends to J. Clavering the confirmation of the commandant and a subadar of his battalion for their good conduct. (Enclosure)—1 p.

12 Dec., 1776, No. 4

Dec 12. The Board record their minute on the question of the mutinous conduct of the men in the battalion of P. Delafield. (Minute)—4 pp.

12 Dec., 1776, No. 5

Dec 5, Benares. F. Fowke transmits to the Board bills in favour of the Company in part payment of the annual tribute of Raja Chait Singh. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

12 Dec., 1776, No. 6

Dec 23.**Minutes of Consultation.****B. S., 23 Dec., 1776**

Oct 20, Bombay Castle. The President and Council, Bombay inform the Board that they have sent at the request of Sadashivrao Bhau J. Blakeman to give him medical assistance to the injury sustained by him during the battle of Panipat; forward a copy of the letter received from Blakeman giving intelligence about Sadashivrao's movements; state that Raghunathrao, who is still at Daman and has not so far received any help from the Portuguese, is shortly to have an interview with Sadashivrao. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

23 Dec., 1776, No. 1

Oct 17, Rajmache Fort. J. Blakeman reports to the Government of Bombay of the movements of Sadashivrao Bhau. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

23 Dec., 1776, No. 2

Nov 13, Poona. J. Upton explains to the Board the reasons for delay on the part of the ministers to send reply to the Board; states that the Peshwa is very keen on a Resident being sent to Poona; reports that Sadashivrao Bhau was totally defeated and taken prisoner by one of the Maratha sardars (Raghuji Angria); states that he has been able to convince the ministers at Poona that the Government of Bombay will soon receive instructions from the Board forbidding any action; informs that Raghunathrao has now agreed to accept a *jagir* either in Khandesh or near Jhansi; reports that the Peshwa intends to send a strong army under Hari Pant Phadke against Haidar Ali; encloses copies of some letters. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

23 Dec., 1776, No. 3

Madhavrao Narayan informs J. Upton that Sadashivrao Bhau has been defeated and taken prisoner by Raghuji Angria and that the Government of Bombay have demanded his release and also given shelter to his soldiers at Salsette; encloses copies of some letters in this connection (received 8 November 1776). (Enclosure to above)—5 pp.

23 Dec., 1776, No. 4

Dec 5, Islamabad. F. Law (Chief of Chittagong Factory) informs the Board that he has ordered the Captain of the *Amazon* to be on cruise and to take proper measures to prevent the incursions of the Maghs. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

23 Dec., 1776, No. 5

Dec 10, Islamabad. Capt. E. Ellerker (Commanding the 2nd Battalion at Chittagong) reports to the Commander-in-Chief that the Maghs have lately appeared with a small fleet of boats on the coast with hostile intentions. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

23 Dec., 1776, No. 6

Dec 19, Dacca. C. Purling (Chief, Provincial Council of Revenue) informs the Board that the Provincial Council has engaged as many sepoys

as they could spare to prevent the depredations committed by the Maghs in the zamindaries bordering upon the sea shore. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

23 Dec., 1776, No. 7

Dec 23. W. Hastings proposes that an enquiry be made to ascertain as to what state or country the Maghs belong to and suggests that proper action be taken against them. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 23 Dec., 1776

Dec 23. The Board direct the Chief at Chittagong to make an immediate enquiry to ascertain as to which country the Maghs belong to; direct that if they belong to Arakan, he should take immediate measures in consultation with the commanding officer of his station to crush the ravagers. 3 pp.

23 Dec., 1776, No. 8

Dec 18. W. Hastings, J. Clavering and P. Francis record their opinions on the question of appointment of a Quarter Master General for Asaf-ud-Daulah's army; comments of R. Barwell on the same and the reply of J. Clavering thereon; resolution of the Board recommending appointment of Capt. P. Thompson to the post. (Minutes)—5 pp.

23 Dec., 1776, No. 9

Oct 30, Camp near Farrukhabad. T. Goddard intimates to the Board that he has annulled the post of the Adjutant General to the Vazir's army but has appointed P. Connellan as the Deputy Adjutant; informs that he has separated the posts of Commissaries and Paymaster, and has appointed Lt. A. Parke as a Commissary in the Vazir's army; states that he will soon survey the fort near Cawnpore for the purpose of establishing an arsenal there; informs that he has issued general orders prohibiting the officers from interfering in the collection of the Nawab's revenues. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

23 Dec., 1776, No. 10

Nov 2, Camp near Farrukhabad. T. Goddard proposes to the Board that a Field Engineer be appointed to the Vazir's army; states that this will be useful to the Nawab both for his military purposes and for the collection of his revenues. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

23 Dec., 1776, No. 11

Nov 15, Camp near Farrukhabad. T. Goddard forwards to the Board return of Asaf-ud-Daulah's forces under his command for the month of October. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

23 Dec., 1776, No. 12

Nov 28, Lucknow. T. Goddard informs the Board that he has annulled the appointment of P. Murray as the surgeon to the Vazir's army; states that the Vazir will agree to the proposal of establishment of an arsenal and adds that C. Martin has been directed by him to commence the necessary work for that purpose; recommends Lucknow as the most suitable place for setting up of the arsenal; states that the Vazir has requested for further supply of arms. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

23 Dec., 1176, No. 13

Dec 23. The Board direct the Board of Ordnance to supply Asaf-ud-Daulah with 5,000 fire-arms if those can be spared. 1 p.

23 Dec., 1776, No. 14

Dec 23. The Board inform T. Goddard that they do not approve of the appointment of P. Connellan as the Deputy Adjutant General to the Vazir's service, but approve of the appointment of A. Parke as a Commissary; state that they have directed A. Kyd to proceed to Lucknow to take up the duties of the Field Engineer; inform that further arms will be supplied to the Vazir if the arsenal can spare them; state that the Nawab's request for a Quarter Master General has been complied with and that P. Thompson will be appointed in that post; state that they have nominated L. Oliver as the Auditor General for the military disbursements of the troops under him (Goddard). 4 pp.

23 Dec., 1776, No. 15

Dec 21. J. Clavering lays before the Board two letters from Lt. Col. G. Muir (of the 2nd Brigade stationed at Midnapore) for supply of a battalion of sepoys to march from Barrackpore to relieve the Midnapore station. (Note)—2 pp.

23 Dec., 1776, No. 16

Dec 17, Midnapore. G. Muir informs J. Clavering that there is no appearance of mutiny in the 11th Battalion. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

23 Dec., 1776, No. 17

Dec 19, Midnapore. G. Muir informs J. Clavering that he feels it necessary to arrest P. Delafield pending the completion of his enquiry about the various complaints put forward by men of the 11th Battalion; adds that in the meantime he is paying the army for four months. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

23 Dec., 1776, No. 18

Dec 23. W. Hastings proposes that a civil servant of the Company be appointed to reside at Benares for the purpose of transacting any occasional business between the Raja and the Government and that T. Graham may be nominated to that office with D. O. Barwell as his assistant; comments of P. Francis, R. Barwell and J. Clavering on the same. (Minutes)—2 pp.

Progs., 23 Dec., 1776

Dec 23. Observations of R. Barwell, P. Francis, J. Clavering and W. Hastings on the proposal to appoint an Auditor General for the military disbursements of the forces under the command of the British officers in the Vazir's service and the Board's resolution on the same. (Minutes)—6 pp.

Progs., 23 Dec., 1776

Dec 23. The Board direct N. Middleton to proceed to Lucknow to assume the office of the Resident at the Court of the Nawab of Oudh; instruct him to collect the dues from the Vazir; inform that L. Oliver has been appointed as the Auditor General and Paymaster General for the military disbursements. 4 pp.

23 Dec., 1776, No. 19

Dec 28.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 28 Dec., 1776

Dec 13, Lucknow. N. Middleton (Resident at Asaf-ud-Daulah's Court) reports to the Board that a considerable body of the Sikhs have entered Rohilkhand and have plundered the places around Daranagar and that another body is assembling on the opposite bank of the Ganges; states that their further depredations will be effectually prevented by G. Muir. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

28 Dec., 1776, No. 3*

Dec 30.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 30 Dec., 1776

Dec 15, Islamabad. F. Law transmits to the Board a copy of the letter from Dacca Council respecting the incursions of the Maghs; informs that he has ordered the constant cruising of the ships north and southwards till such time the Maghs disappear; adds that with the assistance of boats from Dacca and the *Amazon*, which is stationed to the southward, he hopes to drive the Maghs from Sundarbans and Chittagong river. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

30 Dec., 1776, No. 1

Dec 9, Dacca. The Council at Dacca inform the Chief at Chittagong that the Maghs are cruising around Sandwip and Dakshin Sahabazpur islands and request him to communicate any intelligence about them and offer their co-operation to disperse them. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

30 Dec., 1776, No. A

Dec 19, Dacca. The Council at Dacca inform the Board that they are constructing boats to repel the Maghs; intimate that several salt contractors complain that Molangis have deserted the work; enclose copies of letters from E. Abraham (Salt Agent of Dakshin Sahabazpur) in support of it; state that the officer commanding the detachment will be furnished with *parwanas* upon the several zamindars requiring them to render all assistance. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

30 Dec., 1776, No. 2

Dec 12, Bakarganj. E. Abraham informs the Council at Dacca that the Molangis as a body have fled out of fear of the depredations of the Maghs in places from Dakshin Sahabazpur to Sundarbans. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

30 Dec., 1776, No. 2†

Dec 9, Dakshin Sahabazpur. E. Abraham intimates to the Council at Dacca that the naibs and other persons are not collecting revenues out of fear of the Maghs who are ruthlessly plundering the pargana of Dakshin Sahabazpur (Enclosure)—1 p.

30 Dec., 1776, No. B

*There are no Consultations bearing numbers 1 and 2. This appears to be a copyist's mistake.

†The Consultation bears the same number also in the Proceedings.

Dec 30. Suggestions of W. Hastings, P. Francis and J. Clavering for taking suitable steps to repel the Maghs. (Minutes)—2 pp.

30 Dec., 1776, No. 3

Dec 28. The Board inform the Chief and Council at Chittagong that they have directed the Council at Dacca to advise them of their proceedings against the Maghs and to act in consultation with them; state that they propose to order some armed vessels to be sent with greatest expedition. 2 pp.

30 Dec., 1776, No. 4

Dec 28. The Board inform the Chief and Council at Dacca that they have instructed the Council at Chittagong to take action against the Maghs in consultation with them. 2 pp.

30 Dec., 1776, No. 5

Oct 30, Lucknow. J. Bristow informs the Board that being unable to procure money from the treasury for making payments to the English officers he was obliged to accept *tankhwahs*; states that the sole duty of the persons employed by him is to prevent the money received being paid into any other hand until the *kist* for the army *tankhwahs* be discharged in full; adds that in order to save trouble and expense in remitting large sums to the Vazir's treasury, he proposes to give draft on the *amala* in favour of his deputies and suggests for the approval of the Board the same method for settling the payments of the troops; intimates that it becomes sometime necessary for the English officers to assist the *amala* to collect revenues; encloses a copy of a letter written by him to T. Goddard in this connection. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

30 Dec., 1776, No. 6

Oct 20, Lucknow. J. Bristow informs T. Goddard of Asaf-ud-Daulah's plan to level all forts to curb the powers of the zamindars who are disobeying his authority so that they may not elude the endeavours of the Vazir's *amala* to bring them to a just settlement of the revenues. (Enclosure to above)—6 pp.

30 Dec., 1776, No. C

Nov 11, Lucknow. J. Bristow forwards to the Board several accounts of the Residency; informs that agreeable to the Board's orders he has made 16 Sun Fyzabad *sikka* rupees the standard, that being the currency in the last year of the late Nawab's life. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

30 Dec., 1776, No. 7

Table of assay of sundry species of rupees current in the dominion of Asaf-ud-Daulah. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

30 Dec., 1776, No. D

Nov 12, Lucknow. J. Bristow forwards to the Board accounts of Asaf-ud-Daulah's infantry etc., under the English officers; informs that the estimates for them have been formed according to the existing establishments and that for the sum total of 42 lacs he has procured *tankhwahs* from the Nawab; states that the Vazir is averse to his proposal to establish a grand arsenal under C. Martin; says that the sum approved by the Board for the expense of the Paymaster is inadequate; informs that the Vazir desires another Aid-de-Camp. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

30 Dec., 1776, No. 8

Nov 18, Lucknow. J. Bristow confirms to the Board the report that Asaf-ud-Daulah had written to Najaf Khan to give protection to Saadat Ali Khan to prevent him from forming other connections; states that this practice of giving shelter to each other's rebellious subjects is being followed by both the Vazir and Najaf Khan; encloses copies of letters from Najaf Khan and Muhammad Khalil Khan on the subject. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

30 Dec., 1776, No. 9

Najaf Khan informs Asaf-ud-Daulah that he will give protection to Saadat Ali Khan if he comes to him for help.

Muhammad Khalil Khan assures Asaf-ud-Daulah that he will detain Saadat Ali Khan at Agra. (Enclosures to above)—4 pp.

30 Dec., 1776, No. E

Nov 25, Lucknow. J. Bristow gives to the Board an account of the foreign affairs of Asaf-ud-Daulah; states that Najaf Khan and the Vazir entertain same jealousies of each other as before and that the former being in great financial distress has been compelled to give up some country to the Sikhs to prevent them from joining Zabita Khan; reports that Saadat Ali Khan is still with Najaf Khan and the latter is offering him Meerut, which is still in the possession of Zabita Khan, in lieu of the district of Bayana; states that the Sikhs prefer friendship with the Vazir and proposed a treaty of alliance with him; informs that Faizullah Khan (Rohilla Chief) is corresponding with all foreign powers to form an alliance against the Nawab; intimates that the Marathas are not likely to create any trouble due to their internal trouble; also gives an account of the internal situation of the Vazir; encloses copies of correspondence between him and Bahu Begam regarding mutinous actions of the Nawab's forces. (A.L.S.)—17 pp.

30 Dec., 1776, No. 10

Bahu Begam informs J. Bristow that the mutinous forces of the Vazir had compelled her to pay them a considerable sum of money; reply of J. Bristow. (Enclosures to above)—3 pp.

30 Dec., 1776, No. F

Nov 20, Lucknow. J. Bristow informs the Board that Asaf-ud-Daulah has asked for seven thousand stands of arms; reports that the Peshwa has captured Sadashivrao Bhau. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

30 Dec., 1776, No. 11

Dec 11, Lucknow. J. Bristow transmits to the Board a letter from T. Goddard requesting the appointment of two Commissaries of Supplies to country stores. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

30 Dec., 1776, No. 12

Dec 30. The Board inform N. Middleton that the same mode should be observed in settling the *batta* on the pay issued to the Vazir's troops under English officers; direct him to draw up an establishment for the allowances of the Deputy Paymasters under him. 2 pp.

30 Dec., 1776, No. 13

Dec 15, Camp near Rampur. T. Goddard informs the Board that in pursuance of the previous decision of Asaf-ud-Daulah the forts in the

province of Kora have been demolished and that he is marching towards the Doab for the same purpose. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

30 Dec., 1776, No. 14

Nov 24, Poona. J. Upton intimates to the Board that Raghunathrao has suddenly come to Bombay and has been well received by the Government of Bombay in contravention of the late treaty; reports that Sadashivrao Bhau is on his way to Poona escorted by Mahadji Sindhia. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

30 Dec., 1776, No. 15

Dec 30. The Board inform J. Upton that they are surprised at the conduct of J. Halsey (Chief of Salsette) in threatening to fire on the Peshwa's forces and add that the action of the Government of Bombay in sending deputies to Raghuji Angria is contrary to their repeated instructions; state that they have given positive orders to the Residency to compel Raghunathrao to quit Bombay or any of its dependencies; inform that the letters written by the ministers at Poona after the conclusion of the treaty are filled with reproaches against the Government of Bombay; direct him to return immediately to Bengal. 4 pp.

30 Dec., 1776, No. 16

Dec 30. The Board inform the President and Council, Bombay that the reports that they have received from the Peshwa and J. Upton that the Chief of Salsette has threatened to fire on the Peshwa's forces, that he had given shelters to the adherents of Sadashivrao Bhau, that two deputies on the part of Bombay had gone to Raghuji Angria and demanded the person of Sadashivrao, and that Raghunathrao has taken refuge in Bombay, if true, are repugnant to the repeated instructions given by them and are contrary to the terms of the treaty concluded with the Marathas; desire that the Government of Bombay will inform the Board very minutely of the real circumstances to which all the representations refer to; order that Raghunathrao should be compelled to retire from Bombay Presidency. 6 pp.

30 Dec., 1776, No. 17

Dec 21, Islamabad. E. Ellerker forwards to the Commander-in-Chief secret information about the armament which the French propose to land at Chittagong with the intention of invading Bengal. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

30 Dec., 1776, No. 18

Troops at Mauritius commanded by Le Comte de Brionne amounting to 1,000 men. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

30 Dec., 1776, No. G

J. Clavering reports to the Board that G. Muir who was sent to Midnapore to enquire about the mutiny in the 11th Battalion of Sepoys, reports that he found the battalion perfectly quite and that there was no foundation in the allegation made by P. Delafield; adds that the trouble was due to the non-payment of salaries to both English and Indian soldiers; state that he has ordered a court martial to try P. Delafield and records the charges made against him. (Minute)—5 pp.

30 Dec., 1776 No. 19

1777, Jan 13.

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B.S., 13 Jan., 1777

1776, Nov 11, Lucknow. J. Bristow informs the Board that Holassy Lal, *gumashta* of Kashmiri Mal (*sarrf*) has taken Company's treasure from Lucknow to Calcutta. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

13 Jan., 1777, No. 1

Dec 24, Camp near Bilgram. J. Bristow informs the Board that agreeable to their instructions he will hand over charge of his office to N. Middleton; informs that an account of the monies advanced and paid for the charge of raising and maintaining the military establishment is under preparation. 2 pp.

Progs., 13 Jan., 1777, No. 2*

Dec 25, Camp before Sykrehny. T. Goddard informs J. Clavering about his failure to capture Sykrehny. (Copy)—3 pp.

13 Jan., 1777, No. 3

Dec 27, Camp near Sykrehny. T. Goddard furnishes to J. Clavering a return of the wounded and killed. (Copy)—3 pp.

13 Jan., 1777, No. 4

Return of the killed, wounded and missing troops under the command of T. Goddard at the siege of Sykrehny fort from 23 to 25 December 1776. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

13 Jan., 1777, No. A

Dec 26, Camp before Sykrehny. T. Goddard promises to the Board to submit accounts of payments made to the troops. 1 p.

Progs., 13 Jan., 1777, No. 5*

Dec 29, Camp near Sykrehny. T. Goddard informs the Board of his unsuccessful action against Fateh Chand Pathak (zamindar of Sykrehny); requests that 12 men of Invalid Corps be employed in Asaf-ud-Daulah's service. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

13 Jan., 1777, No. 6

1777, Jan 13. The Board express their concern to T. Goddard at the loss sustained in the attack of Sykrehny fort; regret their inability to comply with his request of employing 12 men from the Invalid Corps in the Nawab Vazir's service. 2 pp.

Progs., 13 Jan., 1777, No. 7*

Jan 2, Chunar. A. Dow informs the Board that Govindjit (vassal of Raja Ajit Singh) is collecting troops to raid Mirzapur; states that he

*Original Consultations are missing.

shall act according to his judgement if Raja Chait Singh seeks his help. (Copy)—1 p.

13 Jan., 1777, No. 8

Jan 13. The Board authorise A. Dow to assist Raja Chait Singh against Ajit Singh. 1 p.

13 Jan., 1777, No. 9

Jan 13. W. Hastings proposes and R. Barwell concurs to a commission of 30% to Agent Victualler to the garrison at Fort William on the provision of all stores. (Minutes)—2 pp.

Progs., 13 Jan., 1777, No. 10*

1776, Dec 8. R. Johnson (Storekeeper at Fort William) submits accounts of provisions for garrison at Fort William. (A.L.S.—Enclosure to above)—5 pp.

13 Jan., 1777, No. B

1772, Mar 3. The account of the East India Company with the Storekeeper at Fort William for March 1772. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

13 Jan., 1777, No. C

1774, Apr 30. The account of the East India Company with the Storekeeper at Fort William from May 1772 to June 1773. (Enclosure)—1 p.

13 Jan., 1777, No. D

Apr 30. The account of purchases and disbursements made for the garrison provision stores for Fort William to the end of April 1774. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

13 Jan., 1777, No. E

1776, Dec 8. The account of stores received from the Collector of Hooghly on account of the East India Company from March to May 1772. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

13 Jan., 1777, No. F

Dec 8. The account of stores received from the Chief of Dacca on account of the East India Company in 1772. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

13 Jan., 1777, No. G

Dec 8. The account of the East India Company with the Storekeeper at Fort William 1772—1774. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

13 Jan., 1777, No. H

Dec 8. The account of stores received from the Chief of Patna and sold on account of the East India Company, 1772-74. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

13 Jan., 1777, No. I

Dec 8. General abstract statement of garrison, provisions—cost, sales and loss. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

13 Jan., 1777, No. K

*Original Consultation is missing.

Apr 30. The East India Company's account with the Storekeeper of the garrison provision for Fort William. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

13 Jan., 1777, No. L

1777*. J. Clavering opposes Governor General's plan for supplying provisions to garrison at Fort William. (Minute)—10 pp.

Progs., 13 Jan., 1777, No. 11†

Jan 13. Observations of P. Francis on the proposed commission to Agent Victualler for supply of provisions to Fort William. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 13 Jan., 1777, No. 12†

Jan 13. W. Hastings justifies the appointment of J. Belli as Agent Victualler to the garrison at Fort William. (Minute)—7 pp.

13 Jan., 1777, No. 13

Jan 13. Clavering refutes the Governor General's charge of favouritism in the appointment of J. Webber in the service of Asaf-ud-Daulah. (Minute)—3 pp.

13 Jan., 1777, No. 14

Jan 13. The discussion in the Board on the question regarding the appointment of J. Belli as Agent Victualler to the garrison at Fort William, and their resolution suspending the appointment of Belli for the present. 2 pp.

Progs., 13 Jan., 1777

Jan 13. J. Clavering objects to the 6th para of the letter to the Court of Directors. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

13 Jan., 1777, No. 15

Jan 13. J. Clavering's note of dissent on Board's letter to the Court of Directors regarding the Peshwa's alleged intention to detain J. Upton. (Minute)—3 pp.

13 Jan., 1777, No. 16

Jan 13. P. Francis objects to the 11th paragraph of the General Letter to the Court of Directors regarding the replacement of F. Fowke by T. Graham as the Postmaster of Benares. (Minute)—1 p.

13 Jan., 1777, No. 17

Jan 9. The Board convey their instructions to T. Graham on his appointment as Resident and Postmaster at Benares *vice* F. Fowke. 2 pp.

13 Jan., 1777, No. 18

Jan 9. The Board ask F. Fowke to deliver charge of his office to T. Graham. 1 p.

13 Jan., 1777, No. 19

*No date is given in the Proceedings.

†Original Consultations are missing.

Jan 13. J. Clavering protests against the issue of the above letter; adds that the annulment of the commission to F. Fowke will not lead to economy. (Minute)—2 pp.

13 Jan., 1777, No. 20

1776, Dec 31, Calcutta. Capt. H. Wedderburn (Master Attendant) asks the Secretary to the Board to acquaint the Governor General that the pilot schooners can be prepared in 10 days. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

13 Jan., 1777, No. 21

1777, Jan 16. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 16 Jan., 1777.

Jan 16. J. P. Auriol submits his report to the Board regarding the question of appointment of the Agent for the provision of victualling stores for the garrison of Fort William; the decision of the Board to appoint J. Belli as the Agent. 2 pp.

Progs., 16 Jan., 1777

Jan 13. J. Belli acknowledges the receipt of the letter from the Board intimating his appointment as Agent for the provision of victualling stores for the garrison of Fort William. 1 p.

*Progs., 16 Jan., 1777, No. 1**

Jan 15. J. Belli forwards to the Board market rates of the commodities for their approval. 1 p.

*Progs., 16 Jan., 1777, No. 2**

Jan 4, Islamabad. F. Law forwards to the Board Capt. E. Ellerker's plan to check the Magh depredations. 2 pp.

*Progs., 16 Jan., 1777, No. 3**

Jan 3, Islamabad. E. Ellerker (Commander of Sepoys at Chittagong) proposes to F. Law measures to prevent depredations of the Maghs. (Enclosure to above)—4 pp.

*Progs., 16 Jan., 1777, No. 4**

Jan 16. W. Hastings and P. Francis approve the plan recommended by E. Ellerker for opposing the incursions of the Maghs. (Minutes)—1 p.

Progs., 16 Jan., 1777

J. Murray (Secretary to the Board of Ordnance) informs the Board about the availability of gun carriages. 2 pp.

*Progs., 16 Jan., 1777, No. 5**

Jan 15, Calcutta. P. Kable (Naval Storekeeper) informs the Board that no gun carriage is available with him. 1 p.

*Progs., 16 Jan., 1777, No. 6**

H. Wedderburn informs the Board that the gun carriages are available but require repair; furnishes estimates of repairing and manufacturing charges. 2 pp.

*Progs., 16 Jan., 1777, No. 7**

*Original Consultations are missing.

Decision of the Board that the Master Attendant be directed to repair gun carriages which are capable of being repaired and make new ones agreeable to his estimate. (Order)—1 p.

Progs., 16 Jan., 1777

Jan 3, Dinapore. Lt. Col. B. Wilding reports to the Commander-in-Chief that two Frenchmen on their way to join R. Madec or Nizam Ali Khan have been arrested; seeks orders in this connection. 1 p.

*Progs., 16 Jan., 1777, No. 8**

Jan 16. The Board direct B. Wilding to keep a proper guard upon the Frenchmen and send them to the Commanding Officer at Barrackpore. 1 p.

*Progs., 16 Jan., 1777, No. 9**

W. Hastings puts before the Board two anonymous letters received from Madras and recommends that these be sent back to the President and Council of Fort St. George to enable them to detect their authors. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 16 Jan., 1777

Jan 16. The Board forward to the President and Council, Fort St. George two anonymous letters received by the Governor General; express hope that the handwriting will enable them to detect their authors. 1 p.

*Progs., 16 Jan., 1777, No. 10**

1776, Nov 19, Bombay. Letter to G. Pigot denouncing his arrest by G. Stratton; state that they acknowledge no other Governor of Fort St. George but Lord Pigot. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

*Progs., 16 Jan., 1777, No. 11**

Nov 19, Bombay. Letter condemning the arrest of G. Pigot by G. Stratton. (Extract)—4 pp.

*Progs., 16 Jan., 1777, No. 12**

1777, Jan 11, Calcutta. L. Oliver thanks the Board on his appointment as the Auditor-General for disbursements to the Nawab Vazir's troops and Assistant Paymaster-General. 2 pp.

Progs. 16 Jan., 1777

Jan 20. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 20 Jan., 1777

1776, Dec 4, Fort St. George. The President and Council at Fort St. George forward to the Board intelligence regarding Haidar Ali's warlike preparations; send a copy of the letter, together with its answer, which the Governor has received from the Raja of Travancore (Rama Varma); state that the French have received troops and stores from France and

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are building barracks at Pondicherry; request supplies of funds to meet the expenses of raising a force. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

20 Jan., 1777, No. 1

Nov 2, Muhammad Ali Khan informs Madras Government of hostile preparations of Haidar Ali; reports that Sadashivrao has taken Konkan and Raghunathrao intends to come to Seringapatam. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

20 Jan., 1777, No. A

Intelligence received from Seringapatam brought by *harkaras* containing particulars of the forces that serve Haidar Ali, repairing of the bridge of the fort of Seringapatam, and advance of the Marathas towards Seringapatam. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

20 Jan., 1777, No. B

Oct 13, Poona. Intelligence from Poona containing information that Raghunathrao has left Surat with 300 sepoys; Sakharam Bhagwant Bokil has sent peace proposals to him. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

20 Jan., 1777, No. C

Oct 20, Trivandrum. Rama Varma intimates to the Governor at Fort St. George that Haidar Ali has attacked Cranganur and seeks help fearing an attack from Haidar Ali. (Enclosure)—1 p.

20 Jan., 1777, No. D

The Government of Madras assure Rama Varma that Haidar Ali will not take up arms against any power included in an alliance with the English. (Enclosure)—1 p.

20 Jan., 1777, No. E

Nov 27, Madura. W. Russel forwards to J. Stuart intelligence received from Seringapatam and Anjengo relating to the strength of Haidar Ali's forces, his apprehension of an attack by the Nizam and the Marathas after the monsoon, and reinforcements reported to have been sent to Cochin by the Dutch. (Enclosure)—5 pp.

20 Jan., 1777, No. F

Dec 30, Fort St. George. The President and Select Committee at Fort St. George forward to the Board a letter received from the Government of Bombay relating to the dismissal of G. Pigot. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

20 Jan., 1777, No. 2

Nov 17, Bombay Castle. The President and Select Committee at Bombay inform G. Pigot that they condemn his arrest by G. Stratton; state that they acknowledge no other President or Governor at Fort St. George than G. Pigot. (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

20 Jan., 1777, No. 3

Sep 4, Fort St. George. The President and Council, Fort St. George inform the President and Council, Bombay that G. Pigot has been arrested on account of arbitrary and illegal proceedings and G. Stratton has become the new President; enclose copies of certain papers. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

20 Jan., 1777, No. 4

Dec 31*, Fort St. George. The President and Council, Fort St. George, protest to the President and Council at Bombay at their conduct in disowning the Government of Fort St. George; point out the evil consequences resulting from such an action. (Enclosure)—4 pp.

20 Jan., 1777, No. 5

1777, Jan 20. The decision of the Board that a letter of remonstrance be written to the President and Council at Bombay against their conduct towards the Government of Fort St. George. 1 p.

Progs., 20 Jan., 1777

1776, Dec 31, Balasore. R. Marriot reports to the Board about the rescue of crews of wrecked English ships confined by the zamindar of Kujang (Krishna Chandra Sandi); encloses copies of papers and requests for supply of money. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

20 Jan., 1777, No. 6

1777, Jan 13, Balasore. R. Marriot gives information to the Board on the same subject and encloses a list of persons who perished and those saved. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

20 Jan., 1777, No. 7

Krishna Chandra Sandi informs R. Marriot that he has released the Captain of the *Normande* and his men ship-wrecked off the coast of Kujang (Received 4 January 1776)†. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

20 Jan., 1777, No. G

1776, Dec 29, Cuttack. Shaikh Abdul Wadud (*munshi* at Cuttack) reports to R. Marriot about the plunder of ships by Raja of Kujang; seeks help of the Nawab of Cuttack for the restoration of cargo; forwards an appeal from Madhavji Hari (Subadar of Cuttack) seeking English help for punishing the refractory zamindar of Kujang. (Received 30 December 1776).

Krishna Chandra Sandi informs R. Marriot that he has released the crew of the ship wrecked off Kujang (Received 30 December 1776).

Dec 28, Kujang. Ganga Charan Ghose (*gumashta* at Kujang) reports to R. Marriot about the discussion held with Krishna Chandra Sandi in connection with the release of the crew and cargo of the wrecked *Normande*. (Enclosures)—8 pp.

20 Jan., 1777, No. H

1777, Jan 11, Balasore. Capt. Charanton gives detail of the wreck of the *Normande* at Kujang on the coast of Orissa; forwards names of the English persons, passengers on board the ship *Normande*. (Enclosure)—9 pp.

20 Jan., 1777, No. I

Jan 20. The Board direct the Chief and Council at Burdwan to advance Rs. 4000/- to R. Marriot at Balasore against bill from him. 1 p.

20 Jan., 1777, No. 8

1776, Nov 10, Camp near Bilgram. G. Stibbert expresses surprise at the censure which the Board passed upon his conduct; assures them full compliance with the spirit of their orders. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

20 Jan., 1777, No. I

*In the Proceedings volume the year given is 1777.

†This is the year given both in the Consultation and in the Proceedings volume. It should, however, be 1777.

Dec 8, Camp Bilgram. G. Stibbert proposes to exchange Company's young elephants with Asaf-ud-Daulah's full grown ones; intimates the arrest of two Frenchmen. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

20 Jan., 1777, No. 10

1777, Jan 20. The Board send to N. Middleton appraisement made by G. Stibbert of the elephants from the Nawab in part payment of muskets sent up for his use and ask him to give him credit on account of the same. 1 p.

20 Jan., 1777, No. 11

Jan 20. The Board approve of the appraisement made by G. Stibbert of the elephants received from the Nawab Vazir and direct him to give the Nawab credit on account of the same; also agree to the exchange of young elephants for older ones and ask him to secure the Nawab's accord for the same. 1 p.

20 Jan., 1777, No. 12

Appraisement of Asaf-ud-Daulah's elephants that were attached to the army and that have been received from him to complete the establishment fixed for a brigade in the field. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

20 Jan., 1777, No. K

1776, Nov 15, Benares. F. Fowke informs the Board that he has delivered over the fort of Jaunpur and its dependencies to Raja Chait Singh. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

20 Jan., 1777, No. 13

Dec 8, Benares. F. Fowke submits to the Board the accounts of the fort of Jaunpur and its dependencies. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

20 Jan., 1777, No. 14

Aug 16. Account of revenue disbursed by Nisar Ali Khan (*qiladar* of Jaunpur) from 18 July to 16 August 1776. (Enclosure to above)—7 pp.

20 Jan., 1777, No. N

Nov 11, Benares. Account of revenue from villages in Chunar appertaining to the fort of Jaunpur from 19 June to 11 November 1776. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

20 Jan., 1777, No. O

Jul 17, Benares. Account of revenue collected at Jaunpur and disbursement made by Nisar Ali Khan from 19 June to 17 July 1776. (Enclosure)—7 pp.

20 Jan., 1777, No. P

Jun 18, Benares. Account of revenue from villages in Chunar appertaining to the fort of Jaunpur from 7 February to 18 June 1776. (Enclosure)—4 pp.

20 Jan., 1777, No. Q

Jun 18, Benares. Account showing amount collected and amount outstanding from villages in Chunar appertaining to the fort of Jaunpur. (Enclosure)—5 pp.

20 Jan., 1777, No. R

Nov 20, Benares. The cash account of the East India Company for the months of September, October and November 1776. (Enclosure)—1 p.

20 Jan., 1777, No. V

1777, Jan 20. The Board direct T. Graham (Resident at Benares) to deliver to Raja Chait Singh Benares Rupees 15,918,400 as revenue of Jaunpur, collected by F. Fowke. 1 p.

20 Jan., 1777, No. 15

Jan 20. J. P. Auriol puts before the Board the prices of various articles against the prices given by J. Belli. 2 pp.

20 Jan., 1777, No. 16

Jan 20. J. Belli forwards market rates of the commodities for Board's approval. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

20 Jan., 1777, No. 17

Jan 20. Market prices of musters delivered to the Board for approbation. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

20 Jan., 1777, No. 18

Jan 20. J. Belli submits to the Board the names of *Dallals* from whom he got information in respect of musters. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

20 Jan., 1777, No. 19

Jan 20. The Board agree to fix the prices agreeable to the reports by the Secretaries and decide that the Agent Victualler be directed to supply provisions accordingly. 1 p.

Progs., 20 Jan., 1777

Jan 16. H. Wedderburn submits to the Board estimates of the charges for making gun carriages. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

20 Jan., 1777, No. 20

Estimates of the cost of making gun carriages of teakwood. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

20 Jan., 1777, No. L

Estimates of making gun carriages of sal-wood. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

20 Jan., 1777, No. M

Jan 20. Order of the Board that the Master Attendant be directed to manufacture gun carriages in question conformably to his estimates and execute the order expeditiously. 2 pp.

Progs., 20 Jan., 1777

Jan 27.

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B.S., 27 Jan., 1777

Jan 27. The Board warn the Government of Bombay of the dangerous consequences of making a public declaration of the illegality of powers exercised by the Government of Fort St. George; narrate how G. Pigot lost majority in the Council of Fort St. George and request that they

should acknowledge and support the present Government at Madras as it is constituted, till such time the judgement of the Court of Directors is known. 5 pp.

27 Jan., 1777, No. 1

Jan 27. The Board inform the Government of Fort St. George that they have strongly remonstrated to the Government of Bombay for non-recognition of G. Stratton's Government; state that they do not consider the present exigency alarming for the supply of money. 3 pp.

27 Jan., 1777, No. 2

1776, Dec 5, Poona. J. Upton informs the Board that Sakharam Bhagwant Bokil has received the letter with expressions of satisfaction; reminds them to write to Balaji Pandit (Nana Phadnavis) also; informs that the conduct of Bombay Government in giving protection to Raghunathrao has prejudiced the ministers at Poona; requests the Board to appoint a Resident at Poona without which business between the two Governments cannot be well transacted; encloses copies of correspondence with the Government of Bombay on the subject. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

27 Jan., 1777, No. 3

***1776, Nov 7, Bombay Castle.** The President and Select Committee at Bombay transmit to J. Upton a list of places contiguous to Broach with their annual revenues; consent to the exchange of these territories with those offered by the Marathas if they will make up the deficiency by the assignment of some other territories. (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

27 Jan., 1777, No. A

List of districts in the neighbourhood of Broach with their annual revenues. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

27 Jan., 1777, No. B

Nov 17, Poona. J. Upton intimates to the President and Select Committee at Bombay that he has acquainted the Peshwa's ministers with the contents of their letter; requests further information about the valuation of revenues of certain districts; discounts the possibility of the reported arrival of Raghunathrao at Bombay; informs that the Peshwa's ministers have agreed to grant a *jagir* on Raghunathrao. (Enclosure)—4 pp.

27 Jan., 1777, No. C

Nov 19, Poona. J. Upton forwards to the Government of Bombay copy of a letter from the Peshwa relating to the presence of Raghunathrao at Bombay and seeks reply on the accusations contained in it. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

27 Jan., 1777, No. D

Madhavrao Narayan complains to J. Upton that the action of the Bombay Government in giving protection to Raghunathrao is foreign to the meaning of the treaty; requests him to ascertain the purpose of the Bombay Government in giving asylum to Raghunathrao. (In Persian and English—Enclosure)—4 pp.

27 Jan., 1777, No. E

Nov 20, Bombay Castle. The President and Select Committee of Bombay intimate to J. Upton the reasons for receiving Sadashivrao Bhau and his followers at Salsette. (A.L.S.—Enclosure)—3 pp.

27 Jan., 1777, No. F

W. Hornby explains to Madhavrao Narayan the reasons for giving protection to Sadashivrao Bhau and receiving his followers at Salsette. (Enclosure—English & Persian)—4 pp.

27 Jan., 1777, No. G

Dec 1, Poona. J. Upton urges the Select Committee of Bombay to consider the terms offered by the Poona Darbar in connection with 5th article of the Treaty of Purandhar; encloses copy of accounts of revenues of the ceded districts and instructions sent by the Peshwa to the Maratha agents at Broach. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

27 Jan., 1777, No. H

Dec 1. Account of the yearly revenues of certain parganas. (Enclosure)—1 p.

27 Jan., 1777, No. I

Instructions from the Peshwa Madhavrao to the Maratha agent at Broach for making over the country of three lacs to the East India Company. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

27 Jan., 1777, No. K

Nov 30, Bombay Castle. The President and Select Committee, Bombay explain to J. Upton the reasons why protection was given to Raghunathrao. (A.L.S.—Enclosure)—4 pp.

27 Jan., 1777, No. L

1777, Jan 27. The Board prohibit the Bombay Government from interfering in the internal affairs of the Marathas; demand explanation of all the transactions leading to the taking of refuge by Raghunathrao under the Bombay Government. 4 pp.

27 Jan., 1777, No. 4

Jan 27. A. Hardy (Commanding the Invalids at Dinapore) requests T. Goddard to consider the reinstatement of superannuated Pir Mohammad discharged from the Nawab Vazir's service; Capt. T. Ware's request to A. Hardy to the same effect. (Extracts)—1 p.

27 Jan., 1777, No. 5

Jan 27. The Board inform T. Goddard that the Commander-in-Chief has been directed to reinstate Pir Mohammad under his command. 1 p.

27 Jan., 1777, No. 6

Jan 26. The Board acknowledge the receipt of amount of Raja Chait Singh's tribute for the months of October and December and requests T. Graham to forward the bill for the month of November. 1 p.

27 Jan., 1777, No. 7

Jan 27. J. P. Auriol reports on the list of musters delivered in by the Agent Victualler for the garrison of Fort William. 2 pp.

27 Jan., 1777, No. 8

Statement of the market price of the musters delivered by J. Belli. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

27 Jan., 1777, No. 9

List of stores to be supplied for three months. (Enclosure)—1 p.

27 Jan., 1777, No. 10

Jan 22. J. Belli requests the Board to make payment of money in advance against the supply of provisions. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

27 Jan., 1777, No. 11

Jan 27. Order of the Board that the sum of Rs. 25,000/- be advanced to the Agent Victualler from the Treasury. 1 p.

Progs., 27 Jan., 1777

Feb 3. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 3 Feb., 1777

Jan 18, Lucknow. J. Bristow reports to the Board his dispute with Asaf-ud-Daulah regarding punishment of mutinous battalions; forwards papers exchanged between the Vazir and himself on the dispute. (A.L.S.)—6 pp.

3 Feb., 1777, No. 1

Jan 19, Lucknow. J. Bristow reports to the Board the depredation committed by some Marathas in the service of Najaf Khan in the Vazir's territories; forwards copy of instructions issued by the Vazir to T. Goddard on this occasion; pleads for the Company's protection to Saadat Ali Khan; dwells on the relations between the Marathas and the Rana of Gohad (Chhatar Singh); reports the death of Hindupat (Raja of Panna). (A.L.S.)—7 pp.

3 Feb., 1777, No. 2

Asaf-ud-Daulah issues instructions to T. Goddard on the depredations committed by Najaf Khan into the Nawab's territories.

Engagement undertaken by Asaf-ud-Daulah not to inflict any punishment on the battalions of Ghulam Singh and Bahadar Singh, (dated 13 January 1777).

Engagement by J. Bristow on the subject of the dispute between the Nawab and the mutinous battalions. (Enclosures to above)—6 pp.

3 Feb., 1777, No. A

Feb 3. W. Hastings desires that J. Bristow may be asked to answer certain questions regarding the nature of engagement undertaken by Asaf-ud-Daulah towards the mutinous battalion in case they delivered their arms. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 3 Feb., 1777

Feb 3. The Board ask N. Middleton to report on the circumstances leading to the execution of a wakil of the mutinous battalion against whom the Vazir had promised to use no violence. 3 pp.

3 Feb., 1777, No. 3

Jan 20, Benares. T. Graham informs the Board that he has taken charge of the post of the Resident as well as papers respecting the office of the Postmaster at Benares; forwards bills for the amount paid by Raja Chait Singh as payment of his *kist* to the Company. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

3 Feb., 1777, No. 4

Feb 3. The decision of the Board that the allowances to T. Graham and his deputy be paid by the *Bakhshi* and that he draws the expenses of the post office from the Postmaster-General. (Resolution)—1 p.

Progs., 3 Feb., 1777

Feb 3. The decision by the Board that T. Graham may be addressed as Resident at Benares. (Minutes)—2 pp.

3 Feb., 1777, No. 5

Feb 3. The Board direct T. Graham to draw allowances for himself and for his Department from the *Bakhshi's* office in Calcutta and draw upon the Postmaster-General for the expenses of the post office. 1 p.

3 Feb., 1777, No. 6

1776, Nov 6, Chunargarh. A. Hannay informs the Board that his conduct towards Saadat Ali Khan will be guided by their instructions of 24th ultimo; assures that he will make his best endeavour to secure withdrawal of Saadat Ali Khan from the court of Najaf Khan. (A.L.S.)—3 pp

3 Feb., 1777, No. 7

Nov 25, Chunargarh. A. Hannay forwards to the Board copy of a reply from Najaf Khan; informs of the dismissal of W. Reinhardt by Najaf Khan. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

3 Feb., 1777, No. 8

Nov 9. Najaf Khan requests A. Hannay to assist him with the Company's army. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

3 Feb., 1777, No. B

1777, Jan 7, Camp near Sykrehny. T. Goddard recommends to the Board the appointment of surgeons to the Nawab Vazir's army; acquaints about the illness of Lt. L. Smith; encloses his letter for the Board's perusal. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

3 Feb., 1777, No. 9

1776, Dec 27, Allahabad. L. Smith intimates to T. Goddard about his illness and desires that his letter be placed before the Board. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

3 Feb., 1777, No. C

1777, Jan 13, Camp near Sykrehny. T. Goddard informs the Board that he will request Asaf-ud-Daulah to augment the battalions under the command of W. McClary and A. Balfour; assures that he will comply with

their directions regarding the appointment of L. Oliver as Auditor General and Ensign Kyd as Field Engineer; expresses satisfaction on the fulfilment of request of the Vazir for a Quarter Master General; requests to supply 5000 stands of arms for the Vazir; informs about the death of Lt. E. Blacker of wounds received while besieging Sykrehny. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

3 Feb., 1777, No. 10

Feb 3. The Board inform T. Goddard that two surgeons have been ordered to join him; order him not to give any contract for provisions without the previous sanction of the Board. 2 pp.

3 Feb., 1777, No. 11

Jan 23*. L. Collings submits to the Board proposals for supplying the Vazir with horses for the establishment of his cavalry. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

3 Feb., 1777, Nos. 12 & 13

Feb 3. P. Francis and R. Barwell approve of the proposals submitted by L. Collings; W. Hastings proposes to give his opinion after he had seen the Generals. (Minutes)—1 p.

Progs., 3 Feb., 1777

Feb 17. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 17 Feb., 1777

Feb 17. Observations of J. Clavering on L. Collings' proposals to supply the Nawab Vazir's cavalry by contract. (Minute)—5 pp.

17 Feb., 1777, No. 1

Feb 17. Views of P. Francis on L. Collings' proposals to supply the Nawab Vazir's cavalry by contract. (Minute)—4 pp.

17 Feb., 1777, No. 2

Feb 17. W. Hastings and R. Barwell propose to refer L. Collings' proposals to the Nawab Vazir for acceptance. (Minutes)—1 p.

17 Feb., 1777, No. 3

Feb 17. The Board resolve that the Governor General be requested to communicate L. Collings' proposals to Asaf-ud-Daulah leaving it to him to accept them if he found them advantageous. (Resolution)—1 p.

Progs., 17 Feb., 1777

Feb 17. The Board agree to enquire from T. Goddard the manner in which the Nawab's cavalry under the command of the British officers are furnished with horses. 1 p.

Progs., 17 Feb., 1777

Feb 17. W. Hastings proposes laying up thirty lacs of *sikka* rupees as a deposit in Fort William as required by the Court of Directors in their

*The date of the Consultation No. 12 has been wrongly given as 13 January in the proceedings volume.

letter dated 23 March 1770; R. Barwell, J. Clavering and P. Francis agree to the Governor General's proposal. (Minutes)— pp.

17 Feb., 1777, No. 4

Feb 17. J. Clavering proposes that the Governor General and the Council may have each a key of the new Treasury; money should be counted at the new Treasury; W. Hastings approves of the above proposals and suggests that each member may send a person to be present at the weighing of the money when it is deposited in the Treasury and put his own lock on the Treasury door; further adds that half of the sum to be deposited should consist of gold; R. Barwell and P. Francis approve. (Minutes)—1 p.

17 Feb., 1777, No. 5

W. Hastings proposes that G. Boyd may be appointed as a surgeon to Nawab Vazir in place of Laird; approved by J. Clavering, R. Barwell and P. Francis. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

17 Feb., 1777, No. 6

Jan 18, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board that he has taken over from J. Bristow and has been well received at the hands of Asaf-ud-Daulah; states that he has been presented a *khilat* and ask the manner of returning the compliment. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

17 Feb., 1777, No. 7

Jan 26, Lucknow. N. Middleton forwards to the Board copy of a letter from T. Goddard together with the extracts from the papers of intelligence reflecting hostile designs of Najaf Khan towards Oudh; informs that T. Goddard has been directed by the Nawab to defend Sasni against Najaf Khan and compel Afrasiyab Khan (Najaf Khan's lieutenant) to withdraw from his dominions; encloses copies of instructions issued to Goddard by the Nawab and himself on this subject; also forwards copy of a letter addressed by the Nawab to Najaf Khan remonstrating at his act of hostility and apprising him of the means taken by the Nawab to maintain his rights; hopes that the steps taken will finally terminate the dispute without proceeding to further extremities. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

17 Feb., 1777, No. 8

Jan 24, Lucknow. N. Middleton forwards to T. Goddard the reply of his letter and copy of a letter which Asaf-ud-Daulah has written to Najaf Khan; communicates the Nawab's directions to defend Sasni against Najaf Khan; suggests the strategy to be adopted towards Afrasiyab Khan if the latter does not withdraw from the Nawab's dominions. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

17 Feb., 1777, No. A

Intelligence from the camp of Najaf Khan. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

17 Feb., 1777, No. B

Asaf-ud-Daulah directs T. Goddard to defend Sasni against Afrasiyab Khan; sends a copy of letter he has written to Najaf Khan on this subject. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

17 Feb., 1777, No. C

***Jan 29, Benares.** T. Graham informs the Board that he will make known to Raja Chait Singh that collections of the fort of Jaunpur and its dependencies belonged to him by virtue of the treaty with the Nawab; requests that the supplies of stationery be expedited or he be authorized a sum for purchasing the same at Patna. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

17 Feb., 1777, No. D

Asaf-ud-Daulah asks Najaf Khan to punish Afrasiyab Khan for besieging Sasni fort; informs him that T. Goddard has been directed to defend Sasni. (Enclosure)—4 pp.

17 Feb., 1777, No. E

Intelligence from the camp of Najaf Khan. (Enclosure)—7 pp.

17 Feb., 1777, No. F

Jan 26, Lucknow. N. Middleton reports to the Board about the talks held with Mirza Muhammad Khalil Khan (Najaf Khan's agent with Asaf-ud-Daulah); intimates that Mirza Muhammad Khalil Khan informed him that Najaf Khan entered Nawab's dominions at the instance of some of his officers; forwards copy of the day's news and hopes that Najaf Khan's hostile intentions will prove to have been ill-founded. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

17 Feb., 1777, No. 9

Jan 27, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board that he has received intelligence that Najaf Khan has sent a positive order to Afrasiyab Khan to withdraw his forces from Sasni and to join him at Coal (Aligarh), and that Agha Hussain (Vazir's *amil*) and W. McClary solicited his continuance in the neighbourhood until they receive from Bhoop Singh (zamindar of Mursan) the amount which he owes to Asaf-ud-Daulah. 2 pp.

Progs., 17 Feb., 1777, No. 10†

Jan 28, Lucknow. N. Middleton forwards to the Board correspondence between T. Goddard and Najaf Khan regarding conduct of the troops under Afrasiyab Khan at Sasni; states that Asaf-ud-Daulah doubts the explanations given by Najaf Khan to Goddard; adds that preparations against Najaf Khan are continuing. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

17 Feb., 1777, No. 11

Correspondence between T. Goddard and Najaf Khan; Goddard advises Najaf Khan to take action against intruders into the Nawab Vazir's territories. (Enclosures to above)—6 pp.

17 Feb., 1777, No. G

Jan 28, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board that he has detained Hill (Assistant Paymaster) until the arrival of any other Assistant. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

17 Feb., 1777, No. 12

Jan 3, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board that there is no further cause to suspect Najaf Khan's hostile designs on the Nawab Vazir's dominions; narrates the circumstances which gave rise to hostilities at Sasni. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

17 Feb., 1777, No. 13

*In the Proceedings volume the subject matter is altogether different. It is exactly copy of Consultation No. A, 17 February 1777.

†Original Consultation is missing.

Feb 3, Lucknow. N. Middleton communicates to the Board his views on grant of *batta* to the troops of the Nawab under the British officers; requests supply of stationery agreeable to the enclosed indent. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

17 Feb., 1777, No. 14

Feb 17. The Board ask N. Middleton to present a *nazr* to Asaf-ud-Daulah on his appointment as Resident; approve his detention of Hill. 2 pp.

17 Feb., 1777, No. 15

Feb 17. The Board accept the recommendation of the Commander-in-Chief for the appointment of Lt. W. Bourke to the Nawab Vazir's service occasioned by the resignation of L. Smith. 2 pp.

Progs., 17 Feb., 1777

Jan 29, Camp near Sykrehny. T. Goddard narrates to the Board the circumstances respecting Najaf Khan's conduct which have aroused suspicion of his intentions towards the Nawab's territories; says that Najaf Khan has promised to make reparation for irregularities committed by his people while pursuing Bhoop Singh in his flight into the Nawab's dominions; reports the rumours of Timur Shah's invasion of Hindustan. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

17 Feb., 1777, No. 16

Feb 17. Observations of J. Clavering, W. Hastings and R. Barwell on letters from N. Middleton and T. Goddard relative to the hostilities committed by Najaf Khan on the Nawab Vazir's territories. (Minutes)—2 pp.

17 Feb., 1777, No. 17

Feb 17. The Board ask T. Goddard to submit particulars regarding horses belonging to the Nawab Vazir's cavalry commanded by the British officers; inform him that W. Bourke has been appointed in the vacancy of L. Smith. 1 p.

17 Feb., 1777, No. 18

Jan 22, Lucknow. J. Bristow informs the Board that he has handed over charge of his office as Resident to N. Middleton. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

17 Feb., 1777, No. 19A

Jan 22, Lucknow. J. Bristow forwards to the Board the papers containing his observations on the administration of the Nawab of Oudh. (A.L.S.)—15 pp.

17 Feb., 1777, No. 19B

Jan 27, Benares. F. Fowke informs the Board that he has delivered charge of his office to T. Graham. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

17 Feb., 1777, No. 20

Jan 22, Camp near Sykrehny. T. Goddard intimates to J. Bristow about the hostile intentions of Najaf Khan towards the Nawab's territories; sends a letter for the Nawab and awaits his orders to move against Najaf Khan. (Copy)—1 p.

17 Feb., 1777, No. 21

Feb 5, Benares. T. Graham transmits to the Board bills for the amount paid by Raja Chait Singh as his tribute to the Company. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

17 Feb., 1777, No. 22

Feb 9, Benares. T. Graham forwards to the Board copy of an earlier letter pertaining to bill in payment of Raja Chait Singh's tribute. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

17 Feb., 1777, No. 23

Feb 10, Benares. T. Graham transmits to the Board bills of exchange for the amount paid by Raja Chait Singh as his tribute to the Company and encloses copy of letter dated 5 November 1776 addressed by F. Fowke to the Board. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

17 Feb., 1777, No. 24

1776, Nov 5, Benares. F. Fowke transmits to the Board bills for the amount as part payment of Raja Chait Singh's tribute to the Company. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

17 Feb., 1777, No. 25

1777, Feb 8. J. Murray requests the Board for appointment of additional armourers for fitting up the repairable muskets required by Asaf-ud-Daulah. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

17 Feb., 1777, No. 26

Feb 17. The Board agree to manufacture 5000 stand of arms in the mode recommended by the Board of Ordnance; sanction the appointment of additional armourers as desired by the Board of Ordnance. (Resolution)—2 pp.

Progs, 17 Feb., 1777

Feb 24. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 24 Feb., 1777

Feb 24. W. Hastings proposes that the proceedings of the commissioners appointed by the Board to investigate the charges brought against Munni Begam be considered by the Board; comments of P. Francis, R. Barwell and J. Clavering on the same. (Minutes)—5 pp.

Progs., 24 Feb., 1777

Jan 27, Lucknow. J. Bristow informs the Board that he has delivered over the office of Paymaster to the Nawab Vazir's troops to N. Middleton; forwards the accounts of money disbursed to the British officers in the service of the Vazir. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

24 Feb., 1777, No. 1

Accounts of advances made to the British officers in the service of Nawab Vazir, March-November 1776. (Enclosure to above)—5 pp.

24 Feb., 1777, No. A

1776, Dec 1. Account of money disbursed by F. Palmer (Deputy Paymaster in the Rohilkhand) from 10 April—30 November 1776. (Enclosure)—1 p.

24 Feb., 1777, No. B

1777, Jan 25, Lucknow. List of the British officers who have been paid by the Deputy Paymaster. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

24 Feb., 1777, No. C

Feb 26. Minutes of Consultation.

BS., 26 Feb., 1777

Feb 7, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board that the Nawab Vazir has been credited for the amount evaluated by G. Stibbert. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

26 Feb., 1777, No. 1

Feb 8, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board that the Nawab Vazir has received letter from Shah Alam and his ministers; states that he will report on the designs of the King after his meeting with the Nawab. (A.L.S.)—9 pp.

26 Feb., 1777, No. 2

Feb 9, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board that the Nawab Vazir is determined not to comply with the wishes of Shah Alam. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

26 Feb., 1777, No. 3

Feb 9, Lucknow. N. Middleton narrates to the Board the position of rival parties at the Nawab's court; states that the Nawab has granted *khilats* to Mirza Hasan Riza Khan and Haidar Beg Khan. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

26 Feb., 1777, No. 4

Feb 11, Lucknow. N. Middleton forwards to the Board translations of letters written by Asaf-ud-Daulah to Shah Alam and his ministers excusing compliance of the King's summons; also sends translation of a letter he wrote to Shah Alam at the instance of the Nawab to strengthen his plea with the King; intimates the unsettled state of Gorakhpur and the difficulties encountered in realising the revenue; reports that the Nawab Vazir intends to march to Gorakhpur after the *Muharram* to put its affairs in order. (A.L.S.)—6 pp.

26 Feb., 1777, No. 5

Shah Alam desires Asaf-ud-Daulah's attendance at Anupshahr. (Translation—Enclosure to above)—1 p.

26 Feb., 1777, No. A

Abdul Ahad Khan invites Asaf-ud-Daulah to come to Anupshahr accompanied by N. Middleton to see Shah Alam. (Translation—Enclosure)—2 pp.

26 Feb., 1777, No. B

Asaf-ud-Daulah expresses his inability to Shah Alam to present himself before him at Anupshahr; states that after chastising the rebellious zamindars of Gorakhpur he may obey the summons of the King. (Translation).

N. Middleton thanks Shah Alam for referring to his name in his correspondence with Asaf-ud-Daulah; states that the Nawab Vazir is unable

o see him because of the rebellious conduct of the zamindars of Gorakhpur. Translation).

Asaf-ud-Daulah informs Abdul Ahad Khan that he will see Shah Alam after suppressing the refractory zamindars of Gorakhpur. (Translation—Enclosures)—4 pp.

26 Feb., 1777, No. C

Jan 27, Purandhar. J. Upton informs the Board that he will leave for Bengal after the arrival of T. Mostyn who has been Resident of the Bombay Government at Poona Darbar; encloses copies of the correspondence with Bombay Government which will reflect how fully he was engaged in reconciling the difficulties between that Presidency and the Maratha Government; dwells on the opposition made by the ministers of Madhavrao Narayan on his deputation; reports about the execution of Sadahivrao Bhau and forwards an intelligence report on the incident. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

26 Feb., 1777, No. 6

1776, Dec 6, Bombay Castle. The President and Select Committee, Bombay inform J. Upton that they have issued necessary directions to their commissioners at Broach to complete the 5th article of the treaty. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

26 Feb., 1777, No. D

Dec 11, Bombay Castle. The President and Select Committee, Bombay inform J. Upton that free intercourse of trade and commerce with the Maratha dominion has been obstructed by the Poona Darbar; desire him to obtain proper orders from the Poona Darbar for the Maratha agents at Broach for ceding territories to the Company as stipulated by the treaty; ask him to obtain the views of Poona Darbar regarding Raghunathrao's residence in one of the Company's settlements on a suitable stipend. (Enclosure)—4 pp.

26 Feb., 1777, No. E

Dec 12, Poona. J. Upton informs the Select Committee, Bombay that the Vakil of Peshwa will lay before them the terms of reconciliation between Raghunathrao and the Maratha Government; requests them to write a friendly letter to the Peshwa; informs that Mahadji Ramchandra has been appointed Agent of the Poona Darbar for settlement of *jama-bandi* of pargana Jambusar. (A.L.S.—Enclosure)—5 pp.

26 Feb., 1777, No. F

Dec 18, Bombay Castle. The President and Select Committee, Bombay forward to J. Upton a friendly letter for the Peshwa and state that they expect a reciprocity on his part; state that Benares will be a suitable place for the residence of Raghunathrao; explain their intention of appointing a Resident at Poona; state that receipts for the amount of *jama-bandi* collected from Jambusar and Surat will be issued. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

26 Feb., 1777, No. G

Dec 29, Purandhar. J. Upton informs the Select Committee, Bombay that the ministers of Peshwa have accepted their offer of deputing a Resident at Poona; express the hope that the appointment of a Resident will adjust everything relative to the intercourse of trade and commerce between the two governments. (A.L.S.—Enclosure)—2 pp.

26 Feb., 1777, No. H

Dec 31, Bombay Castle. The President and Select Committee, Bombay ask J. Upton to procure orders for the agents of the Maratha Government and transmit the same to Broach; also request to send proper *sanads* for the ceded territories. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

26 Feb., 1777, No. I

1777, Jan 3, Bombay Castle. The President and Select Committee, Bombay request J. Upton to remove the objections of the ministers of the Peshwa on the appointment of T. Mostyn as Resident at Poona; explain the part played by Mostyn in the attack of Salsette. (A.L.S.—Enclosure)—3 pp.

26 Feb., 1777, No. K

Jan 9, Purandhar. J. Upton informs the Select Committee, Bombay that orders for immediate making over of the pargana as stipulated in the treaty have been sent by the Peshwa to his agent at Broach; states that the ministers of the Peshwa are opposed to the deputation of T. Mostyn to Poona; forwards a copy of letter received from the Peshwa in this connection. (A.L.S.—Enclosure)—3 pp.

26 Feb., 1777, No. L

Madhavrao Narayan informs J. Upton that he opposes the idea of deputation of T. Mostyn as Resident at Poona (Received 8 January 1777). (Enclosure)—3 pp.

26 Feb., 1777, No. M

Jan 13, Bombay Castle. The President and Select Committee, Bombay inform J. Upton that they have reappointed T. Mostyn as Resident at Poona. (A.L.S.—Enclosure)—3 pp.

26 Feb., 1777, No. N

Public enquiry conducted by the Poona Government regarding the identity of Sadashivrao Bhau. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

26 Feb., 1777, No. O

Mar 10. [] Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 10 Mar., 1777

Fort Major recommends the establishment of servants required for the implementation of the Governor General's plan for supply of provisions for the garrison of Fort William. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 10 Mar., 1777

Mar 13. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 13 Mar., 1777

Mar 19. J. Belli requests the Board for payment of balance against the supplies of stores to Fort William; encloses list of items supplied. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

13 Mar., 1777, No. 1

Mar 10. List of stores supplied by J. Belli. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

13 Mar., 1777, No. 2

Mar 13. The Board accede to the request made by J. Belli in respect of the payment of balance and grant of advance of money; J. Clavering desires to do nothing in the matter. (Resolution)—2 pp.

Progs., 13 Mar., 1777

Feb 21, Bhagalpur. J. Bristow answers certain queries of the Board regarding the engagement of Asaf-ud-Daulah with the mutinous battalions. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

13 Mar., 1777, No. 3

Mar 7. J. Bristow informs the Board of his arrival at Calcutta; seeks the instructions of the Board regarding the disposal of jewels deposited by the Nawab; encloses list of account of jewels deposited with him. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

13 Mar., 1777, No. 4

Jan 24, Lucknow. Accounts of jewels deposited with J. Bristow by Asaf-ud-Daulah. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

13 Mar., 1777, No. A

The Board decide that it may be enquired from J. Bristow by what order he has received the jewels he has brought down and what authority, if any, he has from the Nawab to sell them and to carry the amount to the credit of his accounts with the Company. (Order)—1 p.

Progs., 13 Mar., 1777

W. Hastings informs the Board that he has received dispatches from the Grand Lama of Tibet which are being translated. (Minute)—1 p.

Progs., 13 Mar., 1777

Mar 31. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 31 Mar., 1777

Mar 14, Chandernagore. J. B. Chevalier reports to the Board the arrival of Comte de Bellecombe to succeed Law de Lauriston as Commandant General of the French Establishments in India. (Translation)—2 pp.

31 Mar., 1777, No. 1

1776, Nov 10, Pondicherry. Law de Lauriston requests the Board to make payment of money due to the French from the Custom House at Hooghly. (Translation)—10 pp.

31 Mar., 1777, No. 2

1777, Jan 20, Pondicherry. Comte de Bellecombe reports his arrival to the Board to succeed Law de Lauriston; states that he had been nominated Commissary jointly with Chevreau to settle differences between the French and other European nations. (Translation)—2 pp.

31 Mar., 1777, No. 3

Jan 12, Pondicherry. Comte de Bellecombe and Chevreau report their arrival at Pondicherry; state that they have been nominated to settle differences between the French and other European nations. (Copy)—2 pp.

31 Mar., 1777, No. 4

Mar 16. The Board congratulate Comte de Bellecombe on his assuming office of the Commandant General of the French Establishments in India. 2 pp.

31 Mar., 1777, No. 5

Mar 16. The Board congratulate Bellecombe and Chevreau, French Commissioners, on their accession to the post; assure them co-operation. 2 pp.

31 Mar., 1777, No. 6

Feb 24, Chandernagore. J. B. Chevalier represents to the Board against the Faujdar of Hooghly for obstructing French trade and seeks redress of grievances. (Translation)—3 pp.

31 Mar., 1777, No. 7

Mar 14, Chandernagore. J. B. Chevalier represents against the Faujdar of Hooghly for obstructing the departure of the French boats; enquires if the Board have any reasons for the same. (Translation)—2 pp.

31 Mar., 1777, No. 8

Mar 31. W. Hastings proposes that J. B. Chevalier's letters be sent to the Collector of local Customs with orders to enquire into the facts alluded to and to give immediate relief to the merchants at Chandernagore if their complaints appear to be just; R. Barwell, J. Clavering and P. Francis agree to the proposal. (Minutes)—2 pp.

31 Mar., 1777, No. 9

The decision of the Board was accordingly conveyed to the Collector of the Government Customs. 1 p.

Progs., 31 Mar., 1777

Mar 16. The Board inform J. B. Chevalier that the Collector of Government Duties has been ordered to make a personal enquiry into the complaints preferred by him and to grant suitable redress to the merchants at Chandernagore. 2 pp.

31 Mar., 1777, No. 10

Mar 14, Hooghly. J. M. Ross (Chief at Cossimbazar Dutch Factory) forwards to the Board extract of a letter from J. Bacheracht (Dutch Commissary at Chinsura) who complains of discourtesy of Bengal Government. (Translation)—3 pp.

31 Mar., 1777, No. 11

Mar 2, Endracht. J. Bacheracht reports to J. M. Ross about the discourtesy of Bengal Government. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

31 Mar., 1777, No. 12

Mar 31. W. Hastings explains to the Board the position in regard to the discourtesy alleged to have been shown towards J. Bacheracht. (Minute)—3 pp.

31 Mar., 1777, No. 13

Feb 19. General Order regarding salute to be presented on the arrival of J. Bacheracht. (Extract)—1 p.

31 Mar., 1777, No. 14

Mar 25. The Board explain to J. M. Ross the position with regard to discourtesy alleged to have been shown towards J. Bacheracht when he passed through Calcutta; forwards copy of the General Order on the subject of salute to be presented to J. Bacheracht. 2 pp.

31 Mar., 1777, No. 15

Mar 7, Benares. T. Graham transmits to the Board bill for the amount as payment of Raja Chait Singh's tribute to the Company. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

31 Mar., 1777, No. 16

Mar 19, Calcutta. J. Petrie informs the Board that he has ordered the departure of boats detained at Chandernagore and has asked the Faujdar to explain the reasons for their detention. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

31 Mar., 1777, No. 17

Mar 24, Calcutta. J. Petrie forwards to the Board a copy of a letter from Faujdar of Hooghly which explains the grounds of dispute between the Faujdar and the French merchants; states that the main reason for dispute was the enhanced duty levied on goods of the French private merchants. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

31 Mar., 1777, No. 18

The Faujdar of Hooghly reports to J. Petrie the grounds of the French complaints. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

31 Mar., 1777, No. 19

W. Hastings proposes to levy a duty of $2\frac{1}{2}\%$ on the goods of the French private merchants reserving the right of the Government of 4% whenever it may choose to reclaim it; comments of J. Clavering, P. Francis and R. Barwell on the same. (Minutes)—3 pp.

31 Mar., 1777, No. 20

Mar 28. The Board inform J. B. Chevalier of the reduced rate of duties chargeable from the French private merchants. 3 pp.

31 Mar., 1777, No. 21

J. Clavering and P. Francis object to the form and style of the draft letter to J. B. Chevalier on reducing the duties levied on French private merchants. (Minutes)—2 pp.

31 Mar., 1777, No. 22

Observations of W. Hastings on the objections raised by J. Clavering and P. Francis in regard to the proposed letter to J. B. Chevalier. (Minute)—1 p.

31 Mar., 1777, No. 23

Mar 21. The Board inform J. B. Chevalier that they have reduced rates of duties levied on goods of private French merchants. 3 pp.

31 Mar., 1777, No. 24

Comment of J. Clavering on the interpretation put forward by the Governor General on the exercise of powers by the Company as *Diwan*. (Minute)—2 pp.

31 Mar., 1777, No. 25

Mar 15. Lt. Col. M. Leslie and Maj. J. Stainforth request the Board to draw the attention of the Court of Directors to the Nawab Vazir's donation to the Company's troops participating in the Rohilla war and determination of their shares. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

31 Mar., 1777, No. 26

Comments by W. Hastings and the members of the Board on the question of distribution of the Nawab Vazir's donation to the Company's army. (Minutes)—3 pp.

31 Mar., 1777, No. 27

Feb 17, Sykrehny. T. Goddard informs the Board that he has received military stores from Lucknow; adds that Najaf Khan has joined Shah Alam; states that he does not expect any danger to the Nawab's dominions. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

31 Mar., 1777, No. 28

Feb 23, Sykrehny. T. Goddard forwards to the Board the return of the Nawab Vazir's troops under his command. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

31 Mar., 1777, No. 29

Mar 8, Camp near Mainpuri. T. Goddard informs the Board that his forces have taken possession of the citadel; hopes that the reduction of this fortification will have good effect upon several rulers. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

31 Mar., 1777, No. 30

Mar 13, Camp near Mainpuri. T. Goddard informs the Board that the Nawab Vazir has ordered the purchase of a number of horses to complete the regiment of Capt. C. Marsack; commends the regiment of J. Webber; informs that he has established a hospital for the wounded sepoys and seeks the approbation of the Board for this measure; adds that he has instituted the system of contract for supplying draft and carriage cattle which has done justice to the service; states that no contract for the supply of military stores will be granted without the authority from the Board; requests the Board to furnish the Nawab with 5000 stands of arms. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

31 Mar., 1777, No. 31

Mar 14, Camp near Mainpuri. T. Goddard furnishes to J. Clavering a return of the killed and wounded at the siege of Mainpuri. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

31 Mar., 1777, No. 32

Mar 9, Camp near Mainpuri. General return of the killed and wounded troops under T. Goddard at the siege and storming of Mainpuri. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

31 Mar., 1777, No. 33

W. Hastings proposes that the Nawab Vazir may be told to try conciliatory policy in the Doab and T. Goddard may be asked to suspend further operations in that region; comments of the members of the Board on the same. (Minutes)—7 pp.

Progs., 31 Mar., 1777

***Apr 5.** The Board inform N. Middleton that T. Goddard has been asked to suspend operations in the Doab; forward copy of the letter

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which the Governor General has addressed to the Nawab on the subject; direct him to impress the Nawab of the ill consequences of the policy towards the zamindars in the Doab. 1 p.

31 Mar., 1777, No. 34

***Apr 5.** The Board direct T. Goddard to suspend operations in the Doab; inform that the Nawab Vazir has been asked to establish his authority in that country by conciliatory means; approve his proposal of the establishment of a hospital for the wounded sepoys; state that four thousand stands of arms will be dispatched to the Nawab shortly. 2 pp.

31 Mar., 1777, No. 35

Mar 23. W. Hastings places before the Board instructions to the Auditor General of the Nawab Vazir's troops for their approbation and correction. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

31 Mar., 1777, No. 36

Regulations for the office of the Auditor General and Assistant Paymaster-General in the Nawab's service. (Enclosure to above)—6 pp.

31 Mar., 1777, No. 37

Comments of J. Clavering, P. Francis and R. Barwell on the instructions proposed to be sent to the Auditor General, and reply of W. Hastings thereon. (Minutes)—3 pp.

31 Mar., 1777, No. 38

Mar 31. The Board forward to T. Goddard a copy of the regulations for the office of the Auditor General and Assistant Paymaster-General in the Nawab's service under his command and direct him to enforce them. 1 p.

31 Mar., 1777, No. 39

Apr 7. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 7 Apr., 1777

Jan 10, Fort St. George. G. Stratton and Council at Fort St. George furnish to the Board further information in regard to the conduct of G. Pigot towards Tanjore. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

7 Apr., 1777, No. 1

Jan 16, Fort St. George. The President and Council of Madras inform the Board that the resolution for sending back G. Pigot to England did not meet with the concurrence of all the members of the Council; forward proceedings of the Council of 7 January reflecting separate opinions of the members on the subject. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

7 Apr., 1777, No. 2

Feb 15, Fort St. George. The President and Council of Madras state that they have failed to intercept the persons who have been sending anonymous letters to the Board; forward a letter from Muhammad Ali Khan *Walajah* and copies of letters to and from his son-in-law (Khair-ud-din Khan). (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

7 Apr., 1777, No. 3

The resolution moved by W. Hastings supporting the claim of Muhammad Ali Khan for recovery of his money; comments of J. Clavering

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and P. Francis on the same and the Governor General's reply thereto. (Minutes)—16 pp.

7 Apr., 1777, No. 3(A)

Apr 2. Observations of P. Francis on the Governor General's resolution on the letters of the Nawab of Arcot. (Minute)—3 pp.

7 Apr., 1777, No. 4

Apr 7. The Board suggest to the President and Council, Fort St. George the policy to be accepted towards Muhammad Ali Khan; support the claim of the Nawab to the revenue of Tanjore. 7 pp.

7 Apr., 1777, No. 5

Feb 1, Bombay Castle. The President and Council, Bombay inform the Board that the sudden depression of Sadashivrao Bhau's party and his subsequent death has brought stability to the Poona Government; add that T. Mostyn's deputation to Poona was opposed by the ministers at Poona but they have subsequently consented to accept him as Resident; hope that a suitable accommodation between Poona and Raghunathrao will be established and the Company relieved of some of the expenses incurred by his residence at Bombay. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

7 Apr., 1777, No. 6

Mar 6, Purandhar. J. Upton informs the Board that their orders respecting Raghunathrao have not reached the Bombay Government; says that he will forward to Bombay Government Board's instructions pertaining to Raghunathrao; forwards a packet at the request of the President and Council of Bombay and copies of correspondence with that Government. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

7 Apr., 1777, No. 7

Jan 22, Bombay Castle. The President and Select Committee, Bombay forward to J. Upton copy of a letter received from the Peshwa relating to the pargana Jambusar; state that as the purpose of the letter is contrary to advices received from him they will pay no attention to it until they hear from him. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

7 Apr., 1777, No. A

Feb 5, Purandhar. J. Upton forwards a letter from the Peshwa to the President and Select Committee, Bombay which assures that Jambusar will remain in the possession of the Government until twelve lac rupees are paid; adds the Peshwa fears fall in revenue of Jambusar under Company's management and suggests two methods of collecting revenue. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

7 Apr., 1777, No. B.1

Feb 12, Bombay Castle. The President and Select Committee, Bombay inform J. Upton that the Peshwa should not fear fall in revenue of Jambusar as the Company's Resident is acquainted with the former produce of the pargana; forward copy of a letter from the English commissioner at Broach and state that the conduct of the Maratha agent at Broach does not correspond with instructions issued to them by the Maratha Government; ask him to interfere with the Maratha Government in this regard. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

7 Apr., 1777, No. B.2

Feb 13, Bombay Castle. The President and Select Committee, Bombay inform J. Upton that on request from the Peshwa, they have supplied copy of their orders to the Chief at Broach respecting the country of three lacs and the pargana of Jambusar. (Enclosure)—1 p.

7 Apr., 1777, No. C

Feb 19, Purandhar. J. Upton forwards to the Select Committee, Bombay copy of the order which the Peshwa was sending to his agent at Broach; expresses concern at the inability of T. Mostyn to undertake the journey to Poona. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

7 Apr., 1777, No. D

Feb 25, Bombay Castle. The President and Select Committee, Bombay acknowledge receipt of J. Upton's letter of 19 February. (Enclosure)—1 p.

7 Apr., 1777, No. E

Feb 26, Bombay Castle. The President and Select Committee, Bombay forward a packet to J. Upton and ask him to forward the same to the Governor General in Council; inform him that T. Mostyn will set off to Poona in a few days. (Enclosure)—1 p.

7 Apr., 1777, No. F

Mar 18, Camp near Mainpuri. T. Goddard forwards to the Board the return of the Nawab Vazir's troops under his command for the month of February with a copy of the order issued to the army during the period. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

7 Apr., 1777, No. 8

Apr 14. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 14 Apr., 1777

Mar 14. J. Bristow informs the Board why he received the jewels from the Nawab of Oudh; states that the letter of authority from the Nawab to dispose of the jewels and credit the amount to the Company has been left with the Resident. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

14 Apr., 1777, No. 1

Apr 14. Order of the Board that the jewels be auctioned in public on 24 March and that the assistant at the treasury office should attend the auction. 1 p.

Progs., 14 Apr., 1777

Mar 26, Camp near Mainpuri. T. Goddard requests the Board to fill up the vacancy caused by the death of Lt. F. R. Foley at the siege of Mainpuri. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

14 Apr., 1777, No. 2

Feb 10, Lucknow. A. Hannay informs the Board that he has left Chunar and proceeded to Lucknow to discover the real intentions of Najaf Khan with respect to the dismissal of Samru (W. Reinhardt); adds that he hopes to find out if Najaf Khan is inclined to comply with the Board's wishes. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

14 Apr., 1777, No. 3

Mar 3, Lucknow. A. Hannay forwards to the Board copy of a letter* dated 27 February 1777 from Najaf Khan; states that Najaf Khan has definitely ordered W. Reinhardt to his presence to dismiss him. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

14 Apr., 1777, No. 4

Apr 14. Observations of J. Clavering and W. Hastings on the propriety of A. Hannay's leaving Company's dominions without the previous permission of the Board. (Minutes)—8 pp.

Progs., 14 Apr., 1777

Apr 11. J. Belli requests the Board to pay him the balance due to him for articles supplied to the garrison of the Fort William; encloses the bill. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

14 Apr., 1777, No. 5

Apr 11. The stores for the garrison of Fort William supplied by J. Belli. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

14 Apr., 1777, No. 6

Order of the Board that the balance claimed by J. Belli and the advance required by him may be paid.—1 p.

Progs., 14 Apr., 1777

Apr 21. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 21 Apr., 1777

Feb 15, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board that Hurmat Khan (son of Hafiz Rahmat Khan) who obtained a *jagir* from Faizullah Khan, has been deprived of these possessions because of his misbehaviour; states that Hurmat Khan attacked the post of Pilibhit but Raja Surat Singh repulsed it; forwards a copy of his letter to J. Erskine asking him to send a force to Surat Singh to subdue Hurmat Khan and extracts from the intelligence report on these incidents. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

21 Apr., 1777, No. 1

Feb 15, Lucknow. Asaf-ud-Daulah requests N. Middleton to direct J. Erskine to furnish reinforcements to Surat Singh to subdue Hurmat Khan. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

21 Apr., 1777, No. A

Feb 16, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board that Najaf Khan had an interview with Shah Alam at Anupshahr; states that Abdul Ahad Khan who dreads the growing ascendancy of Najaf Khan is anxious to meet Zabita Khan and turn their mutual enmity to his advantage; adds that Zabita Khan knows the game being played by Abdul Ahad Khan; says that he has not received any further account of the proceedings of Hurmat Khan in Rohilkhand. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

21 Apr., 1777, No. 2

*Neither recorded in the Consultations nor in the Proceedings volume.

Feb 21, Lucknow. N. Middleton reports to the Board the circumstances of the late mutiny in the Nawab Vazir's battalions and the execution of the vakil. (A.L.S.)—9 pp.

21 Apr., 1777, No. 3

Feb 23, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board that Najaf Khan desires to expel the Sikhs from Shah Alam's territories and wants Zabita Khan to pay into the royal treasury his full quota of revenue; states that the Sikhs and Zabita Khan have united against Najaf Khan; reports that a detachment of Timur Shah's army has crossed Attock, the Sikhs and Zabita may seek accommodation with Najaf Khan; forwards copy of the letter from J. Erskine together with papers referred to therein; says that Zabita Khan intends to claim the aid of the Nawab's forces; adds that he has counselled the Nawab to decline aid against Najaf Khan; reports that Hurmat Khan's forces have dispersed and he himself fled into the jungles. (A.L.S.)—6 pp.

21 Apr., 1777, No. 4

Feb 18, Daranagar. J. Erskine forwards to N. Middleton a letter received by a vakil of Zabita Khan together with copy of a treaty; believes that Zabita Khan sandwiched between the Sikhs and Najaf Khan is inclined to pacific measures. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

21 Apr., 1777, No. B

Feb 23, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs J. Erskine that the Nawab Vazir declined Zabita Khan's request for military aid against Najaf Khan and would observe impartial neutrality should hostilities commence between them; states that the Nawab has learnt of the defeat of Hurmat Khan; asks him to remain with his detachment with Surat Singh until desired otherwise by him. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

21 Apr., 1777, No. C

Feb 25, Lucknow. N. Middleton reports to the Board the outbreak of a general mutiny in Najaf Khan's army which may oblige him to suspend his intended expedition against the Sikhs. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

21 Apr., 1777, No. 5

Mar 1, Lucknow. N. Middleton intimates to the Board that the mutiny in Najaf Khan's army has been suppressed; forwards translation of *shuqqas* addressed by the King to the Nawab Vazir and himself; states that the Nawab's affairs do not allow him to make payment of *peshkash* demanded by Abdul Ahad Khan; informs that Najaf Khan has gained influence over Abdul Ahad Khan at the court; adds that Zabita Khan and the Sikhs are still united against Najaf Khan. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

21 Apr., 1777, No. 6

Shah Alam allows the Nawab Vazir to chastize the refractory zamindars of Gorakhpur.

Abdul Ahad Khan asks Asaf-ud-Daulah to see the King after punishing the rebellious zamindars of Gorakhpur. (Enclosure to above)—4 pp.

21 Apr., 1777, No. D

Shah Alam acknowledges to N. Middleton the receipt of his letter in which he wrote that the Nawab Vazir will present himself before the King after punishing the zamindars of Gorakhpur. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

21 Apr., 1777, No. E

Mar 2, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board that T. Goddard has started operations against Mainpuri as its zamindar failed to comply with the terms offered by him; states that the Nawab Vazir has set out on his hunting party towards Gorakhpur. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

21 Apr., 1777, No. 7

Mar 8, Lucknow. N. Middleton acquaints the Board that Mainpuri has fallen to the Nawab's troops; informs that the Raja has escaped; commends the conduct of the Nawab's troops during the siege. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

21 Apr., 1777, No. 8

Mar 9, Lucknow. N. Middleton suggests to the Board improvements in the mode of revenue collection of Oudh. (A.L.S.)—23 pp.

21 Apr., 1777, No. 9

Mar 10, Lucknow. N. Middleton forwards to the Board an intelligence paper on the assassination of Sahab Alam Khan (principal officer of Diler Himmat Khan). (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

21 Apr., 1777, No. 10

Mar 20, Lucknow. N. Middleton reports to the Board the defeat of Saadat Ali Khan at the hands of the Jats. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

21 Apr., 1777, No. 11

Mar 21, Lucknow. N. Middleton reports to the Board about the mismanagement of the Nawab Vazir's affairs by Zain-ul-Abdin Khan; dwells on the arrears of *kists* due from him and recommends his dismissal from the post of naib; forwards certain papers. (A.L.S.)—11 pp.

21 Apr., 1777, No. 12

Copy of an agreement under the seal of Zain-ul-Abdin Khan regarding the disbursement of *tankhwah* of the English gentlemen and other officials. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

21 Apr., 1777, No. F

N. Middleton issues instructions to *sazawals* for revenue collection in Oudh. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

21 Apr., 1777, No. G

Mar 20, Lucknow. N. Middleton forwards to the Board his cash account for the month of February, 1777. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

21 Apr., 1777, No. 13

Mar 24, Lucknow. N. Middleton forwards to the Board the receipt of the Paymaster of the Third Brigade for the remittances made to him as charged on his account for February. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

21 Apr., 1777, No. 14

Mar 29, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board that the combined forces of the Jats under Ranjit Singh and a body of Marathas after defeating Saadat Ali Khan have besieged Dig and Najaf Khan has despatched Muhammad Beg Hamadani to help Saadat Ali Khan and is likely to proceed in person to that place; states that Shah Alam will not accompany Najaf Khan to Dig and is returning to the capital; adds that Najaf Khan stands high in the King's estimation. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

21 Apr., 1777, No. 15

Apr 5, Benares. T. Graham forwards to the Board 13 bills of exchange for Calcutta towards payment of Raja Chait Singh's annual tribute to the Company. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

21 Apr., 1777, No. 16

Apr 28. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 28 Apr., 1777

Mar 30, Calcutta. J. Petrie reports to the Board on the French complaint about collection of customs duties at Hooghly; forwards copies of his letter to the Commandant at Chandernagore on the subject together with his reply. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

28 Apr., 1777, No. 1

Mar 27, Hooghly. J. Petrie explains to J. B. Chevalier why duties on salt are charged from the French. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

28 Apr., 1777, No. 2

Mar 29. J. B. Chevalier thanks J. Petrie for settling the dispute between the French merchants and the Faujdar of Hooghly; states that he desires to discuss certain matters in this connection with the Supreme Council at Calcutta. (Enclosure)—1 p.

28 Apr., 1777, No. 3

Apr 4, Chandernagore. J. B. Chevalier thanks the Board for issuing orders to the Faujdar of Hooghly for charging a lower rate of duty from the French merchants; contends that neither the Company nor the individual under the French flag ever paid more towards duty. (Translation)—1 p.

28 Apr., 1777, No. 4

Apr 9, Lucknow. N. Middleton forwards to the Board an extract of a letter from a Frenchman from R. Madec's camp at Gohad to his correspondent at Agra who transmitted it to Rev. F. X. Wendel residing at Lucknow; adds that the information contained in the letter corresponds to the story which was current there. (Copy)—2 pp.

28 Apr., 1777, No. 5

Extract of a letter from a Frenchman in R. Madec's camp at Gohad; refers to the war between Spain and Portugal in which the English helped the latter. (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

28 Apr., 1777, No. 6

May 5. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 5 May, 1777

Apr 14, Fort St. George. The President and Council, Fort St. George inform the Board about the arrival of the *Hector* from Bombay; forward copy of a letter they have addressed to the Bombay Government which explains the conduct observed by Bombay Government towards them. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

5 May, 1777, No. 1

Apr 14, Fort St. George. The President and Council of Madras report to the Government of Bombay the arrival of the *Hector* from Bombay; express their inconvenience resulting from the irregular procedure adopted by the latter in despatching public packets to G. Pigot. (Enclosure to above)—4 pp.

5 May, 1777, No. 2

Apr 16, Lucknow. N. Middleton reports to the Board that Rana Lokindar Bahadur has concluded a peace with the Marathas; states that a detachment of 10,000 from the Deccan will be turned against Najaf Khan; narrates the success achieved by Muhammad Beg Hamadani and the defeat suffered by two other officers deputed by Najaf Khan against the Jats and Marathas; states that Zabita Khan may obey King's summons and may make his appearance at the court. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

5 May, 1777, No. 3

Apr 14, Camp near Mainpuri. T. Goddard informs the Board that the reduction of Mainpuri had the most salutary effect and other zamindars of the adjoining areas submitted themselves to the Nawab Vazir's Government and settled their revenues with his officers; desires to desist from further military operation. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

5 May, 1777, No. 4

W. Hastings offers a plan for a new military establishment in the service of Asaf-ud-Daulah. (Minute)—11 pp.

5 May, 1777, No. 5

Present infantry establishment proposed. (Enclosure to above)—4 pp.

5 May, 1777, No. A

Present artillery establishment proposed. (Enclosure)—4 pp.

5 May, 1777, No. B

Present cavalry establishment proposed. (Enclosure)—4 pp.

5 May, 1777, No. C

Present establishment proposed. (Enclosure)—4 pp.

5 May, 1777, No. D

A plan for a new establishment of cavalry to be composed of Indian or Mughal troops mounted on their own horses. (Enclosure)—6 pp.

5 May, 1777, No. E

May 5. The Board request N. Middleton to furnish information regarding pay of T. Goddard's troops; ask him to obtain the Nawab's opinion on the proposals of L. Collings and report it to the Board. 1 p.

5 May, 1777, No. F

May 12.

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B.S., 12 May, 1777

Apr 4, Curreet near Purandhar. T. Mostyn reports to the Board his arrival near Purandhar; forwards copy of a letter addressed by the Committee at Broach to J. Upton; gives assurances about settlement of affairs regarding Jambusar. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

12 May, 1777, No. 1

Mar 12, Broach. The Chief and Council at Broach communicate to J. Upton their differences with the Maratha agents regarding estimates of revenue of Amod, Hansot and Dehejbara to be ceded to the Company. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

12 May, 1777, No. 2

Apr 21, Nawabganj. N. Middleton reports to the Board the visit of Zabita Khan to the court; states that Muhammad Beg Hamadani has failed to obtain reinforcements; narrates the unfavourable aspect of Najaf Khan's affairs in the Jat country; adds that the Jats helped by the Marathas will regain their lost dominion. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

12 May, 1777, No. 3

Apr 28, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board that Asaf-ud-Daulah has returned to Lucknow; states that he will communicate to the Nawab the sentiments of the Board with respect to his operations in the Doab and will communicate his reply. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

12 May, 1777, No. 4

Apr 28, Lucknow. N. Middleton forwards to the Board the cash account for the month of March, 1777. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

12 May, 1777, No. 5

May 12. The Board direct N. Middleton to inform them why the surplus amount remained with the Resident in contravention of their earlier orders; desire him to furnish abstract of the Nawab's account current with the Company and with the army under British officers etc; enquire what measures have been taken to recover the balance of sum due from the Nawab. 2 pp.

12 May, 1777, No. 6

The decision of the Board that the Auditor General in the Nawab's service may be requested to furnish abstract account of the military charges incurred by the establishment of troops under the command of T. Goddard. (Resolution)—2 pp.

Progs., 12 May, 1777

Apr 17, Camp near Mainpuri. T. Goddard transmits to the Board a return of the troops under the Nawab's service for March 1777 with a copy of orders issued during the same period. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

12 May, 1777, No. 7

Feb 24, Islamabad. F. Law proposes to the Board measures to oppose the incursions of the Maghs into Chittagong; submits estimates of manufacturing boats. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

12 May, 1777, No. 8

Estimates of manufacturing boats for the protection of Chittagong division against the incursions of the Maghs. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

12 May, 1777, No. A

May 12. The Board intimate to F. Law their disapproval of his proposal for manufacturing armed boats to oppose the incursions of the Maghs into the districts under his charge. 1 p.

12 May, 1777, No. 9

W. Hastings informs the Board that he has received a letter from the Raja of Arakan which he has sent to F. Law for translation. 2 pp.

Progs., 12 May, 1777

***May 4.** J. Belli forwards to the Board bill for supplying stores to Fort William; requests payment of balance due to him and advance of Rs. 27,000/-. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

12 May, 1777, No. 10

May 4. Col. J. Morgan (Commandant, Fort William) certifies receipt of stores delivered by Agent Victualler at Fort William. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

12 May, 1777, No. 11

May 19. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 19 May, 1777

May 5, Benares. T. Graham transmits to the Board bills for the amount in payment of Raja Chait Singh's annual tribute to the Company. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

19 May, 1777, No. 1

May 2, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board that Zabita Khan who was asked by Abdul Ahad Khan to make good the balance due from him has escaped; states that joined by Najaf Khan, Shah Alam intends to march against Zabita Khan and the Sikhs; reports that Abdul Ahad Khan and Najaf Khan accuse each other of conniving at Zabita Khan's escape. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

19 May, 1777, No. 2

May 1, Lucknow. A. Hannay acquaints the Board with the progress of his negotiations with Najaf Khan for the dismissal of W. Reinhardt; reports that Najaf Khan has employed Reinhardt for expelling the Sikhs from territories belonging to Shah Alam; narrates the circumstances attending his failure to obtain the dismissal of Reinhardt. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

19 May, 1777, No. 3

May 14. W. Pawson (Military Paymaster General) forwards to the Board a letter of G. Herbert (Paymaster to the 3rd Brigade) in which he brings charges concerning some amount of rupees against the Nawab; seeks the order of the Board on the subject. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

19 May, 1777, No. 4

Apr 10, Camp. G. Herbert requests W. Pawson to move the Board for debiting to the Nawab Vazir's account losses sustained from rupee exchange. (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

19 May, 1777, No. 5

Jan 5, Camp. G. Herbert acquaints J. Bristow with the deficiency in cash by issuing different types of rupees and enquires how to debit the amount. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

19 May, 1777, No. 6

Order of the Board that the Military Paymaster may examine the accounts and check vouchers of G. Herbert to verify if the charge brought by him was correct.—2 pp.

Progs., 19 May, 1777

May 10, Chandernagore. J. B. Chevalier forwards a letter of the Commissioner of Pondicherry to the Board and requests for reply. (Translation)—1 p.

19 May, 1777, No. 7

Apr 26, Pondicherry. Comte de Bellecombe and Chevreau complain about obstacles to the French trade and persecution of the French nationals by the agents of the Company. (Enclosure to above)—4 pp.

19 May, 1777, No. 8

May 19. The Board reply to Comte de Bellecombe and Chevreau denying the accusations with regard to the persecution of the French nationals and obstacles to the French trade by agents of the Company; state that they had submitted the points of their respective differences to their superiors and are expecting orders on the subjects; decline to resume the subject of controversy in which the arguments on both sides have been exhausted. 8 pp.

19 May, 1777, No. 9

May 19. The Board acknowledge receipt of the letter from J. B. Chevalier and forward a letter for onward transmission to the French Commissioner at Pondicherry. 1 p.

19 May, 1777 No. 10

Order of the Board that copies of the above letters may be forwarded to Madras Government for onward transmission to the Court of Directors. 1 p.

Progs., 19 May, 1777

May 19. Observations of P. Francis on the Governor General's plan for new military establishment under British officers in the Nawab Vazir's service. (Minute)—17 pp.

19 May, 1777 No. 11

May 19. R. Barwell endorses the Governor General's plan for military establishment under British officers in the Nawab's service which he says he had suggested earlier; says that he will withhold his opinion till the comments of J. Clavering are known. (Minute)—5 pp.

Progs., 19 May, 1777

May 19. Comments of J. Clavering on the Governor General's plan for new military establishment for Oudh. (Minute)—28 pp.

19 May, 1777, No. 12

May 21. The Board convey to Asaf-ud-Daulah their plan for new military establishment. 6 pp.

19 May, 1777, No. 13

Views of the members of the Board on the proposed letter to the Nawab Vazir; P. Francis and J. Clavering protest while R. Barwell approves of the letter proposed to be written to the Nawab. (Minutes)—2 pp.

Progs., 19 May, 1777

May 19. The Board forward to N. Middleton a plan for the defence of Oudh together with a copy of the letter* addressed to the Nawab on the subject; desire him to obtain the views of the Nawab on it and communicate them to the Board. 1 p.

*Please see *Calendar of Persian Correspondence*, Vol. V, No. 555, p. 83.

May 19. The Board forward to T. Goddard the plan for the defence of the Vazir's dominions and a copy of letter addressed to the Nawab on the subject; instruct him to keep in readiness to obey the orders for the due execution of the plan. 2 pp.

19 May, 1777, No. 14

May 26. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 26 May, 1777

May 2, Camp near Mainpuri. T. Goddard informs the Board that as ordered by them, he will suspend present military operations in the Doab. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

26 May, 1777, No. 1

May 15, Cossem Loka near Vizagapatam. J. Upton informs the Board that he is accompanied by a Maratha wakil on his way to Bengal. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

26 May, 1777, No. 2

J. Clavering's views on the designs of the French against Bengal and measures to counteract them. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 26 May, 1777

May 26. Disposition of the army in view of the French threat envisaged by J. Clavering. 1 p.

26 May, 1777, No. 3

Comments of W. Hastings, P. Francis and R. Barwell on the French designs against Bengal. (Minutes)—6 pp.

Progs., 19 May, 1777

Thursday.* W. Hastings forwards a letter from N. Middleton to the Secretary to the Board for obtaining the opinions of the members. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

26 May, 1777, No. 4

May 9, Lucknow. N. Middleton apprizes the Board with the designs of Imam Bakhsh and his associates against the life of Hasan Riza Khan; informs that Karam Singh, an associate of Imam Bakhsh, has been banished from the Nawab Vazir's dominions; seeks Board's directives in the matter. (A.L.S.)—17 pp.

26 May, 1777, No. 5

W. Hastings dwells on the dangerous influence prevailing in the court of Asaf-ud-Daulah involving Company's property and interests as brought about by the intelligence contained in N. Middleton's letter; puts a proposal before the Board to deal with the situation by interfering in the affairs of the Nawab Vazir for protecting Hasan Riza Khan. (Minute)—3 pp.

26 May, 1777, No. 6

Note of dissent by P. Francis on the proposal of the Governor General for interfering with the affairs of the Nawab of Oudh. (Minute)—2 pp.

26 May, 1777, No. 7

*The date is not given either in the Consultation or in the Proceedings volume.

May 26. Views of the members of the Board on the proposal of the Governor General for dealing with the situation in Oudh. (Minutes)—13 pp.

Progs., 26 May, 1777

Draft of a letter to Asaf-ud-Daulah for banishing Imam Bakhsh from his dominions and for entrusting administration in the hands of Hasan Riza Khan. 9 pp.

*26 May, 1777, No. 8**

Comments by the members of the Board on the desirability of issuing letter to the Nawab of Oudh; dissenting notes by P. Francis and J. Clavering, and reply of W. Hastings thereon; R. Barwell approves the letter. (Minutes)—13 pp.

Progs., 26 May, 1777

May 26. The Board forward to N. Middleton a copy of the above draft for his immediate compliance; direct him to protect Hasan Riza Khan and support his authority on every occasion. 2 pp.

26 May, 1777, No. 9

Jun 2. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 2 Jun., 1777

May 23, Benares. T. Graham forwards to the Board a letter from Raja Chait Singh in which the Raja desires a change in the mode of payment of tribute to the Company; states that he has proposed coining of gold *mohurs* at Benares with impressions of the Calcutta mint. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

2 Jun., 1777, No. 1

Jan 2. The Board inform T. Graham that any loss by the removal of mint from Murshidabad to Calcutta will be compensated by the facilities afforded to individuals to coin money in the mint of Calcutta; desire that this may be communicated to the Raja of Benares; decline Raja's request in remitting amount for the *kist*; censure him for his conduct in the present matter and demand immediate action for realising the *kist* in arrear and ask him to see that future *kists* are regularly paid; disagree with the Raja's request for coining gold *mohurs* at Benares with impressions of the Calcutta mint. 3 pp.

2 Jun., 1777, No. 2

May 16, Lucknow. N. Middleton forwards to the Board cash account for April; sends receipt of money remitted to G. Herbert in March 1777. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

2 Jun., 1777, No. 3

Saadat Ali Khan requests the Governor General to grant him interview to represent to him his grievances; requests for allowances for his travelling expenses; seeks to acquire a *jagir* from Asaf-ud-Daulah. (Received 24 May 1777). (Translation)—7 pp.

2 Jun., 1777, No. 4

W. Hastings desires to help Saadat Ali Khan and proposes that a letter may be written to Asaf-ud-Daulah pointing out the inadvisability

*Please also see *Calendar of Persian Correspondence*, Vol. V, No. 558, p. 84.

of abandoning his brother to become a fugitive among his enemies and asking him to grant him allowance suitable to his status; suggests that N. Middleton may be asked to arrange an escort to attend Saadat Ali Khan to the province of Bengal. (Minute)—5 pp.

Progs., 2 Jun., 1777

P. Francis agrees to help Saadat Ali Khan but does not approve Governor General's writing to the Nawab which will amount direct control and authority over him; puts his own terms for receiving Saadat Ali Khan into the Company's territories. (Minute)—3 pp.

Progs., 2 Jun., 1777

R. Barwell agrees with the Governor General's propositions. (Minute)—1 p.

Progs., 2 Jun., 1777

Saadat Ali Khan requests the Board for reply to his earlier letters; seeks N. Middleton's intercession for his advantage. (Translation)—1 p.

2 Jun., 1777, No. 5

J. Clavering differs with the Governor General's proposals for rendering help to Saadat Ali Khan; suggests his terms on which help could be given. (Minute)—6 pp.

Progs., 2 Jun., 1777

Governor General's proposal in respect of giving help to Saadat Ali Khan being carried through, the Board resolve that the Governor General write a letter* to Asaf-ud-Daulah in terms of the propositions. (Resolution)—1 p.

Progs., 2 Jun., 1777

Jan 2. The Board forward to N. Middleton copy of a letter* addressed to Asaf-ud-Daulah in which they have pointed out the present situation of Saadat Ali Khan; direct him to try to obtain a *jagir* for Saadat Ali Khan from Asaf-ud-Daulah; transmit an order for G. Stibbert for escorting Saadat Ali into the Company's territories if the Nawab does not object to his being received there. 2 pp.

2 Jun., 1777, No. 6

Jan 2. The Board direct G. Stibbert to send escort to conduct Saadat Ali Khan to the Company's territories. 1 p.

2 Jun., 1777, No. 7

Jun 9. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 9 Jun., 1777

Jun 9. Calcutta. G. Williamson (Company's auctioneer) transmits to the Board sale accounts of Asaf-ud-Daulah's jewels. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

9 Jun., 1777, No. 1

Jun 9. The Board forward to N. Middleton copy of the sale account of the Nawab's jewels and direct him to communicate this information to the Nawab and give credit for the amount. 1 p.

9 Jun., 1777, No. 2

*Please see *Calendar of Persian Correspondence*, Vol. V, No. 567..p. 85.

Jun 12.

Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 12 Jun., 1777

May 22, Moradabad. G. Hoggan represents to J. Clavering the distress of a family and urges relief. (Copy)—2 pp.

12 Jun., 1777, No. 1

May 11, Moradabad. G. Hoggan represents to J. Clavering the distress of a family of Dundi Khan and the refusal of Faizullah Khan to afford subsistence to them; requests him to devise means for helping them. (Extract)—3 pp.

12 Jun., 1777, No. 2

Jun 12. The Board direct N. Middleton to look into the stipends fixed by the Nawab for the support of Rohilla prisoners and arrange for the disbursement of the allowances; desire to be furnished with a list of the names of the Rohilla prisoners and their relationship with the Rohilla chief. 2 pp.

12 Jun., 1777, No. 3

May 31, Chittagong. F. Law forwards to the Board translation of the letter from the Raja of Arakan; sends information about Arakan and letter written by him to the Raja and his reply; states that the Raja of Arakan demands extradition of his subjects settled at Chittagong. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

12 Jun., 1777, No. 4

Raja of Arakan demands extradition of subjects settled at Chittagong. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

12 Jun., 1777, No. 5*

W. Hastings discusses measures proposed by Capt. J. Ritchie for the defence of southern parts of Bengal from the Maghs' depredations; proposes to send troops against Arakan to deter the Raja and his subjects from raiding coasts of Bengal. (Minute)—4 pp.

Progs., 12 Jun., 1777

May 31, Calcutta. J. Ritchie reports to the Board on the country and Government of Arakan and general defence of southern Bengal. 41 pp.

Progs., 12 June 1777, No. 6†

Jun 16.

Minutes of Consultation.

Progs., 12 Jun., 1777

May 15, Camp near Mainpuri. T. Goddard forwards to the Board a return of the Nawab Vazir's army for April with a copy of general order. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

16 Jun., 1777, No. 1

May 31, Ganjam. J. Upton forwards a letter from Sakharam Bhagwant Bokil for Board's perusal. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

16 Jun., 1777, No. 2

*Please also see *Calendar of Persian Correspondence*, Vol. V, No. 550, p. 82.

†Original Consultation is missing.

Sakharam Bhagwant Bokil complains to J. Upton of negligence of the Bombay Government in complying with the Treaty of Purandhar by affording protection to Raghunathrao and his followers; requests him to move the Governor General to call upon the Bombay Government to observe the terms of the treaty; informs about the arrival of the French emissary with the request for an audience. (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

16 Jun., 1777, No. 3

Intelligence of the state of affairs in the Deccan upto 25 April; Nizam Ali Khan has summoned Hari Pant Phadke and that he jointly with Haidar Ali Khan will furnish him with supplies; reports the arrival of T. Mostyn at Purandhar; Sakharam Bhagwant Bokil and Nana Phadnavis have invited Raghunathrao to assume power and to desist from seeking English help for this; five thousand French infantry is coming into the service of Sakharam Bapu. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

16 Jun., 1777, No. 4

May 25, Fort St. George. The President and Council, Fort St. George transmit to the Board a copy of letter received by them from T. Mostyn; inform that they have learnt from private letters that French colours have been hoisted at Chaul; communicate the death of G. Pigot. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

16 Jun., 1777, No. 5

Apr 30, Curreet near Purandhar. T. Mostyn reports to the Madras Government the arrival of French emissary at the Poona Darbar; asks Madras Government to discover the purpose of the visit. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

16 Jun., 1777, No. 6

May 28, Benares. T. Graham forwards a letter to the Board received by him from Poona. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

16 Jun., 1777, No. 7

Apr 30, Curreet near Purandhar. T. Mostyn reports to the Board about the arrival of the French emissary at the Poona Darbar; informs that their principal object is to have a factory at Poona and a seaport on the coast of Malabar under the Maratha dominions; reports his meeting with the representatives of the Poona Darbar and forwards his reply to the demand of the Poona Darbar regarding compliance with the Treaty of Purandhar. (A.L.S.)—7 pp.

16 Jun., 1777, No. 8

T. Mostyn replies to the demand of the Poona Darbar regarding compliance with the Treaty of Purandhar. (Enclosure to above)—14 pp.

16 Jun., 1777, No. A

May 10, Bombay Castle. The President and Select Committee, Bombay forward to the Board copies of T. Mostyn's letters relating to the French proceedings with the Poona Government; apprise the Board with the dangers of allowing the French in obtaining the port of Chaul; state that they have asked Mostyn to explain to the Poona ministers the impropriety of their dealings with the French; add that they have also asked Mostyn to excite the jealousy and disposition of Poona ministers against the French; call upon the Board to prepare for the threatening designs

of the French; forward a return of their diminutive European corps and state that on seeing several ships of force upon this coast they have applied to E. Hughes to bring round H.M.'s squadron to Bombay. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

16 Jun., 1777, No. 9

Apr 20, Camp near Purandhar. T. Mostyn informs the Select Committee, Bombay about the arrival of a French emissary at Poona Darbar. 4 pp.

May 2, Curreet near Purandhar. T. Mostyn reports to the Select Committee, Bombay about the activities of the French emissary at Poona. (Enclosures to above)—5 pp.

*Progs**, 16 Jun., 1777, No. 10

Apr 30, Bombay. General return of the Company's troops under the Presidency of Bombay. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

16 Jun., 1777, No. B

P. Francis dwells on the French designs over British possessions in India and calls for information from the Governor General on this subject. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 16 Jun.. 1777

W. Hastings states that he will furnish the information required by P. Francis on the next Council day. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 16 Jun.. 1777

Jun 19.

Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 19 Jun., 1777

May 11, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board that Asaf-ud-Daulah has agreed to suspend any further military operations in the Doab against the zamindars; states that the Nawab had ordered operations in consequence of their rebellion against the authority of Zain-ul-Abidin Khan; explains why he considered it necessary to order demolition of their forts. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

19 Jun., 1777, No. 1

May 11, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board that the Nawab Vazir has made public their advertisement; adds that he has published the reward which is to be paid by him to any person who apprehends the culprit. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

19 Jun., 1777, No. 2

May 23, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board that Shah Alam, who with Najaf Khan had marched to reduce Zabita Khan, had a skirmish with the latter's armies near Ghauspur; states that Afzal Khan commanded the Rohillas and the Sikhs. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

19 Jun., 1777, No. 3

*Original Consultation is missing.

May 29, Lucknow. N. Middleton gives an account to the Board about the encounters between the forces of Najaf Khan and Zabita Khan. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

19 Jun., 1777, No. 4

Jun 2, Lucknow. N. Middleton furnishes to the Board the account of hackeries maintained by J. O'Donnell for transporting money to the different stations of the troops; communicates the Nawab Vazir's reply at the Board's displeasure on his donation of two thousand rupees to troops; states that the demand of the Nawab's household and troops would not allow him any advance to L. Collings. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

19 Jun., 1777, No. 5

Jun 4, Lucknow. N. Middleton signifies to the Board Asaf-ud-Daulah's approval of the plan of defence of Oudh; forwards copy of the Nawab's letter to T. Goddard on the subject together with a copy of letter he addressed to Goddard at the instance of the Nawab. (A.L.S.)—7 pp.

19 Jun., 1777, No. 6

Jun 5. Asaf-ud-Daulah informs T. Goddard that he has transferred his forces commanded by the British officers to the Company and asks him to follow the directions and regulations that may be issued by the Board. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

19 Jun., 1777, No. A

N. Middleton forwards to T. Goddard a copy of the Board's plan for the defence of the Nawab's dominions; transmits a letter of the Nawab to him signifying his acceptance of the plan and asks him to follow such orders and instructions as may be issued by the Board for due execution of the plan. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

19 Jun., 1777, No. B

Asaf-ud-Daulah intimates to N. Middleton his acceptance of the plan formulated by the Company for the defence of Oudh; adds that he has transferred his forces commanded by the British officers to the Company (Received 17 June 1777). (Enclosure)—4 pp.

19 Jun., 1777, No. 7

Jun 2, Lucknow. T. Goddard informs the Board that he will leave nothing to be desired for implementing the Board's plan for the defence of the Nawab Vazir's dominions; states that he has marched his troops to Farrukhabad under the Nawab Vazir's orders. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

19 Jun., 1777, No. 8

Jun 5, Lucknow. T. Goddard forwards to the Board a copy of instructions issued by Asaf-ud-Daulah and undertakes to execute them; suggests the reform of battalions which are in an inferior state of discipline or ill provided with arms; states that he will dismiss the three battalions referred to by the Nawab in his letter and form C. Marsack and J. Webber's regiments of cavalry. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

19 Jun., 1777, No. 9

Asaf-ud-Daulah informs T. Goddard that he has transferred his forces commanded by the British officers to the Company; asks him to follow

the directions and regulations of the Governor General and Council. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

19 Jun., 1777, No. 10

Jun 18. C. Croftes (Sub-Treasurer) informs the Board about the deposit of thirty lacs of *sikka* rupees in Fort William Treasury. (A.L.S.)—8 pp.

19 Jun., 1777, No. 11

Jun 30. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 30 Jun., 1777

Jun 11, Lucknow. N. Middleton intimates to the Board about an intelligence received by him pertaining to the death of Qasim Ali Khan. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

30 Jun., 1777, No. 1

Jun 12, Benares. T. Graham informs the Board that he has communicated to Raja Chait Singh regulations for the coinage of money in the Calcutta mint; states that he would not have forwarded the Raja's request for the coinage of gold *mohurs* at Benares with the impressions of Calcutta mint if he knew the resolution of the Board earlier. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

30 Jun., 1777, No. 2

Jun 13, Benares. T. Graham forwards to the Board bills of exchange for the amount as Raja Chait Singh's tribute to the Company. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

30 Jun., 1777, No. 3

Jun 18, Islamabad. F. Law reports to the Board about a revolution in Arakan. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

30 Jun., 1777, No. 4

Jun 24, Islamabad. F. Law informs the Board about the happenings in Arakan; states that the deposed Raja has been slain. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

30 Jun., 1777, No. 5

Agreed by the Board that the Governor General should write a letter† to the new Raja of Arakan and acquaint him with the purpose of a letter written to the late Raja to return the families which had been forcibly carried away by his subjects and retribution for the ravages committed by them; that a request may be made to the Raja for preventing his subjects from committing fresh depredations upon the Company's territories. (Resolution)—3 pp.

Progs., 30 Jun., 1777

Jul 7. *Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 7 Jul., 1777

Jun 27. J. Belli furnishes to the Board a list of items of stores supplied to Fort William and requests payments of balance due to him. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

7 Jul., 1777, No. 1

*Proceedings from 7 July to December 1777 are not available. In many cases the Consultations are also badly damaged and illegible. In such cases such information as available in the Body Sheets is given.

†Please see *Calendar of Persian correspondence* Vol. V, No. 585, p. 87.

Jun 27. J. Morgan certifies receipt of the stores delivered by J. Belli. (A.L.S.—Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

7 Jul., 1777, No. 2

Jul 14. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 14 Jul., 1777

Observations of P. Francis, W. Hastings and J. Clavering on the French designs on the British possessions in India and on measures for strengthening the defences for meeting the threat. (Minutes)—11 pp.

B.S., 14 Jul., 1777

Jul 17. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 17 Jul., 1777

Proposal by Nizam Ali Khan to the Board for assistance against the Deccan powers except the Marathas. (Translation)—8 pp.

17 Jul., 1777, No. 1

Apr 14, Bombay Castle. The President and Select Committee, Bombay forward to the Board copies of documents relating to the affairs at Poona and Fort St. George. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

17 Jul., 1777, No. 2

D. Draper opposes the Government constituted by G. Stratton at Madras. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

17 Jul., 1777, No. D*

Answer of the Poona Darbar to the demands made on them by T. Mostyn on 30 April 1777. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

17 Jul., 1777, No. E

Poona Darbar's replies to T. Mostyn's answers to papers delivered by them on 20 April 1777. (Enclosure)—4 pp.

17 Jul., 1777, No. F

May 21, Curreet near Purandhar. T. Mostyn reports to the Board the arrival of Le Chevalier de St. Lubin with letters from the French King and French Minister at Pondicherry which he delivered to the Peshwa.† (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

17 Jul., 1777, No. 3

Jun 10, Fort St. George. The President and Council, Fort St. George forward a copy of T. Mostyn's letter to the Board. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

17 Jul., 1777, No. 4

May 20, Curreet near Purandhar. T. Mostyn reports to the Madras Government that Chevalier St. Lubin had audience with the Peshwa and delivered him two letters—one from the French King, the other from the French Minister; states that the Poona ministers have informed him that nothing has been concluded with him as yet. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

17 Jul., 1777, No. G

*Consultation Nos. A, B and C of 17 July 1777 are not available. The Body Sheet shows that these papers formed enclosures to Consultation No. 2 of 17 July 1777.

†Letter is mostly in cypher.

Jul 6, Benares. T. Graham forwards to the Board bills in payment of the last instalment of Raja Chait Singh's annual tribute to the Company; forwards an *arzi* from the vakil of the Raja demanding a receipt of the amount remitted; submits an account of revenue of Chait Singh with the Company. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

17 Jul., 1777, No. 5

The vakil of the Raja Chait Singh demands a receipt of the amount remitted to the Board towards the annual tribute of the Raja of Benares; requests the Board to invest the Raja with *khilat* at Benares. (*Arzi*—Enclosure to above)—1 p.

17 Jul., 1777, No. 6

Jul 6, Benares. T. Graham forwards to the Board an account of revenue of Raja Chait Singh with the Company. (A.L.S.—Enclosure)—1 p.

17 Jul., 1777, No. H

Jul 28. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 28 Jul., 1777

Account current with Raja Chait Singh. 1 p.

28 Jul., 1777, No. 1

Jul 6, Lucknow. N. Middleton forwards to the Board a list of the names of Rohilla prisoners receiving stipends from the Nawab Vazir with their relationship with the Rohilla chief. (A.L.S.)—6 pp.

28 Jul., 1777, No. 2

Receipt and payment of amount of the Rohilla *tankhwah*. (Enclosure to above)—5 pp.

28 Jul., 1777, No. B*

Jun 29, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board about the attitude of Asaf-ud-Daulah with regard to Saadat Ali Khan's residence in the Company's territories; states that A. Balfour has been commanded to escort Saadat Ali Khan to Lucknow. (A.L.S.)—11 pp.

28 Jul., 1777, No. 3

Jul 5, Lucknow. N. Middleton forwards to the Board a letter** from Zabita Khan containing his reasons of starting hostilities against Shah Alam and copies of letters** addressed by Najaf Khan and Abdul Ahad Khan to Zabita Khan which confirm parts of Zabita Khan's letter to him; comments on the authenticity of letters in question. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

28 Jul., 1777, No. 4

Jul 7, Lucknow. N. Middleton transmits to the Board receipts from G. Herbert for the sums remitted to Bilgram for the use of the brigade. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

28 Jul., 1777, No. 5

*Consultation No. A of 28 July is missing.

**Not recorded in the Consultations.

Jul 10, Lucknow. N. Middleton reports to the Board a drowning accident in which the official *dak* messenger was involved causing the delay in the despatch of the letters. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

28 Jul., 1777, No. 6

Jul 12, Lucknow. N. Middleton forwards to the Board an extract of intelligence received from the Deccan; reports the endeavours of R. Madec to win over Indian powers to the French cause. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

28 Jul., 1777, No. 7

Jul 15, Lucknow. N. Middleton forwards to the Board his cash account for the month of June and the Paymaster's receipt for the amount remitted to Bilgram in June for the brigade in the field. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

28 Jul., 1777, No. 8

Jun 21, Lucknow. T. Goddard forwards to the Board a return of Asaf-ud-Daulah's forces under his command. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

28 Jul., 1777, No. 9

Jul 11, Lucknow. T. Goddard informs the Board that he has ordered the troops in Rohilkhand to be relieved and to march to Farrukhabad; seeks further orders in regard to the regulation of the Vazir's army. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

28 Jul., 1777, No. 10

Aug 4. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 4 Aug., 1777

Aug 4. W. Hastings lays before the Board a letter* from Asaf-ud-Daulah requesting that 15,000 *sikka* rupees should be advanced to Mir Sulaiman Khan (Naib of Kora); comments of P. Francis, J. Clavering and R. Barwell on the same and the resolution of the Board thereon. (Minutes)—6 pp.

B.S., 4 Aug., 1777

Observations of W. Hastings on utilisation of disciplined corps transferred by Asaf-ud-Daulah to the Company's military establishment. (Minute)—2 pp.

4 Aug., 1777, No. 1

Comments by P. Francis and J. Clavering on the above minute; R. Barwell assents to the proposal contained therein. (Minutes)—3 pp.

B.S., 4 Aug., 1777

Jun 10, Camp near Bilgram. G. Stibbert intimates to J. Clavering his objection to the formation of army under T. Goddard independent of his authority. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

4 Aug., 1777, No. 2

Jul 13, Barrackpore. Maj. W. A. Bailie requests the Board to consider his claims for appointment as Field Officer of Asaf-ud-Daulah's troops. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

4 Aug., 1777, No. 3

*Please see *Calendar of Persian Correspondence*, Vol. V, No. 584, p. 87.

Observations of R. Barwell, P. Francis, J. Clavering and W. Hastings on the employment of Lt. F. J. Mordaunt to command Asaf-ud-Daulah's bodyguard and the resolution of the Board thereon. (Minutes)—7pp.

B.S., 4 Aug., 1777

Aug 7. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 7 Aug., 1777

Aug 6. Comments of R. Barwell on the employment of F. J. Mordaunt in Bengal. (Minute)—4 pp.

7 Aug., 1777, No. 1

Aug 7. The Board ask N. Middleton to secure the Nawab Vazir's acquiescence in the appointment of F. J. Mordaunt to the command of his bodyguard. 2 pp.

7 Aug., 1777, No. 2

J. Clavering and P. Francis observe that the appointment of F. J. Mordaunt to the Nawab Vazir's bodyguard is irregular; dissent from recommending his name to the Nawab. (Minute)—2 pp.

7 Aug., 1777, No. 3

Aug 7. W. Hastings desires that the resolution of the Board for the defence of the dominions of Asaf-ud-Daulah be published in General Orders and its copies be transmitted to M. Leslie, T. Goddard, N. Middleton and L. Oliver; suggests that Col. Leslie be ordered to go to Farrukhabad to form a brigade for the defence of the Nawab's dominions; directs T. Goddard to take measures for the defence of Oudh. (Order)—2 pp.

7 Aug., 1777, No. 4

Aug 7. The Board direct T. Goddard to form a new brigade for the defence of Oudh and command it till the arrival of M. Leslie under whom he will work. 2 pp.

7 Aug., 1777, No. 5

Aug 4. The Board forward to N. Middleton a copy of the regulations and appointments made for the execution of the plan for the defence of Oudh and ask him to inform the Nawab Vazir that until the arrival of M. Leslie, T. Goddard will continue to form the new brigade. 3 pp.

7 Aug., 1777, No. 6

Aug 7. Observations of W. Hastings and J. Clavering on the scope of the plan for the defence of Oudh. (Minutes)—13 pp.

B.S., 7 Aug., 1777

Aug 11. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 11 Aug., 1777

J. Clavering protests against the establishment of an additional brigade in Oudh. (Minute)—10 pp.

11 Aug., 1777, No. 1

W. Hastings reports to the Board that F. J. Mordaunt has declined to accept the offer to command Asaf-ud-Daulah's bodyguard; recommends P. Connellan for the same. (Minute)—3 pp.

11 Aug., 1777, No. 2

Aug 11. The Board ask N. Middleton to permit P. Connellan to retain the command of the Nawab's bodyguard as F. J. Mordaunt has declined to accept the offer. 1 p.

11 Aug., 1777, No. 3

Jun 15, Poona. T. Mostyn informs the Board that the French emissary now at Poona did not come either from France or Pondicherry; intimates that Hari Pant Phadke suffered defeat at the hands of Tipu Sultan who commanded Haidar Ali's army; reports the desertion of Manaji Phadke (Raghunathrao's General) and Mallajee Rajah to Haidar Ali with troops. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

11 Aug., 1777, No. 4

Jul 31, Fort William. J. Upton reports to the Board the difficulties in the execution of the treaty with Poona Darbar. (A.L.S.)—9 pp.

11 Aug., 1777, No. 5

Extracts from the proceedings of the Government of Bombay relating to Poona Darbar and remarks by J. Upton upon them. (Enclosures to above)—50 pp.

11 Aug., 1777, No. 6

Papers relative to the transfer of territories in exchange of the country of three lacs. (Enclosures)—7 pp.

11 Aug., 1777, No. 7

Papers on the reception of Raghunathrao at Bombay. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

11 Aug., 1777, No. 8

Conditions proposed or obtained for Raghunathrao. (Enclosure)—4 pp.

11 Aug., 1777, No. 9

Papers relating to the offer of protection and asylum to Sadashivrao Bhau and his followers. (Enclosure) 2 pp.

11 Aug., 1777, No. 10

Aug 14. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 14 Aug., 1777

Aug 14. J. Clavering communicates to the Board his views on the probable effect of reducing the strength of experienced officers in artillery corps in Asaf-ud-Daulah's army; submits statements of the corps. (Minute)—4 pp.

14 Aug., 1777, No. 1

Aug 12. Return of the officers actually doing duty in the several companies of artillery. (Enclosure to above)—4 pp.

14 Aug., 1777, No. 2

Comments of W. Hastings, P. Francis and R. Barwell on the minute by J. Clavering. (Minutes)—4 pp.

B.S., 14 Aug., 1777

Aug 18. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 18 Aug., 1777

Aug 18. W. Chambers submits to the Board interpretation of the word *jama-kamil*. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

18 Aug., 1777, No. 1

Aug 18. The Board warn the Government of Bombay of the consequences of continuing protection to Raghunathrao and disapprove their demand for expenses incurred on behalf of Raghunathrao from the Poona Darbar; instruct them with regard to the implementation of the 5th article of the Treaty of Purandhar concerning the collection of revenue of three lacs. 12 pp.

18 Aug., 1777, No. 2

Jun 21, Bombay Castle. The President and Select Committee of Bombay intimate to the Board the difficulties created by the Poona Darbar in the final session of the ceded territories; forward an authentic copy of the disputed article of the treaty; state that St. Lubin was received by Poona ministers with greater respect than shown towards T. Mostyn; inform that they have directed Mostyn to encourage suspicions among Poona ministers about the credentials of St. Lubin; report that the Poona forces after severe defeat at the hands of Haidar Ali have been put in quarters for the rain. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

18 Aug., 1777, No. 3

Aug 18. The Board inform the Bombay Government that the 5th article of the treaty furnished to them conforms to the original treaty; approve the instructions which the Bombay Government have given to T. Mostyn for making the estimate of revenue of the ceded territories and support their claim for the amount of revenue which they may be deprived of by any delay on the part of the Maratha agents in delivering Jambusar; forward translation of a letter of Fateh Singh Gaikwar and express the view that the retention of the districts ceded by him will be justified after clearer proof can be afforded by him in support of it. 4 pp.

18 Aug., 1777, No. 4

Aug 7, Benares. T. Graham forwards to the Board bills of exchange for the amount as payment of first instalment of Raja Chait Singh's tribute to the Company; encloses the plan of instalments of the payments to be made in the course of the year. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

18 Aug., 1777, No. 5

Aug 7, Benares. Plan of instalments of the payment to be made by Chait Singh on account of his annual tribute to the Company. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

18 Aug., 1777, No. A

Aug 25.

Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 25 Aug., 1777

Observations of W. Hastings on the transfer of artillery officers; states that he does not apprehend any difficulty in reinforcing the artillery at the Presidency with officers from Berhampore in case of emergency. (Minute)—4 pp.

25 Aug. 1777, No. 1

Aug 25. Comments of P. Francis on the above minute and rejoinder of W. Hastings thereon. (Minutes)—2 pp.

B.S., 25 Aug., 1777

1776, Aug 28 & Oct 10. Extracts of letters to T. Goddard informing him of the difficulty of sparing artillery officers for the Nawab Vazir's army. 1 p.

25 Aug., 1777, No. 2

Comments of W. Hastings on the transfer of artillery officers. (Minute)—2 pp.

25 Aug., 1777, No. 3

1777, Aug 21, Calcutta. J. Clavering forwards to the Board letter from Maj. G. B. Eyres regarding his supersession by Maj. W. Hessman to command cavalry corps; requests the Board to consider the representation of W. A. Bailie against supersession by P. Duff. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

25 Aug., 1777, No. 4

Aug 18, Berhampore. G. B. Eyres represents to J. Clavering against the assignment of command of cavalry corps to W. Hessman. (A.L.S.—Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

25 Aug., 1777, No. 5

Aug 25. Comments of P. Francis and R. Barwell on the above letters. (Minutes)—2 pp.

B.S., 25 Aug., 1777

W. Hastings puts before the Board the complete establishment and estimates of the expense of the new brigade for their orders. (Minute)—5 pp.

25 Aug., 1777, No. 6

Aug 28.

Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 28 Aug., 1777

W. Hastings proposes a General Order for commanding officers of the brigade to furnish M. Leslie on his application with the requisite number of sergeants. (Minute)—1 p.

28 Aug., 1777, No. 1

Sep 1. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 1 Sep., 1777

Opinion of P. Francis on the several questions proposed by J. Clavering pertaining to the formation of an additional brigade for Asaf-ud-Daulah's dominions. (Minute)—4 pp.

1 Sep., 1777, No. 1

Opinion of R. Barwell on the same. (Minute)—2 pp.

1 Sep., 1777, No. 2

Sep 1. Suggestions of W. Hastings on the proposals of J. Clavering. (Minute)—2 pp.

B.S., 1 Sep., 1777

Resolutions of the Board respecting the establishment of the new brigade for the defence of Asaf-ud-Daulah's dominions. (Resolutions)—5 pp.

B.S., 1 Sep., 1777

Sep 4. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 4 Sep., 1777

Aug 18. N. Middleton transmits to the Board the subsidy assignment accounts of the Nawab with the Company. (A.L.S.)—7 pp.

4 Sep., 1777, No. 2

Comments of W. Hastings on the term of service of *tankhwah* collectors in the Nawab Vazir's service; desires that N. Middleton may be directed to supply certain particulars of the assigned lands; comments of P. Francis and R. Barwell on the same. (Minutes)—2 pp.

B.S., 4 Sep., 1777

Observations of W. Hastings, P. Francis and R. Barwell on the employment of F. J. Mordaunt as commander of the Nawab Vazir's bodyguard. (Minutes)—3 pp.

B.S., 4 Sep., 1777

Sep 4. The Board convey to N. Middleton the repeal of their orders of 11 August; direct him to recommend F. J. Mordaunt to the Nawab for the command of his bodyguard. 1p.

4 Sep., 1777, No. 1

Sep 8. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 8 Sep., 1777

Jun 6, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board that Asaf-ud-Daulah has dismissed Imam Bakhsh from all the offices he held and banished him from his dominions. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

8 Sep., 1777, No. 1

Jun 16, Lucknow. N. Middleton communicates to the Board the news of the battle between Najaf Khan's troops and joint forces of Zabita Khar

and the Sikhs; informs that the Nawab has recalled Muhammad Bashir Khan from exile. (A.L.S.)—10 pp.

8 Sep., 1777, No. 2

Jun 18, Lucknow. N. Middleton refers to the Board doubtful points regarding discharge of bills for purchase of camp equipage; encloses copies of correspondence between J. O'Donnell and P. Thompson on the subject. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

8 Sep., 1777, No. 3

May 29, May 30. J. O'Donnell requests P. Thompson for refund of excess paid for purchase of tents and reply of Thompson declining to refund. (Enclosures to above)—3 pp.

8 Sep., 1777, No. A

Jun 27, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board that he has delivered Governor General's letter to Asaf-ud-Daulah with his personal representation on the abuses in the administration of his affairs; states that the Nawab has committed the entire control of his household and country into the hands of Mirza Hasan Riza Khan; intimates that Latafat Ali Khan is acting as mediator between Najaf Khan and Zabita Khan; adds that Zabita Khan has laid down conditions for coming to terms with Shah Alam which Najaf Khan is unlikely to comply with. (A.L.S.)—8 pp.

8 Sep., 1777, No. 4

N. Middleton represents to Asaf-ud-Daulah on the abuses in his administration. (Enclosure to above)—9 pp.

3 Sep., 1777, No. B

May 31, Lucknow. Statement of Asaf-ud-Daulah's account current with the Company from 1 February 1777 to 30 May 1777. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

8 Sep., 1777, No. C

Feb 28, Lucknow. Asaf-ud-Daulah's account current with his army under the British officers. (Enclosure)—15 pp.

8 Sep., 1777, No. D

Feb 28, Lucknow. Abstract of disbursements of Asaf-ud-Daulah's troops under the British officers under their several heads. (Enclosure)—1 p.

8 Sep., 1777, No. E

Statements of accounts of Asaf-ud-Daulah with his army under the British officers. (Enclosures)—6 pp.

8 Sep., 1777, Nos. F, G & H

Jun 28, Lucknow. N. Middleton forwards to the Board the statements of current accounts of the Company with Asaf-ud-Daulah. (A.L.S.)—18 pp.

8 Sep., 1777, No. 5

Jul 31, Lucknow. Account of Asaf-ud-Daulah with the Company from 31 May 1777 to 31 July 1777. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

8 Sep., 1777, No. P*

Statements of current accounts of the Company with Asaf-ud-Daulah forwarded by N. Middleton. (Enclosures)—10 pp.

8 Sep., 1777, No. Q, R, S, T, U,

*There are no Consultations bearing Nos. I and J. For Nos. K to O, which are enclosures to 8 September, Nos. 8—10, please see pages 190-91.

Jun 28, Lucknow. N. Middleton reports to the Board that he has informed Asaf-ud-Daulah about the sale of his jewels and has given him credit for the amount. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

8 Sep., 1777, No. 6

Jul 25, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board that Asaf-ud-Daulah has issued an order to all the officers of his Government signifying the investiture of Hasan Riza Khan with full authority as Naib and that Haidar Beg Khan has been appointed Naib to Hasan Riza Khan; adds that the Nawab insists on retention of Baiswara under Bhawani Singh. (A.L.S.)—6 pp.

8 Sep., 1777, No. 7

Jul 26, Lucknow. N. Middleton reports to the Board about his negotiation with Asaf-ud-Daulah for the recall of Saadat Ali Khan; states that he is making an effort to win Saadat Ali Khan away from bad advisers; encloses copies of correspondence with Saadat Ali Khan. (A.L.S.)—12 pp.

8 Sep., 1777, No. 8

Jul 25, Lucknow. N. Middleton forwards a letter to A. Balfour for Saadat Ali Khan and desires him to obtain a positive answer from him. (Enclosure to above)—4 pp.

8 Sep., 1777, No. K

Saadat Ali Khan urges N. Middleton to remove any possible doubts from the Nawab Vazir's mind about him and adds that he wants to reside in the Company's dominions; states that he has severed his connection with persons considered undesirable and seeks permission to bring his close associates with him. (Enclosure)—6 pp.

8 Sep., 1777, No. L

N. Middleton informs Saadat Ali Khan that the Nawab does not want him to bring those persons who misled him or excited trouble; asks him to inform plainly to A. Balfour in case he is determined not to come without his favourites. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

8 Sep., 1777, No. M

Jul 27, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board that Guman Singh and Khuman Singh (Raja of Charkhari) have solicited mediation of the English or of the Nawab Vazir for settling dispute with Anirudh Singh (Ruler of Panna); seeks Board's instructions in the matter and forwards the genealogical tree of the family of Raja Chhatarsal of Bundelkhand with information on the respective rights of the contending persons. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

8 Sep., 1777, No. 9

Genealogical tree of the family of Raja Chhatarsal of Bundelkhand. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

8 Sep., 1777, No. N

Aug 4, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board that Saadat Ali Khan has accepted asylum offered to him by Asaf-ud-Daulah; states that he has asked A. Balfour to liquidate the debt incurred by Saadat Ali Khan at Agra out of the receipt from his *jagir*; forwards copy of a letter

received by him from Saadat Ali signifying his acceptance of the conditions. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

8 Sep., 1777, No. 10

Saadat Ali Khan conveys to N. Middleton his decision of coming alone; requests him not to keep him there for more than two or three days. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

8 Sep., 1777, No. O

Aug 12, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board that Saadat Ali Khan has been escorted from Lucknow by A. Balfour. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

8 Sep., 1777, No. 11

Aug 14, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board that intelligence regarding cessation of hostilities between Shah Alam and Zabita Khan has reached him. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

8 Sep., 1777, No. 12

Aug 23, Lucknow. N. Middleton forwards to the Board the statement of *tankhwah* granted by Asaf-ud-Daulah towards army subsidy. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

8 Sep., 1777, No. 13

Aug 25, Lucknow. N. Middleton communicates to the Board Asaf-ud-Daulah's acceptance of the regulations and appointments made for the execution of the plan for the defence of Oudh. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

8 Sep., 1777, No. 14

Aug 26, Lucknow. N. Middleton forwards to the Board extracts from F. Palmer's letters concerning some disagreeable circumstances amongst the troops under Capt. R. Stuart. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

8 Sep., 1777, No. 15

Aug 19 & 20, Daranagar. F. Palmer (Deputy Paymaster) informs N. Middleton about the mutiny of sepoy due to difficulties in payment of arrears of pay. (Enclosure to above)—4 pp.

8 Sep., 1777, No. W

Sep 8. Opinion of the members of the Board on the letters addressed by N. Middleton. (Minutes)—16 pp.

B.S., 8 Sep., 1777

Sep 8. The Board direct N. Middleton to caution Asaf-ud-Daulah to avoid embroiling himself in any disputes with the states adjacent to him; tell him to ask P. Thompson to refund excess amount drawn from the Nawab's treasury for purchase of camp equipage; comment on the accounts current with the army under the British officers; confirm measures recommended by the Nawab for realizing *tankhwah* granted to the Company; direct him to furnish statement of assigned lands and estimates of revenue; express concern at the conduct of the troops under R. Stuart. 8. pp.

8 Sep., 1777, No. 16

Sep 8. The Board direct T. Goddard to enquire into the causes of mutiny in R. Stuart's battalion. 1 p.

8 Sep., 1777, No. 17

Sep 11. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 11 Sep., 1777

Sep 11. Proposal of P. Francis to determine Asaf-ud-Daulah's debts to the British officers. (Minute)—2 pp.

11 Sep., 1777, No. 1

Sep 22. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 22 Sep., 1777

Sep 17. The Board ask the Government of Bombay to get prepared for a rupture between England and any of the other European powers; request them to send a return of the actual state of the forces at their Presidency and solicit plans of co-operating with Bengal and Madras and mutually supporting each other in case of an invasion of India.

Sep 17. The Board address the Government of Madras on the same line and seek their views on the strength and resources of the different country powers with whom alliance could be made in case of an emergency. 2 pp.

22 Sep., 1777, No. 1

Sep 19. The Board request the Government of Bombay to convey to the Court of Directors the death of J. Clavering. 1 p.

22 Sep., 1777, No. 2

Aug 2, Bombay Castle. The President and Council of Bombay forward to the Board a copy of paper obtained by T. Mostyn containing information regarding the French activities at Poona which was part of a memoir intended to be presented to the court of France. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

22 Sep., 1777, No. 3

Paper obtained by T. Mostyn from Poona containing the account of the French activity personified by St. Lubin. (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

22 Sep., 1777, No. 4

Sep 20, Alipore. W. Hastings sends to the Secretary to the Board certain papers for the information of the members of the Board. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

22 Sep., 1777, No. 5

Sep 19. H. Wedderburn reports to the Board about a vessel flying Dutch colours but manned by the French. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

22 Sep., 1777, No. 6

Sep 20. H. Wedderburn informs the Board about the departure of the French ship. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

22 Sep., 1777, No. 7

Sep 20. W. Campbell informs W. Hastings regarding passage of a French ship. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

22 Sep., 1777, No. 8

Sep 22. Plan of W. Hastings on the defence of India from possible invasion from outside. (Minute)—12 pp.

22 Sep., 1777, No. 9

Sep 8, Benares. T. Graham forwards to the Board bills of exchange for the amount as payment of Raja Chait Singh's tribute to the Company. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

22 Sep., 1777, No. 10

Sep 24. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 24 Sep., 1777

The Board direct M. Leslie to proceed to Farrukhabad to form a brigade for the defence of Asaf-ud-Daulah's dominions; send instructions in case the Nawab makes a requisition of troops. 6 pp.

24 Sep., 1777, No. 1

Sep 24. The Board direct T. Goddard to hand over charge of his troops to M. Leslie. 1 p.

24 Sep., 1777, No. 2

Sep 29. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 29 Sep., 1777

Aug 30, Lucknow. N. Middleton conveys to the Board Asaf-ud-Daulah's approbation to the Board of P. Connellan's restoration to the command of his bodyguard. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

29 Sep., 1777, No. 1

Sep 17, Benares. T. Graham forwards to the Board copy of a letter of Raja Chait Singh with a representation made to him by the Benares *sarrafs* on difficulties in procuring bills for payment of tribute (A.L.S.)—1 p.

29 Sep., 1777, No. 2

Raja Chait Singh brings to the notice of T. Graham the grievances of the *sarrafs* of Benares.

Arzi from the *sarrafs* of Benares explaining their difficulties in granting bills of exchange on the Calcutta mint. (Enclosures to above)—3 pp.

29 Sep., 1777, No. A

Sep 29. Account of gold *mohurs* coined in Calcutta mint from 1 June 1775 to 1 June 1776. 1 p.

29 Sep., 1777, No. 3

Sep 29. The Board inform T. Graham that the grievances of the *sarrafs* are mere pretexts; state that they will not allow any deviation in the mode of payment of tribute. 2 pp.

29 Sep., 1777, No. 4

Sep 29. W. Hastings desires that his minute of 25 August on army affairs be sent for approval of other members of the Board; recommends recall of Lts. D. Woodburn and F. J. Mordaunt as supernumerary in the temporary brigade. (Minute)—1 p.

29 Sep., 1777, No. 5

Oct 6. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 6 Oct., 1777

Sep 18, Chandernagore. J. B. Chevalier protests to the Board against the enhanced rate of custom duties on French salt. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

6 Oct., 1777, No. 1

Sep 20. The Board inform J. B. Chevalier that they do not want to change their decision on the subject.—2 pp.

6 Oct., 1777, No. 2

Sep 17, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board that Najaf Khan declines to accept peace terms offered by Zabita Khan; adds that joined by Afrasiyab Khan and the *qiladar* of Agra, he had declared war against Zabita Khan who, being defeated, took refuge in Ghausgarh. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

6 Oct., 1777, No. 3

Sep 20, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board that Asaf-ud-Daulah has approved the appointment of F. J. Mordaunt for the command of his bodyguard. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

6 Oct., 1777, No. 4

Sep 21, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board that Najaf Khan has established his authority throughout Zabita Khan's country; states that the whereabouts of Zabita Khan is not known; reports about the outrageous conduct of Sheo Singh (zamindar of Akbarpur) and hints the possibility of using force to bring him to submission. (A.L.S.)—6 pp.

6 Oct., 1777, No. 5

Oct 6. The Board intimate their approval to N. Middleton of Asaf-ud-Daulah's decision to reduce Sheo Singh. 2 pp.

6 Oct., 1777, No. 6

Oct 6. The Board acquaint N. Middleton with the plan of relief of the Third Brigade and direct him to explain it to the Nawab Vazir; ask him to explain to the Nawab why they have preferred Allahabad to Bilgram for stationing of troops to protect his dominions against the Marathas. 3 pp.

6 Oct., 1777, No. 7

Sep 17, Daranagar. R. Stuart reports to the Board the steps taken to check Najaf Khan's designs on Rohilkhand. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

6 Oct., 1777, No. 8

Aug 20, Daranagar. R. Stuart informs the Board that he has suppressed the mutiny in his troops; encloses a copy of the detachment order issued by him. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

6 Oct., 1777, No. 9

Aug 19 & 20, Daranagar. The detachment order issued by R. Stuar. (Enclosure to above)—6 pp.

6 Oct., 1777, No. A

Aug 19, Daranagar. R. Stuart forwards to T. Goddard particulars about suppression of mutiny in the detachment at Daranagar. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

6 Oct., 1777, No. B

Oct 6. The Board direct M. Leslie to publish General Order asking officers to correspond with the Board through proper channels. 2 pp.

6 Oct., 1777, No. 10

Oct 4. J. Belli forwards to the Board the bill, the certificate and his account current with the Company. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

6 Oct., 1777, No. 11

Oct 4. Stores delivered by the Agent Victualler at Fort William from 27 June to 4 October 1777. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

6 Oct., 1777, No. C

Oct 13. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 13 Oct., 1777

Oct 11. Maj. J. Stainforth and Capt. S. Kilpatrick request the Governor General and Council about payment of Rohilla prize-money. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

13 Oct., 1777, No. 1

Sep 16, Camp Fatehgarh. T. Goddard represents to the Board regarding alleged supersession by M. Leslie to command the temporary brigade. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

13 Oct., 1777, No. 2

Oct 13. The Board write to T. Goddard replying to his charge. 2 pp.

13 Oct., 1777, No. 3

Oct 13. The Board inform M. Leslie about the pay and allowances of officers of the temporary brigade. 3 pp.

13 Oct., 1777, No. 4

Oct 13. W. Hastings anticipating a change in the Government and in order to avoid any inconvenience which might be occasioned by such a change, proposes that an order be sent to Capt. J. Sutherland to remain at Suez until he receives the orders of the Court of Directors. (Minute)—2 pp.

B.S., 13 Oct., 1777

Oct 13. The Board forward to G. Baldwin (Company's Agent at Cairo) an address for transmission to the Court of Directors and inform that J. Sutherland has been directed to wait at Suez until he receives orders from the Court of Directors to leave that port. 1 p.

13 Oct., 1777, No. 5

Oct 20.

Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 20 Oct., 1777

Oct 15. J. N. Parker requests the Board to furnish him with authentic copies of G. Stibbert's letters to the Board relating to his conduct to enable him to explain his position. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

20 Oct., 1777, No. 1

Oct 20. Observations of the members of the Board on the request of J. N. Parker for supplying copies of G. Stibbert's letters to him. (Minutes)—3 pp.

20 Oct., 1777, No. 2

Sep 19, Fort St. George. The President and Council of Madras acquaint the Board with the reasons of sending an expedition into Chicacole *sarkar* to enforce obedience and submission from Viziarama Razu (Raja of Vizianagram) who had confined Jagannath Raj (his *Diwan*); request the Board to send one of the Company's ships to extradite the Europeans sent to Vizagapatam to reduce Viziarama Razu. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

20 Oct., 1777, No. 3

The Board agree with the request of the Madras Government and order one of the Company's ships to call at Vizagapatam. 1 p.

B.S., 20 Oct., 1777

Aug 20, Bombay Castle. The President and Council, Bombay forward to the Board an application from the owners of the wrecked ship *Aurora* and request them to seek redress from the Poona Government. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

20 Oct., 1777, No. 4

Jul 30, Bombay. The owners of the wrecked ship *Aurora* request the Bombay Government to move the Poona Government for compensation. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

20 Oct., 1777, No. A

Comment of W. Hastings on the above. (Minute)—2 pp.

B.S., 20 Oct., 1777

Oct 20. The Board convey to the President and Council, Bombay their anxiety for news regarding St. Lubin's interview with Poona ministers at Purandhar. 8 pp.

20 Oct., 1777, No. 5

Oct 20. W. Hastings informs the Board about the receipt of a letter from the Peshwa and two others addressed by the Maratha agent to him. (Minute)—1 p.

B.S., 20 Oct., 1777

Sep 28, Camp near Fatehgarh. T. Goddard reports to the Board on the measures for suppressing mutiny in R. Stuart's detachment at Darnagar. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

20 Oct., 1777, No. 6

Oct 3, Camp near Fatehgarh. T. Goddard informs the Board that he has appointed officers to the Company's new brigade formed out of the

Nawab Vazir's troops; states that the Nawab has directed him to proceed against a powerful zamindar of the Doab. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

20 Oct., 1777, No. 7

Oct 4, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board that Asaf-ud-Daulah has directed T. Goddard to march against Sheo Singh and to put his *amil* in possession of Akbarpur; forwards extracts from his letters to T. Goddard on the subject. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

20 Oct., 1777, No. 8

Sep 27 & 30. Extracts of letters addressed by N. Middleton to T. Goddard in connection with the rebellious conduct of Sheo Singh. (Enclosures to above)—3 pp.

20 Oct., 1777, No. B

Oct 20. The Board inform N. Middleton that they approve the operations against Sheo Singh; recommend that the Nawab should entrust negotiations with Sheo Singh to a new *amil*. 3 pp.

20 Oct., 1777, No. 9

Oct 18. J. Stainforth and S. Kilpatrick request the Board to direct A. Hannay to deliver to the Board the Returns and Long Rolls of troops entitled to Rohilla prize-money. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

20 Oct., 1777, No. 10

Order of the Board in conformity with the request of J. Stainforth and S. Kilpatrick. 1 p.

B.S., 20 Oct., 1777

Oct 23. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 23 Oct., 1777

Observations of W. Hastings on the request of the officers of the Second Brigade for payment of Rohilla prize-money and the form of address of the letter of the Peshwa to the King of England. (Minute)—4 pp.

B.S., 23 Oct., 1777

Oct 27 Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 27 Oct., 1777

Oct 27. Opinion of P. Francis on the Second Brigade's claim to donation money promised by Shuja-ud-Daulah. (Minute)—3 pp.

27 Oct., 1777, No. 1

R. Barwell's comments on the same. (Minute)—1 p.

B.S., 27 Oct., 1777

Oct 27. Comments of W. Hastings on the same. (Minute)—2 pp.

27 Oct., 1777, No. 2

Oct 27. The Board direct J. Morgan (Commanding the Second Brigade) to ascertain the shares of claimants to Shuja-ud-Daulah's donation for Rohilla campaign. 4 pp.

27 Oct., 1777, No. 3

Oct 17, Benares. T. Graham forwards to the Board a copy of Raja Chait Singh's letter; dwells on the objections and difficulties of Benares *sarrafs*. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

27 Oct., 1777, No. 4

Oct 27. Observations of W. Hastings on the question of working of the mints at Calcutta and the alleged difficulties of the *sarrafs* at Benares; the decision of the Board that Raja Chait Singh may be told that it is his duty to pay his tribute into the treasury at Calcutta. (Minute)—4 pp.

B.S., 27 Oct., 1777

Oct 27. Opinion of the members of the Board on the question of reimbursing the executors of late J. Clavering the cost for preparing copies of the Secret Department proceedings. (Minutes)—4 pp.

B.S., 27 Oct., 1777

Fateh Singh Gaikwar communicates to J. Upton the nature of his rights over Gujarat. (Translation)—2 pp.

27 Oct., 1777, No. 5

Oct 30. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 30 Oct., 1777

Oct 30. C. Keating (Superintendent of Mint at Murshidabad) supplies information to the Board regarding private mints in Murshidabad. (Minute)—4 pp.

B.S., 30 Oct., 1777

Oct 30. The Board interrogate Kailashi Ram (agent of Kashmiri Mal), Jwalanath (vakil of Ram Charan Shah, *sarraf* at Benares) Mannulal (agent of Sukhlal, banker of Benares) Thakurdas (*gumashta* of Gopal Das banker) and W. Paxton about coinage of gold bullion supplied to him by *sarrafs* at Benares. 8 pp.

B.S., 30 Oct., 1777

Oct 30. Proposals of W. Hastings to remove the obstacles put by the agents of the bankers before Raja Chait Singh in sending his remittances to Calcutta. (Minute)—2 pp.

B.S., 30 Oct., 1777

Oct 21, Benares. T. Graham forwards to the Board bills of exchange for the amount as Raja Chait Singh's tribute to the Company. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

30 Oct., 1777, No. 1

Oct 30. The Board direct T. Graham to explain to the *sarrafs* the regulations respecting Calcutta mint and enquire from them the causes of obstructing Raja's monthly remittances; forward receipt of Raja's tribute for the last year. 3 pp.

30 Oct., 1777, No. 2

Nov 3.

Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 3 Nov., 1777

C. Keating supplies information to the Board regarding private mints in Murshidabad. (Copy)—1 p.

3 Nov., 1777, No. 1

Nov 3. Orders of the Board to the Chief and Council at Murshidabad and to all other Provincial Councils and Collectors to apprehend persons carrying on clandestine coinage in private mints and prosecute them. 2 pp.

3 Nov., 1777, No. 2

Nov 3, Calcutta. W. Paxton forwards a report to the Board on the weight and assay of four rupees and the comparative value of Benares and Calcutta rupees. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

3 Nov., 1777, No. 3

Nov 3. The Board forward to T. Graham a copy of the Assay Master's report on the comparative value of Benares and Calcutta rupees to be communicated to the *sarrafs* at Benares. 1 p.

3 Nov., 1777, No. 4

Nov 1, Calcutta. W. Paxton reports to the Board that he has issued *sikkas* to Sukhlal *sarraf* in lieu of sums brought into the mint. 1 p.

3 Nov., 1777, No. 5

Sep 14. J. Bristow reports to the Board on the loans contracted by the Nawab Vazir from the British officers for paying his troops. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

3 Nov., 1777, No. 6

Oct 1, Camp near Fatehgarh. J. Erskine represents to the Board regarding loss incurred in procuring money for J. Bristow. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

3 Nov., 1777, No. 7

Sep 26, Lucknow. N. Middleton solicits Board's favour for the appointment of two or three additional assistants to cope with the multiplicity of business (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

3 Nov., 1777, No. 8

Sep 27, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board that he has endeavoured to dissuade Asaf-ud-Daulah from involving himself in the disputes of his neighbours; apprehends that Zabita Khan may escape into the Nawab's dominions; adds that he has directed the Deputy Paymaster to reclaim from P. Thompson the over-payment made to him; dwells on the measures for clearing arrears of pay of troops under British officers; forwards a copy of *qistbandi* obtained from Almas Ali Khan who was engaged in collecting revenues from assigned districts; throws some light on the outbreak of mutiny of troops under R. Stuart. (A.L.S.)—16 pp.

3 Nov., 1777, No. 9

Aug 31, Lucknow. Statement of cash in hand with N. Middleton. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

3 Nov., 1777, No. A

Aug 31, Lucknow. Statement of account current of Asaf-ud-Daulah with the Company. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

3 Nov., 1777, No. B

Qistbandi of Almas Ali Khan for the Fasli year 1185. (Enclosure)—1 p.

3 Nov., 1777, No. C

Sep 26, Lucknow. N. Middleton enquires from L. Oliver (Assistant Paymaster General) the cause of delay in forwarding accounts of disbursements to the Nawab's army and reply of L. Oliver explaining the circumstances which delayed the despatch of accounts. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

3 Nov., 1777, No. E*

Sep 29, Lucknow. N. Middleton forwards to the Board the Paymaster's receipt for the sums remitted to him for the use of the Third Brigade in July and August. (A.L.S.)—1p.

3 Nov., 1777, No. 10

Sep 30, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board that he has debited the sum in the account of the Nawab Vazir which the latter had borrowed from J. Upton for his horsemen. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

3 Nov., 1777, No. 11

Oct 1, Lucknow. N. Middleton forwards J. O'Donnell's address to the Board soliciting their help for the recovery of the amount due from the Nawab; informs that he has refused to use his influence with the Nawab for that purpose. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

3 Nov., 1777, No. 12

Sep 17, Lucknow. J. O'Donnell represents to the Board regarding his claims against the Nawab Vazir; requests them to use their influence for their recovery. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

3 Nov., 1777, No. 13

Oct 6, Lucknow. N. Middleton recommends to the Board the renewal of T. Goddard's employment as the Nawab's authority in the Doab is weak; narrates the condition of the Doab from the decline of the Mughal Empire till its annexation by the Nawab; suggests levelling of forts to subdue refractory zamindars in the Doab. (A.L.S.)—8 pp.

3 Nov., 1777, No. 14

Oct 9, Lucknow. N. Middleton forwards to the Board *wasil-baqi* and *jama-wasil-baqi* of Asaf-ud-Daulah's *tankhwah* in favour of army subsidy and the Company's balance of the Nawab's troops under the command of the British officers and the Rohillas upto 18 August 1777; also forwards G. Herbert's receipt for the sum remitted to him for the use of the brigade in the month of September. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

3 Nov., 1777, No. 15

Statement of subsidy assignment accounts of the Nawab with the Company forwarded by N. Middleton to the Board. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

3 Nov., 1777, No. F

*Consultation No. D is missing.

Statement of subsidy assignment accounts of the Nawab with the Company forwarded to the Board by N. Middleton. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

3 Nov., 1777, No. G

Oct 10, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board that he has helped in clearing a misunderstanding between Hasan Riza Khan and Asaf-ud-Daulah. (A.L.S.)—13 pp.

3 Nov., 1777, No. 16

Oct 12, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board that Zabita Khan with the support of the Sikhs is posing a threat to Panipat; states that Abdul Ahad Khan with the King's sanction is secretly negotiating with the Sikhs against Najaf Khan; adds that there is misunderstanding between Najaf Khan and Anup Giri; reports that Najaf Khan has broken treaty negotiations with Zabita Khan and Daud Beg Khan and Afrasiyab Khan have joined Najaf Khan with reinforcements and military stores. (A.L.S.)—6 pp.

3 Nov., 1777, No. 17

Oct 13, Lucknow. N. Middleton forwards to the Board accounts of different British officers with Asaf-ud-Daulah. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

3 Nov., 1777, No. 18

Feb 28, Lucknow. Statement of accounts of different British officers with Asaf-ud-Daulah. (Enclosure to above)—17 pp.

3 Nov., 1777, No. H

Feb 28, Lucknow. Account of C. Marsack with the Nawab Vazir. (Enclosure)—7 pp.

3 Nov., 1777, No. I

Feb 28, Lucknow. Account current of J. Webber with the Nawab Vazir. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

3 Nov., 1777, No. K

Feb 28, Lucknow. Account of T. Goddard with the Nawab Vazir. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

3 Nov., 1777, No. L

Feb 28, Lucknow. Account of J. Collins with the Nawab Vazir. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

3 Nov., 1777, No. M

Feb 28, Lucknow. Account of A. McIntosh with the Nawab Vazir. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

3 Nov., 1777, No. N

Feb 28, Lucknow. Statement of account of W. Bourke with the Nawab Vazir. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

3 Nov., 1777, No. O

Feb 28, Lucknow. Statement of account of P. Connellan with the Nawab Vazir. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

3 Nov., 1777, No. P

Feb 28, Lucknow. Statement of account of Jugal Das (Banker with the Nawab) for cash advanced for troops under the British officers. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

3 Nov., 1777, No. Q

Oct 20, Lucknow. N. Middleton intimates to the Board the arrival of M. Leslie and F. J. Mordaunt; states that Mordaunt will immediately receive the command of the Nawab's bodyguard. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

3 Nov., 1777, No. 19

Oct 21, Lucknow. N. Middleton forwards to the Board statement of subsidy assignment account with the Company and statement of *tankhwah* granted by Asaf-ud-Daulah towards army subsidy. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

3 Nov., 1777, No. 20

Sep 30, Lucknow. Statement of cash in the hands of N. Middleton. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

3 Nov., 1777, No. R

Sep 30, Lucknow. Account of Asaf-ud-Daulah with the Company. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

3 Nov., 1777, No. S

Statement of subsidy assignment accounts of Asaf-ud-Daulah with the Company. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

3 Nov., 1777, No. T

Nov 3. The Board inform N. Middleton that they approve of the sums advanced by him from the Company's account for payment of troops; send instructions regarding *tankhwas* granted by the Nawab Vazir; convey their refusal to use influence for recovery of J. O'Donnell's claims from the Nawab; prohibit him from liquidating private debts until Company's dues are finally discharged. 4 pp.

3 Nov., 1777, No. 21

Nov 3. Observations of the members of the Board on the proposed draft reply to N. Middleton. (Minutes)—3 pp.

B.S., 3 Nov., 1777

Nov 6. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 6 Nov., 1777

Oct 26, Benares. T. Graham forwards to the Board a packet received by an express messenger from Poona. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

6 Nov., 1777, No. 1

Sep 26, Poona. W. Lewis (Assistant to T. Mostyn at Poona) forwards a packet to the Board received from the President and Council of Bombay. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

6 Nov., 1777, No. 2

Sep 19, Bombay Castle. The President and Council, Bombay forward to the Board copy of a letter received from T. Mostyn; report the incursion of the Kolis into Jambusar and propose the mode of their punishment. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

6 Nov., 1777, No. 3

Aug 13, Poona. T. Mostyn's letter to the Government of Bombay. (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

6 Nov., 1777, No. 4

Dec 1.

Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 1 Dec., 1777

Nov 27. The Board express their concern to the President and Council of Bombay on their silence about the cause of T. Mostyn's return from Poona. 2 pp.

1 Dec., 1777, No. 1

Nov 17. Opinion of W. Hastings on the Nawab Vazir's request regarding stationing of a brigade at Bilgram. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

1 Dec., 1777, No. 2

Nov 4, Lucknow. N. Middleton conveys to the Board Asaf-ud-Daulah's sentiments on their proposal to station the brigade at Allahabad in preference to Bilgram. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

1 Dec., 1777, No. 3

Opinions of R. Barwell and P. Francis on cantoning of relief brigade at Bilgram. (Minutes)—2 pp.

1 Dec., 1777, No. 4

Nov 17, Benares. T. Graham informs the Board that he has acquainted the *sarrafs* with the comparative value of Benares and Calcutta rupees and is interrogating them for the payment of the Raja's monthly remittances; reports that he has invested the Raja with a *khilat*; forwards bills of exchange towards payment of the Raja's annual tribute. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

1 Dec., 1777, No. 5

Nov 22, Benares. T. Graham informs the Board that he has acquainted the principal *sarrafs* of Benares with the substance and spirit of the Board's regulations respecting the Calcutta mint; states that he has interrogated Sukhlal, Gopal Das and other principal *sarrafs* of Benares for obstructing Raja Chait Singh's monthly remittances and forwards their replies; gives an account of the gold exported from Benares since the acquisition of Chait Singh's zamindari. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

1 Dec., 1777, No. 6

Nov 22, Benares. Examination of the *sarrafs* of Benares and their agents by T. Graham for obstructing Raja Chait Singh's monthly remittances to Calcutta. (Enclosure to above)—11 pp.

1 Dec., 1777, No. A

Nov 22, Benares. General abstract account exhibiting the names of merchants and the quantity of gold *mohurs* exported from Benares to Murshidabad or Calcutta from February 1776 to October 1777. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

1 Dec., 1777, No. B

Dec 1. The Board direct the Chief and Council at Murshidabad to ascertain from the bankers of Benares and their *gumashtas* the quantity of gold *mohurs* exported to Murshidabad. 1 p.

1 Dec., 1777, No. 7

Dec 1. The Board inform T. Graham that they approve of his investing Raja Chait Singh with a *khilat*. 1 p.

1 Dec., 1777, No. 8

Dec 1. W. Hastings draws the attention of the Board to a proposal from the Director and Council of the Dutch Company at Hooghly regarding exchange of property at Baranagar for land near Chinsura which was received earlier. (Minute)—2 pp.

B.S., 1 Dec., 1777

Dec 1. The Board forward to the Calcutta Committee of Revenue a proposal of the Director and Council of the Dutch Company at Hooghly for exchange of property at Baranagar for land near Chinsura. 2 pp.

1 Dec., 1777, No. 9

Dec 1. The Board direct W. B. Martin to pay arrears of Fateh Ali Khan's allowances. 1 p.

1 Dec., 1777, No. 10

Dec 1. Comments of W. Hastings on the above. (Minute)—2 pp.

B.S., 1 Dec., 1777

Nov 17, Patna. The Chief and Council at Patna communicate to the Board information on the coining of false money at Patna and punishment of counterfeiters. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

1 Dec., 1777, No. 11

Nov 30. J. Belli forwards to the Board the bill, account current and certificate with respect to the delivery of articles. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

1 Dec., 1777, No. 12

Nov 30. Certificate in favour of J. Belli for stores supplied to Fort William. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

1 Dec., 1777, No. C

Dec 8. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 8 Dec., 1777

Dec 5, Berhampore. J. Morgan informs the Board that he has deferred the meeting of the Board of Officers to determine the shares in Rohilla prize-money as a number of officers concerned are out of station. (A.I.S.)—1 p.

8 Dec., 1777, No. 1

Dec 8. The Board intimate to J. Morgan their approbation of the steps proposed to be taken by him in regard to the fixing of shares of prize-money. 1 p.

8 Dec., 1777, No. 2

Nov 1, Lucknow. N. Middleton reports to the Board that Sheo Singh evacuated Akbarpur on the approach of T. Goddard. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

8 Dec., 1777, No. 3

Nov 7, Lucknow. N. Middleton narrates to the Board the conduct of Sheo Singh leading to the expedition of T. Goddard against him; forwards copy of a letter of Col. Goddard relating to the conduct of Sheo Singh; informs that Almas Ali Khan has been deprived of districts farmed out to him; reports that the Nawab has ordered the incorporation of Capt. J. Bruce's cavalry with the regiments under the command of M. Leslie. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

8 Dec., 1777, No. 4

Oct 20, Fatehpur. T. Goddard informs N. Middleton about his march against Sheo Singh; recommends indemnification of Almas Ali Khan for loss of revenue of Akbarpur. (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

8 Dec., 1777, No. A

Nov 8, Lucknow. N. Middleton reports to the Board that in consequence of an order issued by J. Erskine to the Paymaster of the detachment at Daranagar excess *batta* was paid to the troops; adds that he has made demand upon G. Hoggan and Capt. J. Hill to refund the excess *batta* paid to the troops under their commands; reports that there is dissatisfaction among the troops under the command of M. Leslie on account of arrears of pay; sends money to F. Palmer to liquidate arrears of pay of the troops. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

8 Dec., 1777, No. 5

General Order issued by J. Erskine at Daranagar raising the *batta* of sepoys; refund of overpayment made due to the above order; R. Stuart orders the Deputy Paymaster in Rohilkhand to borrow money for paying arrears to that detachment in that province. (Enclosure to above)—6 pp.

8 Dec., 1777, No. B

Nov 9, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board that Saadat Ali Khan on being offered asylum has proceeded to Bengal; reports a happy meeting between Asaf-ud-Daulah and Saadat Ali Khan. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

8 Dec., 1777, No. 6

Nov 13, Lucknow. N. Middleton reports to the Board about an insurrection in Khairabad; states that Choupe Singh (zamindar of Dhaurahra) refuses to pay his revenue and has defeated the troops of the *amil* of Khairabad; informs that Asaf-ud-Daulah has sought assistance of a battalion of sepoys from M. Leslie to act in conjunction with the *amil's* force in reducing Choupe Singh; adds that the Nawab has set out on an expedition into Gorakhpur *en route* to Khairabad and intends to remain there until the matters have been settled. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

8 Dec., 1777, No. 7

Nov 16, Lucknow. N. Middleton reports to the Board on the Nawab Vazir's assignments; commends the efficiency of Raja Bhawani Singh in revenue collection; encloses some accounts. (A.L.S.)—13 pp.

8 Dec., 1777, No. 8

Sep 30, Lucknow. Statement of accounts of Asaf-ud-Daulah's troops under the British officers. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

8 Dec., 1777, No. C

Sep 30, Lucknow. Statement of accounts of Asaf-ud-Daulah. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

8 Dec., 1777, No. D

General estimate of the expense of the new brigade (Enclosure)—2 pp.

8 Dec., 1777, No. E

Estimate of three brigades to assist in collection of revenue. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

8 Dec., 1777, No. F

Rohilla chiefs' stipends. (Enclosure)—1 p.

8 Dec., 1777, No. H

Dec 8. The Board inform N. Middleton that they have waived their former recommendation concerning Almas Ali Khan and approve of his continuance as the naib of the Doab; state that they have authorized M. Leslie in the matters of excess payment of *batta* to the Indian troops at Daranagar. 2 pp.

8 Dec., 1777, No. 9

Dec 8. The Board condemn the action of J. Erskine in issuing order to Paymaster of the detachment at Daranagar for alteration in the rate of *batta*; ask M. Leslie to demand from Erskine the refund of excess *batta*; state that the pay of the new brigade will be regulated by the general rules of the Company's service. 3 pp.

8 Dec., 1777, No. 10

Oct 16, Camp near Vellore. T. Goddard expresses his sentiments to the Board on their second letter regarding handing over charge of his troops to M. Leslie. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

8 Dec., 1777, No. 11

Oct 28, Camp before Tungar. T. Goddard reports to the Board about the capture of forts of Sheo Singh. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

8 Dec., 1777, No. 12

Dec 15. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 15 Dec., 1777

Dec 1, Lucknow. N. Middleton reports to the Board his differences with C. Marsack regarding settlement of accounts of the latter's regiment; forwards copy of his correspondence with Capt. Marsack. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

15 Dec., 1777, No. 1

Correspondence between N. Middleton and C. Marsack regarding settlement of accounts of the latter's regiment. (Enclosures to above)—30 pp.

15 Dec., 1777, No. A

Sep, Farrukhabad. Statement of accounts of the Paymaster of the Nawab Vazir's troops with C. Marsack. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

15 Dec., 1777, No. B

Nov 9. Statement of accounts of the Paymaster General of the Nawab's troops with C. Marsack. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

15 Dec., 1777, No. C

1778(?)*, Jan 3. Estimate of the probable resources of the Bengal Government from 1 May 1777 to 30 April 1778. (Enclosure)—9 pp.

15 Dec., 1777, No. D

1777, Nov 30, Allahabad. C. Marsack reports to the Board on his differences with N. Middleton; refers to his claim on revenue of Farrukhabad, demands interest on the sums advanced by him for feeding the regiments of cavalry. (A.L.S.)—9 pp.

15 Dec., 1777, No. 2

Dec 15. The Board forward to N. Middleton their resolution on his differences with C. Marsack over regiment's account. 3 pp.

15 Dec., 1777, No. 3

*That is the year which is given in the Original Consultation. Evidently the estimate was prepared on 3 January 1778.

Dec 15. The Board request M. Leslie to direct C. Marsack to send to N. Middleton account of receipts and disbursements for troops. 2 pp.

15 Dec., 1777, No. 4

Dec 11, Calcutta. W. Paxton communicates to the Board his remarks on recoinage of Benares rupees and refinement of bullion intended to be remitted to Calcutta from Bombay. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

15 Dec., 1777, No. 5

Dec 15. The Board inform T. Graham that they do not agree with the proposal made by Gopal Das regarding payment of Raja Chait Singh's annual tribute; suggest that the Raja may be requested to increase weight and fineness of Benares rupee and standardize the coinage to enable it to be circulated in Bengal. 3 pp.

15 Dec., 1777, No. 6

Dec 22. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 22 Dec., 1777

Dec 2, Lucknow. N. Middleton forwards to the Board accounts of cash with him and *wasil-baqi*. (A.L.S.)—7 pp.

22 Dec., 1777, No. 1

Form of a general account of assignments granted by Asaf-ud-Daulah to the British Resident at his court for the purpose of answering several public claims upon him. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

22 Dec., 1777, No. A

Form of general account of *qistbundi* for the lands assigned by Asaf-ud-Daulah for the purpose of answering public claims upon him. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

22 Dec., 1777, No. B

Form of a *jama-wasil-baqi* of the assignments granted by Asaf-ud-Daulah to the Company's Resident for the purpose of answering public claims upon him. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

22 Dec., 1777, No. C

Form of the treasury accounts of the Resident. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

22 Dec., 1777, No. D

Form of the account current of Asaf-ud-Daulah with the Company. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

22 Dec., 1777, No. E

Dec 22. The Board send N. Middleton instructions regarding maintenance of accounts. 3 pp.

22 Dec., 1777, No. 2

Dec 8, Benares. T. Graham forwards to the Board bills for the amount as payment of Raja Chait Singh's tribute to the Company. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

22 Dec., 1777, No. 3

Permission from the Board of Inspection to the French ship to pass Budge Budge and Fort William. (Minutes)—2 pp.

22 Dec., 1777, No. 4

Dec 19. T. D. Pearse forwards to the Governor General a letter with enclosures containing information on the movement of the French vessel. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

22 Dec., 1777, No. 5

Dec 17. Lt. I. Barraud (Artillery Commander at Budge Budge) sends information to T. D. Pearse regarding movement of the French vessel. (Enclosure to above—A.L.S.)—1 p.

22 Dec., 1777, No. 6

Dec 17. J. Reia informs I. Barraud about the movement of the French ship bound for Calcutta or Chandernagore. (Enclosure—A.L.S.)—1 p.

22 Dec., 1777, No. 7

Dec 17, Budge Budge. Statement of the movement of the French ship by I. Barraud. (Enclosure)—1 p.

22 Dec., 1777, No. 8

Dec 29. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 29 Dec., 1777

Dec 28. W. Lewis communicates to the Board intelligence regarding political situation at the Poona Darbar; states that Nana Phadnavis refused to grant *dastak* to De Corcelle and J. Madjjet. (A.L.S.)—6 pp.

29 Dec., 1777, No. 1

Nov 1. J. Madjjet¹ solicits protection from W. Lewis against St. Lubin. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

29 Dec., 1777, No. 2

Nov 4, Poona. Corcelle solicits W. Lewis's protection against St. Lubin. (Enclosure)—1 p.

29 Dec., 1777, No. 3

Nov 21. Capt. Coronet² (Captain of the *Sartine*) informs J. Madjjet and Corcelle about the activities of St. Lubin at Poona; suspects Nana Phadnavis of intriguing with St. Lubin against the English. (Enclosure)—1 p.

29 Dec., 1777, No. 5*

Nov 22, Poona. J. Madjjet reports to W. Lewis the activities of St. Lubin; mentions about the rumours of Nana Phadnavis having poisoned the Peshwa's mother. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

29 Dec., 1777, No. 6

Nov 22, Poona. De Corcelle refutes charges of treason brought against him by Nana Phadnavis; seeks protection from W. Lewis against St. Lubin. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

29 Dec., 1777, No. 7

Dec 29. The Board instruct T. Mostyn (in his absence to W. Lewis) to remain on guard against friendly professions of J. Madjjet and De Corcelle. 2 pp.

29 Dec., 1777, No. 8

1. Madjjet spelt as Madgett in the Consultation.

2. Coronet spelt as Couronat in the Consultation.

*Consultation No. 4 of 29 December is missing.

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1778, Jan 8.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 8 Jan., 1778

Jan 2. Capt. R. Kyd (Secretary to the Military Department) forwards to J. P. Auriol Military Department Proceedings of 17 December 1777 with the request that those may be returned to that Department after keeping their copies. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

8 Jan., 1778, No. 1

1777, Nov 30, Fatehgarh. M. Leslie informs the Board of the repressive measures of the *amils* of the Nawab Vazir and their intentions to destroy the forts of the refractory zamindars with the help of the English troops; refuses further aid to Almas Ali Khan to proceed with his measures but agrees to help him in raising collections; gives his arguments against the reduction of the forts; encloses copy of his letter to N. Middleton and Almas Ali Khan's letters to him; solicits further instructions of the Council. (Copy)—8 pp.

8 Jan., 1778, No. 2

Nov 30, Camp at Fatehgarh. M. Leslie forwards to N. Middleton copies of two letters which he received from Almas Ali Khan who started hostilities against a zamindar in the Doab; expresses his doubts if he had authority to do so or to requisition troops under his command; conveys the apprehension of the Board of the many ill consequences that would attend the destruction of the forts of the zamindars in the Doab; expresses his sentiments on the matter of providing help to the *amils* in achieving their objects; requests him to communicate these circumstances to Asaf-ud-Daulah; informs that he may not be able to render that service which may be expected of him if he is weakened by sending detachments and troops to the *amils*. (Enclosure to above)—8 pp.

8 Jan., 1778, No. 3

1778, Jan 8. The Board transmit to N. Middleton copy of M. Leslie's letter¹ to them and instruct him to request Asaf-ud-Daulah in the strongest terms to recall Almas Ali Khan from his station and to bring him to a public and formal trial; strongly disapprove the ill-judged policy of the Vazir in destroying the defences of the Doab and direct that the Nawab be told that he should be held responsible for the consequences, if the Company's arms suffer for being employed for such services. 2 pp.

8 Jan., 1778, No. 4

W. Hastings proposes a few changes in the letter addressed to N. Middleton; the members² agree to the addition suggested by the Governor General. (Minutes)—2 pp.

8 Jan., 1778, No. 5

1. This letter was resolved on 17 December 1777.

2. P. Francis gave his concurrence on 7 January 1778. No date has been mentioned in the Proceedings volume.

Jan 5. R. Kyd forwards to J. P. Auriol a letter from the Council of Patna together with the resolution of the Council dated 31 December 1777 approving of the steps taken by the Patna Council to check the invasion of Raja Fateh Sahi (Maharaja of Hathwa) and seeking the Vazir's help in the operations against him. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

8 Jan., 1778, No. 6

1777, Dec 18, Patna. The Council of Patna communicate to the Board the loss sustained by Lt. L. Doxat (Commandant of Capt. Coxes' battalion) in engagement with Raja Fateh Sahi in their endeavour to capture him; inform that they have asked Capt. R. Coxe to pursue the rebel; express their apprehension that their endeavour may not be effective without active support of the Nawab's officers at Gorakhpur. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

8 Jan., 1778, No. 7

1778, Jan 6. The Board approve of the action of the Council of Patna against Raja Fateh Sahi and recommend to them that they may write, if necessary, to the Resident at the court of Oudh or to the Nawab direct for the required help. 1 p.

8 Jan., 1778, No. 8

Jan 12.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 12 Jan., 1778

1777, Dec 8, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board that the accounts of the state of arrears due to the troops and of the whole expenditure incurred will be forwarded to the Board early; assures that he will prevail upon Asaf-ud-Daulah not to make payment to his private creditors till he pays the Company's demands; requests that he should not be misunderstood to have recommended indiscriminate reduction of forts in the Doab; informs that he may go to Fatehgarh for settlement of some matters with M. Leslie. (A.L.S.)—7 pp.

12 Jan., 1778, No. 1

Dec 17, Lucknow. N. Middleton forwards to the Board a *wasil-baqi* of receipts and balances on the several assignments made over by Asaf-ud-Daulah for the liquidation of the different claims upon him for the period October-November 1777. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

12 Jan., 1778, No. 2

Wasil-baqi of assignments granted by Asaf-ud-Daulah to the Company for the liquidation of the different claims made upon him for the period October-November 1777 (*Kartik, Fasli* 1185). (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

12 Jan., 1778, No. A

Dec 22, Calcutta. Capt. J. Osborne (Commander of Light Infantry at Lucknow) submits to the Board with his comments a plan for the defence of Oudh. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

12 Jan., 1778, No. 3

Dec 22, Calcutta. Details of the plan submitted by J. Osborne to the Board regarding defence of Oudh. (Enclosure to above)—10 pp.

12 Jan., 1778, No. 4

1778, Jan. 12. W. Hastings suggests that the plan may be forwarded to Asaf-ud-Daulah with the opinion of the Board regarding its utility and recommends J. Osborne to execute it, if it meets with the approval of the Vazir.

Comments of E. Wheler, P. Francis and R. Barwell on the same. (Minutes)—3 pp.

Progs., 12 Jan., 1778

Jan 12. The Board instruct N. Middleton to recommend to Asaf-ud-Daulah establishment of a body of regular troops for the protection of that part of the Doab for which no assignments have been granted to the Company; recommend J. Osborne for that assignment. 2 pp.

12 Jan., 1778, No. 5

Jan 19.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 19 Jan., 1778

1777, Dec 30, Fort St. George. The President and Council, Fort St. George inform the Board that they have drawn a bill on them in favour of D. Hillican for Rs. 43,702.0.5. pice; state that they have resolved to send one of their members to Tuljaji to prevail upon him to deposit money in their treasury to enable them to employ the Company's forces in case of war; inform that the *Valentine* commanded by Capt. J. Ogilvie has stranded south of Pulicat and that they are giving all assistance to the ship. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

19 Jan., 1778, No. 1

1778, Jan 19. The Board express their concern to the President and Council, Fort St. George at their financial stringency and instruct them to utilise the sum of money that they expect to get from Tuljaji; intimate their inability to meet their demand for ten lacs; observe that common intents of the Company will ever make them ready to furnish all the aid in case of any extraordinary necessity; ask them to furnish an estimate of their resources and disbursements for the coming year; request them to send a statement of Muhammad Ali Khan's debt to the Company as well as to individuals. 3 pp.

19 Jan., 1778, No. 2

Lala Sevak Ram (Peshwa's Vakil) asked by the Peshwa to send *rahdari dastaks* and letters to Chait Singh. (Extract)—2 pp.

19 Jan., 1778, No. 3

Jan 19. The Board direct N. Middleton to obtain passports from the Nawab Vazir for the safe and unmolested passage of some persons from Poona to Benares and to transmit them immediately to Poona.

Jan 19. The Board direct T. Graham similarly to obtain passports from Raja Chait Singh. 1 p.

19 Jan., 1778, No. 4

Jan 26.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 26 Jan., 1778

1777, Dec 7, Bombay Castle. The President and Council of Bombay forward to the Board the proposals brought by T. Mostyn from the

Poona Darbar for accommodation with Raghunathrao; give their comments on the probable revenues of the three parganas of Amod, Dehejbara and Hansot; express their concern over the Maratha design of Jamhusar and suggest methods to secure the collection of revenues and for its protection; express their concern about a probable French-Maratha alliance; report about W. Bolt's arrival at Poona as Austrian representative and on his activities there; enclose extracts from a letter from the Court of Directors, copy of a letter from W. Lewis from Poona and extracts from a letter from W. G. Farmer from Poona regarding the activities of St. Lubin at the Poona Darbar. (A.L.S.)—10 pp.

26 Jan., 1778, No. 1

Proposals delivered by the ministers at Poona Darbar to T. Mostyn to be made to Raghunathrao. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

26 Jan., 1778, No. 2

Nov 11, Poona. Extracts from a letter from W. G. Farmer to the President at Bombay giving accounts of St. Lubin's activities at the Poona Darbar. (Enclosure)—12 pp.

Progs., 26 Jan., 1778, No. 3¹

1778, Jan 26. Plan of W. Hastings to conciliate the minds of all parties in the differences which have retarded the execution of the Treaty of Purandhar. (Minute)—33 pp.

26 Jan., 1778, No. 4

The Board communicate to the President and Council, Fort St. George their reflections on the forces under that Government; request for a return of Muhammad Ali Khan's military establishment and disposition in the Carnatic to enable them to form an idea and offer them their opinion on the plan of defence. 3 pp.

26 Jan., 1778, No. 5

Jan. 29.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 29 Jan., 1778

1777, Dec 12, Bombay Castle. The President and Council at Bombay transmit to the Board copy of a letter from W. Lewis from Poona and a copy of their resolution on it; solicit their approval for the encouragement they have decided to give to the party formed in favour of Raghunathrao and their concurrence in the measures that they may pursue in future; inform that they have asked the Government of Madras to keep some troops in readiness; enclose a copy of Haidar Ali's letter to the Resident at Honavar (W. Townsend) regarding exchange of muskets for pepper and sandalwood from his dominions. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

29 Jan., 1778, No. 1

Dec 5, Poona. W. Lewis informs the Government of Bombay that Sakharam Bhagwant Bokil and others have approached him for help in restoration of Raghunathrao; gives an account of the talk that he had with Anantrao Yadav in this respect; expresses his views on St. Lubin's acti-

1. The Original Consultation is missing.

vities at Poona and on a probable French settlement on that part of the country. (Enclosure to above)—9 pp.

Progs., 29 Jan., 1778, No. 2¹

Dec 10, Bombay. Resolution of the Bombay Council regarding assistance to Sakharam Bhagwant Bokil and others in restoring Raghunathrao to the Poona Regency. (Enclosure)—10 pp.

Progs., 29 Jan., 1778, No. 2²

Nov 21. Haidar Ali writes to W. Townsend regarding exchange of muskets for sandalwood and pepper; wants to know if the English are willing to assist Raghunathrao, as he himself is ready to support Raghunathrao. (Enclosure)—1 p.

29 Jan., 1778, No. 3

Dec 17, Bombay Castle. The President and Council at Bombay inform the Board that they have not yet received from Poona any reply to their letter. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

29 Jan., 1778, No. 4

W. Hastings observes that the acts of the Government of Bombay will have no validity unless they are ratified by the Governor General and Council of Bengal; adds that the matter itself demands that the Board's resolutions on it should be immediate and decisive and that the Court of Directors should also know them in order to form their measures. (Minute)—4 pp.

Progs., 29 Jan., 1778

Questions of W. Hastings on the plan of the Bombay Government. 3 pp.

29 Jan., 1778, No. 5

Observations of E. Wheler and P. Francis on the above questions of the Governor General. (Minutes)—2 pp.

Progs., 29 Jan., 1778

1778, Jan 29. P. Francis states the reasons for which he wants to protest against the resolutions of the Bombay Government. (Minute)—9 pp.

29 Jan., 1778, No. 6

Comments of R. Barwell on the subject. (Minute)—4 pp.

Progs., 29 Jan., 1778

Feb 2. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 2 Feb., 1778

Feb 2. E. Wheler gives his replies seriatim to the questions put to the Board by the Governor General. (Minute)—14 pp.

2 Feb., 1778, No. 1

Feb 2. P. Francis records his observations on the questions put to the Board by the Governor General. (Minute)—5 pp.

2 Feb., 1778, No. 2

Feb 2. P. Francis further adds that he entirely subscribes to the arguments advanced by E. Wheler. (Minute)—1 p.

Progs., 2 Feb., 1778

Feb 2. R. Barwell gives his replies to the questions put up by the Governor General; supports the plan of the Bombay Government and suggests that necessary help should be given to that Presidency. (Minute)—8 pp.

Progs., 2 Feb., 1778

Feb 2. W. Hastings agrees with R. Barwell on all points excepting those relating to the military assistance to the Bombay Government; desires that this matter should be referred to the Commander-in-Chief. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 2 Feb., 1778

Feb 2. The decisions of the Board on the Bombay Government's plan. (Resolutions)—4 pp.

2 Feb., 1778, No. 3

Feb 2. The Board forward to the Government of Bombay a copy each of their resolutions and state the reasons for which they have given their assent and sanction to their plan. 2 pp.

2 Feb., 1778, No. 4

Feb 2. Discussion in the Board on the Governor General's proposition relating to the military assistance to the Government of Bombay. (Minute)—3 pp.

Progs., 2 Feb., 1778

Feb 2. P. Francis states the reasons for which he dissents from and protests against the resolutions that have been passed by the Board. (Minutes)—3 pp.

2 Feb., 1778, No. 5

W. Hastings enquires if P. Francis is against affording any kind of assistance to the Presidency of Bombay in the event of a war; observes that whatever may be the past conduct of that Presidency, the Board should be unanimous in their resolutions to support them. (Minute)—1 p.

Progs., 2 Feb., 1778

Reply of P. Francis to the Governor General's enquiry. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 2 Feb., 1778

Feb. 2. Observations of W. Hastings on the comments of E. Wheler wherein the latter expressed his doubt about the reality of the French designs at the Poona court. (Minute)—3 pp.

Progs., 2 Feb., 1778

1777, Apr 11. Raoji (Agent of Nawab of Carnatic at Poona) reports to Muhammad Ali Khan, *Walajah*, of the arrival of two French ships with guns at Rio and Revadanda. (Extract).

May 13. Raoji sends information to Muhammad Ali Khan regarding St. Lubin's mission to Poona. (Extract).

Jun 6. Muhammad Ali Khan directs Raoji to dissuade the Peshwa from encouraging the French and to persuade them to preserve the friendship of the English. (Extract).

Sakharam Bhagwant Bokil assures J. Upton of harmless nature of the proposed negotiations between St. Lubin and the Peshwa and requests him to bring it to the notice of the Governor and Council of Bombay. (Extract).

Sakharam Bhagwant Bokil assures W. Hastings of the harmless nature of St. Lubin's mission to Poona and reiterates that the firmly established friendship of the two governments will not be interrupted. (Extract).

Aug 29. The *amil* of Wordawur informs Muhammad Ali Khan about the activities of St. Lubin and states the reasons for which St. Lubin does not seem to be an impostor. (Extract).

Sep 3. Muhammad Ali Khan forwards to the Governor General copy of a letter from Raoji to his brother, Shishrao, regarding St. Lubin's designs at Poona; requests the Governor General to keep it secret. (Extract)*.

Raoji reports to Shishrao the affairs at Poona Darbar after the arrival of St. Lubin. (Extract)*

Oct 20. Sakharam Bhagwant Bokil sends the Peshwa's *kharita* to J. Upton for transmission to the King of England and desires that the friendship that exists between the two countries should increase. (Extract).

Sep 30. Raoji informs Muhammad Ali Khan that the French chief has sold to the merchants here goods worth Rs. 5 lacs. (Extract).

Divakar Pandit (Diwan of Mudhoji *Ansala*) informs Mudhoji (Received on 18 December 1777) about the assistance granted by the Peshwa to St. Lubin. (Extracts)—22 pp.

2 Feb., 1778, No. 5

Oct 1. A. Elliot reports to the Board about the deputation of C. de Montigny to India by the French Government to incite Indian princes against the English; gives particulars about Montigny. (Copy)—20 pp.

2 Feb., 1778, No. 7

1778, Feb 2. W. Hastings states the reasons for which he approves of the resolution of the Government of Bombay regarding their engagement with Raghunathrao; quotes the opinions of the pandits on religious aspect of sea voyage by Raghunathrao. (Minute)—28 pp.

2 Feb., 1778, No. 8

R. Barwell gives his full assent to the above minute of the Governor General. (Minute)—1 p.

Progs., 2 Feb., 1778

*Please also see *Calendar of Persian Correspondence*, Vol. V, No. 631, pp. 92-93.

1. Date not mentioned in the Proceedings volume.

Observations of P. Francis on the minute of the Governor General and reply of W. Hastings thereto, who referred to a letter written by the Board to Fort St. George dated 7 September 1775. (Minutes)—3 pp.

Progs., 2 Feb., 1778

1775, Sep 7. The Board direct the President and Council, Fort St. George not to comply with the request of the Bombay Presidency for reinforcement. (Enclosure* to above)—1 p.

2 Feb., 1778, No. 9

P. Francis moves that the Court of Directors should be informed of the supply of muskets and hand grenades by the Presidency of Bombay to Haidar Ali Khan and that they may be requested to communicate their views on this deal to the Board and to that Presidency; E. Wheler supports the motion while R. Barwell objects to it. (Minutes)—2 pp.

Progs., 2 Feb., 1778

W. Hastings, though objects to the original motion, suggests that the matter may be brought to the notice of the Court of Directors as a proposition made but not agreed to. (Minute)—1 p.

Progs., 2 Feb., 1778

1778, Jan 30, Calcutta. G. Livias (Military Storekeeper) forwards to the Board an invoice of arms and accoutrements sent to Asaf-ud-Daulah. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

2 Feb., 1778, No. 10

Feb 2. The Board transmit to N. Middleton an invoice of arms and equipments consigned to the Nawab and ask him to deliver the same to M. Leslie. 1 p.

2 Feb., 1778, No. 11

Jan 31, Calcutta. Col. G. Ironside forwards to the Governor General a letter which he received from Lt. Col. S. Hampton. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

2 Feb., 1778, No. 12

Jan 31, Camp. S. Hampton (Commanding the 3rd Brigade in camp) informs G. Ironside about desertion in the regiment at Barrackpore; requests him to take steps for their recovery from the French ship before it passes Fort William or Budge-Budge. (A.L.S.—Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

2 Feb., 1778, No. 13

Feb 1, Calcutta. G. Stibbert suggests measures to the Governor General for the recovery of the deserters from the French ship. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

2 Feb., 1778, No. 14

Feb 2. The Board request J. R. Chevalier to issue orders to the Commander of the French ship to deliver the deserters who might have taken shelter in that vessel. 1 p.

2 Feb., 1778, No. 15

Jan 31. W. Hastings requests the Board to appoint persons to inspect papers seized from Jagamohan Datta who used to pay secret and frequent visits to the house of Lala Sevak Ram (Peshwa's wakil). (Minute)—3 pp.

2 Feb., 1778, No. 16

*Please also see *Pres-list of Records belonging to the Foreign Department of the Government of India, Secret Department*, Vol. I, p. 332.

P. Francis recommends the name of P. Moore while R. Barwell recommends that of (Maharaja) Nabakrishna Deb to be the members of the Enquiry Committee. (Minutes)—2 pp.

2 Feb., 1778, No. 17

The Board direct P. Moore and Raja Nabakrishna Deb to examine all the papers seized from Jagamohan Datta and return papers which relate to the conferences with the Maratha wakil.

P. Moore and Raja Nabakrishna Deb inform the Board that the papers examined by them contain nothing but accounts and papers relating to his concern. 2 pp.

Progs., 2 Feb., 1778

A statement given by Jagamohan Datta to P. Moore and Raja Nabakrishna Deb regarding his visits to Lala Sevak Ram; contains his replies to the questions put to him by P. Moore and Raja Nabakrishna Deb (Report)—8 pp.

Progs., 2 Feb., 1778, No. 18

Feb 4. The Board transmit to the President and Council at Fort St. George copies of their resolutions on the proceedings of the Bombay Presidency regarding Raghunathrao and recommend to them to give military help, if again requested by that Presidency; send to them a new cypher code to be used in future.¹ 4 pp.

2 Feb., 1778, No. 19

Feb 3^d. P. Francis informs J. P. Auriol that he has sent the Madras papers to E. Wheler and desires that it may be communicated to the Governor General that the letter from Madras should be included in the present packet. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

2 Feb., 1778, No. 20

W. Hastings proposes and P. Francis agrees that the letter from Madras with its enclosures be added to their last consultation and that the substance of it with their resolution upon the requisition of Bombay on Madras for reinforcement of troops be mentioned in the General Letter. (Minutes)—1 p.

Progs., 2 Feb., 1778

Jan 16, Fort St. George. The President and Council at Fort St. George communicate to the Board the actual state of the troops under that Presidency; apprise them of their present pecuniary condition; suggest that they can help Bombay by sending their troops against Pondicherry in case that Presidency is attacked by the French; communicate the intelligence that they have received regarding the strength and resources of the different country powers around them; give their observations on the formation of alliance with a country power in case of an invasion; transmit a copy of a letter from Bombay requesting for reinforcement and state their inability to comply with their request at this stage; enclose a copy of an intelligence regarding Haidar Ali's attack against the Marathas. (A.L.S.)—15 pp.

2 Feb., 1778, No. 21

1. The Consultation bears the initials of W. Hastings and R. Barwell and is dated 2 days later than the date of the Consultation.

2. It appears that there is some mistake in the date.

1777, Dec 15. Lt. Col. P. Ross (Chief Engineer) submits to the Government of Madras an estimate of the expenses of all the works required to complete the fortifications of Fort St. George. (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

2 Feb., 1778, No. 22

1775, Apr 5, Fort St. George. Estimate of the expenses of the works to the north east and south east of Fort St. George. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

2 Feb., 1778, No. 23

1777, Dec 4, Tanjore. Maj. W. Stevens (Engineer) reports to P. Ross on repairs of forts in Tanjore. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

2 Feb., 1778, No. 24

Dec 12, Bombay Castle. The President and Council at Bombay request the President and Council at Fort St. George to keep some troops in readiness for their help; briefly explain the circumstances necessitating this reinforcement. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

2 Feb., 1778, No. 25

1778, Jan 8, Maddagiri. Intelligence received regarding Haidar Ali's victory over the Marathas who were driven beyond Tungabhadra. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

2 Feb., 1778, No. 26

P. Francis does not concur with para 3 of the General Letter as he does not share N. Middleton's hopes regarding realisation of *tankhwah* from the Nawab Vazir's territories. (Minute)—1 p.

2 Feb., 1778, No. 27

P. Francis and E. Wheler object to para 9 of the General Letter as it does not appear to be the plan of the Bombay Government; R. Barwell concurs with para 9. (Minutes)—1 p.

2 Feb., 1778, No. 28

Feb 9. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 9 Feb., 1778

W. Hastings reports to the Board that C. D. Bellecombe was preparing to visit Mahe, Chaul and other French possessions on the Malabar coast and that this should be communicated to the Court of Directors for information; observations of P. Francis on the Governor General's minute. (Minutes)—2 pp.

Progs., 9 Feb., 1778

1777, Dec 16, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board of Inspection that he will hand over the charge of the office of the Paymaster to L. Oliver as soon as he will be ready to take over; gives his observations on the reorganization of the Nawab's body-guard. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

9 Feb., 1778, No. 1

1778, Jan 3, Lucknow. N. Middleton communicates to the Board the reason for which he concurred with and supported the measures adopted by Asaf-ud-Daulah in suppressing the refractory zamindars of the

Doab; forwards a copy of the Nawab's letter to him and copies of correspondence between him and M. Leslie in this connection. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.
9 Feb., 1778, No. 2

Asaf-ud-Daulah requests N. Middleton to write to M. Leslie to send troops to help Almas Ali Khan in subjugating Laik Singh (zamindar of Thatia). (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

9 Feb., 1778, No. A

1777, Dec 23, Lucknow. N. Middleton transmits to M. Leslie a copy of Asaf-ud-Daulah's letter and gives his observations on the revenues and military strength of Laik Singh's zamindari. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

9 Feb., 1778, No. B

Dec 29, Fatchgarh. M. Leslie informs N. Middleton that he will shortly march with troops towards the fort at Thatia. (Enclosure)—1 p.

9 Feb., 1778, No. C

1778, Jan 11, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board that Asaf-ud-Daulah has appointed E. Wileman as the muster of the body-guard and desires that this may be approved of by them. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

9 Feb., 1778, No. 3

Jan 12, Lucknow. N. Middleton transmits to the Board a corrected general account of the assignments granted by Asaf-ud-Daulah to the Company and gives the reasons for which he has made some modifications in the form supplied by the Board. (A.L.S.)—6 pp.

9 Feb., 1778, No. 4

Jan 15, Fyzabad. N. Middleton informs the Board that he has come to Fyzabad to persuade Begam Sadr-un-Nisa (mother of Shuja-ud-Daulah) not to take her pilgrimage to Mecca. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

9 Feb., 1778, No. 5

Jan 24, Fyzabad. N. Middleton communicates to the Board the complaints of Sadr-un-Nisa against the Vazir and states that he has given her hopes to mediate between them; feels that her claims are moderate and just; informs that he has requested her to give in writing the substance of her expectations. (A.L.S.)—6 pp.

9 Feb., 1778, No. 6

Jan 27, Fyzabad. N. Middleton transmits to the Board with his observations a copy of the claims of the Begam which she hopes will be complied with by the Vazir and guaranteed by the Company; suggests the Board's intervention in case the Vazir declines to accede to the Begam's terms. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

9 Feb., 1778, No. 7

Jan 27, Fyzabad. Representation of Begam Sadr-un-Nisa with the remarks of N. Middleton. (Enclosure to above)—8 pp.

9 Feb., 1778, No. D

Feb 9. The Board convey to N. Middleton their approval of the appointment of E. Wileman as muster of the Vazir's body-guard; desire that the accounts should be submitted in the prescribed form. 3 pp.

9 Feb., 1778, No. 8

Feb 16.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 16 Feb., 1778

Feb 16. The Board transmit to the Government of Bombay a copy of the revised cypher through Capt. C. Roddam. 1 p.

16 Feb., 1778, No. 1

Jan 3, Bombay Castle. The President and Council, Bombay inform the Board that whatever information was gathered by them about the activities of St. Lubin at Poona was communicated to them; state that they think it necessary to keep some European infantry and artillery at Broach; forward copies of two letters from W. Lewis with their observations; transmit a copy of the instructions which have been given to T. Mostyn. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

16 Feb., 1778, No. 2

1777, Dec 25 & 29. W. Lewis communicates to the Government of Bombay the political situation at Poona. The Government of Bombay send some instructions to T. Mostyn prior to his departure from Bombay to Poona. (Enclosures to above)—5 pp.

16 Feb., 1778, No. A

1778, Jan 19, Poona. T. Mostyn informs the Board that no successor has been appointed at Satara after the death of Ramraja; intimates that restrictions have been imposed upon the English at Poona and that his protests have been totally ignored by Nana Phadnavis; states that Manaji Phadke has joined Haidar Ali and has defeated Hari Pant Phadke; adds that Nizam Ali Khan has refused to join the Marathas against Haidar Ali; attributes the poverty of the government to the disaffection among the Maratha officers; states that St. Lubin is still at Poona and is in high favour of Nana Phadnavis. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

16 Feb., 1778, No. 3

W. Hastings informs the Board that a well known Frenchman named des Blottieres has sailed for the Malabar coast on a secret mission and with despatches to Comte de Ballicombe and St. Lubin; further reports that two more French ships are expected to reach that coast in April with some more men to join St. Lubin and that a man is going this year from Pondicherry with proposals from the Marathas to the Court of France. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 16 Feb., 1778

Feb 5, Chandernagore. J. B. Chevalier informs the Board that there are no deserters on board the French ships; assures that they can return the English deserters provided the English are agreeable to return the French deserters who form a great part of the European forces of the Company. (Translation)—2 pp.

16 Feb., 1778, No. 4

Jan 11, Camp near Thatia. M. Leslie informs the Board that the zamindars of Thatia and Tirwa have submitted to the authority of the Vazir and have paid the arrears to the *amil* intimates that he will immediately return to Fatehgarh leaving one battalion with the *amil* for his help; states that the supremacy of the English power has been very well established. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

16 Feb., 1778, No. 5

Feb. 16. The Board express their satisfaction to M. Leslie in subduing the refractory zamindars of the Doab to the authority of the Vazir 1 p.

16 Feb., 1778, No. 6

Feb 23. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 23 Feb., 1778

W. Bruere (Assistant Secretary to the Board) says that nothing worthy of notice could be found in the deposition of Saligram excepting that Jagamohan Datta visited the house of the Maratha vakil fifty-two times during the period 4 September 1777 to 30 January 1778 and that after each visit he used to go to the house of Marquet, a Frenchman in Calcutta and that his visits to the house of the Maratha vakil used to be at night. (Report)—2 pp.

23 Feb., 1778, No. 1

Feb 23. W. Hastings observes that he learns from Raja Nabakrishna Deb that not a single letter of seditious nature could be found among the papers seized from Jagamohan Datta and that he is doubtful whether it could be imputed to him as a legal crime even if proofs could be obtained against him; adds that he has received information that Datta's son has fallen ill and therefore recommends that he may be released. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 23 Feb., 1778

Jan 20, Bombay Castle. The President and Council, Bombay inform the Board that they have intimated to T. Mostyn that they would not do anything unless the application to them is signed by Sakharam Bhagwant Bokil; state that Raghunathrao has sent information regarding cession of either Revadanda or Chaul to the French by the Peshwa; inform that De Corcelle has again returned back to St. Lubin; enclose a translation of the letter left by him; request for an immediate and explicit reply whether they should interrupt the French in case they come to take possession of Chaul; forward a copy of a letter from T. Mostyn who has been directed to transmit to the Board any important intelligence regarding the French. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

23 Feb., 1778, No. 2

Jan 16, Poona. T. Mostyn informs the President and Council, Bombay that he has delivered the President's letter to the Peshwa and has asked for a positive reply to that; states that he has remonstrated in the strongest terms against the restrictions put on the Company's servants; has acquainted the Darbar about his commission to Raghunathrao; narrates in brief the state of different armies at Poona and Hari Pant's defeat at the hands of Haidar Ali and the Nizam's refusal to join them against Haidar Ali; reports that De Corcelle has left the factory.

Jan 6. W. Lewis informs the Government of Bombay that Moroba Phadnavis wants to know the number of troops that the English will supply and that if they will supply war-materials.

Jan. 9. W. Lewis communicates to the President and Council, Bombay the discussion that he had with Moroba Phadnavis regarding forming of an alliance for restoring Raghunathrao to the Darbar.

Moroba Phadnavis requests the President and Council, Bombay to let him know directly whether the English are willing to join him or not. (Received on 13 January).

Jan 14, Bombay Castle. The President and Council, Bombay inform T. Mostyn that they cannot proceed further in the matter if Sakharam Bhagwant Bokil does not join the party.

Jan 14, Poona. De Corcelle thanks the British nation for the shelter given him and for the hospitality shown to him during his stay there. (Enclosures to above)—5 pp.

23 Feb., 1778, No. 3

Jan 24, Poona. T. Mostyn intimates to the Board that De Corcelle has left the English factory and that during his stay there he could not get any material information about the activities of the English; states that no agreement has been actually made to transfer Chaul to the French and the Darbar has no intention of doing so unless sufficient assistance is afforded by France; informs that as desired by Ibrahim Ali Beg Dhonsa (*Bakshi* of the Nizam), Hari Pant Phadke has evacuated from Panchmahal and gives his observations on the affairs of the Darbar after Hari Pant's defeat at the hands of Haidar Ali. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

23 Feb., 1778, No. 4

Feb 23.¹ The Board inform the President and Council, Bombay that they have decided to raise a strong military force at Kalpi which will be asked to march to Bombay under instructions from them; state that they are very much alarmed at the French intrigues in the Malabar coast and at the Maratha Darbar and suggest that effective measures should immediately be taken to thwart their dangerous designs. 3 pp.

23 Feb., 1778, No. 5

Feb 22. E. Wheler objects to the Governor General's letter to Bombay, as he does not think it advisable to support one party of the Maratha Darbar against another and thinks that this may involve not only the Company in India but also the English nation in a war with France. (Minute)—5 pp.

23 Feb., 1778, No. 6

Feb 23. W. Hastings gives his replies on the various points raised by E. Wheler; states that from the intelligence received by him he has learnt that the French are in possession of the port of Chaul and there is no doubt that a secret agreement has been reached between St. Lubin and Nana Phadnavis. (Minute)—10 pp.

Progs., 23 Feb., 1778

Extract from T. Mostyn's letter regarding a private treaty between St. Lubin and Nana Phadnavis. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

23 Feb., 1778, No. 7

Feb 23. E. Wheler desires that the Governor General may favour the Board with the grounds on which his idea that the port of Chaul is being used by the French as a door for the introduction of arms and

1. The draft of the letter which was prepared by the Governor General was circulated among the members of the Board on Saturday, 21 February 1778.

roops into the Maratha State and not as a port of trade. (Minute)
—3 pp.

Progs., 23 Feb., 1778

Feb 23. W. Hastings quotes from the intelligence reports that he received from various sources and asserts that in the near future the Company will be in possession of much more authentic evidence in support of his statement. (Minute)—4 pp.

Progs., 23 Feb., 1778

Feb 21. P. Francis disapproves of and objects to every part of the letter proposed by the Governor General to be written to the Presidency of Bombay; asserts that they have no right to make use of force to prevent the French from obtaining such a grant by negotiation with an independent State. (Minute)—6 pp.

23 Feb., 1778, No. 8

Feb 23. P. Francis further observes that the instructions from the Board to the Presidency of Bombay should be clear, direct and specific; adds that if the instruction recommended by E. Wheler be added to the letter, he will approve of it. (Minute)—6 pp.

Progs., 23 Feb., 1778

Feb 23. Discussion in the Board on the minutes of W. Hastings and P. Francis. (Minutes)—8 pp.

Progs., 23 Feb., 1778

Feb 23. Amendments to the letter to the Government of Bombay proposed by P. Francis and W. Hastings and accepted by the Board. (Minutes)—4 pp.

Progs., 23 Feb., 1778

Feb 16. G. Stibbert communicates to the Board his views on reorganisation of the sepoy establishment and on the means of supplying the Bombay Presidency with a military force. (A.L.S.)—17 pp.

23 Feb., 1778, No. 9

Feb 23. Observations of W. Hastings on the formation of a detachment under M. Leslié for giving military assistance to the Presidency of Bombay. (Minute)—2 pp.

23 Feb., 1778, No. 10

R. Barwell agrees to the Governor General's propositions. (Minute)
—1 p.

Progs., 23 Feb., 1778

Feb 24.* E. Wheler observes that though he disapproved previously the intended military assistance to Bombay, now approves of the Governor General's propositions but suggests that the detachment must be sufficiently strong for the service for which it is required (Minute)
—1 p.

23 Feb., 1778, No. 11

Feb 24*. P. Francis objects to the despatch of a detachment from this establishment because this will weaken the defence of the frontiers of the Nawab of Oudh and will make it open to the Marathas; suggests that

a detachment may be spared with more safety from Fort St. George. (Minute)—4 pp.

23 Feb., 1778, No. 12

Feb. 23. Decisions of the Board regarding formation of the detachment under the command of M. Leslie. (Resolutions)—2 pp.

23 Feb., 1778, No. 13

Feb 8, Lucknow. N. Middleton forwards to the Board his accounts* for the month of *Agrahayana* (November-December). (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

23 Feb., 1778, No. 14

Mubarak-ud-Daulah intimates to the Governor General his objection in retaining Muhammad Riza Khan as Naib Nazim and represents that he may be permitted to take charge of his own affairs as he has become mature (Received, 12 February 1778). (Translation)—4 pp.

23 Feb., 1778, No. 15

Feb 23. W. Hastings proposes that the letter from Mubarak-ud-Daulah be circulated among the members of the Board for their opinion. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 23 Feb., 1778

Mar 2. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 2 Mar., 1778

Feb 25. P. Moore submits to the Board a report based on the findings of Raja Nabakrishna Deb regarding Jagamohan Datta's connection with the bania of J. B. Chevalier. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

2 Mar., 1778, No. 1

Report of Raja Nabakrishna Deb regarding Jagamohan Datta. (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

2 Mar., 1778, No. 2

Mar 2. Remarks of W. Hastings on the report of Nabakrishna Deb. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 2 Mar., 1778

Feb 24. E. Wheler observes that it will be proper to forward the representation of Mubarak-ud-Daulah to the Court of Directors with suitable remarks for their consideration and orders. (Minute)—3 pp.

2 Mar., 1778, No. 3

P. Francis observes that the letter should be sent to the Court of Directors instead of it being considered by the Board. (Minute)—5 pp.

2 Mar., 1778, No. 4

Mar 2. The debate in the Board on the minutes of P. Francis and E. Wheler on the representation of Mubarak-ud-Daulah and the majority decision that the letter be referred to the Court of Directors. (Minutes)—9 pp.

Progs., 2 Mar., 1778

*Accounts forwarded to the Accountant General for verification.

Mar 5. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 5 Mar. 1778

Mar 5. W. Hastings proposes that the resolution passed at the last meeting of the Board be reconsidered in the light of the question proposed by him on February 23. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 5 Mar., 1778

Mar 5. Debate in the Board on the Governor General's minute. (Minutes)—13 pp.

Progs., 5 Mar., 1778

P. Francis quotes from a letter from Mubarak-ud-Daulah in support of his arguments in which the Nawab has requested that Munni Begam should be asked to take on herself the administration of the affairs of the Nizamat without the interference of any other person. (Minute)—1 p.

5 Mar., 1778, No. 1

Mar 5. Further debate on the subject and the resolution of the Board that the Nawab's requests be complied with and that Muhammad Riza Khan be communicated the substance of the resolution. (Minutes & Resolution)—5 pp.

Progs., 9 Mar., 1778

Mar 9. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 9 Mar., 1778

Proposals of W. Hastings on the formation of the detachment from the 1st Brigade under M. Leslie. (Minute)—2 pp.

9 Mar., 1778, No. 1

Comments of P. Francis, R. Barwell and E. Wheler on the above minute of the Governor General. (Minutes)—2 pp.

9 Mar., 1778, No. 2

Jan 30, Fyzabad. N. Middleton informs the Board that he has communicated to Asaf-ud-Daulah the Board's views regarding removal of Almas Ali Khan from office; intimates about the good effects of the British expedition against the refractory zamindars in the Doab. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

9 Mar., 1778, No. 3

Feb 2, Fyzabad. N. Middleton informs the Board that Asaf-ud-Daulah has refused to comply with the Begams' requests and that he has requested him to persuade her to postpone her departure for the present; states that at his request she has consented to postpone her journey till she hears the Board's decisions in the matter. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

9 Mar., 1778, No. 4

Feb 3, Fyzabad. N. Middleton requests the Board's intervention to save Sher Jang's family from the maltreatments by Asaf-ud-Daulah. (A.L.S.)—6 pp.

9 Mar., 1778, No. 5

Feb 10, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board that he has obtained *rahdari dastaks* for the four persons and have sent them to Sakharam Bhagwant Bokil at Poona. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

9 Mar., 1778, No. 6

Feb 15, Lucknow. N. Middleton forwards to the Board estimates of monthly and annual expenses of the battalions under A. Hannay. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

9 Mar., 1778, No. 7

Feb 16, Lucknow¹. N. Middleton acknowledges receipt of the Board's letter dated 2 February 1778 forwarding an invoice of arms and accoutrements sent for the use of the temporary brigade. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

9 Mar., 1778, No. 8

Feb 16, Lucknow. N. Middleton forwards to the Board his account for the period 16 December 1777—12 January 1778; states that he will remit to the Board a sum of ten lacs as soon as proper conveyances are available. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

9 Mar., 1778, No. 10

Feb 19, Lucknow. N. Middleton forwards to the Board for their approval a bill submitted by A. Balfour for the expenses incurred by him in escorting Saadat Ali Khan from Agra to Lucknow. (A.L.S.)—2 pp. (A.S.L.)—4 pp.

9 Mar., 1778, No. 10

Feb 25, Lucknow. N. Middleton seeks Board's approval in deputing D. O. Barwell to enquire into the affairs and conduct of Faizullah Khan. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

9 Mar., 1778, No. 11

Mar 9. W. Hastings recommends and the Board agree that N. Middleton be directed to reserve the sum of Rs. 10 lacs for the pay and expenses of the detachment formed under M. Leslie. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 9 Mar., 1778

Mar 9. The debate in the Board on the question of deputation of D. O. Barwell to the Doab. (Minutes)—7 pp.

Progs., 9 Mar., 1778

Mar 9. The Board communicate to N. Middleton their approval in deputing D. O. Barwell to enquire into the affairs of Faizullah Khan and authorize him to grant the Company's guarantee to the treaty subject to the Nawab's agreeing to it; direct him to keep the amount of ten lacs with him to meet the expenses of the detachment that has been ordered to form for service in Bombay. 2 pp.

9 Mar., 1778, No. 12

Mar 12.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 12 Mar., 1778

Feb 10, Poona. T. Mostyn informs the Board that Mahadji Sindhia has been induced by the Poona Darbar to join Hari Pant Phadke and that

1. In the Proceedings volume the place has been wrongly mentioned as Fort William.

Appa Balwantrao has also been ordered by the Darbar to assist Hari Pant with cavalry and that Tukojirao intends to proceed towards Jejuri with his army; gives details of his conversation with Madhavrao Jadhavrao (Agent of Poona Darbar) regarding implementation of the articles of the Treaty of Purandhar and dismissal of St. Lubin from the Poona Darbar; states that Nana Phadnavis has sent invitation to Moroba to join the government. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

Feb 11, Poona. T. Mostyn informs the Board that De Corcelle will proceed to France on board a French ship the *Sartine* which is at present at Mahe and that this proves that he was not employed by St. Lubin. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

12 Mar., 1778, No. 1

Mar 12. Declaration of W. Williams (private, deserter) to the effect that seventeen deserters are on board a French ship, the *Nivernais*. 1 p.

12 Mar., 1778, No. 2

Mar 12. The Board inform J. B. Chevalier that they have accepted his offer to exchange the deserters on condition of pardon from both sides. 3 pp.

12 Mar., 1778, No. 3

Mar 13. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 13 Mar., 1778

Mar 12. W. Hastings places before the Board with his comments a letter jointly signed by P. Francis and E. Wheler regarding the detachment proposed to be sent to Bombay. (Minute)—4 pp.

Progs., 13 Mar., 1778

Mar 12, Calcutta. P. Francis and E. Wheler communicate to the Governor General their opinion that the detachment intended for Bombay should be immediately countermanded as the Court of Directors have intimated their decision to adhere to the treaty concluded with the Marathas by J. Upton. (A.L.S.—Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

13 Mar., 1778, No. 1

Mar 13. Discussion in the Board on the letter from P. Francis and E. Wheler and their decision that the orders for the march of the detachment from the First Brigade be not countermanded. (Minutes)—9 pp.

Progs., 13 Mar., 1778

Mar 23. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 23 Mar., 1778

Mar 19. P. Francis and E. Wheler declare that they do not hold themselves bound by any declarations or opinions contained in the letter addressed to the Court of Directors. (Minutes)—1 p.

23 Mar., 1778, No. 1

Mar 13, Lucknow. N. Middleton explains to the Board the reasons for the loss in collection of *tankhawas*. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

23 Mar., 1778, No. 2

Mar 10, Lucknow. N. Middleton forwards to the Board his account for the month of *Magh* (January-February). (A.L.S.)—1 p.

23 Mar., 1778, No. 3

Mar 23. The Board inform N. Middleton that they approve of the measures taken by him to dissuade Asaf-ud-Daulah from oppressing the *Begams* and direct him to remonstrate to the Vazir the consequences of such arbitrary actions; empower him to give his support and protection to Bahu Begam. 4 pp.

23 Mar., 1778, No. 4

Mar 23. W. Hastings directs the President and Council at Bombay to demand from Poona Darbar immediate execution of the Treaty of Purandhar, to keep in possession the territories ceded to the Company by Fateh Singh, to remonstrate to the ministers at Poona against their dealings with St. Lubin and against the grant of Chaul to the French; asks them to obtain, if possible, a copy of the engagements entered into by Nana Phadnavis and St. Lubin; states that the Peshwa and the ministers have been informed of the intention of the Board to send a detachment to Bombay Presidency for the protection of the Company's possessions¹. 12 pp.

23 Mar., 1778, No. 5

Comments of P. Francis on the above-mentioned letter to Bombay. (Minute)—22 pp.

23 Mar., 1778, No. 6

Mar 18. Comments of E. Wheler on the same. (Minute)—4 pp.

23 Mar., 1778, No. 7

R. Barwell agrees to the issue of the letter to Bombay. (Minute)—1 p.

Progs., 23 Mar., 1778

Mar 30.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 30 Mar., 1778

Mar 8, Fatehgarh. M. Leslie informs the Board that the Sikhs have crossed the Ganges and have attacked several small guards on the ghats; proposes to post pickets at Karanbas or Ramghat. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

30 Mar., 1778, No. 1

Mar 14, Fatehgarh. M. Leslie acknowledges receipt of the Board's letter of 16 February 1778. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

30 Mar., 1778, No. 2

Mar 26, Calcutta. J. Osborne states the reasons for which it is necessary to raise a body of troops to act in the Doab. (Copy)—3 pp.

30 Mar., 1778, No. 3

1. The draft was prepared by the Governor General and was circulated among the members of the Board for their opinions.

Mar 18, Lucknow. N. Middleton communicates to the Board Asaf-ud-Daulah's views regarding the plan for a military establishment under a British officer and makes his own observations on the subject. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

30 Mar., 1778, No. 4

Mir Fateh Ali Khan represents to the Board for payment of pension to him in *sikka* rupees instead of Arcot rupees (Received, 9 March 1778). 2 pp.

30 Mar., 1778, No. 5

Mar 30. The Board direct W. B. Martin to pay Fatch Ali Khan's pension in *sikka* rupees instead of Arcot rupees. 1 p.

30 Mar., 1778, No. 6

Apr 6. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 6 Apr., 1778

Apr 6. Instructions drafted by W. Hastings to M. Leslie for his guidance while commanding the detachment to Bombay. 5 pp.

6 Apr., 1778, No. 1

Apr 6. The Board communicate to the President and Council at Bombay the appointment of M. Leslie as Commandant of the detachment for Bombay; forward a copy of the instructions given to Col. Leslie. 2 pp.

6 Apr., 1778, No. 2

Apr 6. P. Francis and E. Wheler object to the orders for the march of the troops, as according to them the detachment cannot reach its destination before the rains. (Minutes)—2 pp.

Progs., 6 Apr., 1778

R. Barwell approves of the two letters. (Minute)—1 p.

Progs., 6 Apr., 1778

W. Hastings replies that he believes that the rainy season will give much relief to the marching troops which will suffer more from the excess of heat and drought in the elevated and open plains and states that M. Leslie has also confirmed this. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 6 Apr., 1778

Apr 6. W. Hastings gives his reply to the objections put forward by P. Francis against the letter to Bombay of 23 February 1778 and deals on Franco-Maratha intrigues against the English in India. (Minute)—29 pp.

6 Apr., 1778, No. 3

Apr 10¹. P. Francis offers his observations on the above minute of the Governor General. (Minute)—6 pp.

6 Apr., 1778, No. 4

1. The Minute is dated four days after the Consultation.

Apr 15.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 15 Apr., 1778

Apr 15. The Board direct N. Middleton to persuade Asaf-ud-Daulah to agree to the proposal of raising troops under the British officers; enclose a letter addressed to the Nawab. 2 pp.

15 Apr., 1778, No. 1

Apr 5, Benares. T. Graham forwards to the Board a packet which he received from Poona. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

15 Apr., 1778, No. 2

Mar 16, Poona. T. Mostyn intimates to the Board that the negotiation that was going on between Nana Phadnavis and Moroba Phadnavis has failed; states that Moroba still persists on Raghunathrao's being brought into the Government; assures that he will remonstrate against Bellecombe's visit to Poona. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

15 Apr., 1778, No. 3

Mar 8, Bombay Castle. The President and Council at Bombay inform the Board that there appears no chance of the disputed articles of the treaty being adjusted by Poona Darbar; state that they are apprehensive of Bellecombe's visit to Mahe which may be related to St. Lubin's activities at Poona; have instructed the Residents at Poona and Telli-cherry to observe the proceedings of St. Lubin and Bellecombe; inform that Commodore E. Vernon (C. in. C. of H. M's Squadron in the East Indies) will do his utmost to prevent the French from forming an establishment at Chaul. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

15 Apr., 1778, No. 4

Apr 15. Reply of W. Hastings to the observations made by P. Francis on 10 April 1778 in reply to the former's minute on Franco-Maratha designs. (Minute)—15 pp.

15 Apr., 1778, No. 5**Apr 27.**

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 27 Apr., 1778

Apr 21. Reply of P. Francis to the minute of the Governor General delivered on 15 April 1778. (Minute)—13 pp.

27 Apr., 1778, No. 1

Apr 21. Reply of W. Hastings on the above minute of P. Francis. (Minute)—2 pp.

27 Apr., 1778, No. 2

Apr 4, Fort St. George. The President and Council, Fort St. George inform the Board that they will collect the principal part of their military force at some suitable place near the Presidency; add that they will apply to Muhammad Ali Khan for an account of the troops maintained by him. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

27 Apr., 1778, No. 3

Mar 27, Poona. T. Mostyn informs the Board that Moroba Phadnavis, Bajaba Purandare, Tukojirao Holkar and other principal officers visited Parvati Bai (widow of Sadashivrao Bhau) and that the combined forces of the first three are proceeding towards Purandhar. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

27 Apr., 1778, No. 4

Apr 27. W. Hastings informs the Board that Saadat Ali Khan has applied for permission to visit Calcutta. (Minute)—1 p.

Progs., 27 Apr., 1778

Apr 27. Comments of P. Francis on the same and reply of W. Hastings thereon. (Minutes)—5 pp.

Progs., 27 Apr., 1778

Mar 15, Chandernagore. J. B. Chevalier informs the Board that he will make enquiries about the deserters mentioned in the list forwarded to him and likewise sends to the Board a list of the French deserters for exchange. (Translation)—3 pp.

27 Apr., 1778, No. 5

May 4. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 4 May 1778

1777, Nov 25, Camp at Fetehtarh. M. Leslie forwards to the Board a letter from T. Goddard at his request. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

4 May, 1778, No. 1

Nov 2, Camp at Fatehgarh. T. Goddard represents to the Board his views regarding dissolution of the troops of Asaf-ud-Daulah. (A.L.S.—Enclosure to above)—6 pp.

4 May, 1778, No. 2

Nov 11, Camp at Fatehgarh. M. Leslie forwards to the Board representations from G. Hoggan, D. Woodburn and Surg. K. Murchison on adjustment of their pay and seeks Board's final advice on the subject. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

4 May, 1778, No. 3

Nov 1, Camp at Fatehgarh. G. Hoggan represents to M. Leslie regarding his pay. (Enclosure to above)—4 pp.

4 May, 1778, No. A

Nov 2, Fatehgarh Cantt. D. Woodburn (Commanding the 3rd Company of Artillery) represents to M. Leslie regarding his pay. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

4 May, 1778, No. B

Nov 4, Camp. K. Murchison represents to M. Leslie regarding his pay. (Enclosure)—1 p.

4 May, 1778, No. C

1778, May 4. W. Hastings proposes and the Board agree to revoke their former orders regarding dissolution of the Nawab Vazir's disciplined establishment. (Minutes)—1 p.

Progs., 4 May, 1778

Mar 20, Lucknow. N. Middleton forwards to the Board muster returns of the Nawab Vazir's body-guard and of the three battalions under A. Hannay for the month of February 1778. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

4 May, 1778, No. 4

Apr 4, Lucknow. N. Middleton forwards to the Board his accounts for the period 12 February to 13 March 1778. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

4 May, 1778, No. 5

Apr 10, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board that D. O. Barwell has informed him that the allegations against Faizullah Khan are baseless and that Asaf-ud-Daulah has readily consented to a renewal of the treaty under the Company's guarantee; forwards copies of the treaty and his correspondence with D. O. Barwell on the subject. (Copy)—4 pp.

4 May, 1778, No. 6

Mar 4, 18¹, 24, 26, 27, Apr 8², 8. Correspondence between N. Middleton and D. O. Barwell on the subject of renewal of treaty between Asaf-ud-Daulah and Faizullah Khan. (Enclosures to above)—19 pp.

4 May, 1778, No. 7

Apr 20, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board that Faizullah Khan has expressed his doubt about the validity of the powers by which he has acted in the business between the Vazir and Faizullah Khan; states that he has asked D. O. Barwell to insist upon Faizullah Khan to accept the guarantee offered to him or to withdraw; encloses copies of correspondence between him and D. O. Barwell. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

4 May, 1778, No. 8

Apr 14, Rampur, Apr 20, Lucknow. Correspondence between D. O. Barwell and N. Middleton on the subject of guaranteeing the treaty between Faizullah Khan and the Vazir by the Company. (Enclosures to above)—9 pp.

4 May, 1778, No. 9

May 4. The Board communicate to N. Middleton their approval of his proceedings with Faizullah Khan; direct him to send to M. Leslie the sum kept for the detachment to Bombay. 1 p.

4 May, 1778, No. 10

May 4. W. Hastings proposes that the request of Mubarak-ud-Daulah contained in his undermentioned letter be complied with. (Minute)—1 p.

Progs., 4 May, 1778

Mubarak-ud-Daulah represents* to the Governor General (received on 4 May 1778) that Muhammad Riza Khan has not yet relinquished

1-2. Dates not mentioned in the Consultation.

*Please also see *Calendar of Persian Correspondence*, Vol. V, No. 902, pp. 146-147.

charge of the Nizamat and objects to his continuing as Naib Nazim; seeks Board's approval on some new appointments desired by him. (Translation)—3 pp.

4 May 1778, No. 10

May 11.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 11 May, 1778

May 6. E. Wheler delivers his opinions on the requests made by Mubarak-ud-Daulah in his letter to the Board. (Minute)—4 pp.

11 May, 1778, No. 1

May 7. Comments of P. Francis on the requests made by Mubarak-ud-Daulah. (Minute)—5 pp.

11 May, 1778, No. 2

R. Barwell assents to the Governor General's proposal recorded in his minute of 4 May 1778. (Minute)—1 p.

Progs., 11 May, 1778

May 11. The Board forward to W. B. Martin a copy each of Mubarak-ud-Daulah's letter and their resolutions on it regarding redistribution of salary previously enjoyed by Muhammad Riza Khan. 1 p.

11 May, 1778, No. 3

May 11. The Board forward to the Chief and Council at Murshidabad a copy each of Mubarak-ud-Daulah's letter and their resolutions thereon; direct them to pay to the Resident the sum of Rs. 2,58,000 to meet the expenses mentioned therein. 1 p.

11 May, 1778, No. 4

May 11. Capt. W. Palmer (Military Secretary to the Governor General) submits to the Board the proposals of Saadat Ali Khan for the possession of jagir etc. from the Nawab of Oudh. (Copy)—3 pp.

11 May, 1778, No. 5

May 11. Debate in the Board on the proposals of Saadat Ali Khan. (Minutes)—8 pp.

Progs., 11 May, 1778

May 11. R. Barwell proposes the appointment of his brother, D. O. Barwell, Company's Receiver at Rohilkhand. (Minute)—3 pp.

11 May, 1778, No. 6

May 11. The Board direct N. Middleton to apply to Asaf-ud-Daulah for assignments in lieu of Rs. 3 lacs for the maintenance of Saadat Ali Khan and to submit to the Board an estimate of monthly collection which may be made from them; inform him about the appointment of D. O. Barwell as Company's Agent at Rohilkhand. 2 pp.

11 May, 1778, No. 7

Apr 5, Bombay Castle. The President and Council at Bombay inform the Board that they have ordered all the troops they can spare to be held in readiness to accompany Raghunathrao to Poona; state that the

French designs at Poona will get a definite setback due to the revolution in the Poona Government. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

11 May, 1778, No. 8

May 9. P. Francis observes that M. Leslie's expedition to Bombay is no longer necessary and that he may be asked to return to the Vazir's dominion. (Minute)—2 pp.

11 May, 1778, No. 9

May 11. E. Wheler concurs with P. Francis in suspending M. Leslie's march to Bombay. (Minute)—1 p.

Progs., 11 May, 1778

May 11. W. Hastings opposes P. Francis's motion and delivers in his observations. (Minute)¹.

11 May, 1778, No. 10

May 11. Observations of P. Francis on the minute of the Governor General. (Minute)—4 pp.

Progs., 11 May, 1778

May 7, Fort William. J. Belli submits to the Board his accounts for settlement and payment. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

11 May, 1778, No. 11

May 7. Certificate issued by T. D. Pearse regarding delivery of goods by J. Belli. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

11 May, 1778, No. A

May 14. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 14 May, 1778

May 12, Fort William. J. Belli explains to J. P. Auriol the reasons for which he had to build *golas* and had to carry out repair works. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

14 May, 1778, No. 1

May 21. The charge was admitted and the amount paid to J. Belli—1 p.

Progs., 14 May, 1778

May 21. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 21 May, 1778

Apr 19, Poona. T. Mostyn informs the Board that he has been asked by the new Darbar to accompany Gopal Rao Tambvekar to Bombay to discuss with the English about Raghunathrao; gives details of his interview with Moroba Phadnavis and the new set-up of the Poona Government. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

21 May, 1778, No. 1

1. The Consultation is incomplete.

Apr 29, Fort St. George. The President and Council, Fort St. George inform the Board that the troops are in readiness and will start for Bombay, if they require their services; remind them about their letter of 16 January 1778 a reply to which is still awaited; enclose copies of correspondence with Bombay. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

21 May, 1778, No. 2

Apr 8, Bombay Castle. The President and Council at Bombay complain to the President and Council, Fort St. George that they have not heard from them about the interception of their (Madras) packet by the Marathas near Poona; have ordered a sufficient number of vessels to proceed to Anjengo to bring troops from Madras; state that E. Vernon has returned back to Bombay to counter any French designs at that coast. (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

21 May, 1778, No. 3

Apr 29, Fort St. George. The President and Council, Fort St. George explain to the President and Council, Bombay the circumstances under which they could not comply with the latter's request for so large a body of troops. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

21 May, 1778, No. 4

May 20. W. Hastings proposes that the requests made by M. Leslie may be placed before the Commander-in-Chief for his opinion and consideration.

Observations of R. Barwell and P. Francis on the same. (Minutes)—2 pp.

21 May, 1778, No. 5

May 20. Observations of W. Hastings regarding the operations of the detachment for Bombay and on the affairs at Poona. (Minute)—7 pp.

21 May, 1778, No. 6

Comments of P. Francis on the minute of the Governor General. (Minute)—7 pp.

21 May, 1778, No. 7A

W. Hastings proposes a draft reply to the Presidency of Madras which was issued after it was circulated among the members of the Board. 1 p.

Progs., 21 May, 1778

May 19. The Board inform the President and Council, Fort St. George that they will always be ready to contribute every means in their power for the relief of that Presidency; suggest means by which they can solve their pecuniary problems in case of an emergency, inform that the detachment for the Presidency of Bombay has begun its march from Kora to Kalpi; request them to watch the movements of Haidar Ali and Nizam Ali Khan; instruct them to assemble a part of their forces near the northern frontier of the Carnatic in case they see any trouble at Poona. 7 pp.

21 May, 1778, No. 8

May 19. P. Francis and E. Wheler deliver in their opinions on the letter to the Presidency of Madras referred to above. (Minutes)—4 pp.

21 May, 1773, No. 9

May 19. W. Hastings recommends an additional paragraph to the letter to Madras referred to above; comments of other members of the Board and the Governor General's reply thereto. (Minutes)—6 pp.

21 May, 1778, No. 10

May 19. P. Francis informs J. P. Auriol that a Council meeting is no longer necessary, as he has already delivered in his opinion on the proposed letter to Fort St. George. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

21 May, 1778, No. 11

May 21. W. Hastings explains to the Board the reasons for which he refused immediate monetary assistance to the Presidency of Madras. (Minutes)—6 pp.

Progs., 21 May, 1778

May 21. Debate in the Board on the minute of the Governor General. (Minutes)—6 pp.

Progs., 21 May, 1778

Apr 30, Lucknow. N. Middleton seeks Board's instructions on acceptance of *nazar* offered by Faizullah Khan to the Company; forwards copies of letters addressed to him by D. O. Barwell. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

21 May, 1778, No. 12

Apr 17, Rampur. D. O. Barwell informs N. Middleton that he has been able to convince Faizullah Khan about the authenticity of the guarantee given by the latter on behalf of the Company; states that Faizullah Khan has requested that he will present the renewed treaty along with the guarantee in public so that his subjects may not remain in suspense.¹ (Enclosure to above)—4 pp.

21 May, 1778, No. 13

Apr 20, Rampur. D. O. Barwell informs N. Middleton that the renewed treaty has been presented to Faizullah Khan with all the ceremony; states that the *nazar* of a lac of rupees given by Faizullah Khan for the Company has been accepted by him subject to the approval of the Board. (Enclosure)—6 pp.

21 May, 1778, No. 14

May 21. W. Hastings proposes the acceptance of the *nazar* offered by Faizullah Khan and suggests that a letter may be written to him confirming the obligation of the Company as guarantee to the treaty formed between him and Asaf-ud-Daulah; opinions of E. Wheler, P. Francis and R. Barwell on the same. (Minutes)—3 pp.

Progs., 21 May, 1778

May 1. N. Middleton forwards to the Board some intelligence which he received from the Deccan relating to the affairs in Poona Darbar. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

21 May, 1778, No. 15

1. Please also see *Calendar of Persian Correspondence*. Vol. V, No. 906., pp. 148-49.

May 6, Camp at Kora. N. Middleton informs the Board about the death of W. Reinhardt and the property and artillery left behind by him. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

21 May, 1778, No. 16

May 8, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board that he has sent to M. Leslie twelve lacs of rupees for the expenses of the Bombay detachment; encloses copy of an estimate submitted by Col. Leslie and copies of Colonel's letters to him. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

21 May, 1778, No. 17

Apr 28, 29, 30, Camp near Kora. M. Leslie requests N. Middleton to send him the money required for the expenses of the detachment for Bombay to enable him to begin the march; sends an estimate of the monthly expenses of the detachment. (Enclosures to above)—4 pp.

21 May, 1778, No. 18

Estimates of the monthly charges of the detachment for Bombay under M. Leslie. (Enclosure)—1 p.

21 May, 1778, No. 19

May 21. The Board inform N. Middleton that the Governor General will write to Faizullah Khan confirming the obligation of the Supreme Government to abide by the guarantee of the treaty concluded by Asaf-ud-Daulah with him; authorise him to receive the amount of one lac offered by Faizullah Khan; request him to ask D. O. Barwell to submit an account of his expenses to the Board; consent to M. Leslie's retaining the additional amount of two lacs for meeting the expenses of the cavalry. 3 pp.

21 May, 1778, No. 20

June 1. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 1 Jun., 1778

May 29. W. Hastings gives his reply to the minute¹ of P. Francis delivered on 16 May 1778 regarding the French designs in India: comments of P. Francis on the same and the reply of the Governor General thereon. (Minutes)—9 pp.

1 Jun., 1778, No. 1

May 11, Lucknow. N. Middleton forwards to the Board his accounts for the month of *Chaitra* (14 March-11 April) along with certain observations. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

1 Jun., 1778, No. 2

May 13. N. Middleton forwards to the Board muster returns of the Vazir's body-guard and the three battalions under A. Hannay for the month of April 1778; states reasons for the extra artillery attached to F. J. Mordaunt's Corps. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

1 Jun., 1778, No. 3

1. The date of the minute should be 16 May and not 19 May 1778. Please see Consultation 21 May, No. 4.

May 14, Lucknow. N. Middleton forwards to the Board a paper of intelligence which Asaf-ud-Daulah received from the Deccan. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

1 Jun., 1778, No. 4

May 19, Lucknow. N. Middleton forwards to the Board Receipt No. I from the Paymaster of the temporary brigade. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

1 Jun., 1778, No. 5

May 20, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board that Asaf-ud-Daulah has agreed to the raising of troops under J. Osborne for the defence of the Doab. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

1 Jun., 1778, No. 6

May 20, Lucknow. N. Middleton forwards to the Board with his observations an Assay Table of sundry species of rupees current in the dominions of Asaf-ud-Daulah; informs that he has forwarded to the Accountant General an account of his receipts and disbursements and an account current of the Vazir with the Company for the period from the end of *Chaitra* to 30 April 1778. (A.L.S.)—8 pp.

1 Jun., 1778, No. 7

May 20, Lucknow. Table of assay of sundry species of rupees current in the dominions of Asaf-ud-Daulah. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

1 Jun., 1778, No. A

Feb 22, Bombay. C. Egerton forwards to the Board returns for the months of November, December, 1777 and January 1778; comments on the weakness of the Bombay Presidency in respect of troops. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

1 Jun., 1778, No. 8

May 20, Fort St. George. The President and Council, Fort St. George inform the Board that H. M.'s ship the *Rippon* with E. Vernon has reached Madras; repeat their request for supply of money and inform that on their request Com. Vernon has deputed the *Sea Horse* under Commander J. A. Panton to bring the treasure from Bengal. (Extract)—3 pp.

1 Jun., 1778, No. 12¹

Jun 1. Observations of W. Hastings and other members of the Board on the above letter from Madras and their decision that the money might be sent to Madras. (Minutes)—8 pp.

Progs., 1 Jun., 1778

Remarks of W. Hastings and other members of the Board regarding payment of freight to J. A. Panton. (Minutes)—1 p.

1 Jun., 1778, No. 13

Jun 1. The Board inform the President and Council at Fort St. George that they have complied with their request regarding monetary help; forward an invoice and bill of lading for Rs. 10,00,055.8; instruct them to keep the amount as reserve to meet extraordinary emergencies only. 3 pp.

1 Jun., 1778, No. 14

1. Consultations Nos. 9-11 referred to the Public Department, *vide* Secret Bodysheet, 1 June 1778.

Jun 8.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 8 June., 1778

May 20, Camp near Kalpi. M. Leslie informs the Board about the obstructions offered by the Maratha chiefs at Kalpi and the way he overcame them. (A.L.S.)—7 pp.

8 Jun., 1778, No. 1

Jun 8. Reply of the Board to the above letter from M. Leslie drafted by the Governor General approving his conduct in retaliating the Maratha hostilities and directing him to advise T. Mostyn of all such occurrences. 2 pp.

8 Jun., 1778, No. 2

P. Francis and E. Wheler object to the issue of the letter, as the consequences if the Marathas continue such hostilities, may be very bad for the whole of the British Empire in India; R. Barwell approves of the letter. (Minutes)—3 pp.

Progs., 8 Jun., 1778

Jun 8. W. Hastings gives his comments on the above minute of P. Francis regarding the detachment for Bombay and the reply of P. Francis thereto. (Minutes)—19 pp.

Progs., 8 Jun., 1778

Jun 9¹. W. Hastings communicates to the Peshwa² the hostilities shown by the Maratha chiefs towards the detachment for Bombay at Kalpi and requests that the Peshwa may issue instructions to the chiefs to allow unmolested passage to the detachment. 6 pp.

8 Jun., 1778, No. 3^a

Jun 8. The Board forward to T. Mostyn copies of M. Leslie's letter to them and the Governor General's letter to the Peshwa for his information; instruct him to be in regular correspondence with Col. Leslie and to apprise him of any circumstances that may be useful to him. 2 pp.

8 Jun., 1778, No. 4

Jun 11.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 11 Jun., 1778

May 2, Bombay Castle. The President and Council at Bombay inform the Board that no new proposals have yet been sent to Raghunathrao by the new government at Poona; state that though St. Lubin has not been dismissed from Poona yet, they hope the French designs in Poona will fail; add that they have asked the Commander of the detachment for Bombay not to advance until further orders; report that E. Vernon has prevented the French ships from landing any troops at Chaul; inform that the *Brilliant* has proceeded to Mangalore while the *Sartine* is returning to Mahe to carry Bellecombe to Pondicherry. (Copy)—4 pp.

11 Jun., 1778, No. 1

1. That is the date given both in the Consultation and in the Proceedings.

2. Similar letters were written to Sakharam Bhagwant Bokil and Balaji Govind (*Qiladar* of Kalpi and Peshwa's Taluqdar in Bundelkhand).

3. Pl:335 also see *Calendar of Persian Correspondence*, Vol. V, No. 946, p. 160.

May 12, Poona. T. Mostyn informs the Board that he suspects that the Poona Darbar will not take any step to allow free passage for the detachment for Bombay; forwards copy of the minutes of the proceedings of W. Lewis, whom he had deputed to Poona Darbar for obtaining a passport for the purpose; states that St. Lubin has not yet left Poona; reports that Haidar Ali has occupied two small forts of the Marathas and contemplates to reduce Meritz (Miraj) after the retreat of Hari Pant Phadke from that place. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

11 Jun., 1778, No. 2

Jun 11. W. Hastings informs the Board that the *proceedings of W. Lewis referred to in the above letter were not enclosed with it. (Note) —1 p.

Progs., 11 Jun., 1778

W. Hastings proposes that a letter be written to M. Leslie informing him of the substance of the Bombay Government's orders (which he suspects might have been intercepted) conforming them by an order of the Board, and that he be directed to keep himself in readiness to march on immediate warning; discussion in the Board on the Governor General's proposals. (Minutes)—14 pp.

Progs., 11 Jun., 1778

T. Mostyn expresses his doubts about the dismissal of St. Lubin from the Poona Darbar¹. 1 p.

11 Jun., 1778, No. 3

Jun 11. The Board direct M. Leslie not to proceed further until he hears from the President and Council of Bombay or from them; ask him to complete all preparations for the equipment of the detachment and to hold himself in readiness to march on immediate orders. 3 pp.

11 Jun., 1778, No. 4

Jun 11. The Board inform the President and Council at Bombay that they have communicated the order issued by them to M. Leslie in confirmation. 1 p.

11 Jun., 1778, No. 5

The Board inform T. Mostyn that they observe with great concern the dilatory and evasive conduct of the present ministers at Poona; state that they are awaiting with impatience for more clear and decisive advices of their proceedings; add that M. Leslie has been asked to halt where he is but to hold himself in readiness².—3 pp.

11 Jun., 1778, No. 6

Jun 11. W. Hastings proposes that a letter be written to E. Vernon in acknowledgement of the zeal and alacrity shown by him to prevent the landing of the French troops at Chaul; comments of the members of the Board thereon. (Minutes)—4 pp.

Progs., 11 Jun., 1778

*Please see Consultation, 22 June, No. 1.

1. This is an extract from T. Mostyn's letter to the Board dated 12 May 1778 (11 June, No. 2). Governor General quoted it in course of a debate in the Council of 11 June 1778.

2. No date has been mentioned either in the Proceedings volume or in the Consultation.

Jun 11. The Board express their thanks to E. Vernon for the zeal he has shown for the interest of the Company and for the safety of their settlements; direct him not to become the aggressor on any pretence against the French or the Marathas¹. 4 pp.

11 Jun. 1778, No. 7

Jun 15. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 15 Jun., 1778

May 29, Lucknow. N. Middleton reports to the Board the state of affairs in Delhi Court following the overthrow of Zabita Khan and about the rivalry existing between Shah Alam and Najaf Khan; mentions about the depredation of the Sikhs in the northern districts of Delhi; intimates the likelihood of Asaf-ul-Daulah's mediation in the quarrel between Shah Alam and Najaf Khan. (A.L.S.)—9 pp.

15 Jun., 1778, No. 1

May 30, Headquarters Kalpi. M. Leslie informs the Board that the Maratha chiefs have agreed to his free passage through their country and have also promised to supply provisions; forwards a copy of the terms for their approval; states that he has received Bombay Government's order not to proceed further and will encamp with the detachment on the banks of the Betwa; forwards a copy of the letter from Bombay. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

15 Jun., 1778, No. 2

May 27. M. Leslie proposes to Gangadhar Govind (Faujdar of Kalpi) his terms of agreement. (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

15 Jun., 1778, No. 3

Apr 22, Bombay Castle. The Government of Bombay ask M. Leslie not to proceed further towards Bombay until he hears again from them. (Enclosure)—1 p.

15 Jun., 1778, No. 4

Jun 15. The Board approve of M. Leslie's intention to encamp on the banks of the Betwa; forbid any expenditure from the military chest until further orders were received for the march towards Bombay. 2 pp.

15 Jun., 1778, No. 5

Jun 15. The Board direct N. Middleton to continue to furnish the regular and necessary supplies for the pay and other expenses of the Bombay Detachment while encamped on the Betwa. 1 p.

15 Jun., 1778, No. 6

Jun 22. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 22 Jun., 1778

Proceedings of W. Lewis giving an account of his visit at the camp of Moroba Phadnavis.² (Minute)—6 pp.

22 Jun., 1778, No. 1

1. The Consultation contains the marginal remarks of E. Wheler, W. Hastings and P. Francis.

2. Enclosure to Consultation 11 June 1778, No. 2 (T. Mostyn's letter dated 12 May 1778)
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Jun 5, Meer Gawa. M. Leslie informs the Board that he has received orders from the Government of Bombay through T. Mostyn to prosecute his march towards Bombay; forwards copies of relevant letters; states that he will start for Bombay after the troops from Kalpi join him; expresses doubts about the real intentions of the Maratha chiefs. (A.L.S.—3 pp.

22 Jun., 1778, No.

May 11, Poona. T. Mostyn requests M. Leslie to let him know the route the latter will follow in course of his march towards Bombay; assures him all assistance; instructs him to be on guard and to avoid giving any chance of complaints; will keep him advised of any material occurrences. (A.L.S.—Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

22 Jun., 1778, No.

May 4, Bombay Castle. The President and Council at Bombay direct M. Leslie to march towards Bombay and to keep them informed of the route that he will follow. (Enclosure)—1 p.

22 Jun., 1778, No.

May 9, Bombay Castle. The President and Council at Bombay inform the Board that they have asked M. Leslie to march towards Bombay; seek Board's opinion on appointing a Resident at Haidar Ali's court to counteract French designs there; forward their proceedings regarding compensating the merchants who suffered by the wreck of the *Aurora*; acquaint them with the latest developments in the American War. (A.L.S.)—4 pp

22 Jun., 1778, No.

Resolution of the Government of Bombay to compensate the merchants for the loss sustained by them in the wreck of the *Aurora*. (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

22 Jun., 1778, No.

Mar 10, Bombay. The merchants who suffered loss due to the wreck of the *Aurora* apply to the Bombay Government for compensation on account of their claims upon the Marathas. (Enclosure)—4 pp.

22 Jun., 1778, No.

Mar 15, Bombay. Statement of the particular risks of the merchant concerned in the wreck of the *Aurora* and the cargo in her. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

22 Jun., 1778, No.

Jun 22. P. Francis submits before the Board his opinion on the above letter from Bombay. (Minute)—6 pp.

22 Jun., 1778, No.

Comments of W. Hastings on the above minute and replies of P. Francis thereto. (Minutes)—21 pp.

Progs., 22 Jun., 1778

Jun 5. M. Leslie assures the Governor General that he will do his utmost to march towards Bombay Presidency; intimates the death of

Capt. J. Crawford (Commander of 4th Battalion of Sepoys, Bengal Army). (Extract*)—1 p.

22 Jun., 1778, No. 7

The Poona Darbar inform the Governor General of the arrival of St. Lubin. (Extract*)—2 pp.

22 Jun., 1778, No. 8

May 25, Murshidabad. The Council at Murshidabad inform the Board that they will transfer the amount equivalent to the salary of Muhammad Riza Khan to the Resident at Murshidabad. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

22 Jun., 1778, No. 9

Jun. 9, Assay Office. A. L. Gilbert (Assay Master) submits to the Board reports on Fyzabad 16 *San Sikka* rupees. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

22 Jun., 1778, No. 10

Jun 9, Assay Office. Assay report of A. L. Gilbert. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

22 Jun., 1778, No. D

Jun 25. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 25 Jun., 1778

Jun 25. W. Hastings lays before the Board a letter from J. Barton (Collector of Bhagalpur) reporting the financial embarrassments of Saadat Ali Khan and proposes an advance of one lac of rupees to him. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 25 Jun., 1778

Jun 4, Bhagalpur. J. Barton reports to the Governor General the financial embarrassments of Saadat Ali Khan. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

25 Jun., 1778, No. 1

Jun 25. W. Hastings proposes that J. Barton be asked to advance one lac of rupees to Saadat Ali Khan; members of the Board agree to the Governor General's motion. (Minutes)—1 p.

Progs., 25 Jun., 1778

Jun 27.¹ The Board direct J. Barton to advance one lac of rupees to Saadat Ali Khan.—1 p.

25 Jun., 1778, No. 2

Jun 25. The Board inform the President and Council at Bombay that they have no objection to their appointing a Resident at Haidar Ali's court provided the Nawab of the Carnatic gives his consent; states that they have written to the President and Council at Fort St. George on the subject. 2 pp.

25 Jun., 1778, No. 3

Jun 25. The Board request the President and Council at Fort St. George to endeavour to obtain the consent of Muhammad Ali Khan to

*Extracts referred to by the Governor General in the course of his comments made on the minute of P. Francis.

1. That is the date given in the Consultation and also in the Proceedings.

the appointment of an English Resident at Haidar Ali's court; request them to advise Bombay Government immediately when his consent is obtained. 3 pp.

25 Jun., 1778, No. 4

R. Barwell and E. Wheler approve of the letters. (Minute)—1 p.

25 Jun. 1778, No. 5

Jun 25. P. Francis proposes that the Resident at Haidar Ali's court should be appointed by an act under the instructions of the Government of Madras; concurs with the rest of the letters. (Minute)—2 pp.

25 Jun., 1778, No. 5

Jun 29. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 29 Jun., 1778

May 20, Bombay Castle. The President and Council at Bombay communicate to the Board the reasons for which they had asked the Bengal Detachment not to proceed towards Bombay and then again directed it to proceed towards Bombay; state that the evasive conduct of the Poona Darbar still remains and Moroba Phadnavis seems inclined to tread on the footsteps of his predecessor; inform that they have asked T. Mostyn to press the Darbar to clarify their intention about the French and to get some other points clarified; add that T. Mostyn has directly approached Tukoji Rao Holkar and Mahadji Sindhia to guarantee safe passage of the Bengal Detachment through their territories and has also written to the Nawab of Bhopal; suggest that the best method for reinforcement of troops would be to send troops from Madras; intimate that T. Mostyn has been asked to obtain a copy of the engagement between Nana Phadnavis and St. Lubin.¹ (A.L.S.)—8 pp.

29 Jun., 1778, No. 1

May 29, Poona. T. Mostyn communicates to the Board the views expressed by Moroba Phadnavis regarding issue of passports to the detachment from Bengal; informs that he has applied direct to Tukoji Rao Holkar, Mahadji Sindhia and the Nawab of Bhopal for a free and unmolested passage of the detachment through their territories; states that St. Lubin is still at Poona and is meeting the leaders with intention of coming back; forwards a copy of a letter which will show Moroba's negotiation with St. Lubin regarding French assistance and copies of letters from St. Lubin to the Viceroy of Goa and the Governor of Daman which prove the existence of some engagement between him and Nana Phadnavis regarding French assistance; gives details of his conversation with Chinto Vithal Rairikar (Diwan of Raghunathrao) and Gopalrao Tambvekar who were deputed by the Darbar to request him to accompany them to Bombay; informs that Mahadji Sindhia has granted the Bengal Detachment permission to pass through his territories. (A.L.S.)—10 pp.

29 Jun., 1778, No. 2

Apr 24. Letter from a person at Purandhar (received on 19 May 1778) giving intelligence regarding the Darbar's activities on receipt of information about the Bengal Detachment. (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

29 Jun., 1778, No. 3

1. Part of this letter are written in cypher.

Mar 12. C. St. Lubin requests the Captain General of Goa (D. J. P. da Camara) to allow two regiments to pass through his dominions and to issue orders to the Governor of Daman to allow French frigates to use his port in case of necessity.

C. St. Lubin requests Sebastian de Azavedo (Governor of Daman) to render necessary help to the French frigates or ships that may happen to pass through his territories.

Replies to the above letters from the Captain General of Goa and the Governor of Daman. (Enclosures)—12 pp.

29 Jun., 1778, No. 4

C. St. Lubin explains to the Captain General of Goa the reasons for which he wants a free passage for the two regiments and shelter for the French frigates or ships at the port of Daman. (Enclosure)—8 pp.

29 Jun., 1778, No. 5

A letter* from the Peshwa which was received on 27 June 1778 was read and entered in the Persian correspondence.

Progs., 29 Jun., 1778

P. Francis proposes that the Government of Bombay may be informed that when it becomes necessary to send them a reinforcement of troops they should be sent directly from Madras and not from Bengal; suggests that his proposal may be considered at the time of sending a reply to Bombay Presidency. (Minute)—3 pp.

Progs., 29 Jun., 1778

Jul 6. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 6 Jul., 1778

Jun 9, Jabalpur. M. Leslie explains to the Board the reasons for which he wants to keep the fort at Kalpi under possession; states that he has placed Capt. E. Rawstone in command of Kalpi fort; informs about the death of J. Crawford. 3 pp.

Progs.,¹ 6 Jul., 1778, No. 1

Jun 6. W. Hastings proposes to the Board that M. Leslie may be directed to march through Berar; explains the reasons in support of his motion. (Minute)—4 pp.

Progs.,¹ 6 Jul., 1778, No. 2

Members of the Board agree to the Governor General's motion. 1 p.

Progs., 6 Jul., 1778

Jul 6. The Board direct M. Leslie to follow the route through Berar instead of the route through Malwa, unless a passage is refused by Mudhoji Bhonsla through his territories. 2 pp.

6 Jul., 1778, No. 3

*Please see *Calendar of Persian Correspondence*, Vol. V, No. 97, pp. 170-171.

1. Original Consultations are missing.

Jul 7.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 7 Jul., 1778

Jun 12. Bombay Castle. The President and Council at Bombay forward to the Board a packet from G. Baldwin (Company's Agent at Cairo) and copy of his letter to them confirming the news of a probable war between France and England. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

7 Jul., 1778, No. 1

May 4, Cairo. G. Baldwin communicates to the Board the news of war breaking out between England and France. (A.L.S.)—7 pp.

7 Jul., 1778, No. 2

Jun 25. Fort St. George. The President and Council at Fort St. George intimate to the Board that they have been informed by G. Baldwin that war has broken out between Great Britain and France; express their satisfaction for the grant of ten lacs of rupees; inform that they have been directed by the Company to draw from the Bengal treasury for he supplies for China, as in spite of their best intentions they will not be able to provide for China trade; will send a frigate later for bringing the treasure when the situation will improve. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

7 Jul., 1778, No. 3

May 4, Cairo. Capt. J. Sutherland (of the *Carranjah*) informs J. P. Auriol of his intention to return to India with the first packet that may come to G. Baldwin. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

7 Jul., 1778, No. 4

Jul 7. The decision of the Board that the most effectual step for guarding against any hostile designs of the French in India will be to take immediate possession of Pondicherry; and that it be strongly recommended to the President and Council at Fort St. George to order a proper force to take possession of Pondicherry when they receive a confirmation of the news of a rupture between France and England. 2 pp.

Progs., 7 Jul., 1778

Jul 7. W. Hastings informs the Board that he has received letters from T. Rumbold (Governor of Madras) intimating that Haidar Ali has solicited an alliance with the Company; recommends that the President and Council at Fort St. George be authorised to add additional clauses to the treaty that already exists between the Company and Haidar Ali. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 7 Jul., 1778

Jul 7. The Board direct the President and Council at Fort St. George to make secret preparations for the capture of Pondicherry, if the news about a war between France and England comes true; instruct them to negotiate and conclude treaty with Haidar Ali in addition to the existing one.¹ 3 pp.

7 Jul., 1778, No. 5

Jul 7. The Board recommend that the letter² which was written to M. Leslie yesterday may be annulled and the revised letter issued. 2 pp.

Progs., 7 Jul., 1778

1. The Consultation bears the initials of W. Hastings and R. Barwell.

2. Please see 6 July 1778, No. 3.

Jul 7. The Board communicate to M. Leslie that war has been declared between France and England and direct him not to proceed beyond Berar until further instructions from them. 2 pp.

7 Jul., 1778, No. 6

Jul 7. The Board direct M. Leslie that the enclosed letter¹ should be kept a profound secret. 1 p.

7 Jul., 1778, No. 7

Jun 22, Fort St. George. The President and Council at Fort St. George forward to the Board a copy of a letter from Nizam Ali Khan and request the Board to acquaint them with their opinion on it; enclose copy of a letter received by Muhammad Ali Khan from Nizam Ali Khan on the same subject. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

7 Jul., 1778, No. 8

Nizam Ali Khan protests to the Governor of Madras against the Company's alliance with Raghunathrao and intimates that he will give every possible assistance to Madhavrao Narayan (Peshwa) in case he is attacked (Received 21 June 1778). (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

7 Jul., 1778, No. 9

Nizam Ali Khan communicates to Muhammad Ali Khan that he has protested against the Company's alliance with Raghunathrao. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

7 Jul., 1778, No. 9

Jul 7. The Board direct N. Middleton to send the cash balance in his hand to the Presidency immediately. 1 p.

7 Jul., 1778, No. 10

Jul 9. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 9 Jul., 1778

Jul 7. W. Hastings proposes that the meeting of the Board to be held on Wednesday may be postponed till Thursday provided the members of the Board are willing.² (A.L.S.)—1 p.

9 Jul., 1778, No. 1

Jul 9. W. Hastings recommends that a Company's civil servant be immediately deputed to Mudhoji Bhonsla with full powers to conclude a treaty of alliance with him. (Minute)—9 pp.

9 Jul., 1778, No. 2

Jul 9. W. Hastings lays before the Board his proposals for the internal defence of the provinces; opinions of other members of the Board on the Governor General's proposals. (Minutes)—10 pp.

Progs., 9 Jul., 1778

Jul 9. The Board request the Commander-in-Chief to furnish them with a general plan of defence in addition to the present disposition of their army. 2 pp.

9 Jul., 1778, No. 3

1. Please see 7 July, 1778, No. 6.

2. Opinions of E. Wheler and P. Francis are recorded on the body of the letter.

Jul 9. The decision of the Board regarding the siege of Chandernagore and appointment of L. Collings as English Commissary at Chandernagore. (Resolutions)—2 pp.

Progs., 9 Jul., 1778

Jul 9. The Board direct Lt. Col. A. Dow to station guards on all roads leading to Chandernagore and to demand its surrender from J. B. Chevalier; direct him to apply force in case of refusal and give him instructions for his guidance; intimate the appointment of L. Collings as a Commissary to receive the seized property. 3 pp.

9 Jul., 1778, No. 4

Jul 9, Council Chamber. The Secretary communicates to Capt. W. Robinson (Commander of the *Morning Star*) Board's order directing him to seize all French pilots and pilot vessels on the Hooghly. 1 p.

9 Jul., 1778, No. 5

Jul 9. The Board communicate the news of declaration of war between England and France to the Provincial Councils at Patna, Murshidabad and Dacca; direct them to seize French factories and all the property belonging to them; ask them to send a copy of the inventory and to preserve the property untouched. 2 pp.

9 Jul., 1778, No. 6

Jul 9. The Board direct the Commanding Officers at Berhampore and Dinapore to obey orders of the Chief and Council at Murshidabad and Patna respectively. 1 p.

9 Jul., 1778, No. 7

Jul 9. The Board request the Dutch and the Danish settlements to take effectual steps to discourage and prevent the French to cover their property under the mask of Dutch or Danish colonies, as they are going to take possession of Chandernagore because of the declaration of war between England and France. 2 pp.

9 Jul., 1778, No. 8

Jul 11. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 11 Jul., 1778

Jul 10. W. Hastings directs the Secretary to summon a meeting of the Board on 11 July and to circulate the accompanying letter from A. Dow among the members of the Council. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

11 Jul., 1778, No. 1

Jul 10, Ghiretti. A. Dow reports to the Governor General of the escape of J. B. Chevalier from Chandernagore. (A.L.S.—Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

11 Jul., 1778, No. 2

Jul 11. The Board communicate to the President and Council at Fort St. George the fall of Chandernagore and the escape of J. B. Chevalier from there; direct them to attack Pondicherry and Mahe; enclose a copy

of a letter* written to Bombay and a letter* for E. Vernon; also enclose a letter* for Fort Marlborough. 2 pp.

11 Jul., 1778, No. 3

Jul 11. The Board inform the President and Council at Bombay that they have taken possession of Chandernagore and other French establishments in Bengal and that J. B. Chevalier has escaped from Chandernagore; desire that they will co-operate with Madras Presidency in taking possession of Mahe; express concern at the weak state of their military establishment and suggest evacuation and demolition of the fort of Thana; enclose copy of a letter written to Fort St. George. 2 pp.

11 Jul., 1778, No. 4

Jul 11. The Board request E. Vernon to co-operate with the Company's Presidencies in any steps that they may pursue during the war between England and France. 1 p.

11 Jul., 1778, No. 5

Jul 11. The Board communicate to the Council at Fort Marlborough the news of declaration of war between England and France and the steps taken by them for the safety and defence of the Company's interests in India. 1 p.

11 Jul., 1778, No. 6

Jul 11. Notification regarding declaration of war between England and France for information of the British subjects. 1 p.

11 Jul., 1778, No. 7

Jul 10, Chandernagore. A. Dow reports to the Board that he has captured Chandernagore and also acquaints them with the measures adopted by him; states that J. B. Chevalier is still untraced; encloses a copy of the names of persons who have been given full privilege of parole and also a list of names of the inhabitants and merchants who have been interned in their houses; informs that he has transmitted Board's letters to the Dutch and the Danish chiefs. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

11 Jul., 1778, No. 8

Jul 10, Chandernagore. Declaration signed by the employees of the French Government of Chandernagore after its surrender. (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

11 Jul., 1778, No. 9

Jul 10, Chandernagore. Declaration signed by other inhabitants and merchants of Chandernagore after its surrender. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

11 Jul., 1778, No. 10

Jul 11. The Board approve of the conduct of A. Dow in the discharge of his duties assigned to him. 1 p.

11 Jul., 1778, No. 11

Jul 10, Chandernagore. Hocquart (French Commander at Chandernagore) communicates to the Board the conditions under which he has surrendered the colony to A. Dow; forwards copies of correspondence

*Please see 11 July, Nos. 4-7.

between Dow and him; complains against the Company's sepoys who have plundered the shops and bazars. (Translation)—5 pp.

11 Jul., 1778, No. 12

Jul 10. A. Dow demands from Hocquart immediate surrender of Chandernagore. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

11 Jul., 1778, No. 13

Jul 10, Ghiretti. Hocquart agrees to surrender Chandernagore to A. Dow under protest, as he is unaware of the declaration of war between the two nations. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

11 Jul., 1778, No. 14

Jul 11. The Board confirm to Hocquart the news of declaration of war between France and England and inform him that A. Dow has been instructed to treat the inhabitants of Chandernagore with all possible lenity and tenderness. 1 p.

11 Jul., 1778, No. 15

Jul 11. W. Hastings informs the Board that he has sent two pilot sloops under a Lieutenant on board of each to assist W. Robinson in capturing or destroying French vessels and to make particular enquiries about Law de Lauriston and J. B. Chevalier. (Minute)—1 p.

Progs., 11 Jul., 1778

Jul 10. W. Hastings informs W. Robinson that two pilot sloops with a party of soldiers have been sent to assist him. 1 p.

11 Jul., 1778, No. 16

Jul 11. W. Hastings desires that no further time should be lost in carrying out the negotiation with Mudhoji Bhonsla; hopes that the members of the Board will now deliver their opinions upon it. (Minute)—1 p.

Progs., 11 Jul., 1778

Jul 10. P. Francis delivers in his opinion on the Governor General's proposal referred to above. (Minute)—14 pp.

11 Jul., 1778, No. 17

Jul 11. Observations of W. Hastings on the above minute of P. Francis. (Minute)—6 pp.

Progs., 11 Jul., 1778

Jul 11. Opinions of E. Wheler, P. Francis and R. Barwell on the Governor General's proposal for conducting negotiations with the King of Berar (Mudhoji Bhonsla) for a treaty of alliance; and resolution of the Board on the subject. (Minutes)—2 pp.

Progs., 11 Jul., 1778

May 31, Bombay Castle. The President and Council at Bombay forward to the Board copies of advices received from T. Mostyn and copies of two French letters which fell into their hands; state the number of men landed at Mangalore from the *Brilliant*. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

11 Jul., 1778, No. 18

Jun 3, Bombay Castle. The President and Council at Bombay forward to the Board copies of advices received from T. Mostyn and copies of correspondence between C. St. Lubin and the Portuguese Governments of Goa and Daman and their protests to both the Governments; inform that they have resolved to instruct M. Leslie to march to Surat; state that the Chiefs at Surat and Broach have been instructed accordingly; intimate that T. Mostyn has obtained passports for Col. Leslie from Mahadji Sindhia for the safe conduct of the Bengal Detachment through his territories. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

11 Jul., 1778, No. 19

May 25, Poona. T. Mostyn communicates to the President and Council at Bombay with his comments an account of the transactions of Moroba Phadnavis with St. Lubin; informs that he could not obtain any copy of the engagement between Nana Phadnavis and St. Lubin; states that he has protested to Moroba against plundering of the *pattamars* and for the return of the letters written to Holkar and Sindhia.

Certain person at Purandhar communicates to T. Mostyn the news (received on 19 May 1778) that Moroba Phadnavis has asked St. Lubin to bring as soon as possible the European soldiers promised by him; communicates the subject matters of Darbar's letters to Bengal, the King of England and the Nawab.

May 27, Poona. T. Mostyn forwards to the President and Council at Bombay copies of correspondence between the Portuguese authorities at Goa and Daman and St. Lubin; informs that Moroba Phadnavis, Sakharam Bhagwant Bokil and Tukoji Rao Holkar have after discussion decided to depute Chinto Vithal Rairikar and Gopalrao Tambvekar to him with the request that he should accompany the former to Bombay with proposals regarding Raghunathrao.

May 26, Poona. T. Mostyn informs the Council at Bombay the reasons for which he delayed submitting to the Darbar his remonstrances.

May 28, Poona. T. Mostyn communicates to the Council at Bombay the discussion that he had with C. V. Rairikar and G. Tambvekar.

Jun 2, Bombay Castle. The President and Council at Bombay direct T. Mostyn not to quit Poona but to place the Company's demands before the Darbar. (Enclosures to above)*—14 pp.

11 Jul., 1778, No. A

Jan 15 and 17, Daman. Perrier de Salvert sends to Picot (Governor of Mahe) an account of his arrival at Daman: comments on the activities of St. Lubin; gives an account regarding the French ship the *Curieux*. (Enclosure)—9 pp.

11 Jul., 1778, No. B

Jul 13. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 13 Jul., 1778

Jul 12, Chandernagore. Hocquart reminds the Governor General about the 10 articles proposed by him in his letter† of 10 July 1778 and requests for an interview with him. (Translation)—2 pp.

13 Jul., 1778, No. 1

*Enclosures to Consultation 11 July 1778, Nos. 18 and 19.

†Please see Consultation 11 July, No. 12.

Jul 13. W. Hastings assures Hocquart that due consideration will be given to his proposals by the Board; expresses his inability to grant him an interview under the present circumstances. 2 pp.

13 Jul., 1778, No. 2

Jul 13. The Board instruct A. Dow to send a complete return of the French troops at Chandernagore and to disband their sepoys and lashkars. 1 p.

13 Jul., 1778, No. 3

Jul 12, Chandernagore. L. Collings informs the Board that he has taken over charge from A. Dow and that he will send to the Board a copy of the inventory when it will be complete; informs that he has taken G. Shee to assist him in the work. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

13 Jul., 1778, No. 4

Jul 13. The Board instruct all Provincial Councils and Collectors to notify among all the British subjects the news of the war between England and France; instruct them to search for J. B. Chevalier who has made good his escape from Chandernagore and to send him to Calcutta under proper guard showing him all the regard and respect due to his rank. 2 pp.

13 Jul., 1778, No. 5

Jul 13. Notification issued by the Board asking the European, Armenian and Portuguese inhabitants of Calcutta to assemble at the old fort on the first Wednesday of August to form a corps of militia for the security and defence of the Presidency. 1 p.

13 Jul., 1778, No. 6

Jul 11. G. Stibbert informs the Board that he will prepare a plan for the defence of the provinces as early as possible and will give necessary directions for the formation of the three additional battalions of sepoys; expresses his surprise that he has not been consulted by the Board before adopting the measures at Chandernagore. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

13 Jul., 1778, No. 7

Jul 13. The Board explain to G. Stibbert the circumstances under which the measures at Chandernagore had to be carried out without his prior knowledge. 2 pp.

13 Jul., 1778, No. 8

Jul 10, Fredericksnagore (Serampore). The Director and Council of the Danish Settlement at Fredericksnagore assure the Company of neutrality in war with the French. (Translation)—2 pp.

13 Jul., 1778, No. 9

Jun 24, Camp at Raat. M. Leslie informs the Board (in the Military Department) that he has received passport and assurance of assistance from Mahadji Sindhia through T. Mostyn; states that Tukojirao Holkar may issue passports while the Darbar has refused; reports that the forces of Anirudh Singh (Ruler of Panna), Balaji Govind Pandit and Visaji Pandit (Visaji Krishna Biniwala, Maratha Chief) have assembled between Chhatarpur and Panna but he has not yet been able to guess their real intentions; forwards a letter addressed to him by the President and Council at Bombay. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

13 Jul., 1778, No. 10

May 16, Bombay Castle. The President and Council at Bombay direct M. Leslie to proceed to Bombay and to intimate the route he will follow; inform that they have not yet been able to obtain passports for his army from Poona Darbar; direct him to be in correspondence with T. Mostyn for advices. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

13 Jul., 1778, No. 11

Jul 13. W. Hastings explains the reasons for which they are not having letters from M. Leslie regularly. (Minute)—3 pp.

Progs., 13 Jul., 1778

Jul 13. The Board direct M. Leslie to forward to them regular monthly returns of the detachment under his command specifying all particulars. 1 p.

13 Jul., 1778, No. 12

Jul 14. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 14 Jul., 1778

Jun 27, Fort St. George. The President and Council at Fort St. George forward to the Board copies of intelligence received by them from Bombay; assure the Board that they will occupy Pondicherry soon; state that they have detained the European recruits who have come by the *Osterley* and who are meant for the Presidency of Bengal. (Copy)—2 pp.

14 Jul., 1778, No. 1

Jul 14. The Board express their concern and resentment to the Madras Government for not taking measures to occupy Pondicherry; direct them to take immediate steps in that direction failing which they should return the European recruits at the first opportunity. 3 pp.

14 Jul., 1778, No. 2

Monday Evening (Jul 13). W. Hastings desires that the Secretary should circulate the accompanying letter from A. Dow among the members of the Board for soliciting their opinions whether Lt. Col. Dow should allow the inhabitants of Chandernagore to remain in possession of the movable and personal effects.¹ (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

14 Jul., 1778, No. 3

A. Dow seeks the Governor General's instructions regarding disposal of public and private properties captured at Chandernagore; acquaints the Governor General about the stores in the warehouses; seeks further orders regarding his being appointed President of a Garrison Court Martial.² (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

14 Jul., 1778, No. 4

Monday. Comments of the members of the Board on the above letter from A. Dow.³ (Minutes)—2 pp.

14 Jul., 1778, No. 5

Jul 13, Chandernagore. A. Dow forwards to the Board with his observations a representation from the principal merchants of Chandernagore.

¹ 2 & 3. No dates are mentioned either in the Consultations or in the Proceedings volume.

against the capture of their private properties; also encloses a copy of his reply to the representation. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

14 Jul., 1778, No. 6

Jul 13, Chandernagore. The merchants of Chandernagore represent to A. Dow protesting against their distress owing to the seizure of their private properties. (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

14 Jul., 1778, No. 7

Jul 13, Chandernagore. Reply of A. Dow to the representation of the merchants of Chandernagore referred to above. (A.L.S.—Enclosure)—2 pp.

14 Jul., 1778, No. 8

Jul 14. The Board issue instructions to A. Dow for his guidance in respect of private property of the inhabitants of Chandernagore; inform him that he has been exempted from presiding over the General Court Martial at Fort William. 3 pp.

14 Jul., 1778, No. 9

Jul 11, Hooghly. The Director and (Dutch) Council, Hooghly inform the Board that they will observe neutrality in Anglo-French war. (Translation)—2 pp.

14 Jul., 1778, No. 10

Jul 18. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 18 Jul., 1778

W. Hastings proposes for the consideration of the Board some instructions for the guidance of A. Elliot in his commission of concluding a treaty with Mudhoji Bhonsla. (Minute)—1 p.

Progs., 18 Jul., 1778

Jul 18. W. Hastings proposes to the Board that the instructions meant for A. Elliot may be sealed and kept in a secured and secret place until the negotiations are concluded; suggests that the President and Council at Bombay, T. Mostyn and M. Leslie may be informed about A. Elliot's commission to Mudhoji Bhonsla. (Minute)—5 pp.

18 Jul., 1778, No. 1

Jul 18. Comments of the members of the Board on the above mentioned proposals of the Governor General. (Minutes)—1 p.

Progs., 18 Jul., 1778

Jul 18. The Board communicate to the President and Council at Bombay that A. Elliot has been deputed to negotiate and conclude a treaty of alliance with Mudhoji Bhonsla and direct them to furnish him with all information connected with the affair; ask them to refrain from doing any such act as may affect the negotiation; request them to direct T. Mostyn to communicate to him constantly the state of affairs at Poona. 3 pp.

18 Jul., 1778, No. 2

Jul 18. The Board inform T. Mostyn that A. Elliot has been deputed to treat with Mudhoji Bhonsla and direct him to communicate to him constantly the state of affairs at Poona. 3 pp.

18 Jul., 1778, No. 3

Jul 18. The Board communicate to M. Leslie about A. Elliot's mission to Mudhoji Bhonsla and direct him to help him in his mission. 2 pp.

18 Jul., 1778, No. 4

Comments of P. Francis on the instructions meant for the guidance of A. Elliot; suggests some additional instructions for the consideration of the Governor General. (Minute)—3 pp.

18 Jul., 1778, No. 5

Comments of the other members of the Board on the above minute of P. Francis and resolution of the Board thereon. (Minutes)—2 pp.

Progs., 18 Jul., 1778

T. D. Pearse who attended the meeting of the Board informs them that two Frenchmen with a large packet of letters from Mauritius, Pondicherry and other places have been captured by an English vessel, the *Essex*.

The Board direct that the letters may be listed and the French translator is to peruse them. Any matter of suspicious nature may be reported to them. 2 pp.

Progs., 18 Jul., 1778

W. Hastings informs the Board that he understands from the Master Attendant that the Captain of the *Morning Star* has captured a French snow and a sloop and that he has manned them with people belonging to the *Russel* (pilot schooner). (Minute)—1 p.

Progs., 18 Jul., 1778

Order of the Board that the French vessels be sent to Calcutta and be placed under the charge of the Master Attendant and that he will deliver them to the Commissary. 2 pp.

Progs., 18 Jul., 1778

Jul 18. The Board inform the Provincial Councils about the appointment of L. Collings as the Commissary for the charge of the French goods and direct them to furnish him with a copy of the inventory of the goods that they have taken possession of and also to follow his instructions. (Circular)—1 p.

18 Jul., 1778, No. 6

Jul 18. The Board agree to the Governor General's proposal that he may be authorised to issue such circulars or orders whenever such occasions should arise. 1 p.

Progs., 18 Jul., 1778

Jul 18. Proposals of W. Hastings suggesting measures to be adopted against the French ships and for the safety of other European ships, and resolutions of the Board thereon. (Minute)—4 pp.

Progs., 18 Jul., 1778

Jul 18. The Board request G. Stibbert (Commander-in-Chief) to issue orders for raising immediately the three battalions that are to be maintained by Raja Chait Singh. 1 p.

18 Jul., 1778, No. 7

Jul 12, Berhampore. J. Morgan (Commanding 2nd Brigade) reports to the Board occupation of the French factory at Saidabad. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

18 Jul., 1778, No. 8

Jul 17, Chandernagore. A. Dow informs the Board that as directed by them, he has given the indulgence to all the European inhabitants of the place; narrates the circumstances under which it has been very much embarrassing for him to execute the orders relating to the local population; gives an account of the whole military establishment of Chandernagore; encloses a return of the military stores. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

18 Jul., 1778, No. 9

Jul 17, Chandernagore. A return of stores, ordnances etc. found in the Magazine and Armoury of Chandernagore. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

18 Jul., 1778, No. A

Jul 18. W. Hastings proposes and the Board agree that their previous orders regarding confiscation of properties of the local inhabitants of Chandernagore be repealed on the basis of the arguments put up by A. Dow in his letter mentioned above. (Minute)—1 p.

Progs., 18 Jul., 1778

Jul 18. The Board inform A. Dow that they have repealed their orders of 14 July 1778 and direct him not to transfer any property out of the town for the present. 2 pp.

18 Jul., 1778, No. 10

Jul 20. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 20 Jul., 1778

Jul 8, Fort St. George. The President and Council at Fort St. George inform the Board that Capt. W. Barrington (of the Nancy) has arrived from Suez with the intelligence of the affairs at home and recommend him to them for any favour that he may deserve. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

20 Jul., 1778, No. 1

May 7, Cairo. G. Baldwin sends to the Board intelligence about war between France and England through W. Barrington and states the reasons and circumstances which led him to believe like that; quotes extracts from letters received by him from different persons from Europe; encloses a copy of a letter from Thompson addressed to J. P. Auriol.

20 Jul., 1778, No. 2

Apr 18, Marseilles. Thompson informs the Secretary to the Board that the French have declared the Americans a free people; informs that fifteen ships with troops on board have gone out of Toulon harbour for some

unknown destination on 13 April, 1778 and that two English merchant-ships have been detained at Marseilles. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

20 Jul., 1778, No. 3

Jul 20. W. Hastings proposes and the Board agree that two or more vessels from among the *Rippon*, *Sea Horse*, *Coventry*, and the *Commorant* expected from Suez, may be immediately fitted with guns to assist E. Vernon, as he thinks that His Majesty's squadron in India is weaker than that of the French. (Minute)—3 pp.

Progs., 20 Jul., 1778

Jul 20. The Board explain to the President and Council at Fort St. George the circumstances under which they are fully convinced that the English are actually at war with France; repeat their request for capture of Pondicherry; intimate their decision to equip some vessels with guns etc. to enable them to assist E. Vernon till he requires their services. 5 pp.

20 Jul., 1778, No. 4

Jul 20. The Board forward to the President and Council at Bombay a copy of a letter which they received from G. Baldwin; inform that they are thoroughly convinced that the British nation is now actually at war with the French; intimate the measures they have adopted in India and direct them to send the *Britannia* to E. Vernon fully equipped. 3 pp.

20 Jul., 1778, No. 5

Jul 13, Marine House. Capt. J. Sampson (Master Attendant) forwards to J. P. Auriol a plan for strengthening the Marine Establishment for the defence of the Company's possessions from the French attacks. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

20 Jul., 1778, No. 6

Plan for strengthening the Marine Establishment as referred to in J. Sampson's letter to J. P. Auriol. (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

20 Jul., 1778, No. 7

Jul 15. Lt. Col. H. Watson (Chief Engineer, Fort William) recommends to the Board measures to be adopted immediately for the defence of the Hooghly against the French. (A.L.S.)—12 pp.

20 Jul., 1778, No. 8

Jul 20. The decision of the Board on the plan submitted by the Master Attendant for strengthening the Marine Establishment. 3 pp.

Progs., 20 Jul., 1778

Jul 20. W. Hastings submits to the Board a list of engineering stores necessary for the defence of Fort William and a list of three months' provisions for the garrison of Fort William. (Minute)—1 p.

Progs., 20 Jul., 1778

Jul 20. The Board direct H. Watson to furnish immediately to the Board of Inspection a plan and estimate of a new magazine and to lay the foundation of it without delay. 1 p.

Progs., 20 Jul., 1778

The Board direct L. Collings to send the mooring chains from Chandernagore to the Chief Engineer. 1 p.

Progs., 20 Jul., 1778

Jul 18, Calcutta. J. Kneller (Sub-Secretary to the Board) sends to J. P. Auriol for submission to the Board the report on the examination of the papers of the two Frenchmen who were captured at Budge-Budge. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

20 Jul., 1778, No. 9

Comments of W. Hastings and other members of the Board on the report of J. Kneller. (Minutes)—1 p.

20 Jul., 1778, No. 10

Jul 20. The Board direct A. Dow to seize the French ship which is lying at Baranagar and to hand it over to L. Collings. 1 p.

20 Jul., 1778, No. 11

W. Hastings proposes that the Presidency of Fort St. George may be informed of the appointment of A. Elliot as their Public Minister at the court of Mudhoji Bhonsla and that they may be asked to keep him informed of all changes and to consider the intelligence received from him as authentic. (Minute)—2 pp.

20 Jul., 1778, No. 12

Jul 20. The Board communicate to the President and Council at Fort St. George the appointment of A. Elliot as their Minister to negotiate a treaty with Mudhoji Bhonsla and direct them to advise him to any occurrences that may affect the general political interest of the Company's settlements; state that this matter should remain secret for the present; request them to consider the intelligence transmitted by A. Elliot to be authentic. 2 pp.

20 Jul., 1778, No. 13

Proposals of W. Hastings regarding pay, allowances etc. of A. Elliot during the period of his deputation to Berar. (Minute)—3 pp.

20 Jul., 1778, No. 14

Jul 20. Letter of credence given to A. Elliot on his deputation to Berar. 3 pp.

20 Jul., 1778, No. 15

Jul 20. The decisions of the Board defining the items of business to be dealt in the Public Department and in the Secret Department. (Resolutions)—4 pp.

20 Jul., 1778, No. 16

Jul 12. List of Engineer's stores necessary for the actual defence of Fort William.¹ 3 pp.

20 Jul., 1778, No. A

Jul 12. List of three months' provisions for the garrison of Fort William including a list of garrison provisions actually in store with the supplies required to complete it.² 1 p.

20 Jul., 1778, No. B

¹ & ². These lists were prepared under orders of the Governor General.

Jul 23.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 23 Jul., 1778

Jul 22, Calcutta. J. Sampson submits to J. P. Auriol proposals for equipping the ships with guns etc. and seeks Board's permission; encloses an indent for the *Resolution*. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

23 Jul., 1778, No. 1

Jul 22, Calcutta. Indent of stores, guns etc. made by J. Sampson for fitting out the ship *Resolution*. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

23 Jul., 1778, No. A

Jul 23. Resolution of the Board on the above letter from the Master Attendant. 1 p.

Progs., 23 Jul., 1778

Jul 22, Calcutta. Capt. J. Price (Commander of the *Resolution*) submits his proposals to the Governor General on the subject of arming the ships for reinforcing E. Vernon's squadron. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

23 Jul., 1778, No. 2

Jul 23. Opinions of W. Hastings, P. Francis and R. Barwell on the proposals of J. Price. (Minutes)—3 pp.

Progs., 23 Jul., 1778

Jul 23. P. Francis submits to the Board his proposals on the general plan of measures to be adopted for the defence of Bengal. (Minute)—10 pp.

23 Jul., 1778, No. 3

Jul 23. W. Hastings proposes that the proposals of P. Francis may be considered in the next meeting of the Board and states the reasons for the same. (Minute)—3 pp.

Progs., 23 Jul., 1778

Jul 23. W. Hastings places before the Board a letter from the Commander-in-Chief. (Minute)—1 p.

Progs., 23 Jul., 1778

Jul 22. G. Stibbert gives his views on the lists of stores and provisions (prepared by the Commandant of Artillery and the Chief Engineer respectively) necessary for the defence of Fort William. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

23 Jul., 1778, No. 4

Resolution of the Board on the above. 1 p.

Progs., 23 Jul., 1778

Jul 24.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 24 Jul., 1778

Jul 23. E. Wheler concurs with the measures proposed by P. Francis for the defence of Bengal. (Minute)—3 pp.

24 Jul., 1778, No. 1

Jul 22. H. Watson submits to the Governor General his proposals for the defence of Calcutta. (A.L.S.)—21 pp.

24 Jul., 1778, No. 2

Jul 24. Resolutions of the Board on the above proposals of the Chief Engineer. 5 pp.

Progs., 24 Jul., 1778

Jul 24. The Board inform E. Vernon the measures they have adopted to reinforce his squadron.—2 pp.

24 Jul., 1778, No. 3

Jul 24. Opinion of P. Francis on the above letter to E. Vernon. (Minute)—1 p.

24 Jul., 1778, No. 4

Jul 18. T. D. Pearse submits to the Governor General his proposals for the defence of Fort William. (A.L.S.)—12 pp.

24 Jul., 1778, No. 5

List of essential goods that will be required by T. D. Pearse in the event of a siege of Fort William. (Enclosure to above)—12 pp.

**Progs.*, 24 Jul., 1778, No. A

Plan for forming a Corps of Native Artillery. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

24 Jul., 1778, No. B

Expenses of the present establishment of Native Artillery and **Lascars**. (Enclosure)—4 pp.

24 Jul., 1778, No. C

Comparison and means of reducing the expenses attending the proposed plan. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

24 Jul., 1778, No. D

Jul 24. Resolutions of the Board on the above.—2 pp.

Progs., 24 Jul., 1778

July 24. G. Stibbert informs the Board that he will submit to them a general plan for the disposition of the army and the defence of the provinces. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

24 Jul., 1778, No. 6

Comments of W. Hastings and P. Francis on the above letter from the Commander-in-Chief. (Minutes)—4 pp.

Progs., 24 Jul., 1778

Jul 27. Minutes of Consultation.**

Progs., 27 Jul., 1778

T. D. Pearse communicates to the Board his views about the advantages and the disadvantages of Budge-Budge and recommends reduction of defence at Budge-Budge. (Recommendation)—10 pp.

27 Jul., 1778, No. 1

*Consultation A is missing.

**Bodysheets of this day are not available.

Jul 25. G. Stibbert submits to the Board a general plan of defence and disposition of the forces for the protection of the provinces from a probable attack of the French or any other power.—32 pp.

**Progs., 27 Jul., 1778, No. 2*

These letters were kept for consideration in the next day's meeting.

Progs., 27 Jul., 1778

Jul 28. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 28 Jul., 1778

Jul 28. Resolutions proposed by W. Hastings for raising three more battalions of sepoys and the distribution of the battalions; comments of the members of the Board.—12 pp.

Progs., 28 Jul., 1778

Jul 28. The Board forward to G. Stibbert the above propositions on the raising of battalions and request him to favour them with his opinion on them.—3 pp.

28 Jul., 1778, No. 1

Jul 28. The decision of the Board regarding the two regiments of cavalry at Fatehgarh.—1 p.

Progs., 28 Jul., 1778

Jul 29. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 29 Jul., 1778

Jul 27. H. Watson suggests to the Board ways and means of procuring additional workmen for completing the fortifications at Calcutta and Budge-Budge; forwards a rough estimate of the number of persons required. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

29 Jul., 1778, No. 1

Jul 27. An account of the workers necessary to execute the proposed fortifications at Budge-Budge, Calcutta. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

29 Jul., 1778, No. 2

Jul 29. Resolution of the Board on the subject of procuring workmen as suggested by the Chief Engineer.—1 p.

Progs., 29 Jul., 1778

Jul 25, Calcutta. J. Richardson thanks the Board for offering him the appointment as Commodore of the naval force which they think necessary for the defence of the river and suggests means for the proper and effective execution of the scheme. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

29 Jul., 1778, No. 3

Jul 29. The decisions of the Board regarding the appointment of J. Richardson and connected matters. (Resolutions)—2 pp.

Progs., 29 Jul., 1778

Jul 30.**Minutes of Consultation.****B. S., 30 Jul., 1778**

Jul 29. G. Stibbert communicates to the Board his views on the proposed alterations to be made in the establishment of the sepoy corps. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

30 Jul., 1778, No. 1

Jul 30. Questions put to G. Stibbert by R. Barwell and the former's replies thereto.—6 pp

Progs., 30 Jul., 1778

The decisions of the Board on the resolutions proposed by the Governor General on 28 July.—2 pp.

Progs., 30 Jul., 1778

Jul 9, Camp at Chhatarpur. M. Leslie narrates to the Governor General the attempts made by the chiefs of Bundelkhand, Pandit Balaji Govind, Raja Anirudh Singh and others to delay his march; mentions about the friendly treatment received from Khuman Singh (Raja of Charkhari) and Guman Singh (Raja of Ajaigarh); forwards copies of his correspondence* with the chiefs. (A.L.S.)—11 pp.

30 Jul., 1778, No. 2

Jul 30, Resolution of the Board on the above letter from M. Leslie. 1 p.

Progs., 30 Jul., 1778

Jul 2, Headquarters Malhar. M. Leslie informs the Board about the affairs at Bundelkhand during his march to Chhatarpur; forwards a letter† which he received from Bombay directing him to march to Surat or Broach; states that he has received from T. Mostyn passports from Tukojirao Holkar. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

30 Jul., 1778, No. 3

Jul 8, Chhatarpur. M. Leslie informs the Board that the pay and disbursements of the detachment from 1 April have been disbursed from the treasury of the Resident at the Vazir's court; assures them of his maintaining the truth and honour of the English character throughout his march. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

30 Jul., 1778, No. 4

Jul 13, Camp at Chhatarpur. M. Leslie informs the Board about the murder of Capt. A. Munro by some hostiles and narrates the incident leading to that; informs them of the steps taken by him and of the reduction of the fort at Mau by T. Goddard. (A.L.S.)—7 pp.

30 Jul., 1778, No. 5

Jul‡, Camp at Chhatarpur. Return of the troops composing the detachment under M. Leslie with an estimate of their servants and followers.—1 p.

30 Jul., 1778, No. A

*Please see *Calendar of Persian Correspondence*, Vol. V, No. 1927, pp. 183-84

†Not recorded in the Consultation or Proceedings.

‡No date is given either in the Consultation or in the Proceedings.

Aug 3.**Minutes of Consultation.****B. S., 3 Aug., 1778**

Aug 1. G. Stibbert informs the Board that he will issue orders for immediate rearrangement of the army as agreed to by them and makes some observations on this subject; seeks Board's sanction for directing the agent to make clothes for the new battalions (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

3 Aug., 1778, No. 1

Aug 3. The Board request G. Stibbert to let them know the number of elephants, draft and carriage bullocks he deems necessary for service during the war; approve of his proposal for placing orders with the agent for clothing for the new battalions.—2 pp.

3 Aug., 1778, No. 2

Aug 3. The Board communicate to M. Leslie their approval of the measures adopted by him in reducing the fort of Mau; ask him not to take part in the family contentions of Sarnat Singh (brother of Anirudh Singh of Panna) and to march to Berar with all possible expedition. 3 pp.

3 Aug., 1778, No. 3**Aug 6.****Minutes of Consultation.****B. S., 6 Aug., 1778**

Aug 3. J. Baird, S. Rogers and J. Coxon (Captains of the ships) represent to the Board against the appointment of Commodore J. Richardson as the sole and executive head to order the Commanders of the Europe ships employed by the Company and request that the eldest Captain may be appointed in overall command. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

6 Aug., 1778, No. 1

Aug 6, Council Chamber. J. P. Auriol explains to the Captains the reasons for which J. Richardson was appointed in overall command of the ships.—3 pp.

6 Aug., 1778, No. 2**Aug 10.****Minutes of Consultation.****B. S., 10 Aug., 1778**

R. Barwell expresses his views on the resources of Bengal and objects to raising of loans. (Minute)—2 pp.

10 Aug., 1778, No. 1

Jul 25. Statements of accounts of the Provincial Councils from 11 August to 10 December 1777, as prepared by the Accountant General, Revenue Department. (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

10 Aug., 1778, No. 2

Aug 5. Observations of W. Hastings on the resources of Bengal and his views regarding floating of loans; gives an abstract of an estimate of the probable resources and disbursements of the Bengal Government

from 1 May 1778 to 30 April 1779 prepared by W. Larkins (Accountant General). (Minute)—7 pp.

10 Aug., 1778, No. 3

Aug 10. P. Francis states in reply to the above minute the reasons for which he advocated the floating of a loan by the Government. (Minute)—7 pp.

10 Aug., 1778, No. 4

R. Barwell replies to the above minute of P. Francis and W. Hastings concurs with him. (Minutes)—4 pp.

10 Aug., 1778, No. 5

Jun 12, Cairo. G. Baldwin informs the Board that Capt. R. Mathews has arrived at Cairo with some important despatches concerning India and that the Commanders of their vessels at Suez have been put under him; adds that Capt. Mathews has brought despatches for E. Vernon which may be sent to him through Capt. Owen. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

10 Aug., 1778, No. 6

Jul 19, Fort St. George. The President and Council at Fort St. George inform the Board that they have received the treasure sent for them; state that they will try their best to strengthen their connection with Haidar Ali but express doubts if any advantageous terms can be obtained from him, as he is seeking help from the French; forward for their opinion a copy of the proposals which Haidar's wakil has submitted to the President and also copies of two letters which were written to Haidar by them; suggest that a person from the Madras Presidency should be sent to Haidar's court. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

10 Aug., 1778, No. 7

Proposals submitted by the wakil of Haidar Ali to the President at Fort St. George with the intention of creating a friendly relation between the Company and Haidar Ali. (Enclosure to above).—1 p.

10 Aug., 1778, No. A

Jul 8. The President and Council, Fort St. George inform Haidar Ali that they have received some proposals from his wakil on the subject of strengthening the tie of mutual friendship; seek an interview with the latter for discussing more fully on the subject. (Enclosure)—1 p.

10 Aug., 1778, No. B

Jul 10. The President and Council, Fort St. George inform Haidar Ali about the steps taken by the Bengal Government in restoring Raghunathrao to the Peshwaship at Poona. (Enclosure)—1 p.

10 Aug., 1778, No. C

Jul 23, Fort St. George. The President and Council at Fort St. George inform the Board of the appointment of a Select Committee for transmitting all political, military and naval affairs; forward to them three packets which have been received from the Court of Directors for the Bengal Presidency; state that they hope to be able to invade Pondicherry in less than fifteen days' time; request for help with men and money.¹ (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

10 Aug., 1778, No. 8

1. Parts of this letter are written in cypher.

Aug 10. The Company's packets contain the following letters :

- (1) General letter from the Court of Directors dated 19 March 1778.
- (2) General letter from the Court of Directors dated 10 April 1778.
- (3) Two letters from the Secret Committee of the Court of Directors dated 15 April 1778.
- (4) Letter from the Secret Committee of the Court of Directors to Madras dated 15 April 1778.
- (5) Letter from the Secret Committee of the Court of Directors to Bombay dated 15 April 1778.

Progs., 10 Aug., 1778

Aug 5. H. Watson communicates to the Board his views on how best the naval forces can be used for the defence of the river Hooghly and the Fort William. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

10 Aug., 1778, No. 9

Aug 10. The decision of the Board that the above letter be referred to J. Richardson and that he be directed to lay before them his opinion regarding the best means of defence of the river Hooghly.—1 p.

Progs., 10 Aug., 1778

Aug 3, Calcutta. J. Richardson suggests to the Board the ways and means for the successful defence of the river Hooghly against an enemy attack; encloses estimates of expenses on account of war establishments. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

10 Aug., 1778, No. 10

J. Richardson's estimate of war establishments for one month for a 40 gun frigate having Commodore's pendant. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

10 Aug., 1778, No. D

J. Richardson's estimate of war establishments for one cruiser mounting 12 six pounders for one month. (Enclosure)—1 p.

10 Aug., 1778, No. E

Aug 10. The decisions of the Board on the various points suggested by J. Richardson in his letter referred to above. (Resolutions)—3 pp.

Progs., 10 Aug., 1778

Aug 17.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 17 Aug., 1778

Aug 14. The Board inform the President and Council at Fort St. George that they approve of their proposal for forming a new alliance with Haidar Ali on the condition of mutual assistance and also agree with them in deputing an intelligent person from Madras for negotiation with Haidar; express their views on the proposals of Haidar's wakil; state that to maintain conformity between the instructions that they may give to the person deputed to Haidar Ali and those given to A. Elliot, the Governor General will send to the President a copy of the instructions.

given to A. Elliot and request that these must be kept secret; request them to transmit to the Board a complete estimate of their revenues and other resources and disbursements for the current year; also request them to send an estimate of the revenues of the Carnatic and the manner in which they are spent; request that when the recruits from England arrive they should not detain any recruit meant for Bengal.*—9 pp.

17 Aug., 1778, No. 1

Comments of R. Barwell, P. Francis and E. Wheler on the above letter to Madras and W. Hastings' reply thereon. (Minutes)—3 pp.

17 Aug., 1778, No. 2

W. Hastings desires that the Secretary will circulate the accompanying letter** from Najaf Khan among the members of the Board and requests that they may give their opinions whether A. Hannay be authorised to visit that Chief.¹ (Minute)—1 p.

17 Aug., 1778, No. 3

Aug 14. The Board direct N. Middleton to obtain permission from Asaf-ud-Daulah for A. Hannay to visit Najaf Khan and to transmit the same to him.²—1 p.

17 Aug., 1778, No. 4

Aug 14. The Board direct A. Hannay that with permission of the Vazir he should see Najaf Khan and report to them for their consideration any proposals that he may make; forward to him a copy of a letter which was addressed to the Governor General by Najaf Khan; inform that N. Middleton has been asked to obtain permission for him from the Vazir.³—2 pp.

17 Aug., 1778, No. 5

Observations of W. Hastings on the annual subsidy to be paid by Raja Chait Singh for the maintenance of three battalions of sepoy during the course of the war.

Comments of the members of the Board on the above minute. (Minutes)—3 pp.

17 Aug., 1778, No. 6

Raja Chait Singh informs W. Hastings that he has received his letter³ communicating to him the news of war between England and France and also asking him to bear a share of the expenses of the war (received⁴ 30 July). (Translation)—1 p.

17 Aug., 1778, No. 7

*The letter was drafted under orders from the Governor General and circulated among the members of the Board for their approval. The draft bears the initials of R. Barwell and also his approval.

**Not recorded in the Proceedings or in the Consultation.

1. The Consultation bears the opinion and initials of other members of the Board.

2. The letters are dated 3 days before the date of the meeting of the board. Please also see *Calendar of Persian Correspondence*, Vol. V, No. 1054, p. 192.

3. *Ibid*, No. 1008, p. 180.

4. *Ibid*, No. 1026, p. 180.

Aug 17. The Board inform T. Graham that they have advised Raja Chait Singh to pay to him immediately the sum of rupees five lacs as subsidy and direct him to remit the amount to Bengal—2 pp.

17 Aug., 1778, No. 8

Jun 10, Poona. T. Mostyn acquaints the Board with the affairs at the Poona Darbar; encloses a copy of a letter which he has submitted to the Darbar. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

17 Aug., 1778, No. 9

Jun 4, Poona. T. Mostyn demands from the Poona Darbar explicit answers on the implementation of some of the articles of the Treaty of Purandhar and inform the Darbar that the Governor and Council, Bombay will consider any further evasion or delay as a refusal. (A.L.S.—Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

17 Aug., 1778, No. 10

Jun 30, Poona. T. Mostyn informs the Board about the rift in the Darbar; acquaints them with the discussions that he had with a representative of Moroba Phadnavis regarding implementation of the articles of the Treaty of Purandhar; informs that he has forwarded to M. Leslie the passports received from Tukojirao Holkar; states that he has received replies from Moroba along with some sundry articles to be settled between his party and Raghunathrao. (Copy)—12 pp.

17 Aug., 1778, No. 11

Jul 20, Poona. W. Lewis informs the Board that T. Mostyn left for Bombay on 6 July and that he has received the Darbar's reply to the letters; states that he has forwarded the Governor General's letter* to the Peshwa; reports that C. St. Lubin has left Poona for Daman; informs that on the advice of Nana Phadnavis, Mahadji Sindhia has got Moroba arrested; adds that Sakharam Bhagwant Bokil has not been consulted in these proceedings and that it may be Sindhia's intention to arrest him also. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

17 Aug., 1778, No. 12

Replies of the Darbar to the paper delivered to them by T. Mostyn on 4 June 1778. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

17 Aug., 1778, No. C

Jun 18, Bombay Castle. The President and Council at Bombay inform the Board that M. Leslie has arrived at Kalpi and that they will write to him to expedite his march; inform them about the rift in the ministerial party at Poona and about the instructions they have given to T. Mostyn; inform that E. Vernon has been requested to come to this coast. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

17 Aug., 1778, No. 13

Jun 25, Bombay Castle. The President and Council at Bombay forward to the Board copies of some material advices that they received from T. Mostyn and copies of their resolutions thereon. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

17 Aug., 1778, No. 14

*Please see *Calendar of Persian Correspondence*, Vol. V, No. 1010, p. 180.

Jun 17, 21, 21, Poona. T. Mostyn communicates to W. Hornby the state of affairs at Poona; informs that the Bengal Detachment had an engagement with Gangadhar Govind* who was ordered by Nana to stop the detachment. (3 letters). (Enclosures to above)—6 pp.

17 Aug., 1778, No. A

Jun 20, 24, 29, Poona. Correspondence between T. Mostyn and the Government of Bombay regarding affairs at Poona (3 letters). (Enclosures)—12 pp.

17 Aug., 1778, No. B-1

Jun 20, Bombay. Report of the Committee** appointed by the President and Council at Bombay to transact all business with Raghunathrao. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

17 Aug., 1778, No. B-2

Jul 6, Bombay Castle. The President and Council at Bombay inform the Board that the administration at Poona reverted to the old channel. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

17 Aug., 1778, No. 15

Jul 25, Bombay Castle. The President and Select Committee at Bombay forward to the Board an extract from a letter dated 10 April 1778 from the Court of Directors regarding formation of the Select Committee at that Presidency; transmit copies of their proceedings for the Board's approval and express doubts that due to severe monsoon they may not be able to begin their operations before the beginning of September; request that the Board will approach the Nizam and Mudhoji Bhonsla to observe neutrality in the dispute between the English and the Marathas. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

17 Aug., 1778, No. 16

Apr 10. The Court of Directors order the formation of a Select Committee at the Presidency of Bombay to transact the political, military and naval affairs and all such matters as may require secrecy. (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

17 Aug., 1778, No. D

Proceedings of the Select Committee of Bombay of 21 July 1778. (Enclosure)—7 pp.

17 Aug., 1778, No. E

Jun 27, 29, Jul 3, Poona, Jul 13, Bombay. T. Mostyn's letters to the Select Committee at Bombay regarding Poona affairs. (Enclosures)—9 pp.

Jul 8, Poona. W. Lewis forwards to the Select Committee, Bombay the reply of the Poona Darbar to the paper which was submitted to the Darbar by T. Mostyn on 4 June 1778. (Enclosure)—1 p.

17 Aug., 1778, No. F

Letters addressed to the President and Council, Bombay and to Raghunathrao by some Maratha leaders regarding restoration of Raghu-

*Gangadhar Govind was the faujdar of Kalpi and not Gangadhar Pant.

**The Committee was formed with Maj. J. Carnac and A. Ramsay as members.

nathrao to the Regency at Poona; answers of the Darbar to the Company's demands submitted by T. Mostyn on 4 June 1778, and the articles of the treaty proposed by Moroba Phadnavis regarding restoration of Raghunathrao. (Enclosures)—12 pp.

17 Aug., 1778, No. G

The Select Committee at Bombay communicate to M. Leslie the order of the Court of Directors regarding formation of the Select Committee; direct him to take the route to Junnar instead of the route through Gujarat to Surat or Broach. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

17 Aug., 1778, No. H

Aug 17. W. Hastings proposes that the Board may approve the resolutions passed by the Select Committee at Bombay and authorise them to assist Raghunathrao with a military force to establish him to the Regency at Poona under certain specific conditions. (Minute)—4 pp.

Progs., 17 Aug., 1778

Aug 17. Comments of P. Francis on the above motion of W. Hastings and the latter's reply thereon. (Minutes)—7 pp.

Progs., 17 Aug., 1778

Raghunathrao informs the President and Council of Bombay that both the parties are his enemies and that their present submission did not arise from any attachment towards him but occasioned by their own necessity and the present distracted state of the country.¹—1p.

17 Aug., 1778, No. 17

Comments of P. Francis and E. Wheler on the motion proposed by W. Hastings and the resolution of the Board thereon. (Minutes)—2 pp.

Progs., 17 Aug., 1778

Aug 17. The Board communicate to the Select Committee at Bombay their approval of the Committee's resolution of 21 July and authorise them to assist Raghunathrao with a military force under certain conditions.—2 pp.

17 Aug., 1778, No. 18

Aug 17. The Board forward to A. Elliot extracts from the resolutions of the Select Committee at Bombay and a copy of their reply to them and direct him to pay particular attention to these points in his negotiation with Mudhoji Bhonsla; instruct him to communicate also with the person who may be deputed to Haidar Ali's court by the Madras Government.—3 pp.

17 Aug., 1778, No. 19

Aug 24.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S. 24 Aug., 1778

W. Hastings moves that the Commander-in-Chief be desired to proceed to Cawnpore to take immediate command of the army stationed at that quarter with instructions to visit the temporary Brigade and to

1. This extract from the report of the Committee (Maj. J. Carnac and A. Ramsay) appointed by the Bombay Government to transact all business with Raghunathrao was alluded to by W. Hastings in his minute referred to above.

report to the Board his opinion regarding further arrangements that may be necessary for the defence of the dominions of the Nawab of Oudh.

Opinion of P. Francis on the above motion of W. Hastings. (Minutes)
—5 pp.

Progs., 24 Aug., 1778

Aug 26. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 26 Aug., 1778

Aug 19. G. Stibbert informs the Board that the 11th and 13th Battalions of Sepoys of the 2nd Brigade have arrived at Ghiretti under the command of Maj. J. Stainforth and that they will be asked to encamp at Barrackpore; adds that the other battalions are on their march; states that the battalions at Chunar and Berhampore will continue to stay there till the new battalions are raised. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

26 Aug., 1778, No. 1

Aug 26. The Board inform E. Vernon that the ships the *Charlotte* and the *Resolution* have been manned, armed and fitted for war and that J. Price who is the Chief Commander of them, has been instructed to place himself entirely under his orders.—2 pp.

26 Aug., 1778, No. 2

Aug 26. The Board direct J. Price to proceed to Fort St. George with the ships the *Charlotte* and the *Resolution* to reinforce E. Varnon's squadron and to place himself under Commodore Vernon's command; also inform him that as desired by the President and Council at Fort St. George, the two vessels the *Morning Star* and the *Terrible* have also been asked to accompany him to that port.—3 pp.

26 Aug., 1778, No. 3

Order of the Board placing Capt. J. Hicks of the *Resolution* under J. Price and E. Vernon.—1 p.

Progs., 26 Aug., 1778

Aug 2, Fort St. George. The President and Select Committee at Fort St. George acquaint the Board with the preparations they have made for the capture of Pondicherry and express their apprehension that they may have to face stubborn opposition there; express their doubt if war has actually been declared between the two nations as there is no clear instructions from the Court of Directors to that effect; state that they are of the opinion that a fresh treaty with Haidar Ali may not be necessary at this time, if the terms of the former treaty (concluded in 1769) have not been violated by the previous regime at Madras. (A.L.S.)—9 pp.

26 Aug., 1778, No. 4

Aug 7, Fort St. George. The President and Select Committee at Fort St. George inform the Board that Maj. Genl. H. Munro has started to take command of the Pondicherry expedition; forward to them a copy of the instructions that have been given to him; state that they have asked the Resident at Tellicherry to furnish them with detail information about the garrison at Mahe; request for further aids from Bengal to meet the exigencies. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

26 Aug., 1778, No. 5

Aug 3, Fort St. George. Instructions given to H. Munro for his guidance during the Pondicherry expedition. (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

26 Aug., 1778, No. 6

Aug 26. The Board communicate to the President and Select Committee at Fort St. George their inability to send a further supply of money to that Presidency; request them to send an account of their resources to enable them to judge their needs; inform them about the departure of J. Price to reinforce E. Vernon's squadron; also inform them about the despatch of the *Morning Star* and the *Terrible* for their service with the request that these vessels may be returned to the Bombay Presidency as soon as the season will admit.—3 pp.

26 Aug., 1778, No. 7

Aug 31. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 31 Aug., 1778

Aug 12, Fort St. George. T. Rumbold (Governor of Madras) gives an account to the Governor General of the efforts made to capture Pondicherry; encloses extract from a letter from H. Munro. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

31 Aug., 1778, No. 1

Aug 10, Camp before Pondicherry. H. Munro communicates to T. Rumbold the news of the engagement between the French and the English squadrons. (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

31 Aug., 1778, No. 2

¹Jul 25, Chhatarpur. M. Leslie reports to the Board about the hostile designs of Anirudh Singh and Balaji Govind; forwards copies of letters which he received from Bombay Government and R. H. Boddam. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

31 Aug., 1778, No. 3

Jun 19, Bombay Castle. The President and Council at Bombay instruct M. Leslie to expedite his march to Bombay.

Jun 27, Surat. R. H. Boddam forwards to M. Leslie the letter from Bombay and communicates to him the news of war breaking out between England and France. (Enclosures to above)—2 pp.

31 Aug., 1778, No. 4

Jul 30, Camp at Chhatarpur. M. Leslie informs the Board that he has secured the friendship of Khuman Singh and Guman Singh and that they have promised him all help that he may require. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

31 Aug., 1778, No. 5

Aug 5, Chhatarpur. M. Leslie informs the Board that he has received a letter from T. Mostyn conveying the permission of Poona Darbar to his march to Bombay through the Maratha dominions; forwards a copy of Mostyn's letter. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

31 Aug., 1778, No. 6

1. In the Proceedings volume the date is shown as 25 February 1778.

Jun 22, Poona. T. Mostyn communicates to M. Leslie the permission of the Poona Darbar for a free passage of the detachment through the Maratha dominions; informs him that Nana Phadnavis is endeavouring to seize the Government. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

31 Aug., 1778, No. 7

Aug 9, Camp at Chhatarpur. M. Leslie acknowledges receipt of Board's letter¹ dated 18 July 1778. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

31 Aug., 1778, No. 8

Aug 9, Camp at Chhatarpur. M. Leslie suggests to the Board the mode of supplying money for the detachment under him. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

31 Aug., 1778, No. 9

Aug 31. The Board direct M. Leslie to explain to them the reasons for his unusual delay at Chhatarpur and ask him to proceed to Berar with all possible expedition—3 pp.

31 Aug., 1778, No. 10

Sep 2. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 2 Sep., 1778

Sep 2. Observations of W. Hastings on the Commander-in-Chief's taking command of the Company's troops at Oudh and comments of the members of the Board thereon. (Minutes)—3 pp.

2 Sep., 1778, No. 1

Sep 2. The Board direct G. Stibbert to proceed to Oudh as early as possible to take command of the Company's troops stationed there and to reorganise them as he may think best for the defence of the Nawab's country.—2 pp.

2 Sep., 1778, No. 2

W. Hastings lays before the Board a letter which he has received from M. Leslie and makes his own observations on the detention of the detachment at Chhatarpur for such a long time. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 2 Sep., 1778

Aug 11, Camp at Chhatarpur. M. Leslie informs the Governor General of the affairs between Sarnat Singh, Guman Singh, Khuman Singh and Anirudh Singh; suspects that Guman Singh and Khuman Singh might have made secret treaty with Anirudh Singh and acquaints him with the discussion that he had with them and their agents; seeks Board's instructions whether Kalpi should be restored to Balaji. (A.L.S.)—7 pp.

2 Sep., 1778, No. 3

Sep 2. Comments of P. Francis on the conduct of M. Leslie in his delaying so long a time at Chhatarpur. (Minute)—3 pp.

Progs., 2 Sep., 1778

1. Please see Consultation, 18 July, No. 4.

Sep 2. W. Hastings comments on the conduct of M. Leslie in his relations with the Chiefs of Bundelkhand and on his continued stay at Chhatarpur. (Minute)—7 pp.

Progs., 2 Sep., 1778

Aug 4, Camp at Chhatarpur. M. Leslie informs the Governor General that he has received from T. Mostyn passports from the Maratha Government for a free passage through their dominions; states that he has received a request from Gangadhar Govind for the return of Kalpi fort; informs that Anirudh Singh has still hostile attitude but he hopes to get assistance from Sarnat Singh, Guman Singh and Khuman Singh who are forming an alliance and seeking English support. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

2 Sep., 1778, No. 4

Opinion of W. Hastings with regard to the march of the Bombay Detachment under M. Leslie in the rainy season.¹ (Minute)—2 pp.

2 Sep., 1778, No. 5

Sep 2. Opinion of P. Francis on the above and W. Hastings' reply thereto. (Minutes)—2 pp.

Progs., 2 Sep., 1778

Sep 7. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 7 Sep., 1778

Aug 17, Fort St. George. The President and Council at Fort St. George inform the Board that E. Vernon had an encounter with the French squadron off the Pondicherry shore; forward a copy of a letter that they received from the Commodore on the subject; inform about the capture of J. B. Chevalier and another French gentleman at Cuttack by A. Elliot and of the latter's taking their parole to proceed to Calcutta. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

7 Sep., 1778, No. 1

Aug 13, Rippon off Sadras. E. Vernon acquaints the President and Council at Fort St. George about his first victory over the French and assures them all assistance in his power for the success of the siege of Pondicherry. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

7 Sep., 1778, No. 2

Aug 7, Camp at Chhatarpur. M. Leslie informs the Board that monthly returns of the detachment will be sent to them regularly; informs that desertion from the battalions has ceased after a deserter was sentenced to death by a general court martial; requests the Board to consider grant of an additional allowance to the sepoys owing to the rise in the prices of provisions; forwards a copy of a letter from T. Goddard on the subject of the conduct of the troops of the 4th and 6th Battalions. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

7 Sep., 1778, No. 3

Aug 6, Camp at Chhatarpur. T. Goddard's report to M. Leslie on the conduct of the troops of the 4th and 6th Battalions of the detachment. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

7 Sep., 1778, No. 4

1. This minute was delivered by W. Hastings on 6 April 1778 (Consultation 6 April, No. 1) when the question of Col. Leslie's expedition to Bombay was taken up by the Board for the first time and was again referred to in May (Consultation 21 May, No. 5).

Aug 7. Prices of the various articles in the army bazar. (Enclosure)
—1 p.

7 Sep., 1778, No. 5

Sep 7. The Board inform M. Leslie that they have received the general returns of the detachment for May and June but the ordnance returns and surveys have not been received; strongly decline to grant any increase in allowances and desire that he will be firm in suppressing any discontent among the troops on this count.—4 pp.

7 Sep., 1778, No. 6

Sep 17. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 17 Sep., 1778

Sep 14, Calcutta. Declaration given by W. Hastings in support of the guarantee executed by N. Middleton to the treaty between Nawab Faizullah Khan and Asaf-ud-Daulah.—2 pp.

17 Sep., 1778, No. 1

Sep 17. W. Hastings submits to the Board a proposal to fit out the *Harland* (schooner) for voyage to Mauritius for bringing intelligence regarding the French squadron and such other information as may be of great consequence to them; recommends Capt. E. Atkinson (formerly of the *Resolution*) to be appointed as Captain of the *Harland*. (Minute)
—4 pp.

17 Sep., 1778, No. 2

Comments of P. Francis on the above minute of W. Hastings and resolutions of the Board thereon. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 17 Sep., 1778

Sep 17. The Board inform E. Atkinson of his appointment as Captain of the *Harland* and give him necessary instructions for his guidance.—4 pp.

17 Sep., 1778, No. 3

Sep 18. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 28 Sep., 1778

Aug 16, Camp at Kessoargung. M. Leslie forwards to the Board a copy of letter which he has received from W. Lewis from Poona and informs that he will proceed to Rajgarh from there. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

28 Sep., 1778, No. 1

Jul 26, Poona. W. Lewis warns M. Leslie about the hostile designs of Mahadji Sindhia and advises him not to place too much confidence in Tukojirao Holkar. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

28 Sep., 1778, No. 2

Aug 20, Rajgarh. M. Leslie acquaints the Board about the hostilities of Anirudh Singh's troops; states the reasons why he should take some effectual steps to disperse the army of Anirudh Singh. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

28 Sep., 1778, No. 3

Aug 24, Camp at Rajgarh. M. Leslie forwards to the Board a letter from the Select Committee at Bombay directing him to change his

route through Burhanpur and Junnar instead of Surat or Broach; states that the ministers of Anirudh Singh came to him with humiliating proposals and the Raja totally denied that the acts of hostilities committed by his army were authorised; seeks Board's approval in his interfering in the disputes between Anirudh Singh and Sarnat Singh; states the reasons why he is eager either to conclude a treaty of friendship with Anirudh Singh or to disperse his army. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

28 Sep., 1778, No. 4

Jul 30, Poona. W. Lewis informs M. Leslie about the secret instructions issued by the Poona Darbar to the Maratha chiefs to obstruct him in his march forwards to him a letter from the Select Committee at Bombay. (A.L.S.—Enclosure to above)—1 p.

28 Sep., 1778, No. 5

Jul 21, Bombay Castle. The Select Committee at Bombay instruct M. Leslie to change his route through Junnar instead of Surat or Broach. (A.L.S.—Enclosure to above)—1 p.

28 Sep., 1778, No. 6

Aug 6, Poona. W. Lewis acquaints the Board with the state of affairs at Poona; informs them that the Darbar has issued secret orders to the various Maratha chiefs to give obstructions to the Bombay Detachment on its march towards Bombay; states that he has already advised M. Leslie not to trust any officer of Mahadji Sindhia; adds that the Darbar is determined to send a man to Bombay with proposals to Raghunathrao; forwards Darbar's replies* to the letters from W. Hastings.¹ (A.L.S.)—7 pp.

28 Sep., 1778, No. 7

Sep 5, Rippon off Pondicherry. E. Vernon thanks the Board for the reinforcement to be sent from Bengal and gives an account of the first engagement that he had with the French squadron off Pondicherry coast. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

28 Sep., 1778, No. 8

Sep 9, On the banks of a Nulla near Sarangarh. R. Farquhar (Assistant to A. Elliot) reports to the Board the illness of A. Elliot and of Capt. J. Campbell. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

28 Sep., 1778, No. 9

Aug 6, Bombay. C. Egerton forwards to the Board a general return† of the troops under the Presidency of Bombay for the month of July 1778. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

28 Sep., 1778, No. 10

Oct 5. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 5 Oct., 1778

Sep 4, Camp at Rajgarh. M. Leslie informs the Board about the reasons that prompted him to interfere in the disputes of Anirudh Singh and Sarnat Singh and of his siding with the latter; narrates Capt. W.

*Please see *Calendar of Persian Correspondence*, Vol. V, p. 190, Nos. 1041 and 1042.

1. Part of this letter is written in cypher.

†Enclosures deposited in the Secretary's office.

Popham's encounter with Pradhan Singh (Bundela Chief) who was stationed between Rajgarh and Chhatarpur with a view to stop his supplies and was defeated by Capt. Popham. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

5 Oct., 1778, No. 1

Sep 7, Camp at Rajgarh. M. Leslie informs the Governor General that the obstructions given by Anirudh Singh's men have prevented him from crossing the river and meeting Hiralal (Anirudh Singh's Diwan); states that Mudhoji Bhonsla has expressed his satisfaction for the embassy sent to him and that Lala Jadu Ray (vakil of Mudhoji Bhonsla), the Nawab of Bhopal (Hayat Muhammad Khan), Balaji Govind and Gangadhar Govind have declared their friendship towards the English; forwards for the Board's approval copies of treaties of friendship concluded between him and Guman Singh and Khuman Singh; informs that a Maratha cavalry is advancing towards Golganga and that W. Popham is keeping watch on them. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

5 Oct., 1778, No. 2

Aug 19 & 13. Treaty of friendship between Maharaja Guman Singh and Raja Khuman Singh and M. Leslie on behalf of the English Company. (Enclousres to above)—3 pp.

5 Oct., 1778, No. 3

Oct 5. Comments of P. Francis and W. Hastings on the conduct of M. Leslie with regard to his negotiations with the rulers of Bundelkhand and his inordinate delay at that part of the country, and the resolution of the Board thereon. (Minutes)—10 pp.

Progs., 5 Oct., 1778

Sep 13, On the banks of a Nulla, Sarangarh. R. Farquhar informs the Board about the death of A. Elliot. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

5 Oct., 1778, No. 4

Oct 5. Observations of W. Hastings, E. Wheler and P. Francis on the above. (Minutes)—2 pp.

Progs., 5 Oct., 1778

Resolution of the Board and W. Hastings' observation thereon.—2 pp.

Progs., 5 Oct., 1778

Oct 7. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 7 Oct., 1778

Oct 7. The Board resumed consideration of W. Hastings' motion at the last consultation on the news of the death of A. Elliot and on the letters from M. Leslie.—1 p.

Progs., 7 Oct., 1778

R. Barwell agrees with the resolution of the Board of 5 October on the conduct of M. Leslie, the discussion on which was resumed by the Board. (Minute)—1 p.

Progs., 7 Oct., 1778

W. Hastings withdraws his motion made at the last meeting of the Board for the appointment of a person to succeed **A. Elliot** at the court of **Mudhoji Bhonsla** and gives his reasons for doing so; quotes from a letter from the **Raja of Berar** expressing his satisfaction on the deputation of **A. Elliot** to him. (Minute)—5 pp.

Progs., 7 Oct., 1778

Mudhoji Bhonsla expresses his satisfaction on the deputation of **A. Elliot** to him for concluding a treaty. (Enclosure* to above)—1 p.

7 Oct., 1778, No. 1

Oct 7. Comments of **E. Wheler**, **P. Francis** and **R. Barwell** on the above mentioned motion of the Governor General and reply of **W. Hastings** on them. (Minutes)—11 pp.

Progs., 7 Oct., 1778

Order of the Board that **W. Hastings'** last proposition be sent round for the opinions of the members.—1 p.

Progs., 7 Oct., 1778

Oct 12. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 12 Oct., 1778

Oct 10. **E. Wheler** delivers his opinion on the Governor General's proposal whether the Bombay Detachment will continue its march towards Bombay Presidency. (Minute)—8 pp.

12 Oct., 1778, No. 1

Oct 12. Opinion of **P. Francis** on the proposal of the Governor General regarding the Bombay Detachment's further march. (Minute)—16 pp.

12 Oct., 1778, No. 2

Oct 12. Observations of **W. Hastings** and **P. Francis** on the question of the march of Bombay Detachment and the decision of the Board that **M. Leslie** be recalled and be asked to deliver charge of the said detachment to the next senior officer. (Minutes)—26 pp.

Progs., 12 Oct., 1778

Oct 15. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 15 Oct., 1778

R. Barwell supports the Governor General's proposal of 7 October to recall **M. Leslie** from Bombay expedition. (Minute)—2 pp.

15 Oct., 1778, No. 1

Oct 15. The Board censure **M. Leslie** for delay at **Chhatarpur** and for interference in the domestic affairs of the chiefs of **Bundelkhand**; declare the treaty with **Guman Singh** and **Khuman Singh** invalid; direct him to hand over the command of the detachment to **T. Goddard** or to the seniormost officer next to himself and to return to Bengal.¹—7 pp.

15 Oct., 1778, No. 2

* Please see *Calendar of Persian Correspondence*, Vol. V, No. 1110, p. 207.

1. Initials of **W. Hastings**, **R. Barwell**, **P. Francis** and **E. Wheler** are there at the end of the letter.

Oct 15. The Board intimate to T. Goddard about the recall of M. Leslie from the command of the detachment and direct him to take charge of the command of it from Col. Leslie; give him necessary instructions for his guidance¹.—4 pp.

15 Oct., 1778, No. 3

W. Hastings submits to the Board three letters which he addressed to Raja Anirudh Singh, Raja Guman Singh and Raja Khuman Singh².—1 p.

Progs., 13 Oct., 1778

Oct 15. The Board communicate to the President and Select Committee at Bombay the news of the death of A. Elliot and state the reasons why they are not appointing any successor to A. Elliot for the present; inform them about the removal of M. Leslie from the command and the appointment of T. Goddard to the command of the detachment meant for that Presidency; ask them to give requisite instructions to Col. Goddard in case they still require the services of the detachment or to leave him to act under the Board's directions; inform that on their request the *Morning Star* has been despatched to Fort St. George and that the *Terrible* is being returned to them.—7 pp.

15 Oct., 1778, No. 4

Oct 19. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 19 Oct., 1778

Oct 2, Camp at Rajgarh. M. Leslie (Secretary of Col. Leslie) informs the Board about the serious illness of Col. Leslie; forwards to them a letter from the Colonel who could not put his signature on it because of severe fever. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

19 Oct., 1778, No. 1

Sep 28, Rajgarh. M. Leslie explains to the Board the circumstances that prompted him to conclude a treaty with Guman Singh and Khuman Singh; makes his observations on the route of march of the detachment; informs the Board that they will get all details about the detachment from his letters addressed to W. Hastings, if they are not fully satisfied from his letters to the Board; assures the Board that discipline in the detachment will be maintained with firmness. (Enclosure to above)—7 pp.

19 Oct., 1778, No. 2

Oct 19. Comments of W. Hastings on the reference made by M. Leslie in his above letter to his private correspondence with him; informs the Board that Col. Leslie expired on 4 October, 1778 at 5 O'clock at Rajgarh. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 19 Oct., 1778

1. The Consultation bears the initial of W. Hastings. This letter is also addressed to the next senior officer to Col. Leslie.

2. Please see *Calendar of Persian Correspondence*, Vol. 5, Nos. 1150 and 1151, pp. 219-220.

Oct 22.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 22 Oct., 1778

Oct 20. The Board request the President and Select Committee at Bombay to open any packet that they receive from the Court of Directors addressed to them and to send them to the Board by the most safe and speedy conveyance.—2 pp.

22 Oct., 1778, No. 1

Oct 3, Camp at Rajgarh. T. Goddard informs the Board about the death of M. Leslie on 3 October² at 6 O'clock; states that he will follow their instructions which they transmitted to his predecessor and will start the march without further delay. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

22 Oct., 1778, No. 2

W. Hastings lays before the Board with his comments letters from M. Leslie to him for the private and confidential knowledge of the Board. (Minute)—2 pp.

22 Oct., 1778, No. 3

Oct 22. W. Hastings proposes to the Board that the papers of the ship *Alfred* belonging to Lewis Dacosta (an inhabitant of Calcutta and which is returning from Suez to Calcutta may be scrutinized, as it may bring despatches to or advices concerning the French. (Minute)—2 pp.

22 Oct., 1778, No. 4

The Board agree to the above proposal of W. Hastings who is authorised to take such measures as he thinks proper.—1 p.

Progs., 22 Oct., 1778

Jun 2, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board about the state of affairs at the Court of Delhi, as reported by Latafat Ali Khan and seeks Board's approval to the advices that he gave to the Vazir on this occasion; observes that Asaf-ud-Daulah intends to take an active interest in this contest between the King and Najaf Khan with the hope of improving his possessions; adds that Najaf Quli Khan (Naib of Najaf Khan) and Afrasiyab Khan have defeated the Sikhs near Karnal in consequence of which the adjoining district of Panipat will also come under Najaf Khan; forwards copies of correspondence between Latafat Ali Khan and the Vazir and Vazir's letter to Najaf Khan. (A.L.S.)—7 pp.

22 Oct., 1778, No. 5

Correspondence between Latafat Ali Khan and Asaf-ud-Daulah on the affairs at the Court of Delhi and the Vazir's letter to Najaf Khan expressing his deep friendship for him and advising him to act to the satisfaction of His Majesty. (Enclosures to above)—4 pp.

22 Oct., 1778, No. A

Nov 2.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 2 Nov., 1778

Oct 28, Hooghly. W. Palmer forwards to J. P. Auriol a packet of letters seized from two passengers coming from the *Alfred* and informs

1. That is the date given both in the Consultation and in the Proceedings volume.

2. In his minute dated 19 October, W Hastings informs the Board that Capt. Cackrell has written to T Graham that Col. Leslie expired on October at 5 O' clock.

him that the Governor General desires him to send these letters to the addressees, as these are purely private letters. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

2 Nov., 1778, No. A-2

Sep 11, Bombay Castle. The President and Select Committee at Bombay transmit to the Board some information about the situation in Europe collected from W. Moore who has arrived at Bombay; inform that they have refused to consider some verbal proposals regarding Raghunathrao made by the agent of Nana Phadnavis unless these are duly authenticated by Nana's *sikka*. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

2 Nov., 1778, No 1

W. Moore gives an account of the state of affairs in Europe as he found it at the time of his departure from there. (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

2 Nov., 1778, No. A

Sep 27, Poona. W. Lewis informs the Board that Hari Pant Phadke met Nana Phadnavis and returned the insignia of command of the army to Nana; intimates that Sakharam Bhagwant Bokil met Mahadji Sindhia who advised him to retire from Government affairs; informs that the Poona Darbar has issued him *sanads* for the forts of Asirgarh and Ahmadnagar but the *Qiladars* have refused to deliver them on the ground that the Peshwa is still a minor; states that Parashuram Bhau Patwardhan (Maratha General) has been ordered by the Darbar to raise troops to obstruct Haidar Ali's forces; reports that J. Le Roy has arrived at Poona from Surat with letter for Nana Phadnavis from St. Lubin and Briancourt (Chief of Surat French Factory) assuring French help to him; states that Mahadji Sindhia is preparing to leave Poona which is worrying Nana, as he apprehends that Holkar may create some disturbances. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

2 Nov., 1778, No. 2

Oct 11, Camp at Choky. T. Goddard informs the Board about his arrival at Choky; states that the Select Committee at Bombay have sent him a cypher for correspondence with them and have also informed him that Nana Phadnavis and Mahadji Sindhia have sent a considerable force to oppose the march of the detachment. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

2 Nov., 1778, No. 3

Nov 2. W. Hastings desires to record an extract of a letter to him from T. Goddard. (Minute)—1 p.

Progs., 2 Nov., 1778

Oct 11. T. Goddard informs the Governor General about the progress the troops have made in their march. (Extract)—2 pp.

2 Nov., 1778, No. 4

Nov 2. Observations of W. Hastings on the private and personal letters written to him by M. Leslie.

Comments of P. Francis, E. Wheler and R. Barwell on the above and the Governor General's reply thereon. (Minutes)—3 pp.

2 Nov., 1778, No. 5

Private and personal letters of M. Leslie of different dates and from different places addressed to W. Hastings informing him about the progress in the march of the detachment. (Enclosures to above)—130 pp.

Progs., 2 Nov., 1778

Nov 9. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 9 Nov., 1778

Nov 9. W. Hastings informs the Board that T. Rumbold in a letter dated 18 October 1778 from Madras has informed him about the surrender of Pondicherry to the Company's forces on 17 October and that he has issued orders for celebrating the occasion in the usual manner. (Minute)—1 p.

Progs., 9 Nov., 1778

Nov 9. The Board inform G. Stibbert about the surrender of Pondicherry and request him to issue orders to all principal stations of the army to celebrate the occasion.—1 p.

9 Nov., 1778, No. 1

Nov 9. The Board instruct J. Morgan to celebrate the surrender of Pondicherry; also instruct T. Goddard and Maj. A. Ahmuty (Commanding Officer at Midnapore) to celebrate the occasion.—1 p.

9 Nov., 1778, No. 2

Nov 12. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 12 Nov., 1778

Oct 19, Fort St. George. The President and Select Committee at Fort St. George communicate to the Board the surrender of Pondicherry and forward a copy of H. Munro's letter to them. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

12 Nov., 1778, No. 1

Oct 17, Camp. H. Munro informs the Select Committee at Fort St. George about the surrender of Pondicherry; adds that the articles of capitulation will be sent to them when signed by Bellecombe. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

12 Nov., 1778, No. 2

W. Hastings submits for approval of the members of the Board a draft congratulating the Select Committee at Madras on receipt of the news of the surrender of Pondicherry.¹ (Minute)—1 p.

12 Nov., 1778, No. 3

Nov 11. The Board congratulate the President and Select Committee at Fort St. George on the happy occasion of the surrender of Pondicherry 1 p.

12 Nov., 1778, No. 4

1. No date is mentioned either in the Proceedings volume or in the Consultation which bears initials of P. Francis and E. Wheler. Hastings' minute might have been circulated among the members of the Board on 11 November 1778 as the letter to the Select Committee at Madras is dated 11 November 1778.

Nov 16.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 16 Nov., 1778

Nov 16. W. Hastings proposes that the instructions given to A. Elliot and subsequent minutes regarding them be recorded here for completing the consultations. This is agreed to. (Minute)—1 p.

Progs., 16 Nov., 1778

Jul 18. Instructions given by the Board to A. Elliot for his guidance when he was deputed to negotiate treaty with Mudhoji Bhonsla.¹ (Progs.)—28 pp.

16 Nov., 1778, No. 1

Jul 18. E. Wheler delivers his opinion on the above. (Minute)—5 pp.

16 Nov., 1778, No. 2

Jul 18. P. Francis delivers his opinion on the above instructions given to A. Elliot. (Minute)—18 pp.

16 Nov., 1778, No. 3

Jul 18. R. Barwell's opinion on the above. (Minute)—2 pp.

16 Nov., 1778, No. 4

Nov 16. T. Goddard's letter to W. Hastings along with three other letters² from the Raja of Berar, Divakar Pandit and Beniram Pandit (vakil of Raja of Nagpur) was circulated among the members of the Board—1 p.

Progs., 16 Nov., 1778

Oct 12, Camp near Semra. T. Goddard informs the Governor General about the establishment of peace with the Maratha chief, Balaji, and makes his observations on the route of march of the detachment; suggests that communication through Chota-Nagpur and Ratanpur may be easier than through Benares. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

16 Nov., 1778, No. 5

W. Hastings proposes to the Board that the commission originally given to A. Elliot may now be entrusted to T. Goddard and that the Select Committees at Madras and Bombay be informed accordingly; submits a draft of a letter addressed to the Captain General of Goa; informs the Board about the death of R. Farquhar; comments of P. Francis and R. Barwell on the proposals of the Governor General. (Minutes)—3 pp.

16 Nov., 1778, No.

Nov 16. The Board inform the Viceroy of Goa about the surrender of Pondicherry and request him to refuse protection to the French considering the long freindship between England and Portugal.—7 pp.

16 Nov., 1778, No. 7

Nov 16. Opinion of P. Francis on the proposals of the Governor General regarding treaty with Mudhoji Bhonsla. (Minute)—17 pp.

16 Nov., 1778, No. 8

1. The Consultation (copy) is incomplete.

2. Please see *Calendar of Persian Correspondence* Vol. V, Nos. 1190, 1191 and 1192 pp. 230-231.

Nov 16. Comments of E. Wheler on the proposals of the Governor General. (Minute)—1 p.

16 Nov., 1778, No. 9

Nov 16. The Board authorise T. Goddard to negotiate and conclude a treaty of alliance with Mudhoji Bhonsla on behalf of the Company according to the instructions originally given to late A. Elliot.—2 pp.

16 Nov., 1778, No. 10

Nov 16. The Board inform the President and Select Committee at Bombay about the authority given to T. Goddard to negotiate and conclude a treaty of alliance with Mudhoji Bhonsla and direct them to correspond with him on any subject relating to this business.

The Select Committee, Madras also informed accordingly.—2 pp.

16 Nov., 1778, No. 12*

Nov 16. W. Hastings proposes that the Select Committee at Fort St. George and E. Vernon be again requested to undertake the siege of Mahe, as its capture will deprive the French of all footings in India.

P. Francis agrees to the motion. (Minutes)—1 p.

Progs., 16 Nov., 1778

Nov 16. The Board direct the President and Select Committee at Fort St. George to make preparations for the capture of Mahe.—1 p.

16 Nov., 1778, No. 14

Nov 16. The Board request E. Vernon to join expedition against Mahe.—2pp.

16 Nov., 1778, No. 15

Nov 30. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 30 Nov., 1778

Oct 18, Poona. W. Lewis forwards to the Board copies of some letters received by Poona Darbar from the Chief of Pondicherry; informs that Hari Pant Phadke is again being sent to oppose Haidar Ali in the Carnatic. (Copy)—1 p.

30 Nov., 1778, No. 1

Letters from the Chief of Pondicherry to the Peshwa, Nana Phadnavis and Hari Pandit. (Enclosures to above)—4 pp.

30 Nov., 1778, No. 2

Oct 27, Poona. W. Lewis forwards to the Board extracts of news from Europe which he received from Bombay; informs that he is expecting to be recalled to Bombay; states that T. Goddard has informed him of his taking command of the Bombay Detachment on the death of M. Leslie; encloses extract of a letter received by him from David Scott at Bombay. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

30 Nov., 1778, No. 3

*There is no Consultation bearing No. 11.

Jul 25, Leghorn. F. Jermy, Gentill and Orr (English merchants at Leghorn, Italy) give information about the war between England and France and movement of the French ships. (Enclosures to above)—3 pp.

30 Nov., 1778, No. 4

D. Scott writes about an engagement between the English ship the *Arethusa* and the French ship the *Belle-Poule* off the coast of France. (Enclosure)—1 p.

30 Nov., 1778, No. 5

Oct 25, Fort St. George. The President and Select Committee at Fort St. George forward to the Board a copy of the articles of capitulation for the surrender of Pondicherry; request that the ships bound for Europe may be directed to call at Madras for sending the French prisoners to France. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

30 Nov., 1778, No. 6

Oct 17, Camp before Pondicherry. Articles of capitulation and agreement for preservation of fortifications, public buildings and records etc. after surrender of Pondicherry. (Enclosure to above)—17 pp.

30 Nov., 1778, No. 7

Oct 28, Fort St. George. The President and Select Committee at Fort St. George forward to the Board a copy of the return of the killed and wounded during the siege of Pondicherry; transmit extracts from H. Munro's letters to them giving details of the military operations; inform that the *Southampton* and the *Nassau* will proceed towards Bengal shortly. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

30 Nov., 1778, No. 8

Oct 6, Camp before Pondicherry. H. Munro informs the Select Committee at Fort St. George about the operations at Pondicherry. (Enclosure to above)—4 pp.

30 Nov., 1778, No. 9

Oct 25, Camp before Pondicherry. H. Munro narrates to the Select Committee at Fort St. George the circumstances leading to the surrender of Pondicherry. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

30 Nov., 1778, No. 10

Return of the killed and wounded in the different corps from the commencement of the siege of Pondicherry to 18 October 1778. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

30 Nov., 1778, No. A

Dec 7. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 7 Dec., 1778

W. Hastings moves to the Board that the powers delegated to the Select Committee at Bombay *vide* Board's letter¹ dated 15 October 1778 be revoked and that the Commanding Officer of the detachment meant for Bombay be placed directly under the Board; suggests that the Select

1. Please see Consultation, 15 October 1778, No. 4.

Committee at Bombay and T. Goddard be intimated accordingly. (Minute)—2 pp.

7 Dec., 1778, No. 1

Nov 23.¹ The Board inform the Select Committee at Bombay that they revoke the power given to them in their letter dated 15 October and that T. Goddard will henceforth be directly under the Board; state the reasons which have necessitated the alteration; inform that they can communicate to him such points as they may judge proper for inclusion in Col. Goddard's negotiation with the Raja of Berar.—3 pp.

7 Dec., 1778, No. 2

Nov 23.² The Board inform T. Goddard that henceforth he will be under the direct control of the Board; add that he may however attend to any instructions that the Select Committee at Bombay may give him, provided these do not interfere in his negotiations with the Raja of Berar.—2 pp.

7 Dec., 1778, No. 3

P. Francis and E. Wheler protest against the above measures proposed by the Governor General; R. Barwell agrees. (Minutes)—4 pp.

7 Dec., 1778, No. 4

• W. Hastings proposes that a copy of the instructions which were given to A. Elliot along with a copy of the last letter written to him may be immediately sent to T. Goddard.

Both P. Francis and E. Wheler agree to it. (Minutes)—1 p.

7 Dec., 1778, No. 5

Dec 4. The Board transmit to T. Goddard a copy of the instructions which were given to A. Elliot.*—1 p.

7 Dec., 1778, No. 6

Dec 8. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 8 Dec., 1778

Two packets containing letters from the Secret Committee of the Court of Directors were opened.

Progs., 8 Dec., 1778

Dec 21. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 21 Dec., 1778

Dec 21. W. Hastings lays before the Board a letter from T. Goddard to him dated 16 November 1778 and desires that certain portions of this letter may be included in the present despatches to England. (Minute)—1 p.

Progs., 21 Dec., 1778

Nov 16, Camp at Bedsa. T. Goddard informs the Governor General that his detachment has passed through Sagar and Bhilsa and that th

1-2. The letters are dated 14 days before the date of the meeting of the Board.

*The letter is dated 3 days before the meeting of the Board.

chief of the latter country and Hayat Muhammad Khan have promised him unmolested march and supply of provisions; states that Balaji's troops are trying to interrupt his march; intimates that Mudhoji Bhonsla has expressed great friendship and eagerness for his arrival there; states that he has received intelligence about Poona Darbar sending a force to oppose his march but he doubts very much if the force has actually marched due to the distracted state of affairs at Poona and Haidar Ali taking the field against them; assures him to communicate whatever progress will be made in his negotiations with Mudhoji Bhonsla. (A.L.S.)—8 pp.

21 Dec., 1778, No. 1

Dec 21. W. Hastings lays before the Board copy of a letter¹ written by Mudhoji Bhonsla to T. Goddard dated 23 November 1778 which he received from Lt. J. Anderson; informs about Mudhoji's serious illness (due to tumour) which he learnt from a letter to him by Lt. Anderson. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 21 Dec., 1778

Nov 15, Nagpur. J. Anderson informs W. Hastings about the serious illness of Mudhoji Bhonsla. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

21 Dec., 1778, No. 2

P. Francis desires that some passages from Mudhoji Bhonsla's letter to T. Goddard should be entered in the proceedings. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 21 Dec., 1778

W. Hastings proposes that the whole letter may be entered in the proceedings; Board agree.—1 p.

Progs., 21 Dec., 1778

Nov 23, Nagpur. Mudhoji Bhonsla expresses his satisfaction to T. Goddard that he quitted Balaji's territories and that Balaji's attack was completely foiled; informs that Maratha cavalry are collecting on all sides of his army and in the Deccan; states that Lala Jadu Ray who had to return to Nagpur due to illness is again being sent to receive him and to inform him about the junction of the armies of Sindhia and Holkar; assures him of supply of provisions and grains when he will cross the Narbada; accuses M. Leslie for his unusual delay in Bundelkhand which gave Balaji a chance to raise an alarm and the chiefs to raise and discipline their forces; says that the Peshwa would not have objected to the march of the troops if W. Hastings had informed him that the troops were going to Bombay to oppose the French; does not think it advisable to let the Peshwa and Nizam Ali Khan know about the alliance between the English and himself; reports that the Nizam and Mahadji Sindhia and planning a guerilla warfare and may try to cut off his supplies; intimates that J. Anderson has been deputed by W. Hastings to reside at Nagpur.² (Translation)—14 pp.

21 Dec., 1778, No. 3

1. Please see Consultation 21 Dec., No. 3.

2. Please also see *Calendar of Persian Correspondence*, Vol. V, No 1249, p. 248.

Comments of E. Wheeler, R. Barwell and W. Hastings on the above letter from Mudhoji Bhonsla and the resolution of the Board thereon. (Minutes)—7 pp.

Progs., 21 Dec., 1778

Dec 28. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 28 Dec., 1778

Dec 5, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board that Faizullah Khan has agreed to send a cavalry of 2,000 for service of the Company during the war between the English and the French; forwards a copy of Faizullah Khan's letter¹ to him and a letter² to W. Hastings. (Copy)—3 pp.

28 Dec., 1778, No. 1

Dec 5, Lucknow. N. Middleton submits to the Board for their consideration an account of the state of affairs at the Court of Delhi and those of the neighbouring powers; forwards a statement of the army and revenues of Najaf Khan and a list of the Royal army. (A.L.S.)—10 pp.

28 Dec., 1778, No. 2

Dec 5, Lucknow. An account of the revenues of the countries under the possession of Najaf Khan. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

28 Dec., 1778, No. A

Dec 5, Lucknow. A list of the army of Najaf Khan. (Enclosure)—1 p.

28 Dec., 1778, No. B

Dec 5, Lucknow. A list of Shah Alam's army. (Enclosure)—1 p.

28 Dec., 1778, No. C

Dec 13, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board about plundering of some villages by the Sikhs in Rohilkhand; expresses hopes that the measures adopted by G. Muir will prevent further Sikh menace in Rohilkhand; forwards copies of his letters addressed to B. Wilding, G. Muir and A. Balfour. (Copy)—2 pp.

28 Dec., 1778, No. 3

Dec 13, 13 and 11, Lucknow. N. Middleton communicates to B. Wilding, G. Muir and A. Balfour the measures for the repulsion of the Sikhs who were engaged in plundering the villages in Rohilkhand. (Enclosures to above)—9 pp.

28 Dec., 1778, No. D

Dec 16, Lucknow. N. Middleton informs the Board about the present state of affairs of Najaf Khan; expresses his views that the negotiations between him and the Marathas for a treaty of alliance, offensive and defensive, may break down due to the exorbitant demands of the Marathas; informs that Najaf Khan has defeated Pratap Singh (the founder of Alwar State) and that this victory must prove a fatal blow to the schemes and intrigues of the minister, Abdullah Khan. (A.L.S.)—7 pp.

28 Dec., 1778, No. 4

1. Please see *Calendar of Persian Correspondence*, Vol. V, No. 1248, P. 248.

2. *Ibid* No. 1257, P 250.

Resolution of the Board on Faizullah Khan's offer of 2,000 cavalry for the service of the Company.—1 p.

Progs., 28 Dec., 1778

Dec 11, Camp at Fatehgarh. B. Wilding forwards to the Board extracts from G. Muir's letters dated 6 and 7 December 1778 communicating to him the news of skirmishes between the Sikhs and the English in Rohilkhand; informs about the measures taken by him to reinforce Lt. Col. Muir's forces. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

28 Dec., 1778, No. 5

Dec 28. The Board instruct N. Middleton to request Faizullah Khan to send any part of his cavalry to join the Company's forces or of the Nawab's to expel the Sikhs from Rohilkhand; inform that necessary instructions in this respect have been sent to G. Stibbert.—2 pp.

28 Dec., 1778, No. 6

Dec 28. The Board inform G. Stibbert about the offer of Faizullah Khan and communicate to him their instructions given to N. Middleton about the employment of Faizullah Khan's cavalry in Rohilkhand to expel the Sikhs; send him necessary instructions regarding their service condition.—2 pp.

28 Dec., 1778, No. 7

Dec 28. Proposals of W. Hastings regarding sending a detachment under the command of J. Camac for reinforcing T. Goddard's army. (Minute)—5 pp.

28 Dec., 1778, No. 8

Comments of P. Francis, E. Wheeler and R. Barwell on the above proposals of the Governor General and his replies thereon. (Minutes)—13 pp.

Progs., 28 Dec., 1778

Dec 28. The Board inform T. Goddard that the 13th and the 14th Battalions of Sepoys under the command of J. Camac have been ordered to reach to the western frontiers of the Company's possessions for reinforcing his detachment and to wait there for his further instructions.—2 pp.

28 Dec., 1778, No. 9

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1779, Jan 4.

Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 4 Jan., 1779

1778, Dec 7, Fort St. George. The President and Council at Fort St. George forward to the Board with remarks an account of their probable receipts and disbursements from 1 November 1778 to 1 November 1779, together with an abstract of the Nawab's revenues from the Carnatic; describe the ill-management of the revenues and the financial difficulties of the Raja of Tanjore who made part payment of his annual subsidy to the Company and now desires that the remainder may be waived: ask for an early supply of gunpowder; repeat their request that Bengal ships bound for England may call at Madras for taking in French prisoners of war who are to be repatriated. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

4 Jan., 1779, No. 1

Nov 1, Fort St. George. Estimated account of probable receipts and disbursements of the Presidency of Fort St. George and the provinces subordinate to it from 1 November 1778 to 1 November 1779. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

4 Jan., 1779, No. A

Statement showing the annual rent and revenue of Muhammad Ali Khan. (Enclosure)—1 p.

4 Jan., 1779, No. B

Dec 12, Pondicherry. E. Vernon informs the Board what arrangements he has been making to co-operate with the Government of Madras in an expedition against the French fort at Mahe. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

4 Jan., 1779, No. 2

W. Hastings observes that no credentials were sent to T. Goddard whom the Board empowered to treat with the Chief of Berar. As this mission might be of consequences, the Governor General desires that a formal commission under the hands of the Board and the seal of the Company may be immediately sent to him. (Minute)—1 p.

Progs., 4 Jan., 1779

W. Hastings lays before the Board some papers containing very important intelligence for their private perusal but for obvious reasons judges it improper to enter them upon record, unless the Board consider it otherwise. (Minute)—1 p.

Progs., 4 Jan., 1779

Dec 23, Lucknow. N. Middleton reports to the Board that Nawab Faizullah Khan on an application made to him by G. Muir very readily furnished the latter with five hundred of his best cavalry to assist him in resisting any future attempts of the Sikhs to disturb the tranquillity of Asaf-ud-Daulah's dominions.

Progs., 4 Jan., 1779

1779, Jan 7.

Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 7 Jan., 1779

1778, Nov 5, Camp near Kerwai on the banks of Betwa river. T. Goddard gives an account to the Board of his march through the territories of Balaji Govind (Peshwa's taluqdar in Bundelkhand) and of the treacherous but futile attack of the latter's army on his baggage and followers. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

7 Jan., 1779, No. 1

Nov 20, Camp near Bhopal. T. Goddard expresses to the Board his gratefulness for entrusting him with the command and direction of the expedition ordered to Bombay; reports the death of M. Leslie; informs that he has detained the 1st Regiment as it would be exposed to considerable danger in the course of its return to the provinces; states that he has reached Bhopal and proposes to cross the Narbada at Hoshangabad; adds that the troops of Balaji Govind joined by others continue in his rear and endeavour to harass him and to cut off his supplies. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

7 Jan., 1779, No. 2

Nov 25, Camp near Bhopal. T. Goddard thanks the Board for the rank of Brevet Colonel conferred on him during the expedition; informs that he has entered into an agreement with the Nawab of Bhopal (Hayat Muhammad Khan) who has engaged to supply him with provisions and to furnish boats at Hoshangabad for the passage of the troops across the Narbada; states that these friendly inclinations of the Nawab have drawn upon him, the resentment of Balaji Govind and his confederates who have burnt and destroyed a great part of his country and are threatening him with the vengeance of the Poona administration; has, therefore, promised the Nawab to recommend him to the favour and protection of the English. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

7 Jan., 1779, No. 3

Dec 1, Camp at Hoshangabad Ghat on the Narbada. T. Goddard informs the Board about his arrival at Hoshangabad and gives an account of the route; commends the services rendered by Hayat Muhammad Khan and states how Balaji Govind has been endeavouring to impede his march. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

7 Jan., 1779, No. 4

Dec 5, Camp on the south bank of Narbada. T. Goddard intimates to the Board that a ford having been discovered, the army expeditiously crossed the Narbada; informs that he has received assurances of friendship from Mudhoji Bhonsla's confidential deputy. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

7 Jan., 1779, No. 5

1779, Jan 11. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 11 Jan., 1779

1778, Dec 24, Camp at Fatehgarh. Lt. Col. B. Wilding forwards to the Board an extract from a letter from G. Muir giving intimation of the movements and designs of the Sikhs and of the measures adopted against them. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

11 Jan., 1779, No. 1

1779, Jan 11. P. Francis records his observation on the letters* received from Mudhoji Bhonsla; suggests that T. Goddard should be ordered to return with his army; comments of W. Hastings thereon. (Minutes)—18 pp.

11 Jan., 1779, No. 2

Jan 11. W. Hastings declines to take part in a debate on the subject of T. Goddard's expedition against the Marathas. (Minute)—3 pp.

11 Jan., 1779, No. 3

Jan 11. W. Hastings declines to take part in a debate on the subject of the above minutes. (Minute)—1 p.

11 Jan., 1779, No. 4

Jan 25. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 25 Jan., 1779

1778, Dec 31, Fort St. George. The President and Council at Fort St. George intimate to the Board the arrival from England of Lt. Gen. E. Coote (Commander-in-Chief of the Company's forces in India) who has taken in his seat at the Madras Board as the second in Council during his stay in that Presidency; communicate the preparations that are being made to conduct an expedition against Mahe; relate their pecuniary embarrassments and express the hope that they will receive some relief from Bengal; complain about the Company's engagements with Muhammad Ali Khan and Tuljaji; inform that they have addressed the Court of Directors on the subject; dwell on the necessity of removing the French troops from the service of Basalat Jang; enclose papers relative to an agreement between them and Basalat Jang; state that the French soldiers at Pondicherry are willing to take service under the English adding that E. Coote thinks that they may be usefully employed in Bengal. (A.L.S.)—7 pp.

25 Jan., 1779, No. 1

Articles of a treaty proposed by the Government of Madras to be concluded with Nawab Basalat Jang. (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

25 Jan., 1779, No. A

Articles of a treaty proposed by Nawab Basalat Jang. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

25 Jan., 1779, No. B

1779, Jan 25. The Board communicate to the President and Council at Fort St. George their opinion on the financial position of that Presidency; approve of the proposed alliance with Basalat Jang; express willingness to take in their service the French soldiers who were taken at Pondicherry. 9 pp.

25 Jan., 1779, No. 2

W. Hastings expresses his anxiety at the proposed return of R. Barwell to England; observes that his departure at such a critical time will give rise to serious consequences; points out how necessary it is for him to receive his support when P. Francis has not hesitated to propose abject submission to the Marathas and the retreat of the English army from Berar. (Minute)—5 pp.

25 Jan., 1779, No. 3

*Please see *Calendar of Persian Correspondence*, Vol. V, No. 1249, p. 248 and No. 1281, p. 256.

R. Barwell declares his intention to retract his decision to return to Europe in deference to the sentiments of the Governor General as recorded in the minute above. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 25 Jan., 1779

W. Hastings expresses his thanks to R. Barwell. (Minute)—1 p.

Progs., 25 Jan., 1779

Remarks of P. Francis on the construction put by the Governor General to a passage from his minute in which he proposed the recall of the English army under T. Goddard at Berar. (Minute)—5 pp.

Progs., 25 Jan., 1779

Comment of W. Hastings on the foregoing remarks of P. Francis. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 25 Jan., 1779

Remarks of P. Francis on the above. (Minute)—1 p.

Progs., 25 Jan., 1779

Jan 14. The Board intimate of Maj. J. Camac that he has been appointed to take charge of the detachment ordered to the western frontier of Bengal and direct him to proceed to reinforce the troops commanded by T. Goddard; give him certain instructions. 3 pp.

25 Jan., 1779, No. 4

Feb 1. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 1 Feb., 1779

Jan 8, Fort St. George. The President and Council at Fort St. George forward to the Board a packet which they received from the President and Council at Bombay. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

1 Feb., 1779, No. 1

1778, Dec 12, Bombay Castle. The President and Select Committee at Bombay inform the Board that English forces have taken field for establishing Raghunathrao in the Regency of the Maratha Government; enclose copies of a treaty concluded by them with Raghunathrao and instructions and orders issued to T. Goddard and Col. C. Egerton etc., on the subject; report that Haidar Ali is helping the French at Mahe with provisions and money; inform that all Frenchmen at Surat have been made prisoners; transmit some papers on the subject; request for immediate remittance of annual supply of money. (Copy)—8 pp.

1 Feb., 1779, No. 2

Copy of a treaty concluded by Bombay Government with Raghunathrao on 24 November 1778. (Enclosure to above)—12 pp.

1 Feb., 1779, No. A

Dec 6, Bombay Castle. The Government of Bombay inform T. Goddard that a treaty has been concluded with Raghunathrao and that their army has taken the field in order to conduct Raghunathrao to Poona to place him in the Regency during the minority of the Peshwa; request him to march with all expedition to co-operate with the Bombay army; enclose a circular letter from Raghunathrao.

*Circular issued by Raghunathrao to all the *Mutasaddis*, Sardars, Jagirdars and subjects of the Maratha State announcing his elevation to the Regency of the Peshwa. (Enclosures)—2 pp.

1 Feb., 1779, No. B

Nov 23, Bombay Castle. The Government of Bombay appoint C. Egerton to command the army and order him to conduct Raghunathrao to Poona; give him necessary instructions.

Dec 5, Bombay Castle. The Government of Bombay intimate to C. Egerton that J. Carnac and T. Mostyn are proceeding to join the army and in concert with him will form a Committee to conduct the expedition; send instructions for the guidance of the Committee. (Enclosures)—8 pp.

1 Feb., 1779, No. C

Nov 7, Grain (Grane). G. Abraham intimates to the Court of Directors that he has captured a French officer carrying secret packets to Pondicherry (Enclosure)—4 pp.

1 Feb., 1779, No. D

1779, Jan 5, Camp near Hoshangabad. T. Goddard informs the Board that he has deputed Lt. D. Watherston to negotiate a defensive alliance with Mudhoji Bhonsla; gives an account of the negotiations; proposes to march to Poona in response to the urgent request of the Government of Bombay; transmits copies of letters from the Government of Bombay and the Resident at Surat. (A.L.S.)—6 pp.

1 Feb., 1779, No. 3

1778, Dec 17, Surat. R. H. Boddam (Resident at Surat) forwards a packet to T. Goddard and communicates the progress made by the army that marched from Bombay to Poona to instal Raghunathrao to the Regency.

Dec 19, Bombay Castle. The Government of Bombay inform T. Goddard that the Bombay forces have already taken the field in support of the cause of Raghunathrao and request him to march with all possible expedition in order to co-operate with the Bombay forces. (Enclosures)—3 pp.

1 Feb., 1779, No. E

Dec 19, 20, 21, 24, and 27 and Jan 1, 1779,† Nagpur. D. Watherston intimates to T. Goddard the progress of his negotiations with the Nagpur Government. (Enclosures to above)—40 pp.

1 Feb., 1779, No. F

Jan 5, Camp at Hoshangabad. T. Goddard reports to the Board about progress of negotiations with Mudhoji Bhonsla; states that he considers it necessary to march immediately to Poona to assist the troops of Bombay as war has actually commenced there; forward copies of correspondence with D. Witherston. (A.L.S.)—16 pp.

1 Feb., 1779, No. 4

*Not entered in the Proceedings volume.

†The date of the last letter has been wrongly given as 1 January 1778 both in the Consultation and the Proceedings volume. These are enclosures to Consultations No. 4 and 5.

Jan 6, Camp near Hoshangabad. T. Goddard reports to the Board the progress of negotiations with Mudhoji Bhonsla. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

1 Feb., 1779 No. 5

Feb 1. W. Hastings records that he hoped to submit some plan for approval of the Board but could not do so due to late receipts of advices from T. Goddard and lack of materials on the treaty concluded by the Government of Bombay with Raghunathrao and that he will lose no time in preparing such propositions as shall appear to him necessary on the occasion. (Minute)—1 p.

Progs., 1 Feb., 1779

Feb 4. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 4 Feb., 1779

W. Hastings records his observations on the subject of co-operation in the measures adopted by the Bombay Government to conduct Raghunathrao to Poona in order to instal him in the office of the Regent to the infant Peshwa. (Minute)—19 pp.

4 Feb., 1779, No. 1

P. Francis enquires whether the detachment sent under J. Camac to reinforce T. Goddard should be recalled. (Minute)—1 p.

Progs., 4 Feb., 1779

W. Hastings says in reply that advices from T. Goddard may be awaited. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 4 Feb., 1779

Feb 8. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 8 Feb., 1779

Feb 8. E. Wheler records his observations on the propositions contained in the Governor General's minute regarding co-operation with the Bombay Government in their political transactions with the Marathas. (Minute)—6 pp.

8 Feb., 1779, No. 1

Feb 8. Comments of P. Francis on the Governor General's minute denouncing all responsibility for the consequences of the political measures taken by the Governments of Bengal and Bombay against the Marathas. (Minute)—2 pp.

8 Feb., 1779, No. 2

Statement of actual expenses of the Bombay detachment for June, July and August 1778. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

8 Feb., 1779, No. A

Observations of the Board on the letter from Sir J. Lindsay (Commander-in-Chief of His Majesty's Squadron in East Indies) of 16 April 1771 to the Governor and Council at Fort St. George relating to the propriety or otherwise of forming alliances with Indian powers, particularly the Marathas. *(Extract)—2 pp.

8 Feb., 1779, No. 3

*Occurs as a foot-note to P. Francis's minute in the Proceedings volume.

Feb 8. R. Barwell supports the Governor General's propositions relative to the political transactions of the Government of Bombay with the Marathas. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs. 8 Feb., 1779

Feb 8. W. Hastings remarks that he will give no reply to these debates now. (Minute)—1 p.

Progs., 8 Feb., 1779

Feb 8. The Board inform the President and Council, Bombay that they approve of the treaty concluded by them with Raghunathrao; intimate that they have invested T. Goddard with full powers to act as their minister at Poona and have given him necessary instructions for his guidance. 15 pp.

8 Feb., 1779, No. 4

Feb 5. The Board send instructions to T. Goddard in the matter of his co-operation with the Government of Bombay in their work of restoring the power of Raghunathrao. 12 pp.

8 Feb., 1779, No. 5

Feb 15. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 15 Feb., 1779

Feb 11. W. Hastings replies categorically to the observations recorded by P. Francis in his minute of 8 February on the relations of the Presidency of Bengal with that of Bombay in respect of the latter's political transactions with the Marathas. (Minute)—26 pp.

15 Feb., 1779, No. 1

Feb 12. Observations of P. Francis on the above minute of the Governor General; reply of W. Hastings thereon. (Minutes)—3 pp.

15 Feb., 1779, No. 2

Feb 25. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 25 Feb., 1779

Jan 13, Bombay Castle. The President and Council at Bombay express their concern at the decision of the Board to withdraw from the hands of the Bombay Government the direction of T. Goddard's detachment; inform that they have requested T. Goddard to advance to their coast and endorse a copy of their letter to Col. Goddard; intimate that their forces have had only skirmishes with the enemy; report the death of T. Mostyn. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

25 Feb., 1779, No. 1

Jan 12, Bombay Castle. The Government of Bombay intimate to T. Goddard particulars of their engagements with the Marathas; point out the necessity of his coming to their assistance; request him to advance to that coast with expedition. (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

25 Feb., 1779, No. 2

The President of Fort St. George forwards to the Board some papers of intelligence and extracts from newspapers relative to the situation at Poona; sends copies of letters¹ addressed to him by Muhammad Ali Khan.* (Copy)—28 pp.

25 Feb., 1779, No. 3

Observations of the members of the Board on the situation created by the reverses suffered by the English in the Maratha war. (Minutes)—8 pp.

Progs., 25 Feb., 1779

Feb 25. The Board instruct G. Stibbert to keep the forces under his command ready for any emergency.²—2 pp.

25 Feb., 1779, No. 4

Mar 1. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 1 Mar., 1779

Feb 7, Fort St. George. The President and Council at Fort St. George transmit with their observations copies of reports received by Muhammad Ali Khan from his agent at Poona containing a detailed account of the war in which the English army espousing the cause of Raghunathrao fared disastrously. (A.L.S.)—7 pp.

1 Mar., 1779, No. 1

Jan 17, Camp at Seoni. T. Goddard informs the Board that he is now encamped at Seoni and will advance towards Poona on receipt of treasure from Nagpur; reports the movements of the Marathas and of the Bombay army; asks for instructions for his guidance and requests for a supply of cash. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

1 Mar., 1779, No. 2

Jan 24, Camp at Chainpur. T. Goddard reports to the Board the death of Lt. Col. J. Fortnom (Field Engineer, Bombay Detachment); states that he will send accounts of the operations at Borghat on reaching Burhanpur. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

1 Mar., 1779, No. 3

Jan 26, Camp near Piploda. T. Goddard forwards to the Board with his observations a copy of a letter which he received from J. Carnac and C. Egerton who were appointed to conduct Raghunathrao to Poona; dwells on the insufficiency of cash at his disposal. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

1 Mar., 1779, No. 4

Jan 11, Camp near Tulligro. J. Carnac and C. Egerton give instructions

1. Letters are dated 3 December 1778 and 14 February 1779.

*A letter from Muhammad Ali Khan to the same effect was received by the Board at the same time and embodied in the Consultations and also in the Proceedings.

2. This letter has not been entered in the Proceedings volume.

to T. Goddard relative to his march to Junnar fort near Poona. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

1 Mar., 1779, No. 5

Mar 1. Motion of W. Hastings recommending a remittance of six lacs of rupees to T. Goddard and observations of E. Wheler, P. Francis and R. Barwell and the Board's resolution thereon. (Minutes)—3 pp.

Progs., 1 Mar., 1779

Mar 1. W. Hastings records his observations on the situation created by the disaster suffered by the Bombay army at the hands of the Marathas and makes certain suggestions for the defence of the Company's territories against any future invasion. (Minute)—5 pp.

Progs., 1 Mar., 1779

Mar 2. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 2 Mar., 1779

Feb 23. Comments of P. Francis in reply to the minute of the Governor General of 1 March relative to the part played by the Presidency of Bengal in connection with the civil war among the Marathas in which the Presidency of Bombay supported Raghunathrao. (Minute)—22 pp.

2 Mar., 1779, No. 1

Mar 2. Reply of W. Hastings on the comments made by P. Francis. (Minute)—17 pp.

2 Mar., 1779, No. 2

Mar 2. W. Hastings proposes some measures of defence against any invasion. (Minute)—3 pp.

2 Mar., 1779, No. 3

Mar 2. The Board direct G. Stibbert to order the 1st Brigade to march to a suitable position on the Jumna to defend the Doab against any invasion. 2 pp.

2 Mar., 1779, No. 4

Mar 2. P. Francis and E. Wheler record their notes of dissent against the measures of defence proposed by the Governor General. (Minute)—12 pp.

2 Mar., 1779, No. 5

Mar 2. Remarks of W. Hastings on the above minute of P. Francis and E. Wheler. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 2 Mar., 1779

Mar 2. P. Francis recommends that T. Goddard may be asked to retire to the coast of Orissa through Berar. (Minute)—6 pp.

2 Mar., 1779, No. 6

Mar 4. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 4 Mar., 1779

Mar 4. W. Hastings opposes the proposal of P. Francis to recall T. Goddard to the coast of Orissa. (Minute)—8 pp.

4 Mar., 1779, No 1

Mar 4. Observations of the members of the Board on the subject referred to above. (Minutes)—14 pp.

Progs., 4 Mar., 1779

Feb 2. Camp opposite Burhanpur. T. Goddard gives an account to the Board in the conflicting reports he has received on the affairs of Reghunnathrao and the Bombay army. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

4 Mar., 1779, No. 3

¹Jan 19, Khopoli. J. Carnac and C. Egerton cancel the previous instructions given to T. Goddard as they are unauthorised to do so. 1 p.

4 Mar., 1779, No. 4

Mar 8. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 8 Mar., 1779

Mar 8. P. Francis records his observations in reply to the minute² of the Governor General relating to the question of recalling T. Goddard's detachment. (Minutes)—11 pp.

8 Mar., 1779, No. 1

Mar 11. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 11 Mar., 1779

Feb 5, Camp opposite Burhanpur. T. Goodard intimates to the Board the reasons for which he decided to march to Surat; transmits a copy of a letter from the Select Committee at Bombay. (A.L.S.)—6 pp.

11 Mar., 1779, No. 1

Jan 22, Bombay Castle. The Select Committee at Bombay direct T. Goddard to march straight to Surat. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

11 Mar., 1779, No. 2

Mar 15. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 15 Mar., 1779

Mar 15. P. Francis proposes that a letter may be addressed to the Bombay Presidency expressing concern and surprise at their silence relating to their operations and the defeat of their army and prohibiting them from commencing fresh hostilities with the Marathas or any country powers, except in their own immediate defence, without the previous approval of the Board. (Minute)—3 pp.

15 Mar., 1779, No. 1

Mar 15. Debate in the Council on the proposal put up by P. Francis. (Minutes)—6 pp.

Progs., 15 Mar., 1779

Mar 18. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 18 Mar., 1779

1. Data and place not mentioned in the Proceedings volume.

2. See Consultation dated 4 March 1779, No. 1.

Feb 3, Bombay Castle. The President and Select Committee, Bombay send to the Board a brief account of the operations of their army with the Marathas and the disagreeable nature of the treaty they had to conclude with the Marathas under these circumstances; inform that they have asked T. Goddard to march to Surat instead of Poona; state that they will shortly send the details of the unfortunate campaign. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

18 Mar., 1779, No. 1

Mar 18. P. Francis reiterates his previous motion that the Presidency of Bombay should be warned not to commence or renew hostilities with the Marathas or any country powers without the previous approval of the Board; discussion of the Board thereon. (Minutes)—10 pp.

Progs., 18 Mar., 1779

Mar 18. The Board inform T. Goddard that they approve of his resolution to march to Surat; authorise him to exercise his own judgement in the acceptance and execution of any service the Bombay Government require him to perform. 3 pp.

18 Mar., 1779, No. 2

Feb 25, Fort St. George. The President and Council at Fort St. George give an account to the Board of the debts of Muhammad Ali Khan, the affairs of Tuljaji and the threatened invasion of the Carnatic by Haidar Ali; enclose letters from the Nawab of the Carnatic with certain papers of intelligence. (A.L.S.)—14 pp.

18 Mar., 1779, No. 3

1777, Dec 24. Muhammad Ali Khan forwards with remarks to the Governor of Madras a copy of an agreement which he has entered into with his creditors. (Enclosure to above)—4 pp.

Dec 17, Chepauk. Articles of agreement proposed for consolidating Muhammad Ali Khan's debts. (Enclosure)—5pp.

18 Mar., 1779, No. A

1779, Feb 19. Muhammad Ali Khan intimates to the Governor of Madras his apprehensions about an invasion of his country by Haidar Ali; forwards certain papers of intelligence. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

18 Mar., 1779, No. B

Feb 18. Muhammad Ali Khan forwards to the Governor of Madras copy of a letter from Maharaja Birbar asking him to make preparation for facing the invasion of Haidar Ali. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

18 Mar., 1779, No. C

Feb 18. Muhammad Ali Khan transmits to the Governor of Madras copies of intelligence which he received from Hyderabad and from Haidar Ali's camp. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

18 Mar., 1779, No. D

Mar 18. P. Francis proposes that the Government of Madras should be relieved by an immediate supply of money. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 18 Mar., 1779

Feb 3, Headquarters at Fatehgarh. G. Stibbert suggests to the Board some measures for better defence of Rohilkhand against the invasions of the Sikh predatory bands. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

18 Mar., 1779, No. 4

Mar 18. The Board direct G. Stibbert to make his requisition for any number of the 2000 cavalry offered by Faizullah Khan through N. Middleton. 1 p.

18 Mar., 1779, No. 5

Jan 26, Lucknow. N. Middleton recommends to the Board that a detachment of Nawab Faizullah Khan's cavalry be ordered to act under the direction of the Commanding Officer at Daranagar for the protection of the Vazir's territories against the invasion of the Sikhs. (Copy)—3 pp.

18 Mar., 1779, No. 6

Mar 18. The Board direct N. Middleton to apply to Nawab Faizullah Khan to permit the cavalry at Daranagar to remain there till the commencement of the periodical rains. 1 p.

18 Mar., 1779, No. 7

Mar 22. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 22 Mar., 1779

Mar 22. Observations of W. Hastings on the question of supply of money to Madras, as requested by that Presidency. (Minute)—9 pp.

22 Mar., 1779, No. 1

Feb 9, Camp near Chopda. T. Goddard informs the Board the reason for his march to Surat; forwards a copy of a letter from J. Carnac and C. Egerton; requests for instructions for his guidance. 5 pp.

*Progs., 22 Mar., 1779, No. 2

Jan 16, Camp at Wergas near Telligea. J. Carnac and C. Egerton direct T. Goddard to return to Bengal. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

22 Mar., 1779, No. 3

Mar 23. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 23 Mar., 1779

Observations of E. Wheler on the military affairs of the provinces of Bombay and Madras; dwells on the question of supply of money to the Presidency of Madras. (Minute)—5 pp.

23 Mar., 1779, No. 1

Mar 12, Fort St. George. The President and Council, Fort St. George transmit a packet addressed to the Board from the Court of Directors and a copy of a letter from Haidar Ali; intimate that the *Stafford* with E. Coote on board is proceeding towards Bengal; state that Commodore J. Richardson prays for certain allowances. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

23 Mar., 1779, No. 2

*Original Consultation No. 2 of March 23 is missing.

*Haidar Ali informs the Governor of Madras that the French factors at Mahe being his subjects, will have his assistance if they are attacked by the English (Received, 7 March 1779). (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

23 Mar., 1779, No. 3

¹Feb 13, Bombay Castle. The Select Committee at Bombay transmit to the Board a packet which was received from the Secret Committee of the Court of Directors. (Enclosure)—1 p.

23 Mar., 1779, No. 4

Mar 24. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 24 Mar., 1779

Resolution of the Board for supply of 1,500,000 current rupees in gold to the Presidency of Madras.

Progs., 24 Mar., 1779

Apr 1. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 1 Apr., 1779

²Mar 11, Camp at Koramba in Chota Nagpur. J. Camac gives an account to the Board of the march of his detachment. (A.L.S.)—7 pp.

1 Apr., 1779, No. 1

Mar 14, Camp at Koramba in Chota Nagpur. J. Camac intimates to the Board that he has received orders from T. Goddard to proceed to Poona provided Mudhoji Bhonsla permits him to pass through his country; informs that Mudhoji has not replied to his request for permission; states what he himself intends to do; requests for instructions. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

1 Apr., 1779, No. 2

Apr 1. The Board direct J. Camac to return to Koramba and to await further orders. 1 p.

1 Apr., 1779, No. 3

Apr 5. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 5 Apr., 1779

Feb 21, Bombay Castle. The President and Select Committee, Bombay forward to the Board with observations extracts from a letter from R. H. Boddam reporting that Ghazi-ud-din Khan, former Vazir of Alamgir II, has been discovered in the disguise of a fakir near Surat and secured by the Nawab (Hafiz-ud-Din Ahmad Khan); state that they have decided to remove him into Bombay and to detain him there till they receive the Board's instructions in this matter. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

*The date of issue of the letter has been shown as 29 Mohurram 1193 Hijre and 17 February 1779, but 17 February 1779 corresponds to 27 Mohurram and not 29 Mohurram. No date has been mentioned in the Proceedings volume.

1. Year wrongly given as 1778 in the Consultation.

2. Year wrongly given as 1778 in the Proceedings volume.

Feb 6. R. H. Boddam forwards to the Select Committee at Bombay particulars about Ghazi-ud-Din Khan who fled from Delhi in 1761. (Extracts—Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

5 Apr., 1779, No. 1

Apr 5. The decision of the Board that the Government of Bombay may be instructed to set free Ghazi-ud-Din Khan immediately asking him to quit English territories and also to assist him on his way to Mecca, if there is any opportunity. 2 pp.

Progs., 5 Apr., 1779

Apr 5. W. Hastings records his observations on the state of affairs in Bombay and suggests measures necessary to retrieve the loss of prestige sustained by the English army in that Presidency. (Minute)—23 pp.

5 Apr., 1779, No. 2

Apr 6¹. W. Hastings intimates to Sakharam Bhagwant Bokil and Balaji Govind Pandit his complete disavowal of the convention which the officers of the Bombay army concluded with the Marathas without the authority of the Supreme Government; informs that T. Goddard has been authorised to conclude a new treaty, the conditions of which are to be that the Marathas relinquish all claims derived from the unauthorized act of the English army, and will not grant the French any settlements or residence in the Peshwa's dominions or make any alliance with them.* 7 pp.

5 Apr., 1779, No. 3²

Apr 5. W. Hastings thanks Mudhoji Bhonsla for his friendship for the English and for his assistance to the Company's troops when they marched through his territories; informs that J. Camac has been ordered to return to the borders of Bengal. 8 pp.

5 Apr., 1779, No. 4³

Apr 5. The Board intimate to the Government of Bombay their disapproval of the arrest of Ghazi-ud-Din Khan and recommend his immediate release asking him to quit English territories; inform that T. Goddard has been invested with full powers to treat with the Marathas for renewal or confirmation of the Treaty of Purandhar; direct that they should keep themselves in readiness for repelling any hostile attempts of the Marathas; forbid them to undertake any offensive measures without explicit and positive orders from the Board. 3 pp.

5 Apr., 1779, No. 5

Apr 5. The Board intimate to the President and Council at Fort St. George that as requested by them fifteen lacs of rupees in gold will be supplied to them in two instalments; inform that T. Goddard has been invested with full powers to treat with the Marathas for the renewal or confirmation of the Treaty of Purandhar; request them to keep their forces employed for the expedition against Mahe in readiness for any emergency. 4 pp.

5 Apr., 1779, No. 6

1. That is the date given both in the Consultation as well as in the Proceedings volume.

* A similar letter was addressed to the Peshwa. Please see *Calendar of Persian Correspondence*, Vol. V. No. 1432, pp. 315-16.

2. *Ibid*, No. 1433, p. 316.

Ibid, No. 1434, p. 316.

Apr 5. The Board inform T. Goddard that he has been invested with full powers to treat with the Maratha state for renewal or confirmation of the Treaty of Purandhar; give instructions for his guidance; enclose a letter of credence and a copy of the Treaty of Purandhar. 6 pp.

5 Apr., 1779, No. 7

Apr 5. Letter of credence to T. Goddard investing him with full powers to negotiate and conclude treaty with the Marathas. (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

5 Apr., 1779, No. 8

Apr 12. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 12 Apr., 1779

Jan 22, Bombay Castle. The President and Select Committee at Bombay transmit to the Board copies of their proceedings relating to the Treaty of Purandhar; intimate that they will soon send an account of their political proceedings and situation. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

12 Apr., 1779, No. 1

Oct 12–Nov 27. Extracts from the consultations of the Select Committee of Bombay on the subject of assisting Raghunathrao in his attempt to secure the Regency at Poona.¹ (Enclosures to above)—24 pp.

12 Apr., 1779, No. 2

Apr 15. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 15 Apr., 1779

Apr 2, Fort St. George. The President and Council, Fort St. George communicate to the Board the departure of the *Nancy* for Bengal with 19 French soldiers; intimate that Mahe with all its dependencies has surrendered to Col. J. Braithwaite. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

15 Apr., 1779, No. 1

The Board request the Commander-in-Chief to issue orders to all capital stations of the army written and without the provinces for celebrating the capture of Mahe. (Resolution)—1 p.

Progs., 15 Apr., 1779

Apr 19. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 19 Apr., 1779

May 5, Lucknow. N. Middleton communicates to the Board the affairs of the King of Delhi, his reception of Najaf Khan after his victory over Rao Raja Pratap Singh (founder of Alwar State) and his transactions with the Raja of Jainagar (Jaipur) and others; states that the *Nawab Vazir* thinks it necessary to employ the Light Infantry commanded by Capt. J. Osborne to reduce some parganas in Allahabad which are in the hands of some usurpers; encloses a copy of his letter to J. Osborne. (A.L.S.)—9 pp.

19 Apr., 1779, No. 1

1. Consultation dated 18 November 1778 contain the articles of the treaty between the Bombay Government and Raghunathrao.

Feb 20, Lucknow. N. Middleton directs J. Osborne to march for the reduction of certain parganas in Allahabad; encloses a letter from the Vazir on the subject. (Enclosure to above)—6 pp.

19 Apr., 1779, No. 2

Apr 3, Camp Tons. J. Osborne reports to the Governor General his victory over the Baghelas and Bundelas giving a description of the battle fought with them. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

19 Apr., 1779, No. 3

Mar 10, Headquarters at Fatehgarh. G. Stibbert informs the Board that two camps will be formed at Cawnpore and at Fatehgarh; reports that the King and Najaf Khan having settled matters with the Raja of Jaipur are on their march to Delhi; states that the Sikhs are now withdrawing to their own quarter possibly to oppose the progress of Timur Shah who is reported to have crossed Attock with a design to enter Hindustan; communicates information relating to T. Goddard; proposes to post forces on the road to Kalpi; informs that Tukojirao Holkar marches with Mahadji Sindhia to Ajmer to oppose T. Goddard. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

19 Apr., 1779, No. 4

Mar 11, Fatehgarh. G. Stibbert transmits to the Board some papers from Diler Himmat Khan with his observations; recommends that the Company's protection may be extended to the Nawab to deliver him from the tyranny of Asaf-ud-Daulah; points out the advantages that are expected to accrue to the Company from their espousing the cause of the Nawab. (A.L.S.)—6 pp.

19 Apr., 1779, No. 5

Mar 19, Headquarters near Fatehgarh. G. Stibbert reports to the Board the actions he has taken in obedience to the orders of the Board for stationing troops on the banks of the Jumna to defend the Doab against any invasion; makes some suggestions in this respect. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

19 Apr., 1779, No. 6

Apr 19. The Board inform G. Stibbert that the Commander-in-Chief has been requested to issue necessary orders for the First and the Temporary Brigades to return to their respective cantonments. 1 p.

19 Apr., 1779, No. 7

Mar 25, Camp near Baran Western Frontiers. J. Camac intimates to the Board that T. Goddard has directed him not to proceed beyond the Company's frontiers; seeks instructions from the Board in this behalf. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

19 Apr., 1779, No. 8

May 3. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 3 May 1779

Feb 26, Camp near Surat. T. Goddard communicates to the Board an account of his march to Surat; reports the death of Capt. W. Campbell. (Copy)—4 pp.

3 May, 1779, No. 1

Mar 2, Camp near Surat. T. Goddard intimates to the Board that as desired by them, he is proceeding to Bombay to meet the Select Committee; states his difficulties in settling the rate of exchange with the local merchants. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

3 May, 1779, No. 2

Mar 21, Bombay. T. Goddard reports to the Board the situation in Bombay with regard to the Marathas; encloses a copy of his letter to the Select Committee at Bombay. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

3 May, 1779, No. 3

Mar 19, Bombay. T. Goddard explains to the Select Committee at Bombay how his negotiations with Mudhoji Bhonsla were affected by their treaty with Raghunathrao. (Enclosure to above)—5 pp.

3 May, 1779, No. 4

Apr 4, Bombay. T. Goddard thanks the Board for appointing him their Minister at the court of Poona; states the course of action he intends to adopt in respect of that court; intimates the nature of his correspondence with Mudhoji Bhonsla. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

3 May, 1779, No. 5

May 3. W. Hastings informs the Board that G. Horsley deputed by the Government of Bombay to Bengal has arrived. 1 p.

Progs., 3 May, 1779

Apr 4, Bombay Castle. The President and Select Committee at Bombay transmit to the Board with remarks a copy of their despatch to the Court of Directors; request that G. Horsley who has been deputed to Bengal may be informed of the measures the Governor General and Council may think proper to adopt in respect of that Presidency; express their great appreciation of the services rendered by T. Goddard. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

3 May, 1779, No. 6

Mar 27, Bombay Castle. The Select Committee at Bombay give an account to the Court of Directors of the circumstances which made them espouse the cause of Raghunathrao; narrate the encounter and defeat of the English army at the hands of the Marathas; intimate the terms of capitulation and their subsequent actions thereon; state the action taken with respect to the conduct of C. Egerton and W. Cockburn who declined to do military duty in the last expedition; acquaint them with certain military appointments and promotions; point out the advisability of appointing a Resident at the court of Haidar Ali; communicate particulars of the arrest of Ghazi-ud-Din Khan. (Enclosure to above)—91 pp.

3 May, 1779, No. 7

May 4 Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 4 May, 1779

May 5. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 5 May, 1779

May 6. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 6 May, 1779

May 18. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 13 May, 1779

Apr 23, Fort St. George. The President and Select Committee at Fort St. George transmit to the Board a copy of their correspondence with Haidar Ali; propose measures against the hostilities threatened by him; communicate intelligence of his latest conquests and his reported intention to invade the possessions of Basalat Jang and the measures adopted by them for his protection; enclose the articles of capitulation for the surrender of Mahe. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

13 May, 1779, No. 1

Mar 19, Mahe Moylan. Articles of capitulation of Mahe. (Enclosure to above)—7 pp.

13 May, 1779, No. 2

Mar 19. Haidar Ali complains to the Governor of Fort St. George (T. Rumbold) that the *qiladars* and *talukdars* of the Company are encroaching upon his frontiers and oppressing his people; states why he would resent any attempt of the English to reduce Mahe. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

13 May, 1779, No. 3

Apr 19. T. Rumbold informs Haidar Ali that he is surprised at his attitude regarding the intention of the English to reduce Mahe; states that he has never heard of any irregularities committed by the Nawab's people on his frontiers; affirms that the English are very desirous of maintaining their friendly relations with him but if his intentions are hostile they are prepared for war; hopes that he will abandon any designs that he may have against Basalat Jang. (Enclosure)—5 pp.

13 May, 1779, No. 4

May 24. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 24 May., 1779

May 24. W. Hastings proposes measures on the letter¹ from the Select Committee at Bombay to the Court of Directors to retrieve the political and military situation of the Government of Bombay from the consequences of the convention of Wadgaon. (Minute)—20 pp.

Reply to the Government of Bombay proposed by the Governor General suggesting that the Board cannot take cognizance of the case of C. Egerton and W. Cockburn as it is beyond their jurisdiction; work out the policy which the Board mean to follow relating to the transactions with the Marathas; propose that no treaty or convention will be considered valid or complete unless signed by T. Goddard. (Draft)—18 pp.

24 May, 1779, No. 1

May 24. Observations of E. Coote on the affairs at Bombay. (Minute)—28 pp.

24 May, 1779, No. 2

May 24. P. Francis observes that for the present the powers and instructions given to T. Goddard will serve the purpose of effecting a solid peace on the Malabar coast. 1 p.

Progs., 24 May, 1779

1. Please see Consultation 3 May 1779, No. 7.

May 24. Observations of P. Francis on the affairs at Bombay.
(Minute)—21 pp.

24 May, 1779, No. 3

P. Francis submits some proposals for the consideration of the Board and desires that, if approved, they should be incorporated in their letter to Bombay. 1 p.

Progs., 24 May, 1779

P. Francis submits to the Board some proposals regarding the trial of C. Egerton and W. Cockburn. (Minute)—5 pp.

24 May, 1779, No. 4

May 31. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 31 May, 1779

May 31, Calcutta. G. Horsley (representative of Bombay Government) requests the Board for permission for access to the records relating to the affairs of the Bombay Presidency in order to be able to elucidate matters liable to be misconceived; expresses the hope that a spirit of harmony and co-operation will be promoted between Bengal and Bombay. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

31 May, 1779, No. 1

The Board do not think it proper to allow G. Horsley an unreserved access to all their secret proceedings relating to Bombay; ordered that G. Horsley may be furnished with copies of all letters to the Select Committee of Bombay and of all Resolutions of the Board relating to that Presidency. 1 p.

Progs., 31 May, 1779

Observations of W. Hastings on the letter addressed to Nana Phadnavis by J. Carnac, and the decision of the Board thereon. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 31 May, 1779

Jan 13. J. Carnac informs Nana Phadnavis that he has been authorised by the Government of Bombay to treat with him; requests for permission to send a representative to him for the purpose. (Translation)—1 p.

31 May, 1779, No. 2

R. Barwell suggests measures to be adopted in consequence of the present political affairs of Bombay Presidency. (Minute)—3 pp.

31 May, 1779, No. 3

Jun 7. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 7 Jun., 1779

May 17, Fort St. George. The President and Council, Fort St. George inform the Board about Haidar Ali's sudden withdrawal from the Cuddapah district and his return to Seringapatam; state the probable causes for his sudden departure; renew their request for immediate supply of money. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

7 Jun., 1779, No. 1

Jun 7, Calcutta. G. Horsley elucidates some doubtful points in the records concerning the negotiations with the Marathas for the retreat of the Bombay army; adds that he is disappointed at the reluctance shown by the Board in allowing him free access to their records. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

7 Jun., 1779, No. 2

W. Hastings records his opinion as to what should be the limit of the discretionary powers of the Select Committee at Bombay in political matters; amends the letter to Bombay proposed in his minute of May 24. (Minute)—10 pp.

7 Jun., 1779, No. 3

Jun 7. P. Francis puts forward his observations on the affairs of the Bombay Presidency; points out the advisability of refraining from any fresh war with the Marathas. (Minute)—21 pp.

7 Jun., 1779, No. 4

May 31. An abstract account of the yearly balance of supplies made to the Presidency of Bombay from 30 April 1774 to 1 May 1779 as referred to in the minute of P. Francis stated above. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

7 Jun., 1779, No. 5

W. Hastings concurs with P. Francis that controversy with Bombay Presidency is to be avoided but disagrees with many parts in his minute; thinks it incumbent upon him to draw the attention of the Board to such precise points as may bring this business to a conclusion; submits a revised draft for consideration of the Board. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 7 Jun., 1779

The Board resolved that a copy of the amended draft proposed by the Governor General be Supplied to each member of the Board and that their opinions be collected. (Resolution)—1 p.

Progs., 7 Jun., 1779

Amended draft of a letter to the Select Committee at Bombay stating that the Board cannot take cognizance of the case of C. Egerton and W. Cockburn, as it is beyond their jurisdiction; suggest the measure that appears expedient to the Board for retrieving the unhappy consequences of the disaster suffered by the Bombay army. 18 pp.

7 Jun., 1779, No. 6

Jun 10. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 10 Jun., 1779

E. Coote gives his observations on the various paragraphs of the amended draft of the letter to the Select Committee at Bombay. (Minute)—3 pp.

10 Jun., 1779, No. 1

Jun 10. W. Hastings suggests certain additions in the draft for approval of E. Coote. (Minute)—1 p.

Progs., 10 Jun., 1779

E. Wheler observes that he concurs with many points in the draft and also agreed with some of the alterations made therein by the

Commander-in-Chief; but adds that in his opinion C. Egerton and W. Cockburn should be tried by Court Martial to remove the suspicions on them. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 10 Jun., 1779

Jun 10. P. Francis says that he concurs with only two paragraphs of the amended draft of the Governor General; submits a new drafts of the letter for consideration of the Board. (Minute with draft)—11 pp.

10 Jun., 1779, No. 2

Jun 10. R. Barwell gives his opinion on the amended draft of the Governor General. (Minute)—4 pp.

Progs., 10 Jun., 1779

W. Hastings gives the reasons for which he is wholly against the draft proposed by P. Francis; gives his opinion on the various paragraphs of the draft already before the Board for its consideration. (Minute)—14 pp.

10 Jun., 1779, No. 3

E. Coote supports the Government of Bombay in recommending T. Goddard to the Court of Directors for appointment as Commander-in-Chief of that Presidency; recommends that during the interim period he should be given the rank of Brigadier-General for his service in Bombay. (Minute)—2 pp.

10 Jun., 1779, No. 4

P. Francis delivers a note of dissent and remarks that the Court of Directors should determine what reward to given to T. Goddard; objects to Col. Goddard's promotion to the rank of Brigadier-General on the ground that in that case he will supersede officers superior to him. E. Wheler agrees with the above minute of P. Francis. (Minute)—2 pp.

10 Jun., 1779, No. 5

W. Hastings and R. Barwell concur with the propositions of P. Francis. (Minute)—1 p.

Progs., 10 Jun., 1779

The Board resolve that a Brevet Commission of Brigadier-General be granted to T. Goddard for the services on which he is now employed and which Commission shall cease on his return or on the return of the troops under his command to either of the Provinces. (Resolution)—2 pp.

Progs., 10 Jun., 1779

Jun 11.

Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 14 Jun., 1779

Jun 14¹. The Board inform the Government of Bombay that they cannot take cognisance of the case of C. Egerton and W. Cockburn as it is beyond their jurisdiction; inform that T. Goddard has already been given instructions for adopting measures for retrieving the situation; assure them that they will join in recommending Col. Goddard to the Court of Directors for appointment as Commander-in-Chief at Bombay; state that

1. Date is given in the Proceedings volume only.

they have granted Col. Goddard the Brevet Commission of Brigadier-General*. 13 pp.

14 Jun., 1779, No. 1

Comments of E. Coote, E. Wheler, P. Francis, R. Barwell and W. Hastings on the above draft. (Minutes)—2 pp.

Progs., 14 Jun., 1779

Jun 14. P. Francis records the reasons for which he dissents from and protests against the proposed letter to Bombay. (Minute)—10 pp.

14 Jun., 1779, No. 2

R. Barwell observes that in his minute referred to by P. Francis he did not intend to **suspend the consideration of measures** in case T. Goddard's negotiation for peace failed. 2 pp.

Progs., 14 Jun., 1779

Jun 14, Calcutta. G. Horsley informs the Board that he hoped that he might be permitted to attend the last meeting of the Board; expresses his views on the relation of the Board at Calcutta and the Select Committee at Bombay. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

14 Jun., 1779, No. 3

The Board intimate to T. Goddard the various resolutions formed by the Board on the measures to be pursued for re-establishing the interest and credit of the Company on that part of India; inform him that they have decided to recommend him to the Court of Directors for appointment as Commander-in-Chief at Bombay.¹ 15 pp.

14 Jun., 1779, No. 4

Jun 21. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 21 Jun., 1779

Jun 18. G. Horsley comments on the proposed letter to be sent to Bombay and particularly on the wide powers given to T. Goddard; expresses concern at the Board's view of the latitude the Government of Bombay should be allowed in political matters. (A.L.S.)—42 pp.

21 Jun., 1779, No. 1

Jun 21, Calcutta. G. Horsley requests the Secretary to the Council to return his letter to the Board dated 18 June 1779 for carrying out some corrections or the Secretary himself may take the trouble of doing that. (A.L.S.)—2pp.

21 Jun., 1779, No. 2

Jun 21. The Board ask Secretary to make the proposed corrections.

Progs., 21 Jun., 1779

Jun 21. Observations of W. Hastings on the arguments put forward by G. Horsley in his letter stated above against the measures proposed in the Board's letter to the Select Committee at Bombay. 4 pp.

Progs., 21 Jun., 1779

* The Draft was prepared on the basis of the minutes of the Members of the Board of 10 June 1779 and issued after circulation among the Members of the Board.

1. The letter was written in cypher. Neither the Proceedings volume nor the Consultation bears any date.

May 20, Camp near Surat. T. Goddard gives an account to the Board of the state of affairs at Poona; states that the existing dissensions among the leaders at Poona open a field for successful intrigue; adds that the appearance of hostilities on the part of the Company will obtain a compliance from them of any demands either of territory or money that the Board may make on them; explains how easy it will be to annex Gujarat. (A.L.S.)—6 pp.

21 Jun., 1779, No. 3

Jun 28. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 28 Jun., 1779

Jun 27, Ghiretty. E. Coote makes some observations on the minute of P. Francis of June 14 regarding the grant of full plenipotentiary powers to T. Goddard and expresses his complete concurrence in the Board's letter to Bombay. (Minute)—3 pp.

28 Jun., 1779, No. 1

P. Francis observes that although T. Goddard is not restricted to act solely with the force under his command, it appears that the Board place very little dependence on any accession of strength which he may derive from alliances with the country powers. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 28 Jun., 1779

W. Hastings reports to the Board that he has received information that Raghunathrao has been conducted to Burhanpur by the troops of Mahadji Sindhia and Tukojirao Holkar; lays before the Board a letter from T. Graham. (Minute)—1 p.

Progs., 28 Jun., 1779

Jun 19, Benares. T. Graham communicates to the Governor General intelligence of Raghunathrao's arrival at Surat after his escape from confinement. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

28 Jun., 1779, No. 2

Intelligence respecting Raghunathrao's escape. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

28 Jun., 1779, No. 3

May 3, Camp at Teeko. J. Camac forwards to the Board with his remarks translation of a letter from Bimbaji Bhonsla (Raja of Chhattisgarh) in reply to his letter requesting a passage through his country to join T. Goddard. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

28 Jun., 1779, No. 4

Bimbaji Bhonsla accedes to the request of J. Camac for passage through his country and reminds him of his promise to help in settling his claims against the Raja of Chota Nagpur. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

28 Jun., 1779, No. 5

Jul 8. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 8 Jul., 1779

Jul 8. G. Horsley writes to W. Bruere (Secretary to the Board) apologizing for the remarks he made in his letter of 18 June 1779 on the measures

adopted by the Board with respect to the affairs of the Bombay Government. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

8 Jul., 1779, No. 1

Jun 6, Camp near Surat. T. Goddard communicates to the Board that Raghunathrao has managed to escape and has sought his protection which he has promised to give; apprehends if this will affect his negotiations with the Marathas. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

8 Jul., 1779, No. 2

Jul 8. The Board approve of the offer of protection given to Raghunathrao by T. Goddard and direct him to act according to the instructions given to him by their letter of 5 April 1779. 2 pp.

8 Jul., 1779, No. 3

Jun 7, Bombay Castle. The President and Select Committee at Bombay communicate to the Board that they will give all facilities to T. Goddard in his negotiations with the Marathas; inform that Ghazi-ud-Din Khan has not left for Mecca but is staying at Surat; report that Raghunathrao has made his escape from the custody of Sindhia. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

8 Jul., 1779, No. 4

Jun 12, Bombay Castle. The President and Select Committee at Bombay intimate to the Board the escape of Raghunathrao and the protection offered to him by T. Goddard; enclose copies of correspondence on the subject. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

8 Jul., 1779, No. 5

Jun 6, Camp at Surat. T. Goddard requests the Select Committee at Bombay to transmit to the Board his despatch regarding escape of Raghunathrao. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

8 Jul., 1779, No. 6

Jun 5, Surat. R. H. Boddam informs the Governor of Bombay that Raghunathrao has escaped from the custody of Sindhia's men and is proceeding to Surat; asks for instructions as to how he should be treated, if he comes to Surat. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

8 Jul., 1779, No. 7

Jun 10, Bombay Castle. The Select Committee at Bombay instruct R. H. Boddam to ask Raghunathrao to seek asylum somewhere else unless T. Goddard decides on his own responsibility to give him protection. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

8 Jul., 1779, No. 7

Jul 8. The Board intimate to the President and Select Committee at Bombay that they approve of the action of T. Goddard in giving protection to Raghunathrao. 2 pp.

8 Jul., 1779, No. 8

Jul 19. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 19 Jul., 1779

W. Hastings proposes that Raja Chait Singh be asked to pay the sum of rupees five lacs being the stipulated share of his contribution to the expenses of the war with France. (Minute)—1 p.

19 Jul., 1779, No. 1

Jul 19. The Board request T. Goddard to demand from Raja Chait Singh the sum of rupees five lacs as his current year's share of the expenses of the war with France. 1 p.

19 Jul., 1779, No. 2

Aug 2.

Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 2 Aug., 1779

Jun 12, Camp near Surat. T. Goddard intimates to the Board the advantages which the Company may derive as a result of Raghunathrao's escape from the custody of Sindhia's men; informs that he will in the meantime continue his negotiations with the Marathas; encloses a copy of his letter to the Peshwa. (A.L.S.)—6 pp.

2 Aug., 1779, No. 1

Jun 12. T. Goddard informs Madhavrao Narayan Peshwa that Raghunathrao has, after his escape, encamped near the English camp at Surat; adds that matters relating to him can be adjusted in the course of the negotiations that are in progress.¹ (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

2 Aug., 1779, No. 1 A

Jun 18, Camp near Surat. T. Goddard communicates to the Board details of his conversation with Raghunathrao and the latter's observations regarding his future prospects; informs that great consternation prevails at Poona on account of the escape of Raghunathrao which is further increased due to Haidar Ali's encroachment on the Maratha country; states that the Peshwa and Sindhia have written to the Government of Bombay that they intend to settle their mutual disputes in order to march against Haidar; requests for further instructions for negotiations with the Maratha Darbar.² (A.L.S.)—14 pp.

2 Aug., 1779, No. 2

Jul 20. E. Coote informs the Board that he has received intelligence that the French are preparing for an attack on British possessions, particularly Bombay; proposes that the Governments of Madras and Bombay be requested to reinforce the army under T. Goddard to enable him to counteract the designs of the French.³ (Minute)—5 pp.

2 Aug., 1779, No. 3

P. Francis moves that the Commander-in-Chief may be requested to inform the board of the particulars of the intelligence he has received about the military preparations of the French; R. Barwell and W. Hastings approve of the proposals made by E. Coote, while E. Wheler defers his opinion till the next meeting of the Board. (Minutes)—1 p.

2 Aug., 1779, No. 4

E. Coote declines to divulge the authority of the intelligence and expresses the hope that if the Board do not act up to his suggestion, he will stand exonerated should any fatal consequences happen to Bombay. (Minute)—1 p.

2 Aug., 1779, No. 5

1. A similar letter was sent to Nana Phadnavis.

2. Parts of this letter are written in cypher.

3. Date not mentioned in the Proceedings volume.

P. Francis gives his reasons for which he wanted to know the authority of the intelligence referred to by the Commander-in-Chief in his minute above. (Minute)—2 pp.

2 Aug., 1779, No. 6

Aug 2. E. Wheler gives his comments on the minute of E. Coote. (Minute)—6 pp.

2 Aug., 1779, No. 7

Aug 2. Observations of E. Coote, P. Francis, R. Barwell and W. Hastings on the subject of providing T. Goddard with reinforcements to enable him to defeat any hostile attempt of the French on Bombay and also on issue of fresh instructions to Brig. Gen. Goddard in respect of his negotiations with the Maratha State. (Minute)—17 pp.

Progs., 2 Aug., 1779

Aug 2. The Board direct the President and Select Committee at Fort St. George to send a detachment of their forces to reinforce the army under T. Goddard to enable him to defeat any hostile attack of the French on Bombay. 3 pp.

2 Aug., 1779, No. 8

Aug 2. The Board similarly direct the Select Committee at Bombay to assist T. Goddard. 2 pp.

2 Aug., 1779, No. 9

Aug 2. The Board give T. Goddard some additional instructions for conducting negotiations with the Maratha chiefs; inform him of the apprehended attack of the French on Bombay and the steps proposed by them to enable him to defeat such an attack; P. Francis and E. Wheler disapprove parts of this letter to T. Goddard. (Minutes)—4 pp.

2 Aug., 1779, No. 10

Aug 9. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 9 Aug., 1779

Aug 9. The Board inform N. Middleton that G. Stibbert has been authorised to comply with Asaf-ud-Daulah's requisition for a detachment of sepoys to quell a disturbance which has broken out in the Doab. 2 pp.

9 Aug., 1779, No. 1

Aug 16. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 16 Aug., 1779,

Jun 29, Bombay Castle. The President and Select Committee at Bombay intimate to the Board that T. Goddard has afforded protection to Raghunathrao; transmit copies of letters from T. Goddard and from the Chiefs of Surat and Broach on the subject and copies of representations from Captains C. West, R. Eames, C. Moore and F. McKenny, regarding their supersession and of the proceedings of some General Court Martial. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

16 Aug., 1779, No. 1

Jun 5, Surat. R. H. Boddam informs the Government of Bombay about Raghunathrao's escape and reply of the Select Committee at Bombay thereto dated 10 June 1779¹. (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

16 Aug., 1779, No. A

1. Same as Consultation 8 July 1779, No. 7.

Jun 6, Camp near Surat. T. Goddard informs the Select Committee at Bombay about Raghunathrao's escape and the Committee's reply to the above dated 16 June 1779. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

16 Aug., 1779, No. B

Jun 6, Broach. R. Gambier (Chief of Broach) reports to the Select Committee at Bombay the arrival of Raghunathrao with his followers; requests for instructions as to how he should treat him. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

Jun 9. R. Gambier intimates to the Select Committee at Bombay that Raghunathrao has gone to Surat to join T. Goddard. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

16 Aug., 1779, No. C

Jun 9, Camp at Surat. T. Goddard informs the Select Committee at Bombay that the nature of his business with the Poona Government requires that Raghunathrao should stay with him instead of with the Chief of Broach. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

16 Aug., 1779, No. D

Jun 14. The Chief and Council at Surat report to the Select Committee at Bombay that on a request from T. Goddard the Nawab's house at Muhammad Bagh has been made ready for the reception of Raghunathrao.

Jun 13, Camp at Surat. T. Goddard requests the Chief at Surat to make ready the Nawab's house at Muhammad Bagh for the residence of Raghunathrao. (Enclosures)—2 pp.

16 Aug., 1779, No. E

Jun 15, Camp at Surat. T. Goddard communicates to the Select Committee at Bombay particulars of the escape of Raghunathrao from the hands of Sindhia's men. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

16 Aug., 1779, No. F

Jun 18, Surat. R. H. Boddam informs the Select Committee at Bombay that Raghunathrao is living at Muhammad Bagh under the protection of T. Goddard. (Enclosure)—1 p.

16 Aug., 1779, No. G

Apr 20, Bombay. Capt. C. West makes a representation to the Governor and Council at Bombay against his supersession by Capt. J. Hartley to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

16 Aug., 1779, No. H

Apr 21, Bombay. Capt. R. Eames represents to the Governor and Select Committee at Bombay against the promotion of J. Hartley. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

16 Aug., 1779, No. I

Apr 13, Bombay. Capt. C. Moore represents to the Select Committee against the promotion of J. Hartley. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

16 Aug., 1779, No. K

¹Apr 23, Bombay. Capt. F. McKenny represents to the Select Committee at Bombay against the promotion of J. Hartley. (Enclosure)—5 pp.

16 Aug., 1779, No. L

Aug 16. The Board inform the President and Select Committee at Bombay that they cannot consider the representations of the officers who have been superseded by J. Hartley. 2 pp.

16 Aug., 1779, No. 2

Jun 2, Camp near Surat. T. Goddard assures the Board that he will neglect no means to restore peace and good understanding between the Marathas and the Government of Bombay and will try to establish the alliance of that nation with the Company on a permanent foundation; states that Raghunathrao may be the principal obstacle in the negotiations; will communicate to them any decisive information received from Poona Court; informs that he has written to Bombay to let him know how the Treaty of Purandhar stands at present; transmits a translation of his letter of 29 May to Madhavrao Narayan Peshwa stating that he has been deputed to conclude a treaty of alliance with the Maratha state so that the friendly relations may be restored. (A.L.S.)—6 pp.

16 Aug., 1779, No. 3

E. Coote delivered to the Public Department a list of officers recommended by him to fill the vacancies in T. Goddard's detachment; comments of P. Francis and R. Barwell thereon. (Minutes)—5 pp.

Progs., 16 Aug., 1779

1778, Dec 28, Fort Marlbro'. The President and Select Committee at Fort Marlbro' request the Board to send a detachment of 100 sepoys with officers and arms and ammunitions to defend that settlement against the French. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

16 Aug., 1779, No. 4

Dec 28, Fort Marlbro'. Indent for ordnance and military stores on Fort William for the use of the Presidency of Fort Marlbro'. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

16 Aug., 1779, No. 5

1779, Aug 16. The Board intimate to the President and Select Committee at Fort Marlbro' the reasons for their inability to comply with their requests for supply of sepoys and arms and ammunitions. 2 pp.

16 Aug., 1779, No. 6

Aug 28.

Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 26 Aug., 1779

Aug 16, Benares. T. Graham communicates to the Board that Raja Chait Singh has pleaded his inability to pay his share of the expenses of the war. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

26 Aug., 1779, No. 1

¹The Proceedings volume does not bear any date.

Aug 15, Benares. An account of revenue of Raja Chait Singh with the Company.¹ 1 p.

28 Aug., 1779, No. 1 A

Raja Chait Singh informs the Governor General that it is beyond his power to raise the sum of money demanded by the Company. (Received 27 August 1779).² 2 pp.

26 Aug., 1779, No. 2

W. Hastings proposes that two battalions of sepoys be sent to Benares on the requisition of T. Graham and that Raja Chait Singh may bear the entire expenses of the battalions in addition to what he was to pay to the Company; P. Francis and E. Wheler object to the proposals. (Minutes) —3 pp.

Progs., 26 Aug., 1779

Aug 26. The Board intimate to T. Graham that Raja Chait Singh cannot be exempted from paying the amount demanded of him; add that two battalions of sepoys are being sent to Benares under J. Camac; direct that the demand for payment of the sum should be repeated to the Raja. 2 pp.

26 Aug., 1779, No. 3

Sep 2. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 2 Sep., 1779

Intelligence received from Bombay (covering letter dated 21 July 1779, recorded in the Public Department Proceedings of 2 September 1779) regarding movement of a number of French ships. 2 pp.

2 Sep., 1779 No. 1

Sep 13. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 13 Sep., 1779

Sep 13. The Board direct T. Goddard to give the Poona ministers a definite time limit to send their reply to the proposals of the Board; add that their refusal or the delay in sending a reply may be considered by him as a declaration of war and he may act accordingly. 3 pp.

13 Sep., 1779, No. 1

E. Wheler objects to the issue of this letter. (Minute)—1 p.

Progs., 13 Sep., 1779

Sep 13. The Board communicate to the President and Select Committee at Bombay the instructions that have been sent to T. Goddard in the above mentioned letter; request them to render him all possible assistance to make his success speedy and effective in case there is a war. 2 pp.

13 Sep., 1779, No. 2

Aug 31, Benares. T. Graham reports to the Board that a person assuming the title and name of the Bhau (Sadashivarao Bhau) has collected more than 1000 men in the town and may create disturbances;

1. This has not been entered in the Proceedings volume.

2. The date of receipt is one day later than that of the Consultation. Please also see *Calendar of Persian Correspondence*, Vol. V, No. 1573, p. 354.

informs that he has ordered Raja Chait Singh to take steps for suppressing the imposter. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

13 Sep., 1779, No. 3

Sep 1, Benares. T. Graham reports to the Board that the imposter Sadashivarao Bhau has been arrested by Raja Chait Singh's troops and narrates the incidents leading to the arrest; states what precautions he has recommended to the Raja; seeks Board's instructions regarding Bhau. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

13 Sep., 1779, No. 4

Sep 13. The Board direct T. Graham that Bhau should be kept confined at a place of security and well treated but if his security cannot be guaranteed at Benares he may be sent to the Commanding Officer at Chunar. 2 pp.

13 Sep., 1779, No. 5

Sep 16. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 16 Sep., 1779

Jul 15, Camp near Surat. T. Goddard intimates to the Board the result of his negotiation with the Poona Darbar; communicates news of secret motives and designs of the Marathas; requests for instructions regarding the terms to be stipulated in favour of Raghunathrao during the present negotiation. (A.L.S.)—7 pp.

16 Sep., 1779, No. 1

Sep 16. The Board refer T. Goddard to the instructions sent to him previously and authorise him to use his discretion where necessary; recommend the same kindness and moderation in his conduct toward the Maratha *amils* in Gujarat. 2 pp.

16 Sep., 1779, No. 2

Sep 16. The Board inform the President and Select Committee at Bombay that the Poona Darbar has complained of some acts of hostility committed in the name of the Company by a person said to be the Chief of Bankot; ask for particulars of the incident. 1 p.

16 Sep., 1779, No. 3

Sep 29. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 29 Sep., 1779

Sep 10, Benares. T. Graham informs the Board that he has repeated his demand to Raja Chait Singh for payment of his share of the expenses of the war. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

29 Sep., 1779, No. 1

Sep 12, Benares. T. Graham informs the Board that Raja Chait Singh has consented to pay the amount demanded of him but still pleads inability which indicates that he will be very dilatory in payments; seeks further advice. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

29 Sep., 1779, No. 2

Sep 16, Benares. T. Graham forwards to the Board 12 bills of exchange from Raja Chait Singh on account of his *kist* of 4 September and in part payment of his annual tribute to the Company; reports the

Raja's dilatoriness in respect of the payment of the promised amount of five lacs of rupees. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

29 Sep., 1779, No. 3

Sep 17, Benares. T. Graham forwards to the Board translation of a letter from Raja Chait Singh wherein he has requested the Company to allow him to make payment by instalment; informs that he has in the meantime rejected the prayer and has demanded immediate payment of the whole amount. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

29 Sep., 1779, No. 4

Sep 29. W. Hastings moves a resolution in the Board that the Commander-in-Chief be requested to send order to J. Camac to march to Benares conformable to his former instructions, and that the expenses of the detachments be charged on the Raja; E. Wheler objects to the proposal. (Minutes)—2 pp.

Progs., 29 Sep., 1779

Sep 29. The Board request E. Coote to take action as proposed by the Governor General. 3 pp.

29 Sep., 1779, No. 5

Sep 29. The Board communicate to T. Graham the measures which have been adopted by them to make Raja Chait Singh pay the full amount without delay. 2 pp.

29 Sep., 1779, No. 6

Oct 25. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 25 Oct., 1779

Aug 15, Camp near Surat. T. Goddard communicates to the Board the progress of his negotiations with the Poona Darbar and gives his observations on the state of affairs there; encloses an account of his conversation with the vakil from Poona. (A.L.S.)—9 pp.

25 Oct., 1779, No. 1

Aug 15. An account of the conference between T. Goddard and Lakshmanrao (vakil from Poona). (Enclosure to above)—15 pp.

25 Oct., 1779, No. 2

Oct 25. Observations of W. Hastings on the subject of the negotiations in progress between the Select Committee at Madras and Nawab Nizam Ali Khan of Hyderabad; puts the question before the Board whether the Board should interfere in the negotiations. P. Francis, E. Wheler and R. Barwell propose that the Board should interfere in the negotiations. (Minutes)—8 pp.

25 Oct., 1779, No. 3

May 9, Hyderabad. J. Hollond (Resident at Hyderabad) transmits to the Governor General copy of his letter addressed to the Select Committee at Madras; reports the success of Haidar Ali's army! intimates the circumstances which render his stay at Hyderabad difficult; seeks Governor General's instructions. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

25 Oct., 1779 No. A

May 9, Hyderabad. J. Hollond reports to the Select Committee at Madras the progress of his negotiations with Nizam Ali Khan for implementation of the Treaty of 1768. (Enclosure to above)—7 pp.

25 Oct., 1779, No. B

Sep 3, Hyderabad. J. Hollond forwards to the Governor General copies of correspondence between him and the Select Committee at Madras on the negotiations with Nizam Ali Khan; states that Nizam Ali may take the field against Haidar Ali after the rainy season. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

25 Oct., 1779, No. C

Apr 22, Fort St. George. The Select Committee at Fort St. George intimate to J. Hollond the extent of military help they are going to send to Basalat Jang against Haidar Ali; desire him to induce the Nizam to take an active part in defence of his brother; report the surrender of fort Mahe with all its dependencies. (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

25 Oct., 1779, No. D

May 17, Hyderabad. J. Hollond reports to the Select Committee that the interference of the English in the affairs of the Nizam's brother is considered by the Nizam as a violation of the Treaty of 1768 as he has not been consulted before hand; communicates the Nizam's observations regarding Haidar Ali. (Enclosure)—6 pp.

25 Oct., 1779, No. E

Jun 11, Fort St. George. The Select Committee instruct J. Hollond to persuade the Nizam either to remit or reduce the *peshkash* of five lacs of rupees paid annually by the Company for the Northern Sarkars. (Enclosure)—8 pp.

25 Oct., 1779, No. F

Jun 26, Hyderabad. J. Hollond communicates to the Select Committee at Fort St. George the views of the Nizam regarding dismissal of the Frenchmen in his service and regarding reduction of the *peshkash* he receives from the Company. (Enclosure)—9 pp.

25 Oct., 1779, No. G

Jul 10, Fort St. George. The Select Committee give J. Hollond further instructions regarding payment of the *peshkash*; desire him to continue his remonstrances against the Nizam's entertaining the Frenchmen and Lally; intimate that E. Hughes has sailed from England for Madras. (Enclosure)—5 pp.

25 Oct., 1779, No. H

Aug 31, Hyderabad. J. Hollond communicates to the Select Committee at Fort St. George the result of his further negotiations with the Nizam regarding remission of the *peshkash*. (Enclosure)—22 pp.

25 Oct., 1779, No. I

Oct 28. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 28 Oct., 1779

The Governor General reports to the Board that Mir Bazhar Ali (minister of Rana of Gohad) has arrived with full powers for concluding a treaty with this government. 1 p.

Progs., 28 Oct., 1779

Oct 19, Benares. T. Graham reports to the Board that the Dinapore detachment under the command of Capt. J. B. Crabb has arrived and has encamped near Ramnagar; states that Raja Chait Singh has paid half of the amount and has promised to pay the remainder shortly. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

28 Oct., 1779, No. 1

Sep 12, Camp near Surat. T. Goddard submits to the Board an account of the state of affairs at Poona and his negotiation with the Marathas; adds that he has advanced Raghunathrao 50,000 rupees per month for the maintenance of his family; informs that the troops under him are fully prepared for taking the field; acknowledges with grateful thanks the new honour conferred upon him. (A.L.S.)—12 pp.

28 Oct., 1779, No. 2

Nov 1.

Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 1 Nov., 1779

W. Hastings informs Nizam Ali Khan that because J. Hollond's negotiations are not in accordance with the wishes of the Board who are desirous of maintaining the friendship with His Highness, they have thought it proper to interpose their authority and as such have asked Hollond to suspend the business of his commission until he receives further instructions from his immediate constituents.¹—5 pp.

1 Nov., 1779, No. 1

Nov 1. The Board direct J. Hollond to suspend his business there until he receives further instructions from the Select Committee at Fort St. George who have been written more fully on the subject. 2 pp.

1 Nov., 1779, No. 2

Nov. 1. The Board point out to the President and Select Committee at Madras that their negotiations with Nizam Ali Khan have been carried beyond the specified limits and are likely to produce serious consequences at the present state of affairs of the Company; request that revised instructions be issued to J. Hollond; forward a copy of their letter to the Nawab requiring their strict conformity to it. 8 pp.

1 Nov., 1779, No. 3

Oct 20, Benares. T. Graham reports to the Board that a total sum of Rs. 4,40,000 has been received from Raja Chait Singh and that the balance will be paid tomorrow. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

1 Nov., 1779, No. 4

Oct 22, Benares. T. Graham reports to the Board that Raja Chait Singh has completed payment of 5 lacs of rupees; forwards a copy of the letter along with an estimate of the expenses of the detachment which he received from the Commanding Officers. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

1 Nov., 1779, No. 5

Oct 22, Camp. Capt. J. W. Crabb transmits to T. Graham an estimate of monthly expenses of the detachment. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

1 Nov., 1779, No. 6

1. Date is not mentioned either in Consultation or in Proceedings volume. According to the *Calendar of Persian Correspondence*, Vol. V, No. 1658, pp. 384-385 the date of the letter appears to be 1 November.

Estimate of the monthly expense of J. Camac's detachment outside the provinces for October 1779. (Enclosure)—1 p.

1 Nov., 1779, No. 7

Oct 26, Bhagalpur. W. Tierney (Secretary to the Commander-in-Chief) requests J. P. Auriol for cypher for the Commander-in-Chief to enable him to read a letter from T. Goddard; informs that the Commander-in-Chief has asked T. Graham to advance money from his treasury for payment of salary to the sepoy's of the two battalions at Benares and desires that the Governor General's confirmation may be obtained. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

1 Nov., 1779, No. 8

Nov 2¹. The Board direct T. Graham to advance money which he received from Raja Chait Singh to the two battalions for payment to the sepoy's and to remit the balance to the Chief at Patna.

1 Nov., 1779, No. 9

Nov 1. W. Hastings moves that a warrant be granted to W. Popham to empower him to hold Courts Martial during the term of his present command; P. Francis and E. Wheeler propose that the Advocate General should be first consulted if the Board was authorised to do that; the decision of the Board that a warrant be granted in the usual form to W. Popham. (Minutes)—11 pp.

Progs., 1 Nov., 1779

Nov 12. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 12 Nov., 1779

Oct 6, Fort St. George. The President and Select Committee at Fort St. George inform the Board that the ships, the *Ganges* and the *General Barker* are proceeding to Bengal with 23 French prisoners who have entered to serve on the Bengal establishment; add that the same ships have brought recruits from England, and the Bengal quota will be sent to them in due course. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

12 Nov., 1779, No. 1

Oct 27, Benares. T. Graham reports to the Board that Raja Chait Singh has paid 20,000 rupees towards the expenses of J. Camac's detachment; asks for instructions regarding payment to the detachment during its stay at Benares. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

12 Nov., 1779, No. 2

W. Hastings places before the Board a draft of conditions which he has prepared for a treaty of alliance, offensive and defensive, with the Rana of Gohad (Lokindar Bahadur). (Minute)—1 p.

12 Nov., 1779, No. 3

Draft of a treaty between Rana Lokindar Bahadur of Gohad and the East India Company. (Enclosure to above)—8 pp.

12 Nov., 1779, No. 4

1. The letter is dated one day later than the Consultation.

Nov 29.

Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 29 Nov., 1779

Oct 30, Fort St. George. The President and Select Committee at Fort St. George communicate to the Board their observations on the apprehended French attack on Bombay and intimate that necessary instructions have been issued to J. Braithwaite to comply with any requisition for reinforcement made by T. Goddard; request to send the promised amount of five lacs of rupees. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

29 Nov., 1779, No. 1

Nov 29. The Board request the President and Select Committee at Madras to send the detained recruits from England to Bengal without delay; express the hope that the Committee's orders to J. Braithwaite will be effective. 9 pp.

29 Nov., 1779, No. 2

The Board resolve that the officers should be ready to proceed to Madras by the *General Barker* to bring the recruits to Bengal. (Resolution)—2 pp.

Progs., 29 Nov., 1779

Oct 4. T. Goddard reports to the Board about the rivalry between the Maratha chiefs; states that Nana Phadnavis has an inclination to form an alliance with the French; apprehends that the negotiations with the Marathas may terminate in failure; encloses extracts of his correspondence with the Select Committee at Bomboy. (A.L.S.)—6 pp.

29 Nov., 1779, No. 3

Sep 17. The Select Committee at Bombay inform T. Goddard that they will give him full assistance in his measures, as desired by the Governor General. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

Sep 29. T. Goddard assures the Select Committee at Bombay of full co-operation in discharge of his duties to the interest of the Company and the Government of Bombay. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

29 Nov., 1779, No. 4

Oct 20, Headquarters, Camp near Surat. T. Goddard transmits to the Board further particulars of the progress and prospects of his negotiations with the ministers at Poona. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

29 Nov., 1779, No. 5

Nov 20. The Board direct T. Goddard to stop the allowance of 50,000 rupees per month to Raghunathrao with immediate effect. 2 pp.

29 Nov., 1779, No. 6**Dec 2.**

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B.S., 2 Dec., 1779

Dec 2. Revised draft of a treaty proposed between the East India Company and Maharaja Lokindar Bahadur of Gohad. 8 pp.

2 Dec., 1779, No. 1

Dec 1. E. Wheler gives the reasons for which he is against the proposed treaty with the Rana of Gohad. (Minute)—4 pp.

2 Dec., 1779, No. 2

Dec 2. P. Francis submits a note of dissent against the proposed treaty with the Rana of Gohad. (Minute)—11 pp.

2 Dec., 1779, No. 3

Dec. 2. Comments of R. Barwell, P. Francis and W. Hastings on the amended draft treaty; decision of the Board agreeing to the amended draft. (Minutes)—13 pp.

Progs., 2 Dec., 1779

Dec 6. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 6 Dec., 1779

Dec 4. W. Hastings observes that the vakil of the Rana of Gohad has not been properly invested with the powers to conclude a treaty with the Company; recommends that the suggestions of the vakil, as stated in his *arzi* for ratification of the treaty, may be approved by the Board¹. (Minute)—2 pp.

6 Dec., 1779, No. 1

Mazhar Ali (vakil of the Rana of Gohad) requests the Board to depute a gentleman of trust to the Rana for ratification of the treaty. (*Arzi—Enclosure to above*)—2 pp.

6 Dec., 1779, No. 2

R. Barwell agrees to the proposal (Minute)—1 p.

Progs., 6 Dec., 1779

Dec 5. P. Francis states that as Rana Lokindar Bahadur is to be benefited with this treaty he will have no objection to ratify the treaty if signed by vakil; E. Wheler agrees to the above. (Minutes)—2 pp.

6 Dec., 1779, No. 3

The Board resolve that a person be deputed on behalf of the Company to the Rana of Gohad for the execution and ratification of the treaty. (Resolution)—1 p.

Progs., 6 Dec., 1779

Nov 20, Fatehgarh. E. Coote communicates to the Governor General that the Marathas have taken possession of one of the forts at Gohad and are preparing to conquer the whole country; states that the Rana is practically unable to defend his country.² (Extract)—2 pp.

6 Dec., 1779, No. 4

Dec 6. W. Hastings proposes that a copy of the treaty may be sent to the Commander-in-Chief under instructions that any requisition for a detachment of the Company's forces from the Rana of Gohad may be complied with; R. Barwell agrees to the motion of the Governor General while E. Wheler and P. Francis object to it. (Minutes)—6 pp.

Progs., 6 Dec., 1779

1. No date has been mentioned in the Proceedings volume.

2. Date not given in the Proceedings volume.

Dec. 6. The Board inform E. Coote about conclusion of a treaty between the Company and Lokindar Bahadur and forward a copy for his information; request him to comply with the request of the Rana for a detachment of the Company's forces against the Marathas. 2 pp.

6 Dec., 1779, No. 5

Dec. 6. W. Hastings moves that Capt. W. Palmer (Military Secretary to the Governor General) may be deputed to the Rana of Gohad to interchange the treaties; P. Francis suggests that it would be less expensive if an officer from the nearest station had been sent. (Minutes)—2 pp.

Progs., 6 Dec., 1779

Sep 6, Bombay Castle. The President and Select Committee at Bombay explain to the Board the reasons for which C. Egerton and W. Cockburn cannot be tried at a General Court Martial and intimate when they intend to hold such a Court; complain that the Board's instructions to T. Goddard are infringements on their rights and privileges; inform about the quarrel between Fateh Singh and Govindrao Gaikwar on the matter of succession; state that it is time to decide on measures that are to be pursued in the event of the death of the Nawab of Surat (Hafiz-ud-Din Ahmad Khan), who is in declining state of health; transmit a copy of J. Carnac's minute on the subject together with copies of certain *farmans* and agreements that were made with the Nawab of Surat. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

6 Dec., 1779, No. 6

Jun 9. Maj. J. Carnac's (Member, Bombay Council) observations on the subject of better regulation and that of Government of Surat on the event of the death of Hafiz-ud-Din Ahmad Khan. (Minute—Enclosure to above)—1 p.

6 Dec., 1779, No. A

Farmans, Parwanas, Hukumnamas and agreements relating to the question of succession to the Nawabship of Surat. (11 in number—Enclosures)—16 pp.

6 Dec., 1779, No. B

The Select Committee at Bombay ask the Chief of Surat to send an accurate account of the family of Hafiz-ud-Din Ahmad Khan.

Jul 18, Surat. R. H. Boddam forwards to the Select Committee at Bombay a complete account of the family and connections of the Nawab. (Enclosures)—3 pp.

6 Dec., 1779, No. C

Jul 18, Surat. An account of the family of Hafiz-ud-Din Ahmad Khan. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

6 Dec., 1779, No. D

Questions by R. H. Boddam to elicit accurate information relating to the succession of the Nawab of Surat according to Mahomedan laws and replies given thereon by Mir Abdul Hasan Khan, Qazi of Surat, (Enclosure)—4 pp.

6 Dec., 1779, No. E

Descriptions of persons connected by family ties with Hafiz-ud-Din Ahmad Khan. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

6 Dec., 1779, No. P

Dec 6. The Board inform the President and Select Committee at Bombay that they should await instructions from the Court of Directors regarding the future Government of Surat. 3 pp.

6 Dec., 1779, No. 7

Nov 10, Fort St. George. The President and Select Committee at Fort St. George intimate to the Board that they have received letters from T. Goddard on the subject of his negotiations with the Marathas and on hostility with the Marathas; communicate the critical state of affairs in their presidency as Haidar Ali's intentions are hostile towards the Company and the Carnatic and his forces have assembled at Seringapatam; suggest a plan, best and most effectual in their opinion, of distressing Haidar and putting an end to the war; express the hope that, in view of the threatened danger, the Supreme Government will speedily come to some terms with the Marathas while they themselves will try to maintain peace with Haidar Ali. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

6 Dec., 1779, No. 8

Dec 9. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 9 Dec., 1779

The Secretary lays before the Board drafts of the treaty with the Rana of Gohad which was signed by the members of the Board and the minister of the Rana of Gohad. The Board decide that these may be sent to W. Palmer to be ratified by the Rana in his presence. 1 p.

Progs., 9 Dec., 1779

Dec 13. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 13 Dec., 1779

Dec 13. Proposals of W. Hastings on the question of allowances to be drawn by W. Palmer and the decision of the Board thereon. (Minute)—3 pp.

Progs., 13 Dec., 1779

Nov 19, Lucknow. C. Purling (Resident at the court of Oudh) informs the Board that Asaf-ud-Daulah has expressed his inability to grant in full the *tankhwahs* demanded from him for the year on account of fall in revenues due to drought, and in order to curtail the expenditure is willing to dismiss a considerable part of the troops employed in his dominion under British officers; encloses certain accounts and estimates and a translation of a letter from the Vazir and an extract of a letter from N. Middleton to him. (A.L.S.)—7 pp.

13 Dec., 1779, No. 1

Nov 19, Lucknow. Estimate of the funds to be realised from Asaf-ud-Daulah. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

13 Dec., 1779, No. A

Nov 10. Lucknow. Estimate of the funds to be realised from Asaf-ud-Daulah for the public services for the *Fasli* year 1187. (Enclosure)—1 p.

13 Dec., 1779, No. B

General estimate of the expenses of the Vazir's troops under the command of British officers for the *Fasli* year 1187. (Enclosure)—1 p.

13 Dec., 1779, No. C

Asaf-ud-Daulah represents to the Resident at his court his difficulties in paying the troops commanded by the British officers due to the fall in his revenues owing to drought in his dominion. (Enclosure)—4 pp.

13 Dec., 1779, No. D

Dec 15¹. The Board direct C. Purling to repeat his demand to Asaf-ud-Daulah in writing and point out to him the danger in dismissing any part of the troops employed under him at a time when his territories as well as the Company's are threatened by the common enemy, the Marathas. 3 pp.

13 Dec., 1779, No. 2

Dec 15. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 15 Dec., 1779

E. Wheler agrees as a matter of necessity to the issue of the proposed draft² to C. Purling though he does not approve of the principles on which the Company's transactions with the Vazir have been conducted. (Minute)—1 p.

Progs., 15 Dec., 1779

P. Francis strongly criticizes the principles on which the maintenance of a part of the Company's forces is forced upon Asaf-ud-Daulah; agrees as a matter of necessity to the measures proposed in the letter to C. Purling. (Minute)—8 pp.

15 Dec., 1779, No. 1

Dec 15. W. Hastings gives his observations on the minute of P. Francis and states the reasons for which the Government cannot accede to the request of the Nawab at this juncture. (Minute)—7 pp.

Progs., 15 Dec., 1779

Dec 15. Comments of P. Francis on some of the statements made by the Governor General on dismissal of troops and on the private life of the Nawab Vazir. (Minute)—3 pp.

Progs., 15 Dec., 1779

Dec 15. W. Hastings gives his comments on the minute of P. Francis; says that there is no inconsistency in his opinion. (Minute)—4 pp.

Progs., 15 Dec., 1779

1775, Sep 14. W. Hastings expresses his views to the Court of Directors on the treaty concluded with Asaf-ud-Daulah and requests for the confirmation of the same; suggests how they should instruct the administration in Bengal to be particularly attentive and to support and befriend him (the Nawab). (Extract)—3 pp.

15 Dec., 1779, No. 2

1. Dated two days later than the Consultation.

2. Please see Consultation dated 13 December 1779, No. 2.

1779, Dec 15. R. Barwell criticises the minute of P. Francis and points out how the principle which he now objects to, was supported by him when this was first introduced in the Board by J. Bristow. (Minute) —5 pp.

Progs., 15 Dec., 1779

J. Bristow conveys to the Board the desire of Asaf-ud-Daulah to furnish him with British officers as well as for a corps of artillery and cavalry in proportion to strengthen his dominion. (Extract—Enclosure to above)¹ —2 pp.

15 Dec., 1779, No. 3

The Board inform J. Bristow that they approve, in general, of the measures recommended by him in the aforesaid letter. (Extract—Enclosure)¹—1 p.

15 Dec., 1779, No. 4

C. Clavering offers his opinion on the formation of a body of troops as the Nawab seems to require. (Extract—Enclosure)²—2 pp.

15 Dec., 1779, No. 5

Note by P. Francis against the imputation of inconsistency on his part made by R. Barwell in his note above. (Minute)—1 p.

Progs., 15 Dec., 1779

Comments of W. Hastings on the minute of P. Francis stated above. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 15 Dec., 1779

Dec 15. W. Hastings points out to Asaf-ud-Daulah the impropriety and impracticability of dismissing the Company's forces at this juncture; insists upon his granting the *tankhwahs* for the full amount of the expenses of the troops. 6 pp.

15 Dec., 1779, No. 6

Dec 15. The Board request E. Coote to exercise his personal influence to the arguments they have advanced to the Nawab Vazir and to assist with his endeavours to give effect to the application which will be made to the Nawab by C. Purling; enclose copies of Board's letter to C. Purling and the Nawab. 2 pp.

15 Dec., 1779, No. 7

Dec 20. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 20 Dec., 1779

Dec 20. The Board communicate to the President and Select Committee, Fort St. George, their views on the subject of the supposed hostile attitude of Haidar Ali on the Carnatic; express their inability to send them the promised amount. 4 pp.

20 Dec., 1779, No. 1

Dec 23. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 23 Dec., 1779

1. Recorded in the Consultation of 29 November 1775. Please see *Press-List of Records belonging to the Foreign Department of the Government of India, Secret Dept.*, Vol. I, p. 361.

2. Recorded in the Consultation of 14 December 1775. *Ibid.*, p. 373.

Oct 7, Bombay Castle. The President and Select Committee at Bombay transmit to the Board copies of their correspondence with C. Egerton, W. Cockburn and T. Goddard; express their views on the subject of keeping themselves in readiness to meet any sudden attack of the French; request for an early supply of money. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

23 Dec., 1779, No. 1

Extracts from the Proceedings of the Select Committee at Bombay and copies of their correspondence with C. Egerton and W. Cockburn on the question of their being brought to trial before a General Court Martial. (Enclosures to above)—16 pp.

23 Dec., 1779, No. A

Correspondence between the Select Committee at Bombay and T. Goddard on the subject of his negotiations with the Marathas and on the apprehended attack of the French on this Presidency. (Enclosure)—11 pp.

23 Dec., 1779, No. B

Oct 31, Bombay Castle. The President and Select Committee, Bombay intimate to the Board that they have advised T. Goddard not to precipitate matters with the Marathas but to try to gain time; state that they are in urgent need of money; enclose copy of their correspondence with T. Goddard; communicate the receipt of intelligence that C. Hardy will oppose combined fleets of France and Spain. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

23 Dec., 1779, No. 2

Correspondence between the Select Committee and T. Goddard on the subject of his negotiations with the Marathas. (Enclosures to above)—4 pp.

23 Dec., 1779, No. C

Oct 28, Headquarters, Camp near Surat. T. Goddard informs the Board that he has broken off negotiations with the Marathas as they insist on Raghunathrao being delivered up and Salsette restored to them; states that it would be impolitic to make overtures to Sindhia at the present juncture. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

23 Dec., 1779, No. 3

Dec 11, Phaphamau near Allahabad. E. Coote informs the Board that he had an interchange of visits with Asaf-ud-Daulah near Allahabad; asks for instructions regarding the movement of W. Popham's detachment; recommends strengthening the forts at Chunargarh and Buxar. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

23 Dec., 1779, No. 4

Dec 23. The Board forward to E. Coote a copy of a letter from T. Goddard intimating that copies of all letters that may in future be received from him will also be sent to the Commander-in-Chief; leave it to him to judge the expediency of sending W. Popham's detachment to reinforce Goddard's army. 1 p.

23 Dec., 1779, No. 5

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1780, Jan 17.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 17 Jan., 1780

Jan 17. P. Francis objects to the last paragraph of the General Letter from the Secret Department; expresses doubt if Raja Chait Singh derived any benefit from the protection given to him by the Company and if the Government have any right to increase the tribute already fixed by a treaty. (Minute)—1 p.

Progs., 17 Jan., 1780

Jan 17. W. Hastings informs the Board that he has received private advice regarding the return of T. Goddard to Surat and desires that the information may be inserted in the General Letter; P. Francis suggests that the Court of Directors may be informed that the Marathas and Haidar Ali have formed an alliance; comments of W. Hastings thereon. (Minutes)—3 pp.

17 Jan., 1780, No. 1

1779, Nov 3. Intelligence from the Deccan respecting the affairs of the Marathas, the Nizam and Haidar Ali. (Enclosure to above)—7 pp.

17 Jan., 1780, No. 2

Dec 8, Hyderabad. J. Hollond informs the Board that he has delivered their letter* of 1 November 1779 to Nizam Ali Khan who was satisfied with its contents. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

17 Jan., 1780, No. 3

Dec 18, Hyderabad. J. Hollond forwards to the Board a copy of Nizam Ali Khan's reply to their letter of 1 November.

17 Jan., 1780, No. 4

Nizam Ali Khan complains to J. Hollond that the Government of Fort St. George have infringed the terms of the treaty and alliance existing between him and the English Company; states that he has not resorted to hostile action only out of desire to preserve good relations with the English; desires that the views of the Board on the subject may be communicated to the Government of Madras without delay, failing which he will take up arms in concert with the Marathas and Haidar Ali (Received 10 January).† (Enclosure to above)—7 pp.

17 Jan., 1780, No. 5

Dec 20, Hyderabad. J. Hollond communicates to the Board the views of Nizam Ali Khan depreciating the British alliance with Raghunathrao and the Nizam's offer to take up the latter under his protection and confer on him a pension. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

17 Jan., 1780, No. 6

*Please see Consultation 1 November 1779, No. 1.

†The date is apparently wrong. Please see *Calendar of Persian Correspondence*, Vol. V, No. 1716, p. 404.

1780, Jan 24.

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B. S., 24 Jan., 1780

1779, Dec 10, Camp near Surat. T. Goddard gives an account to the Board of the existing situation with reference to the approaching war with the Marathas. (A.L.S.)—14 pp.

24 Jan., 1780, No. 1

1780, Jan 24. The Board give instructions to T. Goddard in respect of his dealings with Raghunathrao; call for an explanation from him for his share in the breaking off of the negotiations at Poona; decline to give him power to grant Brevet rank and fill up vacancies in his detachment 6 pp.

24 Jan., 1780, No. 2

Jan 2, Lucknow. E. Coote forwards to the Board extracts from certain letters received by him from Europe and from a gentleman at Cochin referring to a probable invasion of some English settlements by the French; suggests that the Government should now lay aside all thoughts of foreign conquests and concentrate in the preservation of the Company's possessions. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

24 Jan., 1780, No. 3

1779, Nov 17. A gentleman freshly arriving from England gives an account to E. Coote of the general state of the different powers of Europe and of the alliance formed between France and Spain against England.

Jun 30. A gentleman in England intimates to E. Coote the departure of certain ships and troops from the squadron of E. Hughes to America.

Nov 17, Cochin. A gentleman at Cochin intimates to E. Coote the seizure of one of the Company's ships with her cargo and passengers by Haidar Ali's men. (Extracts—Enclosures to above)—7 pp.

24 Jan., 1780, No. 4

1780, Jan 3, Lucknow. E. Coote intimates to the Board that Asaf-ud-Daulah has given his consent to the issuing of the full amount of money demanded by the Board for the payment of the troops stationed for the defence of Rohilkhand. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

24 Jan., 1780, No. 5

Jan 6, Lucknow. E. Coote informs the Board that in the present state of affairs it is necessary to take a most immediate, decided and united measure; requests that he should be informed of the opinions of the Board on important matters as soon as possible; intimates the proposed march of W. Popham's detachment and encloses a return of the army under T. Goddard. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

24 Jan., 1780, No. 6

Jan 1, Lucknow. Return of the army under T. Goddard. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

24 Jan., 1780, No. 6

Jan 24. The Board advise E. Coote against W. Popham's detachment joining the forces commanded by T. Goddard; recommend that Brig

Gen. Goddard's detachment may be retained on the western side of the Vazir's dominions where it may be useful in dealing with the Marathas. 3 pp.

24 Jan., 1780, No. 8

1779, Dec 31, Fort St. George. The President and Select Committee at Fort St. George object to the style of the Board's letter relating to the detention at Fort St. George of certain recruits for the Bengal establishment; enclose certain papers and intimate about the conclusion of a treaty of peace and alliance between the Marathas and Haidar Ali. (A.L.S.)—13 pp.

24 Jan., 1780, No. 9

Sep 22, Fort St. George. Report of the Committee in respect of the recruits arrived from Europe on the ship *General Barker*. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

24 Jan., 1780, No. A

Sep 22, Fort St. George. Report of the Committee in respect of the recruits arrived from Europe on the ship *Ganges*. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

24 Jan., 1780, No. B

Sep 22, Fort St. George. List of recruits landed at Fort St. George from the ships *General Barker* and *Ganges* and the remarks of the Committee assembled to examine them. (Enclosure)—4 pp.

24 Jan., 1780, No. C

Dec 14. Nizam Ali Khan forwards to the Governor of Fort St. George a paper of intelligence received from Raoji at Poona. (Enclosure)—9 pp.

24 Jan., 1780, No. D

1780, Jan 24. The decision of the Board to send a copy of the letter dated 31 December 1779 from Fort St. George to the Court of Directors and to request them to revoke from the Government of Fort St. George the discretionary power to detain the recruits intended for Bengal establishment if such a power was at all vested in that Government. (Minute and Resolution)—7 pp.

Progs., 24 Jan., 1780

Jan 24. The Board demand from the President and Select Committee of Fort St. George the despatch of the recruits for the Bengal establishment detained there; intimate their decision of sending a copy of the Select Committee's letter dated 31 December 1779 to the Court of Directors. 3 pp.

24 Jan., 1780, No. 10

Jan 31.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 31 Jan., 1780

1779, Aug 25, Fort Marlbro'. The President and Select Committee at Fort Marlbro' request the Board for deputation of two Infantry officers; submit general returns of the strength and disposition of the troops there; forward an indent for 100 barrels of gun powder. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

31 Jan., 1780, No. 1

Nov 8, Fort Marlbro'. The President and Select Committee at Fort Marlbro' repeat their request for men and munitions; depute P. Manington to represent their case before the Board. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

31 Jan., 1780, No. 2

1780, Jan 31. Orders of the Board regarding supply of men and munitions to Fort Marlbro'. 2 pp.

Progs., 31 Jan., 1780

Feb 14. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 14 Feb., 1780

1779, Dec 31, Fort St. George. The President and Select Committee at Fort St. George forward to the Board with their comments a copy of a letter from J. Braithwaite; intimate the arrival of the ship *Nymph*. (A.L.S.)—6 pp.

14 Feb., 1780. No. 1

Dec 9, Camp at Tellicherry. J. Braithwaite gives an account to the President and Select Committee at Fort St. George of the operations in connection with the defence of Tellicherry against the attack of the Nairs and Haidar Ali. (A.L.S.—Enclosure to above)—18 pp.

24 Feb., 1780, No. 2

1780, Jan 15, Fort St. George. The President and Select Committee at Fort St. George contest the authority of the Board to interfere in their proceedings for obtaining from the Nizam a remission of the *peshkash* due to them by the Treaty of 1763; enclose a minute by their President on the subject. (A.L.S.)—14 pp.

24 Feb., 1780, No. 3

1779, Dec 30, Fort St. George. J. Rumbold replies to the Board's remarks on the conduct of Fort St. George in appointing J. Hollond minister to the court of the Nizam. (Minute—Enclosure to above)—80 pp.

24 Feb., 1780, No. A

1780, Feb 14. W. Hastings proposes that copies of the correspondence between the Board and the Select Committee at Fort St. George on the latter's dealings with the Nizam together with copies of the connected papers be sent to the Court of Directors. (Minute)—3 pp.

Progs., 14 Feb., 1780

Feb 14. The Board point out to the President and Select Committee at Fort St. George how improper it is for any of the subordinate Presidencies to prosecute wars or conclude treaties with other powers independently of the Board. 7 pp.

14 Feb., 1780, No. 5

Jan 16, Hyderabad. J. Hollond complains to the Board of the treatment received by him from the President and Council of Fort St. George at being recalled to the Presidency from the Nizam's court; forwards copies of some letters on the subjects; informs of the advantages of a closer union with the Nizam. (A.L.S.)—16 pp.

14 Feb., 1780, No. 6

1779, Mar 23, Masulipatam. J. Hollond intimates his appointment by the Government of Fort St. George to the Nizam's court as a Resident on behalf of the Company; requests the Board to acknowledge his appointment in a letter to the Nizam. (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

14 Feb., 1780, No. 7

Feb 22, Fort St. George. The President and Select Committee at Fort St. George appoint J. Hollond as the Resident at the court of the Nizam on behalf of the Company and give him instructions for his guidance. (Enclosure)—5 pp.

14 Feb., 1780, No. 8

May 9, Hyderabad. J. Hollond informs the Board of the growing power of Haidar Ali and of the jealousy that it has aroused in the Nizam; remarks that the time is opportune for taking steps to check the encroachment of that restless usurper. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

14 Feb., 1780, No. 9

May 9, Hyderabad. J. Hollond intimates to the President and Select Committee at Fort St. George that he was received with honour by the Nizam who professed his desire to be on terms of strictest friendship with the Company. (Enclosure)—5 pp.

14 Feb., 1780, No. 10

Dec 17, Fort St. George. The President and Select Committee at Fort St. George direct J. Hollond to return to the Presidency and urge the Nizam to quit his territories. (Enclosure)—1 p.

14 Feb., 1780, No. 11

1780, Jan 16, Hyderabad. J. Hollond intimates to the President and Select Committee at Fort St. George that at the request of the Nizam he has consented to remain there a few days more; informs that J. Lally and his party have gone off to Haidar Ali. (A.L.S.—Enclosure)—3 pp.

14 Feb., 1780, No. 12

Feb 14. The decision of the Board to appoint J. Hollond as Public Minister of the Government of Bengal at the court of Nizam Ali Khan for the purposes of adjusting such matters as remain to be settled with him. (Resolution)—2 pp.

Progs., 22 Jun., 1780

Feb 14. The Board request the President and Select Committee at Fort St. George to permit J. Hollond to remain as a Public Minister of the Government of Bengal at the court of the Nizam. 3 pp.

14 Feb., 1780, No. 13

Feb 14. The Board inform J. Hollond that they have written to the Select Committee at Fort St. George for permission to appoint him as the Public Minister at the court of the Nizam; desire him in the meantime to remain there in that capacity; send him proper credentials to produce before the Nizam; also send letters¹ for the Nizam and Haidar Ali. 6 pp.

14 Feb., 1780, No. 14

1. Not recorded in the Proceedings volume or Consultations.

Feb¹ 17. The Board forward to J. Hollond copy of the credentials appointing him Public Minister on behalf of the Government of Bengal at the court of Nizam Ali Khan. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

14 Feb., 1780, No. 15

Feb 14. The decision of the Board to acknowledge the receipt of the letter² received from Nizam Ali Khan and to acquaint him with the credentials given to J. Hollond. (Resolution)—1 p.

Progs., 14 Feb., 1780

Feb 14. W. Hastings assures Nizam Ali Khan that the recall of J. Hollond from his court is not due to any unfriendly disposition of the Government of Fort St. George towards him; intimates the appointment of Hollond as a Public Minister at his court on behalf of the Government of Bengal.³ 3 pp.

14 Feb., 1780, No. 16

1779, Dec¹, Allahabad. E. Coote sends with his remarks a protest against an order of the Board relative to the proposed alliance with Chattar Singh; encloses a minute on the subject. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

14 Feb., 1780, No. 17

Dec 21, Allahabad. E. Coote protests against the proposed alliance with Rana of Gohad. (Minute)—12 pp.

14 Feb., 1780, No. 18

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B. S., 17 Feb., 1780

Feb 17. The Board inform E. Coote that he being absent from the meeting of the Council his reviewing the acts of the Government and protesting against them after they have been formally determined by the Board is irregular; add that the treaty concluded with the Rana of Gohad became binding from the date of its execution in Calcutta, and that a copy of the treaty was sent to him not for his opinion but to acquaint him with its contents and for the execution of some of its clauses under his orders. 4 pp.

17 Feb., 1780, No. 1

Feb 17. The Board request the Board of Trade for early completion of the lading of the ceres.—2 pp.

17 Feb., 1780, No. 2

Feb 17. The Board inform Haidar Ali Khan that although various reports have been received of his hostile intentions. the English will refrain from acting as aggressors; ask him to indicate clearly what is to be his future conduct towards them⁵. 3 pp.

17 Feb., 1780, No. 3

1. That is the date given both in the Consultation and in the Proceedings volume.

2. Please see *Calendar of Persian Correspondence*, Vol. X, No. 1732, p. 407.

3. *Ibid*, No. 1747, p. 411.

4. No date is given either in the Proceedings volume or in the Consultation.

5. Please also see *Calendar of Persian Correspondence*, Vol. V, No. 1748, pp. 411-12.

Feb 24.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 24 Feb., 1780

Jan 2, Bombay Castle. The President and Council of Bombay transmit to the Board copies of correspondence between them and T Goddard relative to the Marathas; represent the bad state of their finances and ask for the usual supply of money; give an account of the defence of Telli-cherry against the attacks of two Malabar chiefs; mention that an intrigue has been detected between the Dutch Chief at Surat and the Maratha Government; report the capture by the Maratha fleet of two gentlemen from England in charge of despatches from the Court of Directors and the seizure of a Danish ship with several English passengers by an officer of Haidar Ali. (A.L.S.)—6 pp.

24 Feb., 1780, No. 1

1779, Nov 3, Bombay. T. Goddard intimates to the President and Select Committee of Bombay the refusal by the Maratha ministers of the terms of peace offered by him.

Nov 15, Bombay. T. Goddard informs the Select Committee of Bombay that there is no hope of an accommodation with the Maratha ministers; requests instructions for treating with Fateh Singh Gaikwar and Raghunathrao.

Dec 2, Bombay Castle. The Select Committee, Bombay ask T. Goddard to try to gain time till they are in a better position to enter into the war; approve of his proposal in regard to Raghunathrao.

Dec 2, Bombay Castle. The Select Committee, Bombay send to T. Goddard credentials giving him powers to conclude a treaty with Fateh Singh Gaikwar.

Dec 15, Camp near Surat. T. Goddard acquaints the Select Committee, Bombay with the progress of negotiations with Fateh Singh Gaikwar.

Dec 27, Bombay Castle. The Select Committee, Bombay inform T. Goddard that there is no immediate prospect of his getting reinforcement from Madras; give instructions in regard to the proposed alliance with Fateh Singh Gaikwar; state that they have asked the Chief of Surat to advance him two lacs of rupees.

Information of Dennis dos Santos (Second gunner of the *Warren*) who entered the French service at Mauritius and thus obtained a knowledge of their intended attack on Madras and of their strength. (Enclosures to above)—28 pp.

24 Feb., 1780 No. A

1780, Jan 15, Tellicherry. The Chief and Council at Tellicherry report to the Board about the hostile conduct of two Malabar chiefs who are tributaries of Haidar Ali. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

24 Feb., 1780 No. 2

Jan 1, Camp near Kathor, north bank of the Tapti. T. Goddard informs the Board of his endeavours to conclude an alliance with Fateh Singh Gaikwar and of the latter's suspicious behaviour; asks for instructions in regard to the assistance to be rendered to Raghunathrao. (Copy)—12 pp.

24 Feb., 1780, No. 3

Feb 29.**Minutes of Consultation.****B. S., 29 Feb., 1780**

Feb 29. The Board intimate to the Select Committee of Fort Marlbro' the appointment of certain officers required by them and the supply of stores. 3 pp.

29 Feb., 1780, No. 1

Mar 20.**Minutes of Consultation.****B. S., 20 Mar., 1780**

Mar 20. W. Hastings reports that he has received intelligence from a private source of the investment of the capital of Fateh Singh Gaikwar by T. Goddard; desires that this information may be given in the General Letters to the Court of Directors. (Minute)—1 p.

20 Mar., 1780, No. 1

Feb 18, Fort St. George. The President and Select Committee of Fort St. George inform the Board of the hostile intentions of Haidar Ali; state that they have concluded a treaty with Basalat Jang and obtained possession of the *sarkar* of Guntur; enclose a copy of the treaty; add that under persuasion of Haidar Ali and the Nizam, Basalat Jang wants the *sarkar* back; intimate that they are unable to send to Bengal all the recruits that have come from England for that Presidency but are sending instead the recruits that were meant for Fort St. George. (A.L.S.)—7 pp.

20 Mar., 1780, No. 2

1779, Apr 27, Fort St. George. Treaty concluded with Nawab Shuja-ul-Mulk (Basalat Jang) by the President and Council of Fort St. George. (Enclosure to above)—5 pp.

20 Mar., 1780, No. A

1780, Feb 29, Fort St. George. The President and Select Committee, Fort St. George justify their action in detaining a number of recruits intended for the Presidency of Fort William; enclose extracts from General Letters from the Court of Directors in support. (A.L.S.)—8 pp.

20 Mar., 1780, No. 3

1765, Jan 4 & Dec 13, 1768, Mar 25, 1769, Dec 7, London. The Court of Directors give to the President and Council of Fort St. George discretionary powers to detain recruits intended for the Bengal establishment. (Extracts—Enclosures to above)—2 pp.

20 Mar., 1780, No. B

1780, Mar 20. The Board intimate to the President and Select Committee of Fort St. George the delay in receiving from them the first intimation of their agreement with Basalat Jang; request them not to detain in future any of the recruits intended for the Bengal establishment without their consent. 3 pp.

20 Mar., 1780, No. 4

Mar 20. The Board give an account to J. Hollond of an agreement concluded between the Presidency of Fort St. George and Basalat Jang by which the Company have got the right of farming the *sarkar* of

Guntur; ask him to obtain the consent of Nizam Ali Khan to this measure.
3 pp.

20 Mar., 1780, No. 5

Mar 23.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 23 Mar., 1780

Jan 29, Camp near Baroda. T. Goddard sends to the Board a translation of a treaty concluded by him with Fateh Singh Gaikwar; intimates Raghunathrao's request for an increase of allowance. (Copy)—8 pp.

23 Mar., 1780, No. 1

Jan 26, Candeela. Translation of a treaty concluded by T. Goddard with Fateh Singh Gaikwar with a view to forming a defensive league against the Maratha Government (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

23 Mar., 1780, No. 2

Mar 23, The Board approve of T. Goddard's plan of operations in the Gujarat country and of the treaty concluded with Fateh Singh Gaikwar; invite his suggestions for securing the quiet possession of the territories acquired by treaty with Fateh Singh; direct him not to enter into any engagements whatsoever with Raghunathrao and also not to take any active part in the family disputes between Fateh Singh and his brother.
5 pp.

23 Mar., 1780, No. 3

P. Francis and E. Wheler agree to the foregoing draft. (Minutes)—1 p.

23 Mar., 1780, No. 4

Mar 23. W. Hastings informs that he has received information that T. Goddard's detachment was expected at Ahmadabad on 13 March and that a negotiation had been opened with the *qiladar* of Ahmadabad for the surrender of that place. (Minute)—1 p.

Progs., 23 Mar., 1780

Apr 3.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S. 3 Apr., 1780

Jan 26, Lucknow. C. Purling (Resident at the Nawab Vazir's court) forwards copies of correspondence between him and Asaf-ud-Daulah relative to the payment of allowances to the officers under the Nawab. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

3 Apr., 1780, No. 1

Feb 9, Lucknow. C. Purling intimates to the Board about the grant of a sum of money by Asaf-ud-Daulah and his present inability to pay the balance. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

3 Apr., 1780, No. 2

Feb*, Lucknow. General *kist-bandi* of the lands assigned over by Asaf-ud-Daulah to the Company. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

3 Apr., 1780, No. 3

*No date is given either in the Proceedings volume or in the Consultation.

Jan 25, Lucknow. Estimate of the assignments to be required from Asaf-ud-Daulah. (Enclosure)—1 p.

3 Apr., 1780, No. 4

Apr 3. The Board inform C. Purling that the Vazir's assignments are insufficient to meet the claims on him; ask for information concerning the proprietorships of certain jagirs. 3 pp.

Apr 3. P. Francis suggests that assignments should be demanded from Asaf-ud-Daulah to the amount of the estimate; E. Wheler agrees.

Apr 3. W. Hastings states that the letter to C. Purling is written conformably to the resolution of the Board; adds that he cannot agree to demand assignments of a larger amount. (Minutes)—3 pp.

3 Apr., 1780, No. 5

Apr 5. The Board inform C. Purling that the Nawab Vazir's assignments have fallen short of the estimate; request him to obtain additional assignments to the amount of the whole demand; ask for information relative to the proprietorships of certain jagirs; direct that in case any of the jagirs are restored to their proprietors other assignments of equal value and security should be taken in their stead. 3 pp.

3 Apr., 1780, No. 6

Mar 20, Lucknow. E. Coote submits to the Board a proposal of Muhammad Ali Khan to pay into the Company's treasury at Madras the annual revenue due to the Vazir for the pargana of Gopamau in Oudh. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

3 Apr., 1780, No. 7

Apr 3. W. Hastings informs the Board that it had been long an object of Muhammad Ali Khan to obtain the possession of the pargana of Gopamau in Oudh which was the ancient and hereditary estate of his family; suggests that the Nawab of Arcot may be asked to remit the revenue on this account to the Governor. (Minute)—3 pp.

Progs., 3 Apr., 1780

Apr 3. The Board inform C. Purling that E. Coote has obtained from the Vazir the pargana of Gopamau for the Nawab of Arcot; ask for a copy of the Vazirs' grant and of the agreement executed on the part of the Nawab of Arcot's family for the pargana in question. 1 p.

3 Apr., 1780, No. 8

Apr 3. The Board inform E. Coote that they have recommended to Muhammad Ali Khan to remit the revenue from pargana of Gopamau to them instead of paying it into the Treasury at Madras; state that they have asked the Resident at the Vazir's court to furnish them with particulars as to the specie of rupees in which payments are to be made to the Vazir and the stipulated periods for making the payment. 3 pp.

3 Apr., 1780, No. 9

Apr 20.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 20 Apr. 1780

Feb 17, Camp at Ahmadabad. T. Goddard intimates to the Board the seizure of Ahmadabad; gives an account of the enemy's movements and

explains the motives which induced him to make a monthly grant for the support of Raghunathrao and his family. (A.L.S.)—15 pp.

20 Apr., 1780, No. 1

Mar 4, Camp at Petlad. T. Goddard promises to communicate to the Board information about the cost of recoinning into Surat species the treasure sent to him by the *Britannia*; states that he will give to the *gumashta* of Gopal Das bills on the Board for Rs. 1,25,000; informs that he has prepared at the request of Bombay a code of regulations for the military establishment. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

20 Apr., 1780, No. 2

Apr 6, Lucknow. E. Coote forwards to the Board a copy of a letter from T. Goddard with a return of the killed and wounded at the attack of Ahmadabad; states that he is anxious to know if the troops from Madras have joined Goddard's army. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

20 Apr., 1780, No. 3

T. Goddard informs E. Coote of the reduction of Ahmadabad; encloses a return of the killed and wounded; mentions the officers and men who distinguished themselves in the action. (Enclosure to above)—5 pp.

20 Apr., 1780, No. 4

Feb 15. Return of the killed and wounded at the siege and attack of Ahmadabad. (Enclosure)—1 p.

20 Apr., 1780, No. 5

Apr 7, Lucknow. E. Coote forwards to the Board with his remarks copies of two letters from T. Goddard. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

20 Apr., 1780, No. 6

Mar 1, Camp at Ahmadabad. T. Goddard informs E. Coote of the movements of Mahadji Sindhia and Tukoji Rao Holkar; adds that he has made over the city of Ahmadabad to Fateh Singh and has taken possession of the territories ceded by him; intimates the arrival at Surat of 500 Europeans from Madras as part of the reinforcements from that Presidency. (Enclosure to above)—4 pp.

20 Apr., 1780, No. 7

Mar 4, Camp at Petlad. T. Goddard intimates to E. Coote that he expects to meet Mahadji Sindhia shortly and will discover his real designs and take the necessary steps to promote the Company's interest; states that he has left Maj. J. Fullarton (A.D.C. to C.-in-C.) with eight company of sepoy to strengthen the garrison of Ahmadabad; adds that the Government of Madras have sent a strong reinforcement to join him. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

20 Apr., 1780, No. 8

Apr 20. The Board convey their thanks to T. Goddard and the officers and men under him for the firmness and gallantry displayed by them during the siege of Ahmadabad; authorize him to accept proposals for peace. 5 pp.

20 Apr., 1780, No. 9

Apr 20. The Board convey to T. Goddard their disapproval of the pension granted by him to Raghunathrao and forbid him to advance him any

amount from his treasury for his support; instruct him to observe the strictest economy in his future disbursements to reduce the 1st Regiment of Cavalry, to call upon Fateh Singh Gaikwar to fix a subsidy for the expenses of the troops left at Ahmadabad and to return the Fort St. George detachment as soon as it can be spared. 6 pp.

20 Apr., 1780, No. 10

Apr 20. The Board request E. Coote to be present at the meeting of the Council. 3 pp.

20 Apr., 1780, No. 11

Feb 12, Camp Chichandi (Chichamba?). W. Popham forwards to the Board a copy of a letter from E. Coote; intimates that C. Purling has advanced him one lac of rupees; requests final orders relative to an allowance for the officers who by order of the Commander-in-Chief have travelled post to join the detachment at Cawnpore. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

20 Apr., 1780, No. 12

Feb 10, Lucknow. E. Coote directs W. Popham to march the whole detachment under his command to the assistance of Rana Chhatar Singh against the Marathas; gives him instructions on the subject; encloses a copy of the treaty concluded with the Rana. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

20 Apr., 1780, No. 13

Apr 20. Order of the Board that the Paymaster General may issue instructions to the Paymaster of W. Popham's detachment for adjusting the subsidy to be paid by the Rana of Gohad to the proportion of the estimated expense of that detachment. (Resolution)—2 pp.

Progs., 20 Apr., 1780

Apr 20. The Board direct W. Popham to demand from Chhatar Singh regular and punctual payment of the subsidy; add that the Military Paymaster General has been asked to send the necessary instructions to the Paymaster of his detachment for adjusting the amount of the subsidy. 2 pp.

20 Apr., 1780, No. 14

Mar 15, Camp near Baroda. W. G. Farmer (Secretary to Col. Egerton) requests the Governor General for the reimbursement of the sum stipulated for his ransom; gives an account of the warlike activities of the Marathas; encloses copies of his correspondence with T. Goddard. (A.L.S.)—14 pp.

20 Apr., 1780, No. 15

Mar 10, Camp near Baroda. W. G. Farmer requests T. Goddard to furnish him Rs. 35,000 which sum he has agreed to pay to the ministers of Mahadji Sindhia for the release of himself and Lt. C. Stewart. (Enclosure to above)—6 pp.

20 Apr., 1780, No. 17

Mar 13, Camp near Baroda. T. Goddard intimates to W. G. Farmer that he has no authority to comply with his request; adds that he can refer the matter to the Board. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

20 Apr., 1780, No. 16

Apr 20. The Board admit the justness of the claim of W. G. Farmer to be indemnified for the expenses incurred in his release; desire the Governor General to refer the matter to the Presidency of Bombay for payment as the amount was incurred in the execution of an act done under the authority of that Government. (Resolution)—2 pp.

Progs., 20 Apr., 1780

May 1.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 1 May, 1780

Jan 31, Bombay Castle. The President and Select Committee, Bombay, forward to the Board extracts from their correspondence with T. Goddard; intimate that the Company's forces from Broach, the Chief of Surat and Brig. Gen. Goddard have each seized a district or districts of the Marathas; inform that J. Braithwaite has given up the command of Tellicherry with the intention of joining Brig. Gen. Goddard; forward certain packets from Goddard. (Copy)—2 pp.

1 May, 1780, No. 1

1779, Dec 30, Camp near Surat. T. Goddard informs the Select Committee, Bombay of the suspicious behaviour of Fateh Singh Gaikwar and of the measures he has taken in consequence of it; proposes certain arrangements to meet the expenses of the war.

1780, Jan 11, Bombay Castle. The Select Committee, Bombay intimate to T. Goddard their determination to decline all interference in the matter of Maj. S. Richardson's references to army regulations; state that the Chief of Surat has been asked to advance him two lacs of rupees; add that instructions will be issued to the Chief at Surat and at Broach to pay to his order the collections of the new parganas; request the Board to furnish the intercepted letter from the Dutch Chief at Surat to the Poona Government.

Jan 6, Camp at Gujworam. T. Goddard sends his comments to the Select Committee of Bombay on J. Braithwaite's decision not to join him with any part of the Mahi detachment; intimates that Fateh Singh has stationed his men in two of the newly acquired districts which has prevented the Chief of Broach from occupying them.

Jan 16, Camp at Bawapur Ghat. T. Goddard informs the Select Committee, Bombay that he expects shortly to conclude a treaty of alliance with Fateh Singh Gaikwar.

Jan 20, Dabhoi. T. Goddard intimates to the Select Committee, Bombay that he has taken possession of Dabhoi; adds that he has asked the Chief of Broach to send proper persons in order to arrange for the settlement and collection of revenues. (Enclosures to above)—10 pp.

1 May, 1780, No. 2

May 1. The Board ask the President and Select Committee of Bombay to furnish the estimates of their disbursements together with an estimate of the gross revenue and charges of collection of the districts ceded to the Company by the Treaty of Purandhar and by that lately concluded with Fateh Singh Gaikwar. 2 pp.

1 May, 1780, No. 2

May 8.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 8 May, 1780

Apr 18, Fort St. George. The President and Select Committee, Fort St. George forward to the Board copies of the correspondence which passed between them and E. Hughes in connection with the capture off Negapatam of a Spanish snow by a ship belonging to the Bengal marine inform that several Englishmen had been imprisoned by Haidar Ali's manager but were subsequently released; state that G. Gray, who had been sent to demand the release of the prisoners, met with an unfavourable reception from Haidar Ali; enclose a copy each of a letter from G. Gray and one from Haidar Ali on the subject. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

8 May, 1780, No. 1

Mar 1, Fort St. George. The President and Select Committee, Fort St. George inform E. Hughes that the action of one of his squadron officers in taking possession of a Spanish vessel which had been seized by the Commander of a ship of the Company was a violation of the rights of the Company.

Mar 3, Superb in Madras Road. E. Hughes justifies to the Select Committee of Fort St. George the action of his officers in taking possession of the Spanish vessel.

Mar 1, Fort St. George. The Select Committee, Madras forward to E. Hughes an attested copy of an order of His Majesty in Council; protest against his action in detaining the Spanish vessel.

1779, Jan 18, Court at St. James. His Majesty's order in Council granting general reprisals on the Spaniards.

1780. Mar 9, superb in Madras Road. E. Hughes transmits to the Select Committee of Fort St. George an attested translation of a declaration of the Captain, the Second Officer and a passenger of the captured Spanish vessel *Nostra Signora de Saragossa*.

Attested translation of a declaration made by the Captain, the Second Officer and a passenger of the Spanish vessel *Nostra Signora de Saragossa* giving an account of her cargo and of her capture. (Enclosures to above)—29 pp.

8 May, 1780, No. A

Mar 24, Fort St. George. The Select Committee, Fort St. George decide that the convoy of His Majesty's ships with the four *Indiamen* should not be sent to Achin as directed by the Board. (Minute—Enclosure)—5 pp.

8 May, 1780, No. B

G. Gray intimates to the Select Committee of Fort St. George that Haidar Ali released prisoners before his arrival and the unfriendly and disrespectful treatment he received from Haidar Ali; transmits a letter from Haidar Ali to the President.

Mar 19, Seringapatam. Haidar Ali Khan complains to the President of Fort St. George that the Company have not observed the terms of their treaty with him. (Enclosures)—4 pp.

8 May, 1780, No. C

Apr 18, Superb in Madras Road. E. Hughes intimates to the Board the circumstances under which the convoy of His Majesty's ships with the *Indiamen* has been despatched direct to the Cape, instead of being sent to Achin to wait there the arrival of the *Ceres* from Bengal as desired by the Board. (A.L.S.)—7 pp.

8 May, 1780, No. 2

Apr 1, Superb in Madras Road. E. Hughes directs the Commander of the *Ceres* to despatch the homeward bound ships direct to the Cape of Good Hope without calling at Achin; asks him to join them either at False Bay or at St. Helena. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

8 May, 1780, No. D

May 8. The questionnaire proposed by the Board to be circulated to the most experienced navigators of the ports. 3 pp.

Progs., 8 May, 1780

Mar 7, Bombay Castle. The President and Select Committee, Bombay forward to the Board for confirmation and ratification two copies of the treaty concluded by T. Goddard with Fateh Singh Gaikwar and also a copy of their further correspondence with T. Goddard with an abstract of the revenues of the Gujarat Province; give an account of the reduction of Ahmadabad by T. Goddard's army and of the movements of Mahadji Sindhia, Tukojirao Holkar and the Marathas; send a copy of the President's correspondence with Haidar Ali's court; state that in consequence of the capture of a merchant vessel from Surat by a Portuguese ship, R. Henshaw has been ordered to Goa as Resident in order to urge the recovery of the ship and to transact other business of the Company. (A.L.S.)—16 pp.

8 May, 1780, No. 3

Jan 27, Camp near Baroda. T. Goddard forwards to the Select Committee of Bombay with his remarks a copy of the original treaty concluded between the Company and Fateh Singh Gaikwar.

Feb 9, Bombay Castle. The Select Committee, Bombay intimate to T. Goddard their approval of the terms of the treaty concluded with Fateh Singh; give directions for the settlement of the province acquired by the treaty.

Feb 24. The Select Committee, Bombay convey to T. Goddard their sanction of the regulations established by him with respect to the Bombay Detachment; ask for his opinion in regard to the additional force which is to be raised for the protection of the newly acquired territories; submit an account of the revenues collected respectively by the Poona Government and the Gaikwars from the province of Gujarat.

Feb 15, Headquarters, Ahmadabad. T. Goddard furnishes to the Select Committee, Bombay an account of the reduction of Ahmadabad.

Feb 18, Ahmadabad. T. Goddard transmits to the Select Committee, Bombay a return of the killed and wounded during the siege of Ahmadabad; intimates the movements of Sindhia and Holkar.

Feb 15, Ahmadabad. Return of the killed and wounded at the siege of Ahmadabad.

Feb 26, Bombay Castle. The Select Committee, Bombay express to T. Goddard their approbation of the conduct of the army during the siege of Ahmadabad. (Enclosures to above)—14 pp.

8 May, 1780, No. E

Feb 18, Bombay Castle. The President of the Council at Bombay point out the necessity of forming an alliance with Haidar Ali; proposes the appointment of G. Horsley as Resident at Haidar Ali's court. (Minute—Enclosure)—2 pp.

8 May, 1780, No. F

Haidar Ali Khan intimates to the President of the Council at Bombay the release of the Englishmen as suggested; complains of the unfriendly behaviour of the Madras Government (Received 1 February).

Feb 8, Bombay. The President of the Council at Bombay explains to Haidar Ali the irregularities he complains of; intimates the appointment of a Resident at his court. (Enclosures)—4 pp.

8 May, 1780, No. G

1779, Dec 23, Vengurla. R. Henshaw reports to the Select Committee of Bombay the capture of a merchant vessel by Portuguese ship.

Dec 30, Panjim. D. F. G. De Souza (Governor of Goa) informs R. Henshaw that the ship which captured the merchant vessel belongs to the French; promises to make further enquiries in the matter.

1780, Feb 19, Vengurla. R. Henshaw forwards to the Select Committee of Bombay copies of his letters addressed to the Governor of Goa.

Jan 1, Vengurla. R. Henshaw requests D. F. G. De Souza for the restitution of the captured ship.

Jan 28, Goa. R. Henshaw asserts to D. F. G. De Souza that the capture of the ship was illegal and demands its restoration; demands also the release of F. Williams, a British subject.

Feb 11, Goa. R. Henshaw requests an audience with D. F. G. De Souza and also his final reply with regard to the matters in dispute. (Enclosures)—13 pp.

8 May, 1780, No. H

May 15.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 15 May, 1780

Mar 13, Fort St. George. The President and Select Committee of Fort St. George point out to the Board that it will be improper for them to appoint J. Hollond as Resident at Nizam Ali's court on behalf of the Bengal Government after his recall by the Madras Government. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

15 May, 1780, No. 1

Apr 9, Hyderabad. J. Hollond intimates to the Board the Nizam's assurances of adhering to the treaty subsisting between him and the Company and his desire to enter into a new alliance to check the encroachments of Haidar Ali; transmits the Nizam's reply to the Governor

General's letter and also a copy of a letter from the Select Committee of Fort St. George and his reply thereto. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

15 May, 1780, No. 2

Mar 13, Fort St. George. The Select Committee, Fort St. George demand from J. Hollond immediate compliance with their order recalling him to Madras; desire to be furnished with copies of correspondence which passed between him and the Board. (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

15 May, 1780, No. 3

Mar 29, Hyderabad. J. Hollond intimates to the Select Committee, Fort St. George that the Nizam's illness prevented him from quitting Hyderabad immediately; adds that as he is now appointed by the Government of Bengal as their Public Minister at the Nizam's court he cannot leave the place until he is relieved of the trust; transmits a copy of the correspondence which passed between him and the Board. (Enclosure)—6 pp.

15 May, 1780, No. 4

May 15. The decision of the Board on the letter from the Government of Madras. (Resolution)—3 pp.

Progs., 15 May, 1780

May 15. The Board inform J. Hollond that in consequence of a letter received from the Select Committee of Fort St. George they are precluded from retaining him as their Public Minister at Hyderabad; ask him to inform the Nizam of the cause of his departure and of the resolution of the Board to preserve inviolate the treaties subsisting between him and the Company; enclose a letter written by the Governor General to the Nizam. 3 pp.

15 May, 1780, No. 5

May 15. The Board inform the President and Select Committee of Fort St. George that they have withdrawn from J. Hollond the restraint under which he had been placed by the Board's instructions to him. 2 pp.

15 May, 1780, No. 6

May 15. The Board inform the President and Select Committee of Bombay that they have instructed T. Goddard to make a new settlement with Fateh Singh Gaikwar in regard to the province of Gujarat; ask them to appropriate for the expenses of the war the revenue of every province acquired by the operations of T. Goddard's army; request further information in connection with the seizure of the English ship by the subjects of Portugal; add that they intend to have the opinion of E. Hughes on the subject. 7 pp.

15 May, 1780, No. 7

May 15. The Board transmit to E. Hughes copy of the papers relative to the seizure of the English ship by the Portuguese and request for his opinion and advice as to the action to be taken in connection with the matter. 2 pp.

15 May, 1780, No. 8

May 28. T. Goddard intimates to the Board the movements and hostile designs of Mahadji Sindhia and the arrival at Surat of a reinforcement

of 500 Europeans from Madras under the command of Col. G. Brown; proposes arrangements to meet the expenses of the war; transmits copies of his letters to the Select Committee of Bombay. (Copy)—13 pp.

15 May, 1780, No. 9

Mar 10, Camp near Baroda. T. Goddard conveys to the Select Committee of Bombay an account of the friendly intentions of Mahadji Sindhia towards the English; states that he expects to receive shortly a decisive answer from Sindhia in regard to the conclusion of an alliance between him and the Company.

Mar 10, Camp near Baroda. T. Goddard informs the Select Committee of Bombay that the answers from Mahadji Sindhia and Tukojirao Holkar contain only general declarations of their friendly sentiments towards the English and a request to send to their camp a confidential person with whom they might come to a final settlement; states reasons why he has declined to comply with their requests.

Mar 17, Camp near Baroda. T. Goddard intimates to the Select Committee of Bombay the proposal received from Mahadji Sindhia and his answer thereto. (Enclosures to above)—10 pp.

15 May, 1780, No. 10

May 15. The Board point out to T. Goddard the loss to the Company occasioned by the unequal division of the province of Gujarat with Fateh Singh; give him directions to make a new and equitable settlement of that province; express their opinion in regard to proposed alliance with Mahadji Sindhia; intimate the arrangements made to meet the expenses of the war. 8 pp.

15 May, 1780, No. 11

Mar 28, Camp at Kalluole. T. Goddard forwards to the Board with favourable remarks, copy of a letter received from W. G. Farmer. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

15 May, 1780, No. 12

May 10, Camp near Baroda. W. G. Farmer requests T. Goddard for payment of the sum which he stipulated with Mahadji Sindhia for the release of himself and C. Stewart. (Enclosure to above)—5 pp.

15 May, 1780, No. 13

May 15. The Board intimate to T. Goddard that they admit the justness of the claim of W. G. Farmer; add that Farmer's name has already been referred to the Presidency of Bombay for payment as this debt was the effect of an act done under the authority of that Government. 2 pp.

15 May, 1780, No. 14

Apr 21, Lucknow. E. Coote intimates to the Board his disapproval of the military operations of Chhatar Singh with the help of the British troops under W. Popham; points out the danger of his rash pursuits; transmits copies of letters from W. Popham and W. Palmer. (A.L.S.)—7 pp.

15 May, 1780, No. 15

Apr 18, Camp at Lahar. W. Popham gives to E. Coote an account of the encounter with the Maratha troops; reports his arrival before the fort of Lahar; points out the necessity of a battering train; transmits a letter from the Rana of Gohad and an indent for stores. (Enclosures to above)—3 pp.

15 May, 1780, No. A

Indent received by the Commander-in-Chief from W. Popham. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

15 May, 1780, No. B

Apr 15, Camp before fort Lahar. W. Popham reports to E. Coote his failure in reducing the fort of Lahar; represents the utility of his ordering two or three battalions to the assistance of the Raja of Samthar with a view to creating a diversion. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

15 May, 1780, No. C

Apr 15, Camp at Lahar. W. Palmer reports to E. Coote that the military operations against the fort of Lahar have hitherto been unsuccessful; gives an account of the movements of the Marathas and of an action with them. (Enclosure)—4 pp.

15 May, 1780, No. D

May 3, Lucknow. E. Coote reports to the Board the capture of Lahar; recommends the name of W. Popham and his detachment in this connection; encloses copies of letters from W. Popham and W. Palmer on the subject. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

15 May, 1780, No. 16

Apr 15*, Camp Lahar. W. Popham intimates to E. Coote the capture of the fort of Lahar; praises the conduct of certain officers. (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

15 May, 1780, No. E

Apr 28, Camp at Lahar. W. Palmer intimates to E. Coote the capture of the fort of Lahar. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

15 May, 1780, No. F

Apr 30, Camp at Lahar. Return of the killed and wounded of the different corps of the detachment under the command of W. Popham during the siege of Lahar fort. (Enclosure)—1 p.

15 May, 1780, No. G

Apr 29, Camp Lahar. W. Popham transmits to the Governor General an account of the capture of Lahar fort. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

15 May, 1780, No. 17

May 15. The Board inform E. Coote that they are not to blame for W. Popham's detachment being unequal to the service in which it has been employed by Chhatar Singh, as the details and mode of execution of the treaty with the Rana was left entirely to the discretion of the Commander-in-Chief; state that they have not withheld from him any information relative to the conduct of the war with the Marathas. 23 pp.

15 May, 1780, No. 18

*Date wrongly given as 8 April in the Proceedings volume.

P. Francis and E. Wheler concur in the observations made in the aforesaid letter. (Minutes)—2 pp.

15 May, 1780, No. 19

May 15. The Board request E. Coote to provide W. Popham with battering cannon, ammunition and stores whenever he will ask for them for the use of the Rana of Gohad. 2 pp.

15 May, 1780, No. 20

May 15. The Board convey to W. Popham their approbation of the conduct of his detachment in the capture of the fort of Lahar; state that the Commander-in-Chief has been asked to provide him battering cannon, ammunition and stores; ask him to deliver the fort of Lahar to the Rana of Gohad; desire information in regard to the revenues of the district of Kachwagarh. 7 pp.

15 May, 1780, No. 21

May 22. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 22 May, 1780

May 7, Lucknow. E. Coote transmits to the Board with his remarks a copy of a letter from T. Goddard. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

22 May, 1780, No. 1

Apr 3, Camp at Cambole(?). T. Goddard transmits to E. Coote an account of action with the forces of Mahadji Sindhia and Tukojirao Holkar. (Enclosure to above)—4 pp.

22 May, 1780, No. 2

May 19. The Board convey to T. Goddard their approbation of the spirited attack on the Maratha camp. 2 pp.

22 May, 1780, No. 3

Mar 13, Fort St. George. The President and Select Committee at Fort St. George inform the Board that the object of detaching a body of their troops to join T. Goddard was to enable him to conclude an honourable peace with the Marathas; state that if any other measures different from this object are pursued without their concurrence they will not be answerable for the consequences; question the right of the Board to interfere in their proceedings and request them to justify their claim to such power of interference. (A.L.S.)—16 pp.

22 May, 1780, No. 4

May 29. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 29 May, 1780

May 5, Lucknow. E. Coote transmits to the Board an extract from a letter from T. Goddard; states that the present plan of war with the Marathas promises only an endless and ruinous expense; proposes vigorous exertions to accelerate peace. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

29 May, 1780, No. 1

Mar 28. T. Goddard suggests to the Commander-in-Chief an attack on the northern provinces of the Maratha State from the Upper Provinces; intends for the present only to watch the movements of Mahadji

Sindhia to prevent him from over-running or destroying the province of Gujarat. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

29 May, 1780, No. 2

May 11, Lucknow. E. Coote informs the Board that he cannot embark for the Presidency until the commencement of the rains; gives his opinion on the plan of carrying on the war with the Marathas; states that he is not in favour of disbanding the Kandahar Horse; adds that he has written to T. D. Pearse on the propriety of forming the volunteers into a separate company in the artillery; recommends W. Tierney for the post of Paymaster to the 2nd Brigade. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

29 May, 1780, No. 3

May 29. Order of the Board that the 4th paragraph of the above letter be sent to the Board of Ordnance, that the 6th and 7th paragraphs be considered in the Public Department and that the remaining parts of it to lie for consideration. 1 p.

Progs., 29 May, 1780

May 13, Lucknow. E. Coote transmits to the Board with his remarks a representation from the Captains of the Sepoy Corps serving under W. Popham, an estimate of the expense for repairing the damage done to the cantonments at Cawnpore by the fire and a return of the army to the end of February. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

29 May, 1780, No. 4

May 7, Camp fort Lahar. Captains W. Clade, W. McClary, T. Scott and W. Bruce request the Board that their present corps may be completed to battalions agreeably to the late regulations. (A.L.S.—Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

29 May, 1780, No. 5

W. Hastings proposes the replacement of W. Popham's detachment in Gohad by four regular battalions of sepoys; suggests arrangements in conformity with his proposals; recommends J. Camac for the command of the battalions. (Minute)—5 pp.

29 May, 1780, No. 6

May 29. The Board intimate to E. Coote their resolutions for the replacement of W. Popham's detachment in Gohad by four regular battalions of sepoys and for the arrangements for effecting the replacement; request him to issue necessary instructions for carrying them into effect. 4 pp.

29 May, 1780, No. 7

Jun 5. Minutes of Consultation.

B.S., 5 Jun., 1780

W. Hastings points out some defects in the form and substance in the treaty concluded with Fateh Singh Gaikwar; lays before the Board a letter from G. G. Ducarel (Superintendent of Khalisa Records) in this connection; suggests that it is necessary to revise the treaty before ratifications. (Minute)—8 pp.

5 Jun., 1780, No. 1

Jun 5, Calcutta. G. G. Ducarel points out to the Governor General the ambiguous use of certain terms in the Persian copy of the treaty concluded with Fateh Singh Gaikwar. (A.L.S.—Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

5 Jun., 1780, No. 2

Jun 26, Village Candeela in Dabhoi. The treaty concluded between Fateh Singh Gaikwar and the Company. (In English and Persian—Enclosure)—11 pp.

5 Jun., 1780, No. 3

D. Anderson's translation of the Persian version of the treaty concluded with Fateh Singh Gaikwar. (Enclosure)—9 pp.

5 Jun., 1780, No. 4

Jun 5. P. Francis and E. Wheler agree to the delayed ratification of the treaty concluded with Fateh Singh Gaikwar. (Minutes)—1 p.

Progs., 5 Jun., 1780

Alterations proposed by W. Hastings in the treaty concluded with Fateh Singh Gaikwar. (Minute)—2 pp.

5 Jun., 1780, No. 5

Jun 5. Order of the Board that a new treaty be prepared incorporating the alterations proposed by the Governor General and sent to T. Goddard for obtaining the signatures of Fateh Singh Gaikwar and the President and Council of Bombay. 2 pp.

Progs., 5 Jun., 1780

Jun 12. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 12 Jun., 1780

May 12, Hyderabad. J. Hollond informs the Board that he has sought the Nizam's consent to keep in the possession of the Company the *sarkar* of Murtazanagar (Kondavid) which they have rented from Basalat Jang; adds that the Nizam is unwilling to give such a consent. (A.L.S.)—23 pp.

12 Jun., 1780, No. 1

May 19, Fort St. George. The President and Select Committee at Fort St. George inform the Board that they have suspended J. Hollond from the service on account of his having disobeyed their positive orders to leave the Nizam's court. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

12 Jun., 1780, No. 2

Jun 12. The Board, deeming the residence of J. Hollond at the court of Nizam Ali Khan indispensably necessary, decide to confirm his appointment as Resident of the Bengal Government at the court of Nizam Ali Khan; indemnify him from the effects he may have sustained by the resentment of the Government of Madras; resolve to refer his case to the Court of Directors with a recommendation either to restore him to the service of the Madras establishment or to transfer him to Bengal. (Resolution)—2 pp.

Progs., 12 Jun., 1780

Jun 12. The Board express to the President and Select Committee, Fort St. George their concern at the suspension of J. Hollond from the Company's service; enclose a copy of the last letter received from Holland; inform that they are determined to restore Guntur *sarkar* to Basalat Jang in order to prevent a rupture with the Nizam; request their immediate acquiescence in the measure. 10 pp.

12 Jun., 1780, No. 3

Jun 12. The Board inform J. Hollond that he has been suspended from the Company's service by the Government of Madras; state that they will refer his case to the Court of Directors with a recommendation either to restore him to the service on the Madras establishment or to transfer him to Bengal; renew his appointment as Resident and Minister on the part of the Bengal Government at the court of Nizam Ali Khan and transmit fresh credentials with a letter* from the Governor General to the Nizam; add that they are determined to restore Guntur *sarkar* to Basalat Jang; request him to notify personally to the Nizam their resolution affecting this arrangement. 7 pp.

12 Jun., 1780, No. 4

Apr 21, Bombay Castle. The President and Select Committee of Bombay transmit to the Board a copy of a letter from T. Goddard. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

12 Jun., 1780, No. 5

Apr 3, Camp at Kimtonle. T. Goddard reports to the Select Committee, Bombay an account of an action in which the enemy's army was dislodged from their post. (Enclosure to above)—4 pp.

12 Jun., 1780, No. 6

Apr 26, Headquarters near Kimtonle. T. Goddard intimates to the Board that Mahadji Sindhia and Tukojirao Holkar had attacked a detachment of his army and were defeated. (Copy)—5 pp.

12 Jun., 1780, No. 7

Mudhoji Bhonsla informs W. Hastings that, in consequence of the measures of the Nizam, armies are marching towards the English territories; reports that T. Goddard is engaged in open war with Mahadji Sindhia; adds that operation may be delayed till he receives from the ministers at Poona an answer to his advice to them. (Received 2 June) (Translation)†—4 pp.

Divakar Pandit informs W. Hastings that his endeavours to negotiate peace with the ministers at Poona have been fruitless; adds that as T. Goddard and Mahadji Sindhia are now about to engage in hostilities they may wait to see what overtures are received from Poona. (Translation)**—12 pp.

12 Jun., 1780, No. 8

W. Hastings feel that there is no reason to suspect the voluntary protestations by Mudhoji Bhonsla of attachment to the Company; proposes that his offer of mediation for concluding peace with the Peshwa be accepted; suggests that the English should at the same time be on their guard against the possibility of his becoming hostile to the Company; proposes certain arrangements in the disposition of the army in this connection. (Minute)—17 pp.

12 Jun., 1780, No. 9

*Please see *Calendar of Persian Correspondence*, Vol. V, No. 1910, pp. 455-56.

†*Ibid.*, Vol. V, No. 1902, p. 452.

***Ibid.*, No. 1903, pp. 452-53

Jun 19.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 19 Jun., 1780

P. Francis and E. Wheler concur with the proposal of the Governor General for accepting the mediation of Mudhoji Bhonsla for concluding a peace between the Peshwa and the Company; object to his proposal for suspending the Board's resolution of 29 May for the recall and reduction of W. Popham's detachment. (Minute)—12 pp.

19 Jun., 1780, No. 1

Jun 17. The equipment proposed by W. Hastings for the detachment of Capt. J. Browne and J. Camac with ordnance, ammunition and stores; P. Francis and E. Wheler agree. (Minute)—3 pp.

19 Jun., 1780, No. 2

Jun 7, Chackye (Chakia?). J. Browne (Collector of Jungle Tarai) requests the Board for supplies of ordnance, ammunition and stores; refers to certain matters relating to the accounts of the Jungle Tarai district. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

19 Jun., 1780, No. 3

W. Hastings proposes instructions for J. Camac respecting the assistance to be rendered to the Rana of Gohad. (Minute)—4 pp.

19 Jun., 1780, No. 4

Jun 22.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 22 Jun., 1780

Mar 31, Bombay Castle. The President and Select Committee of Bombay transmit to the Board with their remarks a copy of a letter* from T. Goddard relating to negotiation with Mahadji Sindhia. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

22 Jun., 1780, No. 1

Jun 22. Observations of W. Hastings, P. Francis and E. Wheler on the distress of the army of Mudhoji Bhonsla which arrived near Cuttack and on the supply of grain, provisions and other necessities of life for their use. (Minutes)—4 pp.

Progs., 22 Jun., 1780

Jun 22. The Board direct the Calcutta Committee of Revenue† to permit supplies of grain, provisions and other necessities to pass to Cuttack for the use of the troops of Mudhoji Bhonsla and to assist their agents in procuring them. 2 pp.

22 Jun., 1780, No. 2

Apr 30, Lucknow. C. Purling submits to the Board with his remarks certain accounts and statements and a copy of his correspondence with Asaf-ud-Daulah respecting the additional grant to be obtained from him. (A.L.S.)—10 pp.

22 Jun., 1780, No. 3

*Please see Consultation 15 May, No. 10.

†The same to Bardwan and to the Collector of Midnapore.

Apr 30, Lucknow. Account of particulars of the jagirs in the dominions of the Nawab Vazir exclusive of the *malguzari* lands. (Enclosure to above)—7 pp.

22 Jun., 1780, No. A

1777, Sep 25. N. Middleton stands surety for repayment of money borrowed by Asaf-ud-Daulah from Nawabs Mirza Ali Khan and Salar Jang (*Shaban* 17, A.H.—i.e. 10 October 1775). (Enclosure)—1 p.

22 Jun., 1780, No. B

Asaf-ud-Daulah admits the loans taken by him from Nawab Mirza Ali Khan and Salar Jang and promises to repay them. (Enclosure)—1 p.

22 Jun., 1780, No. C

Agreement under the seal and signature in English of J. Bristow in connection with the Vazir's taking from his mother certain sums of money (*Shaban* 19, 1189 A.H.—i.e. 21 October 1775). (Enclosure)—2 pp.

22 Jun., 1780, No. D

A similar agreement under the seals of Asaf-ud-Daulah, J. Bristow and Murtaza Khan. (*Shaban* 19, 1189 A.H.—i.e. 21 October 1775). (Enclosure)—2 pp.

22 Jun., 1780, No. E

A similar agreement under the seal of Asaf-ud-Daulah (*Jamad* I 28, 1190 A.H.—i.e. 22 July 1776). (Enclosure)—2 pp.

22 Jun., 1780, No. F

Agreement under the seal and signature of N. Middleton whereby he undertakes to procure to the mother of Shuja-ud-Daulah (Sadr-un-Nisa Begam) a treaty from Asaf-ud-Daulah. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

22 Jun., 1780, No. G

Agreement with Barhi Begam (Sadr-un-Nisa) under the seal and signature of N. Middleton as guarantee for the English. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

22 Jun., 1780, No. H

1780, Apr 19, Lucknow. C. Purling requests Asaf-ud-Daulah for payment of the balance of the demands for the current year. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

22 Jun., 1780, No. I

Asaf-ud-Daulah intimates to C. Purling the distressed state of his finances and his inability to pay more. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

22 Jun., 1780, No. K

Apr 30, Lucknow. Abstract of the revenue accounts of the dominion of Asaf-ud-Daulah for the year 1187 *Fasli* i.e. 1779-80. (Enclosure)—1 p.

22 Jun., 1780, No. L

Apr 30, Lucknow. General abstract of the Treasury accounts from 25 September 1779 to 30 April 1780. (Enclosure)—1 p.

22 Jun., 1780, No. M

May 22, Lucknow. C. Purling submits to the Board with his remarks a copy of an agreement executed on the part of the Nawab of Arcot's family and a *qistbandi* for the pargana of Gopamau. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

22 Jun., 1780, No. 4

Jun 22. The Board inform C. Purling that in the present state of the Vazir's finances they are compelled to waive their claim to the additional assignment from him; remark on the enormous expense attending the collection of the Vazir's revenues. 4 pp.

22 Jun., 1780, No. 5

W. Hastings proposes to demand from Raja Chait Singh payment of five lacs of rupees as his share of the expenses of the war with France. (Minute)—1 p.

Progs., 22 Jun., 1780

Jun 22. The Board direct F. Fowke to demand from Raja Chait Singh payment of the sum of five lacs of rupees for the current year of the expenses of the war with France. 2 pp.

22 Jun., 1780, No. 6

Jun 22. P. Francis and E. Wheler object to certain points of the Governor General's proposed instructions to J. Camac. (Minutes)—3 pp.

22 Jun., 1780, No. 7

Jun 26. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 26 Jun., 1780

Amended draft of the treaty concluded between the English East India Company and Fateh Singh Gaikwar on 26 January 1780. (English & Persian)—12 pp.

26 Jun., 1780, No. 1

Jun 26. The Board point out to T. Goddard the defects in the original treaty concluded by him with Fateh Singh Gaikwar; transmit with remarks a revised treaty duly ratified. 7 pp.

26 Jun., 1780, No. 2

Jun 26. The Board transmit to the President and Select Committee. Bombay a copy of the revised draft of the Company's treaty with Fateh Singh. 4 pp.

26 Jun., 1780, No. 3

Jun 26. W. Hastings requests the Board to reconsider their objections to the proposed instructions to J. Camac. (Minute)—12 pp.

26 Jun., 1780, No. 4

Jun 29. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 29 Jun., 1780

Jun 29. W. Hastings proposes the appointment of Lt. Hick and Lt. R. Kennan as Brigade Major and *Aide-de-Camp* respectively to J. Camac. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs. 29 Jun., 1780

Jun 29. P. Francis and E. Wheler adhere to the proposed expedition into Malwa; request further information from the Governor General with reference to the plan of operations he has in view and the nature of the peace he seeks to make with the Marathas. (Minute)—5 pp.

29 Jun., 1780, No. 1

Jun 12.* The Board intimate to the President and Select Committee, Fort St. George the reappointment of J. Hollond as the Public Minister of the Government of Bengal at the court of the Nizam. 2 pp.

29 Jun., 1780, No. 2

Jul 13. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 13 Jul., 1780

Jul 4. P. Francis and E. Wheler stress upon the evil consequence of continuing the war with the Marathas; state their opinions in favour of peace. (Minute)—30 pp.

13 Jul., 1780, No. 1

Jul 4. P. Francis replies to the personal remarks made by Governor General. (Minute)—3 pp.

Progs., 13 Jul., 1780

Jul 13. Instructions to J. Camac in his duties as commander of the detachment ordered on service with the Rana of Gohad against the Marathas. 8 pp.

13 Jul., 1780, No. 2

Jul 17. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 17 Jul., 1780

May 29, Bombay Castle. The President and Select Committee of Bombay transmit to the Board copies of their correspondence with T. Goddard. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

17 Jul., 1780, No. 1

Apr 30, Bombay Castle. The Select Committee, Bombay intimate to T. Goddard the advantages which may be gained by the possession of Bassein; intimate their resolution to raise seven additional battalions of sepoys of the strength and model proposed by him.

May 3, Bombay Castle. The Select Committee, Bombay intimate to T. Goddard their objections in withdrawing all means of support from Raghunathrao but think that a monthly allowance of ten thousand rupees is sufficient.

May 13, Bombay Castle. The Select Committee, Bombay express their satisfaction to T. Goddard at the prospect of his undertaking the siege of Bassein; promise to assist in his operations.

May 26, Bombay Castle. The Select Committee, Bombay advice T. Goddard to defer the operations against Bassein till after the monsoon; recommend his taking possession of the fort of Parnera; intimate the re-

*The letter which was approved by the Board in its meeting of 29 June, was intentionally dated 12 June, under their orders

ceipt of two lacs of rupees from the Government of Fort William for the services of the army. (Enclosure to above)—7 pp.

17 Jul., 1780, No. 2

Apr 16, Camp at Camloul. T. Goddard communicates to the Select Committee, Bombay orders of the Board respecting the reduction of Raghunathrao's allowance.

Apr 25, Camloul. T. Goddard furnishes to the Select Committee, Bombay an account of his operations against Mahadji Sindhia.

May 7, Camp near Baroda. T. Goddard explains to the Select Committee, Bombay why the operations against Bassein cannot be commenced before the monsoon. (Enclosures)—10 pp.

17 Jul., 1780, No. 3

Jun 20, Superb in Madras Road. E. Hughes conveys to the Board his opinion on the dispute between the Select Committee of Bombay and the Portuguese Government at Goa in connection with the restoration of an English vessel captured and taken to Goa by a French ship and the confinement at Goa of F. William (a native of Bengal). (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

17 Jul., 1780, No. 4

Jun 9, Hyderabad. J. Hollond forwards to the Board a copy of a letter received by him from the Select Committee, Fort St. George; represents the probable evil effects of the recall by Madras Government of the guard of sepoys attending him as Resident; submits an explanation in reply to the charge of disobedience laid upon him by that Committee. (A.L.S.)—16 pp.

17 Jul., 1780, No. 5

May 19, Fort St. George. The Select Committee, Fort St. George intimate to J. Hollond that they have suspended him from the service; ask for an account of his expenses at Hyderabad for the period he was under the Madras Government; desire him to obtain a passport from the Nizam for the sepoys. (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

17 Jul., 1780, No. 6

Extract from an Act of Parliament (13 George III) respecting the powers of the Government of Bengal over the other Presidencies. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

17 Jul., 1780, No. 7

1779, Feb 22, Fort St. George. The Select Committee, Fort St. George desire J. Hollond to communicate every necessary intelligence to the Government of Bengal as well as to them during his residence at Hyderabad. (Enclosure)—1 p.

17 Jul., 1780, No. 8

1780, Jul 17. The Board inform J. Hollond that no vindication of his past conduct was necessary; state that in charging him with the disobedience the Select Committee of Fort St. George have not sufficiently considered the grounds on which his past conduct was founded. 7 pp.

17 Jul., 1780, No. 9

Jun 16, Hyderabad. J. Hollond forwards to the Board a letter from Haidar Ali; inmates Haidar's hostile intentions towards the English. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

17 Jul., 1780, No. 10

Haidar Ali complains to the Governor General that the Company have not fulfilled their engagements with him; adds that he cannot therefore place any reliance on their engagements (Received 14 July). (*Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

17 Jul., 1780, No. 11

Jul 3, Hooghly. The Calcutta Committee of Revenue inform the Board that they have issued *parwanas* to the naibs and zamindars of Hijili and Tamluk directing them to assist the agents of the Raja of Berar in procuring supplies of grain, provisions and other necessities for the use of the Raja's troops. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

17 Jul., 1780, No. 12

Jun 17, Lucknow. C. Purling informs the Board that G. Shee has taken charge of his appointment as Collector of the Vazir's assignment to the Company on the Nawab of Farrukhabad. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

17 Jul., 1780, No. 13

Jun 11, Lucknow. E. Coote explains to the Board why W. Popham's detachment was not equipped for siege operations; adds that he has acted conformably to the letter and spirit of the treaty with the Rana of Gohad; states that he cannot admit that the Board have given a full answer to his enquiries about the plan of operations of the present Maratha war; adds that he has issued necessary orders to the commandant of the Chunar garrison for the supply of the ordnances, ammuniton and stores which may be required by W. Popham. (A.L.S.)—9 pp.

17 Jul., 1780, No. 14

Jul 20. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 20 Jul., 1780

Jul 20. Observations of W. Hastings on the subject of the detachment ordered on service under J. Camac. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 20 Jul., 1780

Jul 3. W. Hastings complains of the opposition of P. Francis to almost every measure proposed by him in prosecution of the war against the Marathas. (Minute)—10 pp.

20 Jul., 1780, No. 1

Jul 20. W. Hastings reiterates his proposal for the extension of power to be given to J. Camac on the lines indicated in his draft instructions of 19 June; proposes the formation of W. Popham's detachment into three regular battalions. (Minute)—3 pp.

Progs., 20 Jul., 1780

*Please also see *Calendar of Persian Correspondence*, Vol. V, No. 1941, p. 467.

Jul 20. E. Wheler differs with W. Hastings on the point of extending J. Camac's powers, but agrees to the formation of three regular battalions. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 20 Jul., 1780

Jun 19, *Jul 20. Instructions issued by the Board to J. Camac in connection with his appointment to the command of the detachment ordered to be formed for service in the territories of the Rana of Gohad in place of W. Popham's detachment. 4 pp.

20 Jul., 1780, No. 2

Jul 20. Resolution of the Board to draft sepoys composing the detachment under the command of W. Popham into three battalions and to appoint three senior Captains now serving in that detachment to the command of them. (Resolution)—1 p.

Progs., 20 Jul., 1780

Jul 20. W. Hastings proposes precautionary measures against the impending incursions into the territories adjoining Cuttack by the Maratha army. (Minute)—3 pp.

Progs., 20 Jul., 1780

Jul 24. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 24 Jul., 1780

Jan† 29, Superb in Madras Road. E. Hughes informs the Board that he has been directed by a secret order to furnish three sail of the line as a convoy to the ships of the Company bound for England; adds that he will delay the departure of the convoy till the end of March in case a greater number of the Company's ships can be collected to proceed under their protection. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

24 Jul., 1780, No. 1

Feb† 17. The Board inform E. Hughes that they have given information for the early completion of the lading of the *Ceres* in order that she may be able to reach Madras in time to get the benefit of the convoy. 1 p.

24 Jul., 1780, No. 2

Jun 28, Worcester in Madras Road. E. Hughes forwards to the Board a copy of a letter from Lord Weymouth and a copy of the resolution of the Select Committee of Fort St. George; states that intelligence from the Cape of Good Hope points to the necessity of a naval force at that place. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

24 Jul., 1780, No. 3

Jul 9, St. James. Lord Weymouth (Secretary of State) directs E. Hughes to retain three ships of war ordered to proceed as convoy to the

*The draft of the letter was originally put up in the Proceedings for 19 June and was based on a proposition made by the Governor General. It was, however, not issued on that date and was subjected to criticism by P. Francis and E. Wheler. It was issued after the deliberation in Council on 20 July.

†The letter from E. Hughes was received on 17 February and answered on that day. Being of a secret nature it was not recorded at that time.

Company's ships bound for England in case the whole of the naval force under his command was required for the protection of the Company's trade and settlement against the enemies. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

24 Jul., 1780, No. 4

May 31 Fort St. George. The President and Select Committee, Fort St. George resolve that no steps should be taken to recall the three ships of war which sailed on 8 April with four of the Company's ships for the Cape of Good Hope in compliance with the orders received by E. Hughes from Lord Weymouth. (Enclosure)—4 pp.

24 Jul., 1780, No. 5

Jun 28, Fort St. George. The President and Select Committee at Fort St. George transmit to the Board a copy of a letter from G. Smith together with extracts of news regarding the help received by the Marathas or Haidar Ali from the French and the prospect of a French invasion of India; inform that they will be put to great difficulties in case the French invade India. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

24 Jul., 1780, No. 6

Apr 24, Cape of Good Hope. G. Smith transmits to the Select Committee, Fort St. George extracts from the Leyden Gazette and a list of the French ships at the Cape; states that the French have been preparing an armament which may come to India.

1779, Nov 30, Dec 7. Extracts from the Leyden Gazette containing a report from Paris of the intended despatch of a body of French soldiers to India and of several ships to America.

Dec 14, London. Paper of news giving an account of the present state of affairs at home.

Dec 14, London. List of the French ships at the Cape of Good Hope from 2 February to 23 April, 1780. (Enclosures to above)—8 pp.

24 Jul., 1780, No. 7

1780, Jun 21, Hyderabad. J. Hollond informs the Board that Nizam Ali Khan has lost all confidence in the friendship of the English on account of the opposition of the Government of Madras to the authority of the Board and may join their enemies; states that in consequence of request from the Nizam he has consented to wait there till he receives further orders of the Board. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

24 Jul., 1780, No. 8

Nizam Ali Khan informs the Governor General that he is surprised to learn that J. Hollond, being under the authority of the Government of Madras, the Board have no power to continue him as their Public Minister at Hyderabad; states that he will detain Hollond until the receipt of the Governor General's reply (Received 21 July). (Translation*)—3 pp.

24 Jul., 1780, No. 9

Jul 24. The Board intimate to J. Hollond that in their previous letter he was acquainted with his reappointment as their Public Minister at the Nizam's court; request him to repeat to the Nizam their assurances of firm determination to adhere to the treaty between him and the Company

*For reply of the Governor General please see *Calendar of Persian Correspondence*, Vol. V, No. 1951, p. 471.

and to inform him that they will exert their just power to have their engagements adhered to by other Presidencies. 8 pp.

24 Jul., 1780, No. 10

May 27, Camp at Bawapur Ghat. T. Goddard informs the Board that in compliance with their instructions he will discontinue the allowance to Raghunathrao; denies that he has made any demand of money from the Poona Darbar; adds that in the conditions which were proposed in favour of Raghunathrao he mainly adhered to the terms made by J. Upton; states that Fateh Singh Gaikwar has not yet received the expected letter from the Governor General; gives an account of two successful encounters with Mahadji Sindhia; assures that he will encourage every overture from the Maratha Government for peace. (Copy)—17 pp.

24 Jul., 1780, No. 11

Jun 6, Bombay Castle. The President and Select Committee at Bombay transmit to the Board a copy of T. Goddard's plan for the military establishment of Bombay and a copy of a minute of the President relative to it; state their views with regard to the future military operations of the Company; request to be supplied at least with the usual remittances; intimate that they have taken possession of some places in the Konkan; request them to encourage the exportation of rice from Bengal to Bombay. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

24 Jul., 1780, No. 12

T. Goddard's plan for the military establishment of the Bombay Presidency. (Enclosure to above)—14 pp.

24 Jul., 1780, No. 13

The President of the Select Committee of Bombay expresses his views in regard to T. Goddard's plan for an augmentation of the military establishment of the Bombay Presidency. (Minute—Enclosure)—3 pp.

24 Jul., 1780, No. 14

Aug 10. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S. 10 Aug., 1780

Aug 10. The instructions by the Board to Capt. A. Macpherson (Commanding the 3rd Battalion of Sepoys) for repelling any attack by Raghuji Bhonsla's army assembled at Cuttack. 5 pp.

10 Aug., 1780, No. 1

Aug 21. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 21 Aug., 1780

Jul 26, Fort St. George. The President and Select Committee at Fort St. George transmit to the Board two papers of intelligence from the Nawab of Arcot relative to the arrival in the Carnatic of a part of Haidar Ali's cavalry and the expected approach of Haidar himself with his whole army; state that they will not be able to carry on this war without a speedy supply of money from Bengal; hope several Presidencies will unite on this occasion to humble Haidar Ali. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

21 Aug., 1780, No. 1

Jul 23. Muhammad Ali Khan transmits to the President at Fort St. George papers conveying the news that Haidar Ali has commenced hostilities; that J. Lally has been placed in command of his artillery and foot; that 800 Europeans have been despatched from Mauritius to join him and that the King of France has sent him some presents. (Enclosure to above)—4 pp.

21 Aug., 1780, No. A

Aug 21. The Board request the President and Select Committee at Fort St. George to be informed of their resolution on the subject of the disputes with Nizam Ali Khan particularly respecting Guntur

21 Aug., 1780, No. 2

Aug 20. The Board desire J. Hollond to inform them if the Madras Government have recalled their troops from the Guntur *sarkar*. 8 pp.

21 Aug., 1780, No. 3

Jul 2, Worcester in Madras Road. E. Hughes transmits to the Board extracts from two letters received by him from Lord Hillsborough. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

21 Aug., 1780, No. 4

Feb 3. Lord Hillsborough (Secretary of State for the Southern Department) promises to E. Hughes to supply him with additional naval force in case he returns to Europe three ships of the line in pursuance of the orders of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty; intimates that M. de Ternay has been appointed to the command of some ships about to sail from Brest to the East Indies; asks him not to diminish the forces under his command. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

21 Aug., 1780, No. 5

Feb 7. Lord Hillsborough intimates to E. Hughes that the departure of the French squadrons for the West and the East Indies has been postponed for some time; advises him to reinforce the squadron under his command. (Enclosure)—1 p.

21 Aug., 1780, No. 6

Jul 4, Camp Rhahut. W. Popham expresses astonishment at the Board's resolution withdrawing him from the campaign. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

21 Aug., 1780, No. 7

Jul 24, Lucknow. C. Printing informs the Board that the assignments of the jagirs have been delivered to their proprietors; transmits with his remarks particulars of certain accounts; requests discretionary powers in the matter of reduction of the *Mutaiyyn* troops and seeks permission to assist the *amils* occasionally with a force. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

21 Aug., 1780, No. 8

Account of the expenses of the *Mutaiyyn* troops stationed for the collections and *ikhrajat* or *mahal* charges in the dominions of Asaf-ud-Daulah for the Fasli year 1187. (Enclosure to above)—4 pp.

21 Aug., 1780, No. B

Abstract account of the same. (Enclosure)—1 p.

21 Aug., 1780, No. C

Aug 21. The Board impress upon C. Purling the necessity of reducing the *Mutaaityin* troops; promise aid of the Company's troops to enforce collection of the Vazir's resources and to keep his country in order. 2 pp.

21 Aug., 1780, No. 9

Aug 24.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 24 Aug., 1780

Jul 20. Superb in Madras Road. E. Hughes reports to the Board Haidar Ali's movements; informs that Haidar Ali may receive a reinforcement from the French islands; intimates that he is going southwards as far as Negapatam to intercept any of the enemy's ships coming on the coast. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

24 Aug., 1780, No. 1

Jun 20, Camp near Surat. T. Goddard informs the Board that Mahadji Sindia has moved towards Ujjain and Tukojirao Holkar has accompanied Sindhia and will reside at Indore; states the advantages that have been derived from the acquisition of Parnera and two other forts recently captured by Lt. T. Welsh; states why he does not think it expedient to make any overtures of peace to the Poona Government before Bassein is captured; proposes to recommence the campaign after the rains; points out the necessity of retaining Raghunathrao in their own hand; states the reasons for referring the execution of the Board's order for the dismissal of the regiment of cavalry; explains why he did not fix a subsidy for the expense of the troops left at Ahmedabad for the defence of Fateh Singh's country. (A.L.S.)—25 pp.

24 Aug., 1780, No. 2

Sep 4.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 4 Sep., 1780

Sep 4. E. Wheler agrees to the proposal of the Governor General for borrowing money in view of the large unsatisfied demands on the Treasury and of the probable calls on the Board for money from the subordinate Presidencies. (Minute)—2 pp.

4 Sep., 1780, No. 1

Sep 4. E. Coote states that endeavour should be made to borrow money on bonds and at the lowest interest procurable; proposes measures for the prosecution of the war and for the protection of the country; suggests means for determining the real intentions of the Raja of Berar's troops collected at Cuttack. (Minute)—15 pp.

4 Sep., 1780, No. 2

Sep 4. W. Hastings concurs with the Commander-in-Chief's proposal for raising money; observes that no money need be sent to Fort St. George at present proposes that since Mudhoji Bhonsla, has already given proofs of his friendly disposition towards the English his troops stationed at Cuttack need not be asked to retire; places before the Board copies of letters from Divakar Pandit to Beniram Pandit. (Minute)—17 pp.

4 Sep., 1780, No. 3

Divakar Pandit professes to Beniram Pandit friendship for the English; asks for written powers from the Governor General to complete his authority as mediator between the English and the Marathas. (Translation)—12 pp.

4 Sep., 1780, No. 4

Divakar Pandit requests Beniram Pandit to explain to the Governor General the friendly intentions of the Berar Government; desires to have an interview with the Governor General and has written to the Poona Darbar for their approval of this proposal; asks him to procure orders from the Governor General to the Bombay Government and to T. Goddard to stop all hostilities with the Marathas. (Translation)*—8 pp.

4 Sep., 1780, No. 5

Sep 4. Resolution of the Board that the Treasury be opened for loans of money at the established rate of interest. (Resolution)—1 p.

Progs., 4 Sep., 1780

Sep 7.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 7 Sep., 1780

Sep 7. E. Coote proposes that the troops under W. Popham be kept up for the present and employed in conjunction with J. Camac's detachment on an attack upon the northern territories of Sindhia and Holkar instead of being ordered to join T. Goddard. (Minute)—6 pp.

7 Sep., 1780, No. 1

Sep 7. E. Wheler agrees to the proposition made by E. Coote regarding the relief of W. Popham's detachment. (Minute)—1 p.

Progs., 7 Sep., 1780

Sep 7. The decision of the Board on the formation of three regular battalions out of the detachment under the command of W. Popham, and on filling the vacancies caused in the command of the sepoy battalions serving with T. Goddard on account of the appointment of three of their commanding officers to do duty with J. Camac's detachment. (Resolution)—2 pp.

Progs., 7 Sep., 1780

Sep 7. W. Hastings lays before the Board for their consideration a letter received from R. Johnson of Calcutta on the possibility of forming an alliance with Timur Shah (Shah of Afghanistan). (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 7 Sep., 1780

Sep 4, Calcutta. R. Johnson forwards to the Governor General certain papers brought to him by an agent sent by the *Elchi* of Timur Shah at Delhi; requests that if an alliance with Timur Shah is considered agreeable, the Governor General may in the first instance send a letter to the Amir through him. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

7 Sep., 1780, No. 2

Muhammad Shah Abdullah Naqshbandi (Timur Shah's Agent at Delhi) transmits letters received by him from Timur Shah and from

*Please also see *Calender of Persian Correspondence*, Vol. V, No. 1979, pp. 481-83.

Faizullah Khan, his instructor and adviser; proposes the establishment of friendship and alliance between Timur Shah and the Company. (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

7 Sep., 1780, No. 3

Timur Shah directs Saiyid Shah Abdullah Naqshbandi to keep up the acquaintance of the people and to inform him of everything of importance; Mullah Faizullah Khan informs Saiyid Shah Abdullah Naqshbandi that he has delivered his letter addressed to His Majesty (Timur Shah); adds that His Majesty has sent an answer to that letter. (Enclosures)—1 p.

7 Sep., 1780, No. 4

E. Coote and E. Wheeler agree with W. Hastings on the deputation of R. Johnson to Timur Shah with a letter from the Governor General. (Minute)—8 pp.

Progs., 7 Sep., 1780

Sep 11.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 11 Sep., 1780

Jul 30, Bombay Castle. The President and Select Committee at Bombay request the Board for the necessary supplies to carry out their plan for relieving the Board of the expenses of the Bengal army in future; state that they will concert with T. Goddard's measures for the reduction of Bassein; transmit copies of their correspondence with Gen. Goddard; report the capture of the fort of Vengurla by Mudhoji Bhonsla; add that Haider Ali had apprised the Resident (at Honavar) of his intention to order him away from that settlement. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

11 Sep., 1780, No. 1

Jun 11, Surat. T. Goddard informs the Select Committee, Bombay that he will await their views relative to the siege to be undertaken of Bassein; reports the capture by the English of the fort of Parnera; asks for two lacs of ruppes from the Bengal consignment; reports the advance of Sindhia and Holkar towards Ujjain; suggests the stationing of two battalions at Zinnore (Sinor) to prevent hostile attempts on the Company's possessions north of the Narbada.

May 27, Camp Bawapur Ghat. T. Goddard urges the Select Committee at Bombay the need for undertaking a siege of Bassein and proposes to begin the operation at the end of the rains, states that he joined Maj. J. Forbes in driving away Mahadji Sindhia in the eastward of Dabhoi; reports on the military success of Maj. Forbes against the army of Bhagirathi Sindhia and Paraji Pant (officers in the service of Mahadji Sindhia) at Sinor and of T. Welsh against those of Ganesh Pant (military officer of Poona Darbar) at Badauli in Surat.

Jun 29, Surat. T. Goddard reports to the Select Committee at Bombay that Mahadji Sindhia has repaired to Ujjain and Tukejirao Holkar to Indore; states that he has written to the Government of Bengal to detain both the rulers in north India by creating a powerful diversion on the side of Malwa and thus to facilitate his operations in the south.

Jul 8, Surat. T. Goddard invites the attention of the Select Committee at Bombay to the secret correspondence carried on by W. J. Vandergraaf,

(Chief of the Dutch Factory at Surat) with the vakils of the Poona Government; points out the need of complaining to Vendergraaf's superiors of the impropriety of his conduct and of demanding his removal from the station. (Enclosures to above)—13 pp.

11 Sep., 1780, No. A

Jul 3, Bombay Castle. The Select Committee at Bombay inform T. Goddard that they have been obliged to appropriate two lacs of rupees received from Bengal for the use of his troops to pay off the arrears of the Bombay Detachment as far as possible and have asked the Paymaster of the detachment to apply him for the balance; state that the papers sent by Malet (Resident at Cambay) do not afford sufficient evidence of the hostile intentions of the Nawab of Cambay (Momin Khan). (Enclosure)—2 pp.

11 Sep., 1780, No. B

Intercepted correspondence between Momin Khan and the Marathas, including the remarks of Malet thereon, together with Malet's letter to T. Goddard recommending the reduction of Cambay. (Enclosures)—22 pp.

11 Sep., 1780, No. C

Aug 12, Hyderabad. J. Hollond informs the Board that Nizam Ali Khan is satisfied at the Board's resolution to restore Murtazanagar sarkar to his brother Basalat Jang and has agreed not to allow any debarkation of men or stores belonging to the enemies of the English at the port of Matupalli; states that the Nizam expects to have the collections of the Guntur sarkar restored to him and desires to know the intentions of the Board regarding the *peshkash* and the arrears due to him. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

11 Sep., 1780, No. 2

Sep 11. The Board request J. Hollond to assure the Nizam that after hearing from the Madras Presidency they will resolve what orders should be given for the restoration of the Guntur sarkar to Basalat Jang; admit the Nizam's claim to all arrears of the *peshkash* and have no intention of desiring a diminution of it in future; state that the Nizam has no claim to the collections made in the Guntur sarkar since it has been in the possession of the Madras Presidency. 6 pp.

11 Sep., 1780, No. 3

Aug 23, Gwalior. W. Popham forwards to the Board a return of the ordnance, stores, etc. taken in the fort of Gwalior; informs that since the conquest of Gwalior, the Marathas have deserted the neighbouring country; adds that the march of a strong detachment upon Sironj might induce Mahadji Sindhia, who is already very discouraged, to propose advantageous terms to the English. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

11 Sep., 1780, No. 4

Sep 11. P. Francis replies to the charges made against him by the Governor General in his minute of 20 July. (Minute)—10 pp.

11 Sep., 1780, No. 5

Sep 11. E. Wheler objects to the remarks made by the Governor General in his minute of 3 July on his endorsement of P. Francis' minute respecting the Maratha war. (Minute)—3 pp.

11 Sep., 1780, No. 6

Sep 18.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 18 Sep., 1780

Sep 18. E. Coote agrees to the Governor General's proposals for deferring transmission of further supplies to Madras until that Presidency intimates the nature of the assistance they require and for suspending the formation of an army southward; recommends that steps may be taken for the protection of the Company's possessions from any sudden surprise. (Minute)—3 pp.

18 Sep., 1780, No. 1

Sep 18. The Board agree with the Commander-in-Chief and authorise him to take steps to guard against the event of an invasion. (Resolution)—1 p.

Progs., 18 Sep., 1780

Sep 1, Fatta. J. Prinsep submit before the Board a proposal for introducing a fixed copper coinage throughout the Company's possessions. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

18 Sep., 1780, No. 2

Statement showing annual imports of copper at the settlement of Fort William for the past four years. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

18 Sep., 1780, No. 3

Sep 21.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 21 Sep., 1780

Aug 13, Fort St. George. The President and Select Committee, Fort St. George inform the Board that Haidar Ali's troops are ravaging the Carnatic and have captured some forts garrisoned by the Nawab's people; state that they expect to have a respectable force in the field in a few days; request supply of money. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

21 Sep., 1780, No. 1

Aug 11, Anjengo. T. Toriessa (Resident at Anjengo) informs the Board that the residents of Tellicherry intimate that Haidar Ali's troops have taken possession of the island of Dharmapattanam. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

21 Sep., 1780, No. 2

Sep 22.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 22 Sep., 1780

Sep 3, Fort St. George. The President and Council at Fort St. George transmit to the Board a letter from the Court of Directors. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

22 Sep., 1780, No. 1

Sep 15, Fort St. George. The President and Select Committee at Fort St. George transmit to the Board copies of two letters from E. Hughes and another from the Cape. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

22 Sep., 1780, No. 2

Sep 1, Superb off Negapatam. E. Hughes transmits to the Select Committee at Fort St. George extracts of intelligence received by him from

England reporting the preparation of the French for war and the departure of a French fleet for Mauritius. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

22 Sep., 1780, No. 3

Aug. 28, *Superb* off Negapatam. E. Hughes informs the Select Committee at Fort St. George that ships of war and troops are expected to arrive at Mauritius from France with hostile intentions against the Company's settlements in India; proposes therefore to start for the Malabar coast soon; embodies papers containing information on the collection of French ships at Table Bay and False Bay. (Enclosure)—12 pp.

22 Sep., 1780, No. 4

Sep 14, Fort St. George. The President and Select Committee at Fort St. George inform the Board that a detachment of Europeans and sepoys under Lt. Col. W. Baillie and a reinforcement sent for its assistance have been annihilated by Haidar Ali's army; add that H. Munro has, in consequence, retreated from Conjeeveram to Chingleput; request assistance with troops and money. (A.L.S.)—6 pp.

22 Sep., 1780, No. 5

Sep 14, *Superb* in Madras Road. E. Hughes informs the Board about the defeat of the detachment of Europeans and sepoys under W. Baillie at the hands of Haidar Ali; fears that a regular plan of operation has been settled between the French and Haidar Ali; requests assistance with troops and money. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

22 Sep., 1780, No. 6

Aug 5. The Board intimate to E. Hughes that J. Carmichael, one of the Paymasters of the military forces in Bengal, has absconded with a sum of above nine lacs of rupees; give him certain instructions for the apprehension of the absconder. 12 pp.

22 Sep., 1780, No. 7

Aug 28*. The Board request the Government of Batavia to arrest J. Carmichael and send him to Bengal. 3 pp.

22 Sep., 1780, No. 8

Sep 6, *Superb* off Negapatam. E. Hughes informs the Board that at present he has no spare vessel to send to Malacca for securing the person of J. Carmichael. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

22 Sep., 1780, No. 9

Sep 25. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 25 Sep., 1780

Sep 9, Fort St. George. The President and Select Committee at Fort St. George forward to the Board a letter from the Court of Directors. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

25 Sep., 1780, No. 1

Aug 14, Bombay Castle. The President and Select Committee at Bombay transmit to the Board a letter from the Court of Directors; inform that they have forwarded to E. Hughes the intelligence contained in it.

*The same to Malacca with a slight addition.

and have asked him to bring round His Majesty's squadron to its coast. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

25 Sep., 1780, No. 2

Mudhoji Bhonsla informs the Governor General that he has sent Bijairam Pandit to Calcutta with a memorandum of omissions and breaches in the articles of J. Upton's treaty and a note of the prospective negotiation respecting the taluks of Gujarat, the affairs of Gaikwar and the invasion of Konkan; refers to the Hindustani letter of Beniram Pandit for further particulars; desires that the Bombay Government and T. Goddard should be directed to cease hostilities in Konkan. (Received 13 September). (Translation*)—9 pp.

25 Sep., 1780, No. 3

Divakar Pandit makes a similar request to the Governor General. † (Translation)—33 pp.

25 Sep., 1780, No. 4

Aug 16. Divakar Pandit proposes to Beniram Pandit certain conditions as preliminaries to the negotiation of peace between the English and the Poona Darbar; adds that after these preliminaries have been settled he will come to Calcutta to confer with the Governor on the terms of the treaty. (Translation)‡—17 pp.

25 Sep., 1780, No. 5

Mudhoji Bhonsla expresses to the Governor General his satisfaction at the orders given by him for furnishing the army at Cuttack with provisions and other necessities; informs that he has sent Sadashiv Pandit to Poona charging him with important matters in connection with the negotiation for peace; urges that peace ought by all means to be established with the Peshwa (Received 21 September).¹

Divakar Pandit recounts to the Governor General the good offices and friendly acts done by the Berar Government towards the English; remarks on the proposed treaty between the Peshwa and the Company. (Translation)²—32 pp.

25 Sep., 1780, No. 6

Divakar Pandit requests Beniram Pandit that peace must be concluded between the Marathas and the English; states that he has sent Sadhashiv Pandit to Poona and expects a favourable reply from the place; transmits heads of the treaty concluded by J. Upton with the Poona Darbar and memorandums of the claims of the Darbar regarding Gujarat, Ahmedabad and some other places; asks him to lay them before the Governor General and to solicit his definite reply; adds that a letter from the Governor General to Ibrahim Ali Beg Dhonsa will be of great use; suggests that sixteen lacs of rupees be immediately sent by the Governor General for the expenses of the army at Cuttack (Received 21 September). (Translation)³—11 pp.

25 Sep., 1780, No. 7

*Please also see *Calendar of Persian Correspondence*, Vol. V, No. 1993, p. 485.

**Ibid.*, No. 1994, pp. 485-87.

**Ibid.*, No 1995, pp. 487-488.

1. *Ibid.*, Vol. V. No. 2005, pp. 490-91.

2. *Ibid.*, No. 20027, pp. 491;92.

3 *Ibid* No 2007 & 402

Sep. 25. W. Hastings proposes measures for helping the Presidency of Fort St. George with money and troops in their war with Haidar Ali; lays down the terms of the treaty to be concluded with the Marathas. (Minute)—12 pp.

25 Sep., 1780, No. 8

Sep 26. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 26 Sep., 1780

Sep 25. C. Alexandar (Military Paymaster General) intimates to E. Hay (Secretary to the Board) the amount due to him from the Treasury and the dates upto which payments have been made to the troops at various stations. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

26 Sep., 1780, No. 1

Sep 26. P. Francis records his opinion on the several proposals in the Governor General's minute of 25 September in regard to the help to be rendered to the Presidency of Fort St. George and the treaty to be concluded with the Marathas. (Minute)—15 pp.

26 Sep., 1780, No. 2

Sep 26. W. Hastings proposes that Beniram Pandit be permitted to attend the Board and answer such questions as may be put to him. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 26 Sep., 1780

Questions put to Beniram Pandit and his answers respecting the past and future behaviour of the Government of Berar towards the English. 13 pp.

Progs., 26 Sep., 1780

Sep 26. Debate in the Board on the Governor General's propositions and their decisions that fifteen lacs of rupees in specie and a large detachment of European infantry and artillery be immediately sent to the Fort St. George; that the Commander-in-Chief be requested to take the command of the army. (Minute and Resolution)—4 pp.

Progs., 26 Sep., 1780

Sep 26. E. Coote agrees to take command of the army on the Madras establishment; concurs with the Governor General that the proposals for peace and an offensive and defensive alliance should be immediately offered to the Marathas; submits a statement of the force on the Bengal establishment and of the disposition to be made of it for the protection of their provinces and for the relief of Madras. (Minute)—7 pp.

26 Sep., 1780, No. 3

Sep 27*, Calcutta. State of the army in Bengal establishment. (Enclosure to above)—5 pp.

26 Sep., 1780, No. 4

Sep 26. W. Hastings proposes that in view of the season which would have rendered it impossible for an army to march immediately from Bengal to the Carnatic at present two companies of artillery and one

Progs., 26 Sep., 1780

*Dated 26 September in the Proceedings volume.

battalion of the regiment of infantry be immediately embarked for the Presidency of Fort St. George as can board the *Duke of Kingston* and the rest on any ship offered for that service by Fergusson. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 28 Sep., 1780

Sep 27. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 27 Sep., 1780

Sep 27. Debate in the Board on the proposals contained in the Governor General's minute of 25 September respecting the treaty to be concluded with the Maratha State and their decisions on the same. (Minutes and Resolutions)—13 pp.

Progs., 27 Sep., 1780

Oct 2. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 2 Oct., 1780

Oct 2. Draft of the treaty with the Maratha state as proposed by the Governor General, 8 pp.

2 Oct., 1780, No. 1

Oct 2. The members of the Board approve the draft treaty with the Maratha State proposed by the Governor General. (Minute)—1 p.

Progs., 2 Oct., 1780

Aug 28, Superb off Negapatam. E. Hughes conveys to the Board that the French at Mauritius will receive a reinforcement of ships of war and troops and intend to act offensively against some of the English settlements in India. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

2 Oct., 1780, No. 2

Sep 1, Superb off Negapatam. E. Hughes transmits to the Board extracts of intelligence received by him from England. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

2 Oct., 1780, No. 3

Oct 2. The Board express to the President and Select Committee at Fort St. George their concern at the news of the defeat of the British troops by the forces of Haidar Ali; communicate their orders and resolutions respecting the help to be given to Madras Presidency and also their resolution for peace with the Maratha State. 7 pp.

2 Oct., 1780, No. 4

Oct 2. The Board address to E. Hughes on similar lines. 6 pp.

2 Oct., 1780, No. 5

Sep 2, Fort St. George. The President and Select Committee of Fort St. George acquiesce in the Board's proposal to deliver back Guntur sarkar to Basalat Jang. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

2 Oct., 1780, No. 6

Sep 3, Hyderabad. J. Hollond informs the Board that Nizam Ali Khan expresses doubts as to the intentions of the Madras Government in as much as they have not yet complied with the Board's order respecting the restoration of the Guntur sarkar to Basalat Jang. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

2 Oct., 1780, No. 7

Jul 15, Camp near Surat. T. Goddard informs the Board that the exchange of territory with Fateh Singh was equitable and proportioned to the claims of each party; states that it is not possible to derive any solid advantage from a connection with Mahadji Sindhia whose principal object is to get the person of Raghunathrao into his own hands; adds that he has granted Raghunathrao an allowance of Rs. 10,000 in consideration of his distressful condition. (Copy)—19 pp.

2 Oct., 1780, No. 8

Oct 3.

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B. S., 3 Oct., 1780

Aug 17, Bombay Castle. The President and Select Committee at Bombay transmit to the Board a plan of operations against the Marathas together with a copy of their letter to T. Goddard; urge that the revenues yielded by the new parganas should be appropriated to the general expenses of the war and that the Bengal Government should provide for the payment of Gen. Goddard's army; request the Board to negotiate a loan in Calcutta for ten lacs of rupees; forward a translation of the intercepted correspondence between the Dutch Chief at Surat and the Poona ministers; request orders as to taking public notice of the conduct of the Dutch Chief. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

3 Oct., 1780, No. 1

Aug 3, Bombay Castle. W. Hornby dwells fully on the situation of affairs in Bombay Presidency with reference to the Maratha war; proposes a plan for the operations of the ensuing campaign; suggests methods for the supply of money. (Minute—Enclosure to above)—20 pp.

3 Oct., 1780, No. A

Aug 6, Camp near Surat. T. Goddard communicates to the Select Committee at Bombay his opinion about the payment of the arrears due to the Bombay Detachment; intimates the sentiments of the Board in regard to the exchange of territories with Fateh Singh and asks for their instructions; requests them to issue necessary orders to the Chiefs at Surat and Broach to pay into his hands the revenues collected from the newly acquired territories. (Enclosure)—7 pp.

3 Oct., 1780, No. B

Aug 6, Bombay Castle. The Select Committee at Bombay communicate to T. Goddard their plan of operations of the ensuing campaign; explain the desirability of postponing any discussion about the exchange of territories with Fateh Singh; promise him assistance in defraying the expenses of the troops under his command; state that they have transmitted to the Board the information respecting the correspondence of W. J. Vandergraaf with the Poona ministers and will make a representation to the Dutch Governor General if the Board so advise. (Enclosure)—7 pp.

3 Oct., 1780, No. C

Lala Nihal Chand (Agent of Poona Darbar) communicates to the ministers at Poona that T. Goddard is at Bombay and that troops have arrived from Bombay and Madras; requests payment of Rs. 500 to Muhammad Ariff who brought about an interview with the Dutchman who wishes well to the Maratha Government.

W. J. Vandergraaf informs Nana Phadnavis that Lakshmanrao Govind will communicate everything fully and circumstantially; gives information relative to Raghunathrao.

Lakshmanrao Govind informs Nana Phadnavis that the Dutch Chief has promised to help the Maratha Government against the English; adds that Fateh Singh has refused to help them with troops and is in close connection with the English; requests that orders be given to Bamgir Pandit to raise troops and subdue Chandra Rao who is plundering the country on behalf of Raghunathrao. (Enclosures)—5 pp.

3 Oct., 1780, No. D

Oct 3. E. Coote states that the small number of troops going to Madras by sea will be inadequate; proposes that six or eight battalions of sepoys and one company of artillery be ordered to be in readiness to march to Madras by the Cuttack road. (Minute)—3 pp.

3 Oct., 1780, No. 2

Oct 9. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 9 Oct., 1780

Sep 17, *Superb in Madras Road*. E. Hughes informs the Board that in consequence of the loss of Europeans in the late defeat under W. A. Baillie, the army there is unable to face the enemy without a reinforcement; requests the despatch of four or five hundred Europeans from the Bengal establishment to prevent Haidar Ali's getting solid footing in the Carnatic. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

9 Oct., 1780, No. 1

Sep 12, *Gwalior*. W. Popham intimates to the Board the number of troops required for garrisoning the fort of Gwalior. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

9 Oct., 1780, No. 2

Oct 9. The Board request T. Goddard to convey their thanks to J. Forbes and T. Welsh and the men under them for their gallantry and good conduct; direct him to receive from Fateh Singh Gaikwar full payment of the expenses of the troops employed for the defence of Ahmadabad before delivering up the place to him; approve of the reduced allowance of Rs. 10,000 granted by him to Raghunathrao; give him discretionary powers to act for the general benefit of the Company at Bombay. 10 pp.

9 Oct., 1780, No. 3

Oct 9. P. Francis conveys to the Board his views on the alliance with the Marathas. (Minute)—3 pp.

Progs., 9 Oct., 1780

Oct 9. The Board inform the President and Select Committee at Bombay that they have directed T. Goddard to guide himself by circumstances and by the advice of the Select Committee in his military operations; transmit a copy of the proposed treaty with the Marathas; direct them to suspend all hostilities and military operations against the Marathas on receipt of a requisition to that effect and a notification from the Peshwa. 4 pp.

9 Oct., 1780, No. 4

Oct 9. The Board transmit to T. Goddard an attested copy of the proposed treaty with the Marathas; direct him to suspend all hostilities and military operations against the Marathas on receipt of a requisition to that effect, and a notification from the Peshwa that a similar order has been given on his part to the officers commanding his armies. 3 pp.

9 Oct., 1780, No. 5

Oct 9. The Board direct J. Camac to suspend all military hostilities and military operations against the Marathas on receipt of a requisition to that effect and a notification from the Peshwa that a similar order has been given on his part to the officers commanding his armies. 2 pp.

9 Oct., 1780, No. 6

Oct 10. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 10 Oct., 1780

Oct 10. W. Hastings moves for the suspension of J. Whitehall from his office of the President of Fort St. George for disobeying the orders of the Board relative to the restoration of Guntur sarkar to Basalat Jang. (Minute)—16 pp.

10 Oct., 1780, No. 1

Oct 10. P. Francis and E. Wheler agree to the suspension of J. Whitehall from his office. (Minutes)—2 pp.

Progs., 10 Oct., 1780

Aug 12. J. Hollond informs the Governor General that the Nizam admits having joined the Marathas against the English because of the conduct of the English who demanded a remission of the *peshkash* and formed an alliance with Basalat Jang to take possession of Guntur sarkar. (Extract)—7 pp.

10 Oct., 1780, No. 2

Oct 11*. Ghiretti. E. Coote agrees to the suspension of J. Whitehall from his office of the President of Fort St. George. (Minute)—1 p.

10 Oct., 1780, No. 3

Oct 10. Resolution of the Board suspending J. Whitehall from the office of the President and Governor of Fort St. George. 1 p.

Progs., 10 Oct., 1780

Oct 10. The Board point out to the Select Committee at Fort St. George several cases of their wilful disobedience to the orders of the Board; intimate the suspension of J. Whitehall from his office of the President of Fort St. George. 15 pp.

10 Oct., 1780, No. 4

Oct 10. The Board transmit to the President and Council at Fort St. George a copy of their letter to the Select Committee at Fort St. George declaring J. Whitehall suspended from his office of the President at Fort St. George; ask them to pay implicit obedience and attention to this declaration. 1 p.

10 Oct., 1780, No. 5

*Dated one day later than the Consultation.

Oct 13.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 13 Oct., 1780

Oct 12*. The Board direct J. Hollond to inform Nizam Ali Khan of the removal of J. Whitehall from the Government of Fort St. George for disobedience to their orders regarding the restoration of the Guntur *sarkar* to Basalat Jang. 2 pp.

13 Oct., 1780, No. 1

Sep 23, Fort St. George. The President and Select Committee at Fort St. George inform the Board that they have given orders to their Commanding Officer in Guntur *sarkar* to deliver it upto the agent of Basalat Jang; forward copies of correspondence on the subject. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

13 Oct., 1780, No. 2

Sep 2, Fort St. George. The Select Committee at Fort St. George request Muhammad Ali Khan for his concurrence in the restoration of the Guntur *sarkar* to Basalat Jang. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

13 Oct., 1780, No. 3

Sep 14, Fort St. George. The Select Committee, Fort St. George ask W. Douglas to withdraw his forces from Guntur after delivering it up to the agent of Basalat Jang. (Enclosure)—1 p.

13 Oct., 1780, No. 4

Sep 16. Muhammad Ali Khan informs the President at Fort St. George that he agrees to the restoration of Guntur to Basalat Jang; requests permission to treat with Nizam Ali Khan to secure his co-operation against Haidar Ali. (Enclosure)—4 pp.

13 Oct., 1780, No. 5

Sep 23, Fort St. George. The President at Fort St. George inform Basalat Jang that he has issued necessary orders to put the agent of Basalat Jang in possession of the Guntur *sarkar* and to withdraw the Company's troops from the district. (Enclosure)—1 p.

13 Oct., 1780, No. 6

Oct 13. The Board acknowledge the receipt of the letter from the Select Committee at Fort St. George. 1 p.

13 Oct., 1780, No. 7

Oct 26.

Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 26 Oct., 1780

Oct 16. W. Hastings proposes that the Commander-in-Chief be empowered to issue such orders to every detachment made from the military establishment of Bengal as he will judge expedient for the general service of the war; E. Wheeler agrees. (Minutes)—3 pp.

26 Oct., 1780, No. 1

Oct 16. P. Francis agrees to the Governor General's proposal. (Minute)—2 pp.

26 Oct., 1780, No. 2

*The letter was dated and despatched on 12 October but recorded on 13 October. See Proceedings volume.

Oct 16. The Board empower E. Coote to issue such orders to every detachment from the military establishment as he may judge expedient for the general service of the war. 1 p.

26 Oct., 1780, No. 3

Oct 16. The Board direct T. Goddard* to obey all orders from the Commander-in-Chief. 1 p.

26 Oct., 1780, No. 4

Oct 17. W. Hastings proposes that copies of two letters received by him from Nizam Ali Khan and of the letter written by the Board to the Select Committee at Fort St. George on 20 January 1778 be transmitted to the Court of Directors; E. Wheler and P. Francis agree to the proposal. (Minutes)—3 pp.

26 Oct., 1780 No. 5

Oct 13.† Nizam Ali Khan expresses his satisfaction to the Governor General at the reappointment of J. Hollond as Resident at his court; complains that in spite of professions of friendship the Company have postponed the payment of *peshkash* due to him and the restoration of Guntur *sarkar* to Basalat Jang. (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

26 Oct., 1780, No. 6

Oct 13.† Nizam Ali Khan complains to the Governor General of the unfriendly behaviour of the Madras Council; requests him to fulfil his promises. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

26 Oct., 1780, No. 7

Oct 6, Ganjam. J. Turing (Chief at Ganjam) reports to the Board the outbreak of a mutiny of troops at Vizagapatam; transmits copies of letters containing information of the mutiny (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

26 Oct., 1780, No. 8

Oct 4, Bimlipatam. J. Russel reports to J. Turing the outbreak of a mutiny at Vizagapatam; mentions the names of the persons killed, wounded or taken prisoners by the mutineers. (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

26 Oct., 1780, No. 9

Oct 4, Bimlipatam. Capt. T. Lane reports the outbreak of mutiny at Vizagapatam. (Enclosure)—3 pp.

26 Oct., 1780, No. 10

Oct 5, Chicacole. Ensign J. B. Butler (Commanding at Chicacole) reports to Capt. Bruce (Officer Commanding at Aska) the outbreak of mutiny at Vizagapatam. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

26 Oct., 1780, No. 11A

Oct 7, Ganjam. J. Turing transmits to the Board copies of letters received from J. H. Casamaijor and J. B. Butler. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

26 Oct., 1780, No. 11B

*The same to J. Camac, commanding the detachment of the Company's troops in Gohad.

†In the *Calendar of Persian Correspondence*, Vol. V, Nos. 2040 & 2041, pp. 498-99, the dates of the letters are 18 October.

Oct 4, Sartine. J. H. Casamaijor reports to J. Turing the outbreak of a mutiny at Vizagapatam. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

26 Oct., 1780, No. 11C

Oct 5, Chicacole. J. B. Butler submits to J. Turing an account of the mutiny at Vizagapatam. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

26 Oct., 1780, No. 11D

Oct 18. The Board express to J. Turing their concern at the news of the mutiny at Vizagapatam; request further information. 2 pp.

26 Oct., 1780, No. 12

Oct 18. The Board request J. H. Casamaijor for information about the mutiny at Vizagapatam. 1 p.

26 Oct., 1780, No. 13

Oct 9, Ganjam. J. Turing transmits to the Board a copy of a letter from J. B. Butler and an extract of a private letter of P. Pringle (Surgeon at Chicacole) relating to the mutiny at Vizagapatam. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

26 Oct., 1780, No. 14

Oct 5, Chicacole. J. B. Butler reports to J. Turing that the mutineers marched with the treasure from the fort; hopes that everything will be settled again in a few days. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

26 Oct., 1780, No. 15

Oct 7, Chicacole. P. Pringle gives an account of the mutiny of Vizagapatam to J. Turing. (Enclosure)—2 pp.

26 Oct., 1780, No. 16

Oct 18. The Board convey to E. Coote their remarks against transportation of native troops from one place to another by sea; give a description of the mutiny at Vizagapatam; transmit a copy of J. Turing's letter on the subject. 6 pp.

26 Oct., 1780, No. 17

Oct 21, On board the Kingston. E. Coote reports to the Board his arrival at Barabulla Head; suggests that a body of troops should be despatched to the *sarkars* in consequence of the mutiny at Vizagapatnam; adds that he will sail by Vizagapatam and send a boat on shore for further information about the mutiny. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

26 Oct., 1780, No. 18

Oct 18, Speedwell Yacht, Kedgerree. E. Coote gives an account of the present strength and disposition of the Madras army. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

26 Oct., 1780, No. 19

Sep 19, Council Chamber. E. Hay (Acting Secretary) circulates a letter* from J. Prinsep (Superintendent of copper coinage) with its enclosures. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

26 Oct., 1780, No. 20

Oct 18, Council Chamber. E. Hay informs J. Prinsep that the Board have accepted his proposal for supplying the Company with copper coins. 2 pp.

26 Oct., 1780, No. 21

*The Governor General and the members of the Board record their approval of the proposal contained in Prinsep's letter.

Oct 19. The Board direct the Board of Trade to comply with all indents to be made by J. Prinsep until 9 April 1784 for sheet and Japan copper imported from Europe on account of the Company. 1 p.

26 Oct., 1780, No. 22

Sep 29, Hyderabad. J. Hollond informs the Board that the Nawab still doubts the Board's claim to supreme authority; reports that Guntur has been plundered by Mir Ali Riza; states that there are at present in Guntur only a Revenue Corps and two companies of battalion sepoys. (A.L.S.)—5 pp.

26 Oct., 1780, No. 23

Oct 26. W. Hastings proposes the formation of a detachment of troops under the command of T. D. Pearse for service in Madras and also augmentation of the remaining battalions by an equal number of rank and file distributed amongst them. (Minute)—3 pp.

Progs., 26 Oct., 1780

Oct 26. The Board direct G. Stibbert to issue necessary orders for carrying into effect the Governor General's proposals. 2 pp.

26 Oct., 1780, No. 24

Oct 30. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 30 Oct., 1780

Oct 28, Fort William. G. Stibbert forwards to the Board a letter from Maj. H. Brisco to E. Coote; proposes to reinforce Maj. Brisco by a battalion from Fatehgarh; suggests that the Vazir and Faizullah Khan should be pressed to contribute to the protection of Rohilkhand. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

30 Oct., 1780, No. 1

Oct 1, Daranagar. H. Brisco represents to E. Coote about the necessity for more troops for the protection of Rohilkhand from the depredations of the Sikhs and others; reports that Najaf Khan is making preparations for war and is tampering with the Sikhs; suggests that Faizullah Khan be ordered to supply more troops. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

30 Oct., 1780, No. 2

Nov 2. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 2 Nov., 1780

Nov 2. The Board inform F. Fowke that orders have been issued to countermand the march of troops to Benares; states that the Governor General has been requested to write to Raja Chait Singh requiring him to furnish a part of his cavalry for the services of the Company which will be required only during the present war. 2 pp.

2 Nov., 1780, No. 1

Raja Gobind Ram (vakil of Asaf-ud-Daulah) transmits to the Board an *arzi* received by him from the Nawab.

Asaf-ud-Daulah asks Raja Gobind Ram to request the Governor General to direct the military officers at Cawnpore, Furrukhabad etc. not to write to the *amils* for provisions and other necessaries for the army and

not to send sepoy into the *mahals* but to inform him and the Resident of the quantity of the provisions required. (Arzi)—1 p.

2 Nov., 1780, No. 2

Oct 29, Fort William. G. Stibbert informs the Board that the army in Bengal, after the deduction of the force intended for service in Madras, will be inadequate for the protection of the province; states that it will be inexpedient at present to withdraw from the Upper Provinces a greater body of troops than will be sufficient to assist in the defence of Patna and the province of Bihar; intimates that the appointment of the commandant of artillery to the command of the detachment of Madras will occasion much discontent among the field officers of infantry. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

2 Nov., 1780, No. 3

Oct 31, Fort William. G. Stibbert proposes to the Board a plan for replacing the native troops to be detached from the Bengal army for service in Madras. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

2 Nov., 1780, No. 4

Comparative statement of the present establishment of a battalion and that of a regiment of two battalions proposed by G. Stibbert. (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

2 Nov., 1780, No. 5

Nov 2. The Board inform G. Stibbert that they leave it to his discretion to determine the spot where the new detachment should be assembled; state that the Nawab Vazir has been requested to require Faizullah Khan the troops he has stipulated to furnish; add that this force, when granted, will be placed under the command of the officer commanding at Fatehgarh. 2 pp.

2 Nov., 1780, No. 6

Nov 13. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 13 Nov., 1780

Nov 5. W. Hastings replies to the minute of P. Francis of 11 September; states the circumstances under which Francis entered into an engagement not to oppose any political measures proposed by him and to allow him to prescribe the mode of conducting the Maratha war. (Minute)—14 pp.

13 Nov., 1780, No. 1

Nov 27.* P. Francis states the nature of the engagement he entered into with the Governor General; explains why he has opposed some of the measures proposed by the Governor General relative to the Maratha war. (Minute)—13 pp.

13 Nov., 1780, No. 2

Jun 20. T. Goddard proposes to the Board that a diversion be made into Malwa to prevent Mahadji Sindhia from passing to the south of the Narbada to assist Nana Phadnavis. (Enclosure to above)—2 pp.

13 Nov., 1780, No. 3

*Dated 14 days later than the Consultation.

1779, Nov 3. T. Goddard intimates to the President and Council at Bombay that there is no likelihood of any interruptions by the French this season; assures that the troops will be able to execute any plan of operations against the whole of the Maratha Empire.

Dec 10. T. Goddard informs the Board that the strength of the army under him is sufficient to accomplish the scheme of conquest at present proposed. (Enclosures)—4 pp.

13 Nov., 1780, No. 4

W. Hastings repeats the terms of the engagement made between P. Francis and himself; explains how Francis was bound to give his assent to the proposal of a diversion into the province of Malwa (Minute)—13 pp.

13 Nov., 1780, No. 5

1780, Nov 23. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 23 Nov., 1780

Sep 11, Bombay Castle. The President and Select Committee at Bombay inform the Board that T. Goddard arrived at Bombay to consult with them on some points relative to the military operations; transmit a box of army accounts from Brig. Gen. Goddard together with copies of letters to and from Goddard and of a letter from the (Portuguese) Governor General at Goa. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

23 Nov., 1780, No. 1

Jul 17, Goa. D. F. G. De Souza protests to the Governor and Council at Bombay against the capture of the fort of Parnera and the intended attack of Bassein on the ground that those places once belonged to Portugal. (Enclosure to above)—6 pp.

23 Nov., 1780, No. A

Aug 10, Surat. T. Goddard requests the Select Committee at Bombay for their instructions on some points relative to the operations against Bassein.

Aug 24, Bombay. T. Goddard communicates to the Select Committee at Bombay his observations on the present state of affairs relative to the Maratha war; requests them to appropriate the first payment of the revenues of the country to the sole use of the army under him; assures them of protecting Gujarat against any attack of the enemy; makes certain observations on Raghunathrao. (Enclosures)—15 pp.

23 Nov., 1780, No. B

Sep 5, Bombay Castle. The Select Committee at Bombay commit to T. Goddard the entire directions of the Bombay Detachment under J. Hartley during the ensuing campaign in the Konkan; intimate the arrangements made by them for supplying him with money and ships. (Enclosure)—4 pp.

23 Nov., 1780, No. C

Sep 6, Bombay. T. Goddard transmits to the Board a copy of his correspondence with the Select Committee at Bombay relative to the ensuing campaign; intimates that he will soon put the troops at Surat in motion; states that the sentiments of the Select Committee at Bombay

on the partition of territory made with Fateh Singh correspond to those expressed by him; requests help to meet the expenses of the war; asks for instructions relative to the terms of peace which may be offered to the Marathas on the successful termination of the war. (A.L.S.)—8 pp.

23 Nov., 1780, No. 2

Sep 24, Camp near Surat. T. Goddard informs the Board that the detachment of Madras European infantry and artillery has embarked in pursuance of the plan determined upon at Bombay; congratulates on the capture of the fortress of Gwalior by the troops under W. Popham; intimates that the claim of W. G. Farmer has been admitted by the Government of Bombay. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

23 Nov., 1780, No. 3

Nov 5, Vizagapatnam. J. H. Casamaijor gives an account to the Board of the revolt of grenadiers there; adds that most of the mutineers have been arrested and are under trial. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

23 Nov., 1780, No. 4

Nov 29. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 29 Nov., 1780

Nov 6, Fort St. George. E. Coote intimates to the Board his safe arrival, the burning of villages by Haidar Ali's cavalry and the fall of Arcot; urges the necessity of T. Goddard's army acting against Haidar Ali on the other side of the Country; informs that the Guntur sarkar has been restored to the Nizam; encloses certain papers. (A.L.S.).

Nov 1, Chingleput. Lt. G. Mackey reports the fall of Arcot.

Nov 2. Wandiwash. Lt. W. Flint reports to the Select Committee at Madras that Arcot has been captured and Raja Birbar carried prisoner to Haidar Ali's camp.

Nov 6. Lt. J. Pringle reports to H. Munro the fall of Arcot; informs that Raja Birbar has been taken as prisoner and that Haidar Ali has proclaimed himself *Subah* of the Arcot province; adds that Tipu Sahib, Mir Sahib, Karim Sahib and J. Lally have been sent against Vellore. (Enclosures to above)—7 pp.

29 Nov., 1780, No. 1

Dec 14. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 14 Dec., 1780

Dec 1, Calcutta. P. Francis justifies his action in not having concurred in the Governor General's proposal for an expedition into Malwa. (Minute)—4 pp.

14 Dec., 1780, No. 1

Dec 2. W. Hastings states that P. Francis's engagement was absolute and unqualified; adds that he was entitled to Francis' concurrence in his proposal. (Minute)—1 p.

14 Dec., 1780, No. 2

Nov 15, Fort St. George. The President and Select Committee at Fort St. George offer thanks to the Board for the reinforcement sent from Bengal and for sparing the services of E. Coote when so many Indian powers have combined against the English. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

14 Dec., 1780, No. 3

Nov 11, Fort St. George. The President and Council at Fort St. George intimate to the Board the arrival of E. Coote; inform that J. Whitehall has been declared suspended from his office of the President and Governor of Fort St. George; state that C. Smith, second in Council, has taken the charge of the Government; transmit a copy of their proceedings and other connected papers on the subject. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

14 Dec., 1780, No. 4

Nov 7, 8, Fort St. George. Proceedings of the Council at Fort St. George relative to the suspension of J. Whitehall from the office of the Governor of Madras and succession of C. Smith thereto.

Oct 10. The Council at Fort St. George inform J. Whitehall about his suspension from the office of the Governor of Madras.

Nov 7, Fort St. George. J. Whitehall protests against the power of the Board to suspend him.

Nov 7, Fort St. George. E. Coote refuses to act with J. Whitehall as Governor of Madras until his reinstatement.

Nov 7, Fort St. George. S. Johnson and C. Smith observe that in their opinion J. Whitehall stands suspended and cannot do any act of the Government.

Nov 8, Fort St. George. A. Davidson observes that he does not approve of J. Whitehall's suspension though he acknowledges the power of the Board; supports E. Coote's motion regarding C. Smith being the Acting Governor.

Nov 7, Fort St. George. H. Munro observes that circumstances having now changed, the execution of the orders of the Board respecting the Governor's suspension should be postponed till they hear again from them.

Nov 8, Fort St. George. J. Whitehall observes that the resolution of the Board respecting his suspension in which E. Coote bore a part is founded on error; states that he will not acquiesce in this act of injustice; adds that E. Coote should either employ a force to execute the order of the Board or repair an injury he has erroneously committed.

Nov 8, Fort St. George. Resolution of the Council at Fort St. George that J. Whitehall is suspended from the office of Governor and C. Smith succeeds him.

Nov 8, Fort St. George. E. Coote states that J. Whitehall has unjustly held him up as the chief instrument in the matter of his suspension. (Enclosures to above)—23 pp.

14 Dec., 1780, No. A

Dec 6, Ganjam. J. Turing reports to the Governor General that communication with Madras has been interrupted by Haidar Ali's army, (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

14 Dec., 1780, No. 5

Dec 14. The Board request the President and Select Committee at Fort St. George to send their letters and despatches by sea during the continuance of the war; transmit a letter from the Select Committee at Fort Marlbro'. 2 pp.

14 Dec., 1780, No. 6

Nov 10. Fort St. George. E. Coote explains to the Board the delicate position he was placed in when the question of suspending J. Whitehall came up for discussion before the Council at Fort St. George; enumerates the several instances of the superiority of Haidar Ali to the English in the Carnatic; proposes the appointment of an Adjutant General of India; recommends Lt. Col. A. Owen for that office; reports the capture of the *Bombay Merchant* by two French ships from Mauritius; requests supply of tents and provisions and also volunteers from among the battalions. (A.L.S.)—4 pp.

14 Dec., 1780, No. 7

Dec 14. The Board intimate to E. Coote the arrangements made by them for supplying troops for the assistance of the Presidency of Madras; give their views on the loss of Arcot; state that they have strongly recommended to the Court of Directors the appointment of an Adjutant General of India; promise regular and full supplies of treasure; intimate the arrangements made for supplying provisions and tents to that Presidency; ask for the return of the *Indies* and the *Intelligence*; add that they have asked the Government of Madras to devise means for the conveyance of all letters to them by sea during the continuance of the war. 17 pp.

18 Dec., 1780, No. 8

Dec 18. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 18 Dec., 1780

Dec 15, Hooghly. J. M. Ross intimates to the Board his appointment as Director of the Dutch Settlement at Chinsura; transmits an authentic copy of his commission; requests to be helped with a company of soldiers in case of any urgency. (Translation)—2 pp.

18 Dec., 1780, No. 1

1776, Jun 20, Castle of Batavia. The Commission appointing J. M. Ross the Director of the Dutch Settlement in Bengal. (Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

18 Dec., 1780, No. A

Dec 18. The Board transmit to G. Stibbert a copy of J. M. Ross's letter of Sepoys at Chandernagore) to hold his battalion in readiness to march to Chinsura on receipt of a requisition from J. M. Ross. 2 pp.

18 Dec., 1780, No. 2

Dec 18. The Board transmit to G. Stibbert a copy of J. M. Ross's letter and their orders to C. Chatfield. 1 p.

18 Dec., 1780, No. 3

Dec 18. The Board inform J. M. Ross that they have sent orders to C. Chatfield to hold himself in readiness to march with the troops when requisitioned; transmit with remarks a copy of the letter. 3 pp.

18 Dec., 1780, No. 4

Dec 18. The Board intimate to the Government of Batavia their having issued orders for supplying J. M. Ross with a military force in case of emergency; transmit a copy of their correspondence on the subject. 3 pp.

18 Dec., 1780, No. 5

Nov 19, Headquarters Choultry Plain. E. Coote gives to the Board an account of the present state of the army under him and of the movements of Haidar Ali; informs that he has detained the *Fanner* and the *Intelligence* and despatched the *Indies* with letters to the Bombay Government and to the Admiral and T. Goddard; encloses certain papers; states that Muhammad Ali Khan can render no assistance. (A.L.S.)—6 pp.

18 Dec., 1780, No. 6

Nov 19, Fort St. George. Estimate of the military disbursements of Fort St. George for one month by E. Coote. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

18 Dec., 1780, No. 7

Nov 11, Fort St. George. Estimate of the garrison, stores and provisions required at Madras. (Enclosure)—1 p.

18 Dec., 1780, No. B

Nov 29, Headquarters Choultry Plain. E. Coote forwards to the Board an extract from a letter from Cuddalore respecting the hostile behaviour of the French at Pondicherry; suggests the necessity of taking some steps with respect to the French residents of Chandernagore. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

18 Dec., 1780, No. 8

Dec 18. The Board resolve to supply such articles of garrison, stores and provisions for the use of the Presidency of Fort St. George as may not have been ordered earlier; W. Hastings proposes to ask G. Stibbert to issue orders to the officers commanding battalions of sepoys to give proper encouragement to their men who may be willing to proceed to Fort St. George by sea. (Minute)—2 pp.

Progs., 18 Dec., 1780

E. Coote requests the Governor General to send by sea volunteers from among the sepoy battalions. (Extract)—2 pp.

18 Dec., 1780, No. 9

Nov 20, Headquarters Choultry Plain. E. Coote transmits to the Board a letter from the Select Committee at Bombay; requests for their opinion regarding the proposed interference of the Portuguese between the Company and the Marathas. (A.L.S.)—1 p.

18 Dec., 1780, No. 10

Sep 23, Bombay Castle. The President and Select Committee at Bombay transmit to the Board a copy of a letter from R. Henshaw; inform that they have asked T. Goddard to bring down the army with all possible expedition for the siege of Bassein; promise to take measures to anticipate the Portuguese in their views of getting possession of that place. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

18 Dec., 1780, No. 11

Sep 9, Goa. R. Henshaw informs the Governor of Bombay that the Portuguese are making preparations to send a garrison to Bassein and hoist Portuguese colours there. (Enclosure to above)—1 p.

18 Dec., 1780, No. 12

Dec 18. The Board express their concern to E. Coote at the unfavourable account of the state of the army in the coast; inform that they have offered concessions for obtaining sepoy volunteers to go to Madras; request return of three pilot vessels; remark on the insurrection of the French at Pondicherry, the civil and military expenses at Madras and the supply of provisions. 7 pp.

18 Dec., 1780, No. 13

Dec 26. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 26 Dec., 1780

Oct 15, Camp near Surat. T. Goddard transmits to the Board an extract from a letter from the Court of Directors; intimates his preparations for the siege of Bassein; informs that arrangements have been made for the protection of their territories in Gujarat. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

26 Dec., 1780, No. 1

Apr 12. The Court of Directors intimates to the Select Committee at Bombay the appointment of T. Goddard as Commander-in-Chief at Bombay; grant him a commission of Brigadier General and a seat in the Bombay Council. (Extract—Enclosure to above)—3 pp.

26 Dec., 1780, No. A

Dec 24, Kedgerree. Capt. W. Reid (Commander of the *Betsey*) gives an account to the Governor General of an encounter with and his subsequent escape from the French cruizer, *Saint Anne*. (A.L.S.)—3 pp.

26 Dec., 1780, No. 2

Dec 24, Nancy Ketch off Kedgerree. Capt. R. Hiffernan (Commander of the *Nancy*) intimates to the Governor General that he was informed by an English sloop that she had been chased by a large ship off the island of Cheduba on the Arakan coast and that the *Bombay Merchant* was captured off Cochin on the Malabar coast. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

26 Dec., 1780, No. 3

Dec 28. Minutes of Consultation.

B. S., 28 Dec., 1780

Dec 14, Ganjam. J. Turing reports to the Governor General the arrival in the Road of a French privateer *St. Anne*; transmits copies of correspondence in connection therewith. (A.L.S.)—2 pp.

28 Dec., 1780, No. 1

De Champdieu (Commander of the French ship *St. Anne*) sends to J. Turing two English officers of a vessel captured by him. (Enclosure to above—A.L.S.)—11 pp.

28 Dec., 1780, No. 2

Dec 14, Ganjam. Capt. J. Orpin and J. Collier give an account to J. Turing of their capture by the French privateer *St. Anne*. (A.L.S.—Enclosure)—1 p.

28 Dec., 1780, No. 3

Dec 14, Ganjam. J. Turing intimates to the Resident at Balasore the designs of the French vessels to cruize near the Balasore Road; requests him to spread the news so as to prevent English ships from falling into the enemy's hands. (Enclosure)—1 p.

28 Dec., 1780, No. 4

Dec 28. W. Hastings proposes the appointment of W. Wadsworth as Resider at Balasore and the grant of a gratuity and allowances to R. Marriot, the present incumbent. (Minute)—3 pp.

28 Dec., 1780, No. 5

Dec 28. The Board appoint J. P. Auriol as Public Minister at Goa. 2 pp

28 Dec., 1780, No. 6

Dec 28. The Board give instructions to J. P. Auriol to open negotiations with the Portuguese Government for a union against Haidar Ali. 3 pp.

28 Dec., 1780, No. 7

Dec 28. The Board propose to D. F. G. De Souza a union with the Portuguese Government against Haidar Ali; inform that J. P. Auriol had been deputed to Goa for that purpose. 2 pp.

28 Dec., 1780, No. 8

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